

Rev. Edward Seymour Awdry

The death occurred at Manor Cottage, Seend, of the Rev Edward Seymour Awdry, aged 85, who had been an invalid for some years and had lived in Seend for a very long time.

He went to Sarum Theological College, was made deacon in 1875 and priest the following year. His first appointment was to the curacy of Powerstock, where he was from 1875 to 1880. He then went to Pewsey as curate until 1882. He was curate of Canford Magna, Dorset for the next three years and was also Chaplain at Malta from 1822-3.

In 1887 he became Rector of Allington, Wilts, a living he held until his retirement a few years later.

He married a cousin of the late Mr Arthur Balfour, the famous English Premier, and she survives him. There are no children. Before the war Mr Awdry organised a large Bible Class in Seend which over 70 men attended but after the war this lapsed.

The funeral took place on Wednesday at Seend Church.

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