



Kellys Directory Extract 1915



Odstock

ODSTOCK is a parish 3 miles south from Salisbury, on the river Ebble, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Cawdon and Cadworth, Salisbury union and county court district, Salisbury and Amesbury petty sessional division, rural deanery of Chalke (Chalke portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. The church of St Mary is an ancient edifice of flint and stone, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave, north porch, and a massive embattled western tower containing 3 bells: the east and west walls of the nave have been painted by Mr Alfred Weigall with scenes representing the "Judgement" and the "Birth of Christ": there is a stained window to the Rev. Charles Grove, a former rector, and a fine monument by Sir John Webb bart, to four of his children who died in infancy: in a niche or canopy in the south wall is the tomb of a benefactress; most of the inscription is gone, but what remains of it is in very clear Lombardic lettering: all that remains is "Dieu de sa alme ent merci A"; the final Amen is gone all but the A: the pulpit bearing the date 1580, is of oak, magnificently carved, and has the inscription "God bless and save our Royal Queen the lyke on earth was never seen": the church affords 80 sittings: in the churchyard is the tombstone of Joseph Scamp, who was executed here, having pleaded guilty to an offence, in the stead of his son-in-law. The register dates from the year 1541. The living is a rectory, net income £264, arising from 250 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the Earl of Radnor, and held since 1913 by the Rev. Francis Edward Overton MA of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, who resides at Nunton. Southward of the village is Clearbury Ring, a considerable eminence, supposed to have been a Roman encampment. The Earl of Radnor is lord of the manor, and owns the whole of the land. The soil is chalk and gravel; subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips. The area is 1294 acres; rateable value £715; the population in 1911 was 167.

Parish Clerk: Joseph Grant

Letters through Salisbury arrive at 7.30am. Wall Letter Box cleared at 10.5 am Sundays, and 2.30 & 7pm, weekdays. Salisbury is the nearest money order and telegraph office, 3 miles distant.

Elementary School, built in 1771, with residence, for 46 children; Miss Susan Snelgrove, mistress.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Harding	Thomas			Manor House

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
		Feltham & Sons	Blacksmiths	
Harding	Thomas		Farmer	
Trim	George		Beer Retailer	