



# Kellys Directory Extract 1915

## Manningford Bruce



**MANNINGFORD BRUCE** (which derives its name from the old baronial family of Braose) is a small village and parish, 2.5 miles south-west from Pewsey station of the Great Western railway, and 10 east-by-south from Devizes, in the Eastern division of the county, Swanborough hundred, Everleigh and Pewsey petty sessional division, Pewsey union, Marlborough county court district, rural deanery of Marlborough, (Pewsey portion), archdeaconry of Wilts, and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Peter, a building of rubble faced with flint, and originally of Early Norman date, consists of apsidal chancel, nave, south porch, and a western belfry of wood, containing 2 bells: four of the windows are stained and there are several mural tablets, including one in the chancel to Mary Nicholas, wife of the then lord of the manor, who with her sister Jane, was instrumental in preserving the life of Charles II after his defeat at Worcester, September 3rd 1651; a curious old pewter flagon and two dishes dated 1727 are preserved in the church: the church was restored in 1882, under the direction of the late Mr J L Pearson RA, and affords 100 sittings. The register dates from the year 1657. The living is a rectory, net income £170, with 8 acres of glebe and house, in the gift of Thomas Barnard esq of Bedford, and held since 1892 by the Rev. Edward Tanqueray BA of Cambridge University. Manningford Manor House is the residence of Robert William Awdry esq BA, JP and stands in a park of about 12 acres. The principal landowner is Alexander Grant-Meek esq, who is lord of the manor. The soil is sand, clay and peat, sub-soil chalky. The chief crops are wheat, barley and beans. The area is 1113 acres; rateable value £1360: population in 1911, 240.

**Parish Clerk:** Albert Farr

**Post M O & T Office:** Mrs Georgina Clements, sub-postmistress. The postal address is Pewsey, Wilts. Letters arrive at 6.35am & 2.45pm, Sundays, 7.5am; dispatched at 11.35am & 6.40pm, Sundays 6.35pm

**Wall Letter Box, Townsend:** cleared 11.50am & 6.20pm, Sundays 9.15am.

Elementary School (mixed) for the parishes of Manningford Abbotts, Manningford Bruce, and part of Manningford Bohun, built in 1841 and enlarged in 1873 for 80 children. Miss Sylvia Hampton, mistress.

### Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Awdry	Robert William	BA, JP		Manor House
Grant-Meek	Alex	BA, JP		The Hold
Stratton		Misses		
Tanqueray	Edward	Reverend, BA	Rector	Rectory

### Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
		Waight & Son	Wagon, Van & Cart Builders	
Barter	Henry John		Farmer	
Farr	Noah		Boot Repairer	
Holloway	William		Farmer	
Kingston	James William		Farmer	

Lott	William		Farmer & Beer Retailer	
Mainstone	Matilda	Mrs	Shopkeeper	
Moore	Emily	Miss	Dressmaker	
Pearce	Frederick		Thatcher	
Whitmarsh	Frank		Gamekeeper to A Grant-Meek esq	