



Kellys Directory Extract 1915

Tidcombe (Fosbury)



FOSBURY is a hamlet and ecclesiastical parish formed in 1856 out of the parishes of Tidcombe and Shalbourne, 5.5 miles south-east from Grafton station on the Midland & South Western Junction railway and 5 south from Bedwyn station, on the Newbury and Devizes section of the Great Western railway, and about 7 south-west from Hungerford, in the Eastern division of the county, Kinwardstone hundred, Marlborough petty sessional division, Hungerford union and county court district, rural deanery of Marlborough (Pewsey portion) archdeaconry of Wilts, and diocese of Salisbury. Christ Church, built and endowed by the late R C L Bevan esq, is a building of flint and stone in the Early English style, and consists of a nave, south porch, and a western tower, containing a clock and one bell: there are 250 sittings. The register dates from the year 1856. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £237 with residence, in the gift of trustees, and held since 1885 by the Rev. Alfred George Lawe, of Corpus Christie College, Cambridge. The parsonage house was built by the late R C L Bevan esq. There is a free lending library with over 400 volumes. Fosbury Manor, a large mansion of brick, with extensive grounds, is the property of Mrs Alfred Henry Huth, who is sole landowner. The soil is light, sub-soil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips. The area is 2600 acres: population in 1911 was 307.

Sexton: Walter Humphries

Post Office: Mrs Elizabeth Hoare, sub-postmistress. Letters from Hungerford arrive at 7.55am and 3.40pm, dispatched at 11.10 and 5.45pm. The nearest money order and telegraph office is at Oxenwood.

Elementary School (Wilts C C) (mixed) at Oxenwood, (Berks), John J Hodges, master, Miss Mary Greenwood and Miss Olive Coleman, asst mistresses.

Carrier: Walter Humphries, to Hungerford, Wed & Sat, to Andover, Fri

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Huth	Alfred Henry	Mrs		Fosbury Manor
Lawe	Alfred George	Reverend, MA		Parsonage

Traders

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Humphries	Walter		Carrier	
May	William		Farmer	Church Farm
Parsloe	Henry		Farmer	Lower Farm
Phillips	Edward J		Farmer	Becons Farm (letters through Oxenwood)
Whistler	Jane	Mrs	Farmer	Upper Farm