



Post Office Directory Extract 1875



Hilperton

Hilperton is a parish and pleasant village in the Northern division of the county, hundred and union of Melksham, county court district of Trowbridge, diocese of Salisbury, archdeaconry of Wilts and rural deanery of Potterne, a mile and a half north-east from Trowbridge station, 98 miles from London, 4 south-west from Melksham and 3 south-east from Bradford.

The church of St Michael is a plain stone building, with square tower, surmounted by a low spire and containing 4 bells and clock. The nave and chancel were rebuilt about 1854, in the Middle Pointed style. The registers date from the year 1691. The living is a rectory, with that of Whaddon annexed, of the joint yearly value of £500, with residence, in the gift of the trustees of the late R P Long, esq., and held by the Rev. Thomas Henry Tait, M.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge.

Here is a National school for boys and girls, which was enlarged in 1875. The Baptists and Wesleyans have each a chapel here.

The soil is clay; subsoil, gravel, shallow rock and clay. The land is chiefly in pasture.

The land belongs principally to the trustees of R P Long, esq., who are lords of the manor.

The parish has an area of 1,078 acres; gross estimated rental, £3,647; rateable value, £3,060; the population in 1871 was 917.

SEXTON Alexander Fillis

POST OFFICE Miss Leah Knee Receiver
 Letters are received through Trowbridge, arrive at 6.45 am. & are dispatched at 7.30 pm.
 The nearest money order office is at Trowbridge.

NATIONAL SCHOOL Albert James Whitcombe Master

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beavan	Isaac			Yew Villa
Blake	Edward			
Brown	William Roger	J.P.		Highfield House
Bush	John Jones			The Grange
Edwards		Mrs		Church House
Harrington	Peter			
Hayward		Mrs		
Oxenham	Frederick James			
Pierce	Frederick	Rev.	Baptist	Green's Cottage
Rawlings		Mrs		
Rawlings		Mrs jun.		
Tait	Thomas Henry	Rev., M.A., J.P.	Rector	
Willis	Henry Scott			Oriel Villa

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	George		Baker & grocer	
Bazley	John		Veterinary surgeon	
Bigwood	James		Dairyman	
Bird	Herbert & Samuel		Coal merchants	Wharf, Hilperton Marsh
Brown	John		Carpenter	
Burbidge	George		Farmer	Manor farm
Bush	John Jones		Land agent &c.	
Caudy	Theophilus		Farmer	
Clement	William		Tailor	
Drake	George Hudson		Beer retailer	
Dunston	George		Dairyman	
Feltham	Charles	Mrs	Farmer	
Fillis	Alexander		Smith & sexton	
Garrett	James			<i>Three Horseshoes Inn</i>
Grant	William		Dairyman	
Hibbard	Charles		Butcher	
Hiscock	Isaac		Wheelwright	
Hiscock	Michael		Smith	
Hiscock	Richard		Carpenter	
Hooper	Henry	Mrs	Farmer	
Linsley	Levi		Tiler & plasterer	
Long	Charles		Beer retailer	
Messiter	Mary Ann	Mrs	Beer retailer	Hilperton Marsh
Newth	Arthur Augustus		Coal merchant	Wharf, Hilperton Marsh
Pike	Joseph		Farmer	Church farm
Pinchin	Mary Ann	Mrs	Farmer	
Rawlings	Edwin	Mrs	Grocer & corn factor	
Richmond	William		Dairyman	Hilperton Marsh
Rudman	Joseph			<i>Lion & Fiddle Inn</i>
Scott	Eli		Grocer & beer retailer	
Shell	William			<i>King's Arms Hilperton Marsh</i>
Simons	David		Carpenter & grocer	
Stevens	John		Farmer	
Walters	Samuel		Seedsman & florist	