



# Post Office Directory Extract 1875



## Hill Deverill

**Hill Deverill** is a parish in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Heytesbury, Warminster union and county court district, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury and rural deanery of Wylve, 3¼ miles south from Warminster, 117¼ from London and 4 south-west from Heytesbury.

The church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was rebuilt in 1843. It is recorded that there was a church here in 1220, built of stone and covered in lead. The present church has no pretensions to architectural beauty. It has a chancel and nave, with seats on either side for about 150 persons. It is 70 feet long, 20 feet wide, with small turret and 1 bell, and contains a handsome stone carved tomb, which belonged to the Ludlow family, who were formerly lords of the manor. The register dates from 1700. The living is a vicarage, yearly value £76, in the gift of the Rev. E B Elliott as prebendary of Hill Deverill, in the Collegiate Church of Heytesbury, and held by the Rev. John Powell, B.A., of Trinity College, Dublin.

The Duke of Somerset, who is lord of the manor, and the Marquis of Bath, are chief landowners.

The soil is both sand and chalk; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley.

The area is 1,420 acres; gross estimated rental, £2,491; rateable value, £2,196; and the population in 1871 was 128.

Rye Hill Farm is a mile and a half west.

PARISH CLERK                      Richard Prince

LETTERS            through Warminster, which is the nearest money order office.

### Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Gross	George		Farmer	
George	Richard		Farmer	The Mill
Pope	John		Farmer	Baycliff farm
Styles	Edward		Farmer	Rye Hill farm