



Kellys Directory Extract 1923



Stratton St. Margaret

Stratton St. Margaret is a parish and a village, taking its name from the old roman road running through it; it has a station on the Swindon & Highworth branch of the Great Western Railway, 2½ miles north-east from Swindon, 79½ miles from London and 3½ south from Highworth: The Parish includes The Street (now Lower Stratton), The Green, Upper Stratton. end Kingsdown: it is in the Swindon division of the county, hundred of Highworth, Swindon & Highworth union, Swindon county court district & petty session's division, and in Cricklade rural deanery, Swindon archdeaconry and Bristol diocese. The Wilts & Berks canal skirts the parish on the south. The church of St. Margaret is an ancient edifice of stone, chiefly in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave, aisles separated from the nave by ancient arcades of four bays, organ chamber and vestry, south porch and a western tower containing 6 bells: there is a small Norman doorway in the north aisle & the porch is perpendicular: east window is stained, there are 5 others including one to Rev. Septimus Isaac Crawhill M.A. vicar here, one to Frederick Day, missionary, killed in China, 1912: there are also monument tablets to William & Alice Hedges, alias Lacey de Kingsdown, 1645: Catherine Hedges, 1649 & William Hedges, 1693: in the south aisle is a window, erected to the memory of the 64 men of the parish who fell in the Great War, 1914-18; the work was executed by Mr. Horace Wilkinson of London, at the cost of £180 and contains the figure of St. Alban: there are 420 sittings. The churchyard has been twice enlarged, the last addition in 1901, when new oak gates were erected. The register dates from the year 1608. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £280, with 132 acres of glebe & residence, in the gift of Merton College, Oxford, on the nomination of the Bishop of Bristol, and held since 1911 by the Rev. Sydney Denton M.A. of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge: the rectorial tithe and glebe lands are in the possession of Merton College. The church of St. Philip, erected in 1904-5 at a cost of £3,700, is an edifice of brick in the Early English style, from the designs by Mr. W.A.H. Masters, architect of Swindon: there are sittings for 463 persons, priest in charge, Rev. Ebenezer Tee Davies L.D. of St. David's College, Lampeter. The iron mission church of St. Philip at Upper Stratton is now used as a parish hall and Sunday school. Here are Particular Baptist, General Baptist, Primitive Methodist & Wesleyan chapels, with Sunday schools attached. The charities are inconsiderable, being the interest of a sum of £200, bequeathed for the sustenance of vicars' widows in 1693 by William Hedges: there is a trust, bequeathed by John Herring and yielding £3 per annum of which £2:10s is applied in providing yearly prizes for scholars belonging to the elementary schools in the parish and the remaining 10s is given to four widows: there is an endowment of £24 a year to the General Baptist chapel at Lower Stratton. Here is the Poor: Law Institution of the Swindon & Highworth Union (for particulars see Swindon). The Parish is lighted with gas by the Swindon United Gas Company, and water is obtained from Ogbourne St. George, where it is pumped to the reservoirs at Wroughton. The principal landowners are Merton College, Oxford, Capt. Alderson Archer R.A. and James Arkell & Sons. The soil is principally clay loam and brash: subsoil of a loamy mixture. The land is principally in pasture. The area is 2,851 acres of land and 8 of water; ratable value £17,212: population in 1911 3,689 including 325 inmates and 16 officials in the Swindon & Highworth Poor Law Institution and 35 in the small home.

KINGSDOWN is 1½ miles north; PENHILL 2 miles north-west

By Local Government Board Order No. 25,937 dated 30th December 1900 a part of Stratton St. Margaret was added to Swindon

Sexton – Alfred Edward Holdman

Post, M.O. & T. & Telephonic Express Delivery Office – Harvey Lewis Whitaker, sub-postmaster. Letters received through Swindon

Post & M.O. office, Upper Stratton – Frank Ashe, sub-postmaster. The nearest Telegraph office is at Stratton St. Margaret, 1 mile distant.

Council Schools – The school board formed in 1876 has been dissolved by the Education Act of 1902 and the schools are now controlled by a board of managers.

Correspondent – John Cox

Attendance Officer – C. H. Vincent, Rodbourne Cheney

Upper Stratton (Boys) built 1892 for 240 children; John E. Greenhalgh, Headmaster

Upper Stratton (Girls) built 1883 for 260 children, Mrs. Elizabeth Annie Usher, Headmistress

Upper Stratton (Infants) built in 1883 for 225 children. Miss Henrietta Tonks, Headmistress

Lower Stratton (Infants) opened June 1895 for 160 children, Mrs. S. A. Pound, Headmistress

Lower Stratton (Mixed) build 1869 for 165 children, P. E. Bridgewater, Master

Railway Station (GWR) William Couzens, Stationmaster

Conveyance – Omnibuses of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd. Pass through to and from Swindon, Highworth, Lechlade & Fairford a number of times daily.

