



Kelly's Directory Extract 1867

Hindon



Hindon is a parish, market and post town, and the centre of an agricultural district, mostly one straight street, near a quarter of a mile in length, standing on a gradual acclivity, on the high road from Salisbury to Taunton, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Downton, Tisbury union, Shaftesbury county court district, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, and rural deanery of Chalke, 111 miles south-west from London by Salisbury, 123 by Warminster, 16 west from Salisbury, and 9 south from Warminster.

The church, which is supposed to have been dedicated to St. John the Baptist, was built in the reign of Philip and Mary, probably about 1555, has a square tower with 6 bells, and in 1836 was repaired, restored, and enlarged. The porch, windows and the tower are all remains of the Norman style. The living is a chapelry, value £75, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor, and held by the Rev. W. H. Thompson.

On Holy Thursday, July 2nd, 1752, two-thirds of the town were destroyed by fire.

It was an ancient borough, but only by prescription, and possessed a local government, having a bailiff and burgesses, and returned two members to parliament; it was disfranchised at the passing of the Reform Bill in 1832, and is now a polling-place for the southern division of the county.

The market is appointed to be held on a Thursday. There are fairs on the 27th of May and 29th of October.

The houses are built chiefly of stone, raised from the quarry at Tisbury, in this locality. Coals are brought from the pits at Radstock, in Somerset. There is a Free school for boys and girls, which was built by Lord Calthorpe when lord of the manor. There is a chapel belonging to the Independents, and one also for the Primitive Methodists.

Here is the charity of James Ames, Esq., late surgeon of Hindon, who died June 9, 1828, and left by will £10 annually to the poor of this parish for ever, to be distributed by the overseers, in bread and clothing, on Christmas-Eve.

The town is chiefly the property of the Marquis of Westminster and Alfred Morrison, Esq.

The soil is light chalky loam; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats, &c, and pasturage. The area is 212 acres, and the population in 1861 was 604.

Parish Clerk, John Beckett

Post & Money Order Office, Post Office Savings Bank & Government Insurance & Annuity Office – Miss Susannah Harrison, postmistress. Letters arrive by London & cross road mail cart, via Salisbury, at 7 a.m. & are dispatched at 6.40 p.m. by same conveyance. Box closes at 6.30 p.m.

Inland Revenue Office, Lamb inn, William Hacker

Public Officers

Clerk to Magistrates of Hindon Division, Charles Edward Buckland, Bleke Street, Shaftesbury

Clerk to Hindon Highway Board, Thomas B. Chitty, Bimport Street, Shaftesbury

Clerk to Property & Assessed Taxes, Charles Edward Buckland, Bleke Street, Shaftesbury

Registrar of Births & Deaths, William Lathey

Relieving Officer, William Lathey

Superintendent of Police, Edward Dann

Petty sessions held at the sessions hall, fortnightly

National School, George Plank, master; Miss Jane Cox, mistress

Carriers

Richard Perrott, to 'King's Arms', Shaftesbury, saturday, returning same day. To Salisbury, tues, returning same day.

Hull, from Tisbury to Warminster, thursday, returning same day, calling at 'Queen's Head', Hindon.

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beckett	John	Esq.		Hindon
Purdy	Samuel	Esq.		Hindon
Richardson		Miss		Hindon
Richardson	Elizabeth	Miss		Hindon
Thompson	W. H.	Rev.	Incumbent	Hindon
Young	Henry	Esq.		Hindon

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beckett	Archibald		Plumber	Hindon
Beckett	James		Shoe Maker	Hindon
Beckett	John		Basket Maker & Parish Clerk	Hindon
Beckett	Joseph		Shoe Maker	Hindon
Bennett	Elisha		<i>Queen's Head</i>	Hindon
Bevis	Henry		Tailor	Hindon
Burleigh	Samuel		Farmer	Hindon
Carpenter	James		Tailor	Hindon
Cheverill	Elizabeth	Miss	Baker	Hindon
Dann	William		<i>Grosvenor Arms</i>	Hindon
Edwards	James		Shopkeeper	Hindon
Farratt	William		Smith	Hindon
Hacker	William		<i>Lamb Inn & Inland Revenue Office</i>	Hindon

Harding	Erastus		Grocer & Draper	Hindon
Harwood	George		Grocer	Hindon
Howell	John		Mason	Hindon
Lawrence	John		Carpenter	Hindon
Norton	Joseph		Tailor	Hindon
Perrett	George		China Dealer	Hindon
Ranger	John		Dealer in Marine Stores	Hindon
Rawlings	Morality		Farmer	Hawking Down Farm
Roberts	Henry		Grocer & Baker	Hindon
Ruddock	Luke		Cooper	Hindon
Sims	John		Wheelwright	Hindon
Snook	Charles & Son		Plumbers	Hindon
Stevens	John		Dealer in Marine Stores	Hindon
Vigor	John		Butcher	Hindon
White	George		Coal Dealer	Hindon
White	Thomas		Nurseryman	Hindon
Young	Henry		Surgeon	Hindon