



Kellys Directory Extract 1889

Longbridge Deverill



THIS is a parish, situated on the road from Warminster to Shaftesbury, 3 miles south from Warminster, 4 west from Heytesbury and 8 south-east from Frome, in the Western division of the county, South Damerham hundred, Warminster union, petty sessional division and county court district, rural deanery of Wylve Heytesbury portion, archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. The church of SS. Peter and Paul is very ancient, and is supposed to have been consecrated by Thomas-a-Becket: it was restored at the expense of the Marquess of Bath in 1852: it is an edifice of stone in various styles, and consists of chancel, with the Bath chapel on the north side and organ chamber and vestry on the south, nave with aisles, and has a square Perpendicular embattled western tower with 6 bells, the treble bell by Warner having been added in 1882: the aisles are connected with the nave by arcades, that on the north side being supported by very Early Norman pillars and that on the south being 14th century: there is a large stained window, representing The Saviour in Glory: here is the burial place of the Thynne family: there is a monument in the Bath chapel to Sir John Thynne, the founder of Longleat, ob. 1580, also mural monuments to first and second Marquesses of Bath and their wives: at the south entrance, an elegant lych gate was erected by the late vicar in memory of his children: there are 234 sittings. The register dates from the year 1682. The living is a vicarage, with the vicarage of Monckton Deverill and chapelry of Crockerton annexed, joint yearly value from tithe rent-charge £218, gross £540, including 70 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Marquess of Bath, and held since 1875 by the Rev. John David Morrice M.A. of Trinity College, Cambridge. The church of the Holy Trinity, at Crockerton, a chapelry in this parish, was built of Crockerton stone, in the Byzantine style, in 1843: it consists of apsidal chancel and nave and small western tower surmounted by a turret containing one bell: the seats, for 500 persons, are entirely free and unappropriated. Here are Primitive Methodist, Congregational and Baptist chapels; and almshouses, founded in 1665, by Sir James Thynne, for six men and two women, each of whom receive 15s. 6d. monthly. A priory of Black Canons was founded here by Sir John Vernon about 1270, but had fallen into decay (1529), and was sold: ultimately became possessed by Sir John Thynne, son of Earl of Hertford, Duke of Somerset. Longleat, the seat of the Marquess of Bath, F.S.A., D.L., J.P. in this parish ecclesiastically, but for civil purposes in Horningsham, was erected on the site of the priory by Sir John Thynne: the foundation was laid in January, 1567, and twelve years elapsed before it was completed: it is traditionally asserted that the model was obtained from Italy: the mansion is spacious and magnificent, standing in a park 12 miles in circumference, watered by a branch of the river Frome, amidst pleasant woods and scenery, with wide prospects over the adjacent country: the park contains a herd of deer, and has some fine timber, comprising some venerable oaks and some very large Scotch spruce firs, some upwards of 120 feet high: Shire Water Lake, covering 38 acres, is within the domain, which covers 2,000 acres: Sir John Thynne, the founder, died in 1580, and at the time of his decease part of the interior was left unfinished, and his son did not live to complete the works: his descendant, Thomas Thynne, who was shot in his coach in Pall Mall in 1682, formed the road to Frome, which is planted with elms, and the whole was completed by the first Viscount Weymouth: alterations were made in the disposition of the grounds by Thomas, third Viscount Weymouth, when the gardens were remodelled by Launcelot, known as "Capability" Brown: the second Marquess of Bath built the northern front, from designs by Sir Jeffery Wyattville, and the mansion now forms a parallelogram, 220 feet by 180 in dimensions, built entirely of freestone: it is of three stories, the facade broken by projections, with pilasters of Corinthian order on top storey, Ionic in the centre and Doric at the base, and the whole surmounted with a balustrade on which are statues: the principal entrance is on the southern front and the entrance hall is grand and imposing in its appearance, rising to the height of two stories, having a flat ceiling with spandrel brackets and pendants, and at the lower end is a richly carved screen: the staircase comprises a central flight of oaken steps, 10 feet wide, with two returns, and is adapted to the style and magnitude of the building, and is lighted by an octagonal lantern, 15 feet in diameter, rising from a coved ceiling, enriched with arabesque foliage: the height of the ground floor is 15 feet, the next 18, and the third storey 12 feet: the old baronial hall, used as a dining room, has carved wainscoting, and is hung with arms and trophies of the chase: a fine collection of pictures by Vandyke, Holbein, Lely and Reynolds, including family portraits, adorns the principal apartments, and there is a valuable library: Queen Elizabeth resided here, 1575; Charles II 1667 and George III. ; Bishop Ken, after the

