



Kellys Directory Extract 1903

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 north from Salisbury, and Lower Woodford, 4 miles north-west. The church of All Saints is an edifice of flint and stone, originally Norman, and consisting of chancel, nave of two bays, aisles and south porch, and a western tower containing a clock and 6 bells: the chancel was built at the expense of the late Giles Loder, esq., the lay impropiator, and has a stained window: the church was rebuilt, with the exception of the tower in 1845, and affords 200 sittings. The register dates from the year 1538, and is in good preservation. The living is a vicarage, annexed to Wilsford, net income £250, 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. Heale House, now the seat of the Hon. Louis George Greville, formerly the residence of the Hyde family: after the battle of Worcester, 3rd Sept. 1651, 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 the Hon. Louis G. Greville, 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 2,774 acres of land and 22 of water; rateable value, £1,647; In 1901 the population was 408.

Parish Clerk, John Treble.

Post, M.O. & T.O., T.M.O., E.D., P.P., S.B. & A. & I.O., Middle Woodford. – George Dear, sub-postmaster. Letters from Salisbury arrive at 4.40 & 12.15 p.m. & delivered 6 a.m.; dispatched at 12.20 & 7.45 p.m.

Pillar Letter Boxes, Lower Woodford & Upper Woodford, cleared at 12.45 & 8 p.m. Sundays, 5.25 p.m. The nearest money order & telegraph office is at Middle Woodford.

Elementary School, with residence for mistress, built in 1872, for 100 children; average attendance, 57;

Mrs Emma E. Grasse, mistress.

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

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Greville	Louis George	Hon.		Heale House, Upper Woodford
Mackley	Ernest Hubert Alborough			The Court House, Upper Woodford
Ratcliffe	Francis Reynolds Yonge	M.A., J.P.		Lower Woodford & 41 Courtfield Gardens, South Kensington, SW.
Twining	John Harrington	Rev.	Vicar	Middle Woodford

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bound	Thomas		Grocer	Lower Woodford
Conduit	James		Baker & Shopkeeper	Middle Woodford
Conduit	William		Blacksmith & Publican	Bridge Inn, Upper Woodford
Dear	George		Sub-postmaster	Middle Woodford
Dear	John		Publican & Farmer	Wheatsheaf, Lower Woodford
Dyke	Thomas		Bricklayer	Middle Woodford
Feltham	William		Insurance Agent	Middle Woodford
Flower	Stephen Edwin		Farmer	Upper Woodford
Grasse	Emma E.	Mrs.	Schoolmistress	Middle Woodford
Green	Charles T.		Dairyman	Upper Woodford
Harding	Harry		Wheelwright	Upper Woodford
Hazzard	Charles		Bootmaker	Upper Woodford
Merchant	John		Blacksmith	Upper Woodford
Pickford	Edward		Farmer	Heale Villa, Upper Woodford
Pile	Elizabeth	Mrs.	Farmer	Upper Woodford
Treble	John		Tailor	Middle Woodford