



Kellys Directory Extract 1915

Sevenhampton



SEVENHAMPTON is a hamlet and tithing on the river Cole, which here forms the boundary of Berks and Wilts, 1½ miles south-east from Highworth station on the Swindon and Highworth branch of the Great Western railway, 8 east from Cricklade a 6 north-east from Swindon, in the parish of Highworth, Northern division of the county, Swindon county court district and petty sessional division, Swindon and Highworth union, rural deanery of Cricklade, archdeaconry of North Wilts and diocese of Bristol. The church of St James, erected in 1863, is of stone in the Early English style, and consists of chancel, nave, south porch and a western tower containing 6 bells: the east window and all the windows in the chancel are stained: in 1894 the church was redecorated by means of a legacy left by the late Charles Sewell esq.: there are about 250 sittings. The register dates from 1813, previous to which it was included in that of Highworth. Sevenhampton is a chapelry attached to the vicarage of Highworth, joint net yearly value £361, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Bristol, and held since 1906 by the Rev John Frederick Douglas Stephens MA of Pembroke College, Cambridge, hon, canon of Bristol, rural dean of Cricklade and vicar of Inglesham, who resides at Highworth. A sum of £2,000 bequeathed by Lady Wetherell Warneford and invested in 2½ per Cent. Consols, yields about £59 per annum, which is distributed in coals, blankets and warm clothing amongst the poor and laboring classes resident in the tithing. Warneford Place, the residence of Sir Frederick George Banbury bart. MP lord of the manor and sole landowner, is a fine old mansion, consisting of a central block, dating from 1566, with wings added in 1734: the house, which stands in an extensive park, is immediately surrounded by beautiful gardens about 14 acres in extent, and approached by an avenue of elms a mile in length; until purchased by the present owner the Warneford estate belonged to the Warneford family. The soil is loam and limestone; subsoil, limestone and clay. The chief crops are grass, with wheat, barley, beans and roots. The area and population are included with Highworth.

Parish Clerk: Miss Eldridge

Post Office: Miss Frances Fanny Eldridge, sub-postmistress. Letters through Swindon, via Highworth, arrive at 7.30am & 3.15pm. Box cleared at 7.30am & 7.35pm; Sundays 7.30am. Postal orders are issued & paid here. Money order & telegraph office is at Highworth, 1 mile distant

The children of this place attend the Highworth school

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Banbury	Frederick George	Sir, bart. MP JP		Warneford Place and 41 Lowndes Street, SW & Carlton Club SW & City of London Club EC London

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Chillingworth	Andrew		Farmer	Queen Lanes Farm
Eddolls	Frances		Farmer	Billingham Farm
Haine	Herbert		Farmer	Roves Farm
Lawrence	Richard		Farmer	Round Robin Farm
Smith	Frederick		Blacksmith	
Swanton	Leonard		Farmer	