Residential

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arkell	Graham	Captain		Beech Croft, Kingsdown
Arkell	T. Noel			The Close
Blake	Frederick Amos	J.P.		39 The Street
Chapman	Thomas			54 The Street
Colwell	William Joseph			11 Church Way
Cuzner	Henry			Rose Cottage, 24 Highworth Road
Davies	Ebenezer Tee	Rev., L.D.	Curate & Chaplin to Masons 4037 Lodge	The Parsonage, Upper Stratton
Denton	Sydney	Rev., M.A.	Vicar & Chaplin to Union	Vicarage
Faulkner	Cecil Evelyn			Brewery House, Kingsdown
Gantlett		Mrs.		The Priory, 42 The Street
Harding	Benjamin			36 Cricklade Road
Haynes		Mrs.		46 Swindon Road
Hoddinott	Edward			Willow Cottage, Lower Stratton
Jones	Llewellyn Heywood	Major		Kingsdown House
Manners	Alfred James			Stratton Hall
Muir	David M. B.			The Villas, 5 Swindon Road
Pound	Rose Hannah	Mrs.		2 The Street
Reynolds	Emily	Mrs.		25 Dores Road

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arkell	J.	& Sons	Maltsters & Brewers	Kingsdown Brewery
Ashe	Frank		Grocer & Sub Postmaster	Post Office, 4 St. Philips Road, Upper Stratton
Bailey	Henry Herbert		Farmer	Shrivenham Road
Barnes	Annie	Mrs.	Beer Retailer	96 Kingsdown Road
Barr	James		Farmer	Kingsdown Manor Farm
Bourton	Frederick	& Sons	Farmer	Ryall Farm
Bourton	John		Farmer	The Moors
Bown	Edwin		Shopkeeper	45 Kingsdown Road
Bridgewater	P. E.		Master of Mixed School	Lower Stratton
Bristow	John		Insurance Agent	13 Tilley's Lane
Burge	William		Painter	68 The Street
Carpenter	Edward		Butcher	Marsh Farm

Carter	Frank		Secretary to the Royal Oak Benefit Society	21 Green Road
Clowes	Winifred	Miss	Matron of the Poor Law Institution	4 Swindon Road
Cook	Dorothy	Miss	Draper	1 Dores Road
Cook	William		Farmer	55 Swindon Road
Cooksey	Robert		Beer Retailer	New Inn, 52 Swindon Road
Cooper	George		Shopkeeper	Lower Stratton
Cooper	John Colin		Bone Manure Manufacturer	Marshgate
Couzens	William		Great Western Railway Stationmaster	
Cowley	Albert Percy		Haulier	52 St. Philip's Road
Cox	John		Assistant Overseer, Clerk to the Parish Council & School Board Correspondent	Green Road, Upper Stratton
Cullimore	Edgar		Farmers	Church Farm
Cullimore	Nelson		Farmers	Church Farm
Cullimore	Redjost Morris		Farmers	Church Farm
Curnick	Robert		Farmer	Clays Farm
Dawes	Albert Ernest		Secretary to the Reform Club	Kingsdown Road
Day	Charles		Coal Merchants	West End Road
Day	James		Poor Law Gardener	34 Ermin Street
Day	William Edward		Smallholder	34 Ermin Street
Dunn	Charles	& Sons	Builders	Cricklade Road
Edmonds	Annie	Miss	Shopkeeper	20 Church Street
Edwards	William		Shopkeeper	3 Green Road
Forrest	Arthur William		Farmer	Diamond Farm
Franklin	William Edward		Baker	48 Kingsdown Road
Freeth	Charles Edward		Farmer	Elborough House, 73 The Street
Freeth	Charles William		Printer	7 & 8 Station Road
Fuller	Leslie T.		Shopkeeper	32 Ermin Street
Gale	William		Beer Retailer	Jacob's Ladder, The Street
Gibbs	John		Tailor	20 Highworth Road
Gill	Charles William		Shopkeeper	9 Station Road
Godwin	Walter Ernest		Shopkeeper	20 Hyde Road
Greenhalgh	John E.		Headmaster Of Boys School	Upper Stratton
Harris	Frank Albert Victor		Fried Fish Dealer	11 Station Road
Hazell	Sidney		Haulier	120 Kingsdown Road
Herring	Joseph		Beer Retailer	The Wheatsheaf, 36 The Street
Hill	Emily Jane	Mrs.	Farmer	26 Ermin Street
Hill	Harry		Motor Car Hirer	26 Ermin Street
Hill	William Henry		Coach Builder, Blacksmith, Sawmills, Motor Engineer & Garage	4 Shrivenham Road
Hiscock	Frank		Dairyman	44 Shrivenham Road
Hitchens	Henry		Licensed Hawker	76 The Street
Hoddinott	Donald		Farmer	Lower Stratton & Penhill
Holdman	Alfred Edward		Sexton	
Hood	Josiah Clarence		House Decorator	42 Cricklade Road
Horton	Arthur Thomas		Bootmaker	24 The Street
Hughes	Arthur Edwin		Baker	22 St. Philips Road
Iles	Albert		Shopkeepers	82 The Street

