



# Post Office Directory Extract 1875



## Martin

MARTIN is a parish, on the borders of Hampshire and Dorsetshire, in the Southern division of the county, South Damerham hundred, Fordingbridge union, county court district of Salisbury, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, and rural deanery of Chalke, distant 4 miles north-east from Cranborne (Dorset), and 9.5 south-west-by-south from Salisbury. The church of St. Martin is an ancient structure in the Early English style, and consists of chancel, nave, north & south transepts, and north aisle under separate roof, its length intersecting the transept on that side; it has square tower surmounted by heavy octagonal spire, with 3 bells : it was repaired and internally restored in 1857, and re-seated with open benches. The earliest register bears date 1590. The living is a vicarage, yearly value £220, with residence, in the gift of the vicar of South Damerham, and held by the Rev. John Harding. There is a National school, built at the cost of £320, of which £123 was contributed by the Committee of Council, the remainder by subscription. There is a charity here, bequeathed by the late William Talk, of 8s. per week to six poor and deserving persons in the parish. Eyre Cote, esq. (a minor), is lord of the manor. The principal landowner is the Rev. Edward Peacock. The soil is chalk and gravel ; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 3,543 acres ; gross estimated rental, £4,091 ; rateable value, £3,538 ; and the population in 1871 was 529. TOYD FARM, with ALLENFORD, formerly extra-parochial, now form a parish near this place, with 23 inhabitants. TIDPIT is a hamlet, a quarter of a mile south.

**Parish Clerk,** James Harris

**POST OFFICE.** – John Titt, receiver. Letters arrive from Salisbury at 8:15a.m. ; dispatched at 4:30p.m. The nearest money order office is at Cranborne

**National School,** Miss Elizabeth Melmoth, mistress

**CARRIER TO SALISBURY,-** Thomas Cannings, Tuesdays & Saturdays

### Traders

| Surname   | Given Names       | Title | Industry/Occupation                    | Place/Parish |
|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--------------|
| Aldridge  | Matthew           |       | Farmer                                 | Manor Farm   |
| Blandford | John              |       | Farmer                                 | Tidpit       |
| Bracher   | Edward            |       | Grocer                                 |              |
| Bright    | Joseph            |       |  | White Hart   |
| Dibben    | John              |       | General dealer                         |              |
| Dibben    | Thomas            |       | Bricklayer                             |              |
| Dove      | Charles           |       | Shoe maker                             |              |
| Ford      | Edmund            |       | Farmer                                 |              |
| Ford      | John              |       | Farmer                                 |              |
| Friend    | Martin Sweetapple |       |  |              |
| Harding   | John              | Rev   | Vicar                                  |              |
| Martin    | Charles           |       | Landowners & Farmers                   |              |
| Martin    | Malachi           |       | Landowners & Farmers                   |              |
| Scammell  | James             |       | Carpenter, wheelwright, grocer & Baker |              |
| Street    | Amelia            | Mrs   | Farmer, shopkeeper & baker             |              |
| Street    | William           |       | Farmer                                 |              |
| Sutton    | Thomas Blake      |       | Farmer                                 |              |

|          |                 |     |                          |              |
|----------|-----------------|-----|--------------------------|--------------|
| Tasker   | George Stoneham |     | Farmer                   |              |
| Thompson | Jane            | Mrs |                          | Coote's Arms |
| Titt     | John            |     | Shoe maker & Post office |              |
| Waters   | George          |     | Farmer                   | Toyd farm    |
| Waters   | Thomas          |     |                          | Tidpit       |
| White    | John            |     | Farmer & Shopkeeper      |              |
| White    | Josiah          |     | Blacksmith               |              |