



Kellys Directory Extract 1895

Woodford



WOODFORD (MIDDLE, UPPER and LOWER)

Woodford is a parish, consisting of three villages, pleasantly situated on the west side of a valley through which flows the river Avon, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Underditch, Salisbury and Amesbury petty sessional division, Amesbury Union, Salisbury county court district, rural deanery of Amesbury (Amesbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury. Middle Woodford is 3 miles east from Wishford station on the Great Western railway, 5 south-by-west from Amesbury and 4½ miles north-west from Salisbury. Upper Woodford is 5½ miles from Salisbury, and Lower Woodford, 4 miles north-west. The church of All Saints is an edifice of flint and stone, consisting of chancel, nave of two bays, aisles and south porch, and was (with the exception of the tower) rebuilt by subscription in 1845: the western square tower contains 3 bells and a clock: the chancel, with stained window, was built at the expense of the late Giles Loder, esq., the lay impropriator: there are 220 sittings. The register dates from 1538, and is in good preservation. The living is a vicarage, annexed to Wilsford, average tithe rent-charge (Woodford) £134, joint gross income £360, net £243, with 2 acres of glebe and residence, rebuilt in 1832, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held since 1893 by the Rev. John Harrington Twining M.A. of the university of Durham. In the parish is Heale House, formerly the residence of the Hyde family: after the battle of Worcester Charles II fled to Heale House, and was secreted there for 14 days, by Mrs. Hyde, previous to his departure from England. Here was formerly a palace of the Bishops of Salisbury, of which no trace remains, excepting a few carved stones found by a former occupier of Court House farm, which stands on a part of the site. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners, who are lords of the manor, and Sir Edmund Giles Loder bart. of Whittlebury, Towcester, Northants, who owns the Heale estate, are chief landowners. The soil and subsoil are chalk and gravel. The chief crops are wheat, barley and oats. The area is 2,770 acres of land and 22 of water; rateable value, £2,010; In 1891 the population was 427.

Parish Clerk, John Treble.

Post Office, Upper Woodford. – John West, sub-postmaster. Letters from Salisbury arrive at 5.10 a.m.; dispatched at 7.40 p.m. The nearest money order & telegraph offices are at Amesbury & Salisbury

Pillar Letter Boxes, Lower Woodford & Middle Woodford, cleared at 7.50 p.m. & 7.45 p.m. The nearest money order offices are at Salisbury & Amesbury.

National School, with residence for mistress, built in 1872, for 100 children; average attendance, 75;

Miss Croft, mistress.

Carrier – Tom King, Woodford to Salisbury, on Tues. Thurs. & Sat.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Cooke	William	Major		Lower Woodford
Sheard	Arthur Edward William	Rev., B.A.	Curate	Lower Woodford
Twining	John Harrington	Rev.	Vicar	Middle Woodford

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Braithwaite	Montague Stanley		Farmer	Lower Woodford
Conduit	James		Baker & Shopkeeper	Middle Woodford
Conduit	William		Blacksmith & Publican	Bridge Inn, Upper Woodford
Crofts	Emma E.	Miss	Schoolmistress	Middle Woodford
Dear	John		Publican & Farmer	Wheatsheaf, Lower Woodford
Denny	Annie	Mrs.	Grocer	Lower Woodford
Dyke	Thomas		Bricklayer	Middle Woodford
Flower	Stephen Edwin		Farmer	Upper Woodford
Harding	Harry		Wheelwright	Upper Woodford
Hazzard	Charles		Bootmaker	Upper Woodford
Kendall	William			Court House, Lower Woodford
Merchant	Charles		Blacksmith	Upper Woodford
Merchant	John		Blacksmith	Upper Woodford
Pickford	Edward		Farmer	Heale Farm, Upper Woodford
Pile	Elizabeth	Mrs.	Farmer	Upper Woodford
Treble	John		Tailor	Middle Woodford
West	John		Sub-postmaster	Upper Woodford
White	Edwin		Miller (water)	Middle Woodford