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deprivation of his see of Bath and Wells, resided and died here in 1711 and was buried at Frome; he officiated in the small chapel here, and to him is ascribed the naming of a gap in the woods as Heaven's Gate. The Marquess of Bath is lord of the manor and sole landowner. The soil is light sand and chalk; subsoil, chalk and stone. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 3,762 acres ; rateable value, £4,005 ; the population in 1881 was 914, with Crockerton.

Parish Clerk, Edwin Maxfield

POST OFFICE - Edwin Maxfield, receiver. Letters arrive by messenger from Warminster at 7.10 a.m. & 3.30 p.m.; dispatched at 12.30 & 6.10 p.m.; on Sundays at 11.55 a. m. The nearest money order & telegraph office is at Warminster. Postal orders are issued here, but not paid.

POST OFFICE, Crockerton - Edward Prince, receiver. Letters arrive by messenger from Warminster at 6.45 a. m. & 2.35 p.m.; dispatched at 12.55 & 6.30 p.m.; Sundays 11.30 a.m.

WALL Box, Bath Arms, cleared 12.45 & 6.25 p.m.; Sundays 11.25 a.m.

INSURANCE AGENT - Norwich Union Fire, W. Buckenham

SCHOOLS:-

National (mixed), built in 1851, for 100 children; average attendance, 59; Henry Hicks, master; Miss Kate Smith, mistress.

National, Crockerton, built in 1850, for 95 children; average attendance, 51; Sidney Charles Horlock, master; Miss Elizabeth Thompson, mistress.

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Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bath		The Marquess of, F.S.A., D.L., J.P.		Longleat; & 48 Berkley Square W & Carlton Club, London S W
McGowan	Willie	Rev., B.A.	Curate	
Morrice	John David	Rev., M.A.		Vicarage
Weymouth		Viscount, M.P., J.P.		Longleat; & 48 Berkley Square W & Carlton Club, London S W

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Ball	James		Boot & Shoe Maker	
Brown	Aaron		Boot & Shoe Maker	
Butt	George		Carpenter	
Cowley	William		Farmer & Coal Merchant	
Dallaway	Sarah	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Dufosee	Alfred George		Farmers	
Dufosee	Fanny	Mrs.	Publican	George Inn
Dufosee	William		Farmers	
Fulford	William Lampard		Farmer	Shute Farm
Hinton	William		Farmer	West Farm
Ingram	Henry		Saddlers	
Ingram	Sidney		Saddlers	
Loder	Henry		Dairyman	
Maxfield	Edwin		Shopkeeper & Parish Clerk	Post Office

Maxfield	Ellen	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Parham	Thomas	Mrs.	Farmer	Manor Farm
Parker	Philip		Blacksmith	
Pickford	William		Farmer	Long Ivor
Scammell	Thomas		Boot Maker	
Smith	Egbert		Blacksmith	
Stockley	Peter		Head Gamekeeper To The Marquess Of Bath	Aucomb

Crockerton

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Churchill	Samuel			
Gilbert	Edward			Crockerton Villas
Harrison	Daniel	Rev., B.A.	Curate	Thornhill
Jupe	Charles William			
Ward		Miss		Fox Holes

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	John		Farmer	
Butcher	Robert		Brick & Tile Maker	
Coward	Joseph		Boot Maker	
Edwards	Henry		Pork Butcher	
Foote	William		Farmer	
Grant	John James		Shopkeeper	
Gray	William		Shopkeeper	
Greenhill	Richard		Dairyman	
Hobbs	Mark		Carrier	
Hurd	William Henry		Farmer	
Jupe	Charles	& Son	Silk Winding Mills	
Payne	Mary Ann	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	
Pickford	Daniel		Farmer	
Prince	Edwin		Carpenter & Shopkeeper	Post Office
Ranger	Thomas		Dairyman	
Scott	Henry		Shopkeeper & Carrier	
Toogood	William		Farmer	
Webb	Charles		Farmer	
Webb	James		Farmer	
Wheeler	George		Carpenter	
Wilton	Ann Cooper	Mrs.	Publican	Bath Arms Public House