Iles	Henry		Haulier	Station Road
Iles	Lily Alice	Mrs.	Shopkeepers	82 The Street
Iles	William Henry		Brickmaker	17 Ermin Street
Ingram	Percy James		Beer Retailer	The Wheatsheaf, 18 Dores Road
James	Charles		Beer Retailer	The White Hart, 1 Shrivenham Road
James	Douglas Charles		Bacon Curer	46 Swindon Road & The Mill
Keene	Alfred Goulding		Grocer	19 The Street
Keene	Charles		Coal Merchant	Railway Station
Kent	Charles		Farmer	5 Shrivenham Road
Kilminster	Joseph		Builder	1 Kingsdown Road
Landfear	Joseph		Farm Bailiff to J. Ashfordly-Trenchard, Esq.	Catsbrain Farm
Leworthy	William		Shopkeeper	48 St. Philip's Road
Looker	Frances Mabel	Miss	Shopkeeper	8 Hyde Road
Looker	Henry C.		Builder	62 & 63 Swindon Road
Manners	George William Crook		Farmer	Wharf Farm, 27 Ermin Street
Manners	John Crook		Farmer	Breech Farm, 1 Ermin Street
Matthews	Louisa	Mrs.	Shopkeeper	60 St. Philip's Road
Miller	William George		Dairyman	25 Ermin Street
Muir	David	M.B. & C.M.(Glas.)	Surgeon & Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator No.4 District. Highworth & Swindon Medical Officer.	The Villas, 5 Swindon Road
Norris	Henry		Farmer	Upper Stratton
Oakley	John William		Shopkeeper	12 Dores Road
Otton	H.		Drapers	75 The Street
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Paginton	William James		Beer Retailer	Rising Sun Inn, 41 Swindon Road
Pearce	Frederick George			Kingsdown Inn, 106 Kingsdown Road
Perossi	Irene May	Miss, A.T.O.L.	Teacher of Music	17 Cricklade Road
Ponting	Alfred Edward		Dairyman	1 Churchway
Pope	Henry William		Builder	44 Cricklade Road
Postlethwaite	Gertrude	Miss	Corsetière	44 Kingsdown Road
Pound	S. A.	Mrs.	Headmistress Of Infants School	Lower Stratton
Richards	Robert		Hairdresser	6 The Street
Roberts	Henry		Shopkeeper	
Russell	Joseph		Farmer	Pond Farm, Lower Stratton
Russell	William George		Cattle Dealer	Pidgeon House Farm
Samuels	Elizabeth Mahala	Mrs.	Midwife	65 Swindon Road
Selman	Richard		Farmer	10 Ermin Street
Sheppard	Herbert		Haulier	4 Green Road
Sparkes	William Albert		Grocer	The Street
Sperring	Reuben		Carpenter	29 Station Road
Taynton	Gwendoline Clements	Mrs., . C.M.B.	Midwife	Station Road
Tonks	Henrietta	Miss	Headmistress Of Infants School	Upper Stratton
Townsend	Charles		Wheelwright	10 Hyde Road

Turner	Samuel G.		Publican	The Crown, 87 The Street
Twyning	Dennis		Master of Poor Law Institution	4 Swindon Road
Usher	Elizabeth Annie	Mrs.	Headmistress Of Girls School	Upper Stratton
Vincent	C. H.		School Board Attendance Officer	Rodbourne Cheney
Vowles	Valentine Herbert		Registrar of Births & Deaths for Highworth Sub-District & Relieving Officer for Swindon & Highworth No.1 District	14 Highworth Road
Walker	William		Dairyman	12 Green Road
Ward	James		Grocer	27 Dores Road
Webb	Percival	A.L.C.M	Teacher of Music	Kingsdown Road
Westmacott	Henry George		Motor Engineer	2 Highworth Road
Whitaker	Harvey Lewis		Mineral Water Manufacturer & Sub-Postmaster	85 The Street
Whiting	Levi		Beer Retailer	The Plough, 9 Highworth Road
Wildern	Herbert Ernest		Farmer	Dockle Farm
Wills	Henry		Bootmaker	9 The Street
Wollen	Charles		Market Gardener	24 Southend Terrace, Cricklade Road