

Kelly's Directory 1875

TISBURY is a large village, head of a union, with a station on the London and South Western railway. It consists, for civil purposes, of three parishes, viz EAST TISBURY, WEST TISBURY and WARDOUR but, for ecclesiastical purposes, forming only one parish. It is in the Southern division of the county, Dunworth hundred, Shaftesbury county court district, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, rural deanery of Chalke, and Hindon petty Sessional division.

The village of Tisbury, about 3 miles south from Hindon and 14 west from Salisbury, is situated on the sharp declivity of a hill, and in the valley below is the parish church and the River Nadder, which rises in the parish of Donhead St Mary and winds its way to Salisbury.

The church of St. John the Baptists, supposed to have been built about 1226, is a fine old building in the Early English, Decorated and Perpendicular styles, in the form of a cross with a tower rising from the intersection and containing 6 bells; there was formerly a lofty spire but it was destroyed by lightning.

Beneath the altar are interred many of the former Lords Arundell of Wardour, and the helmet of the first lord of that name stands over his tomb. The church contains many objects of antiquity; the font is very ancient.

In the churchyard is an immense yew tree, measuring 30 feet in circumference, which is supposed to have been planted before the building of the church.

The register dates from 1560. The living is a vicarage, yearly value £301, with residence, in the gift of V.F. Benett-Stanford Esq, M.P., and held by the Rev. Francis Edmund Hutchinson B.A. of University College Oxford.

Here are National schools for boys, girls and infants; likewise British and Roman Catholic schools, and a Church of England school at Newtown, with an endowment of £50 yearly, derived from lands in the neighbourhood, let on building leases; the school at Newtown, together with one at Chicksgrove, are school chapels, services being held therein according to the rites of the Church. The Wesleyans and Independents each have chapels here.

The union of Tisbury comprises the following places: Alvediston, Ansty, Berwick St. John, Berwick St. Leonard, Bishop's Fonthill, Chicklade, Chilmark, Donhead St. Andrew, Donhead St. Mary, Fonthill Gifford, Hindon, Ridge, Semley, Sutton Mandeville, Swallowcliff, Teffont Evias or Teffont Ewyas, Teffont Magnus, East Tisbury, West Tisbury, Tollard Royal and Wardour. The workhouse is in West Tisbury.

The charities for distribution in bread, clothes and money amount to £80 yearly.

Here is a large pile of buildings, formerly a convent of some extent, under the direction of the Abbess of Shaftesbury, now and for many years past, occupied as a farmhouse and out buildings.

This is a fine agricultural district and there are some excellent quarries producing stone for building; the expense of land carriage very much limited the use of this material, but since the construction of the Salisbury and Yeovil line passing within a short distance of the quarries, it has become an article of great demand.

Situated on an eminence and overlooking the surrounding country is the Castle of Wardour, built in 1776, the seat of the Right Hon. Lord Arundell of Wardour; it is a splendid edifice consisting of numerous suites of apartments; incorporated with the mansion is a beautiful Roman Catholic chapel, richly fitted up, and containing a series of paintings; the extensive park and pleasure grounds are flanked by plantations, and adorned with numerous groups of stately forest trees.

In the vicinity are the ruins of the old Castle of Wardour, and the earthworks that were thrown up by the Parliamentary army when they laid siege to that fortress; it was surrendered, after a lengthened siege, by Blanche, Lady Arundell, and afterwards destroyed by order of Lord Arundell, who caused a mine to be sprung, by which the castle was dismantled and the Parliamentarians dislodged.

Pyt House, the seat of V.F. Benett-Stanford, Esq., MP, is a fine old mansion with heavy porticos over the principal entrances. It was the residence of Col. Benett who was MP for Shaftesbury in the reign of Charles 1. The house, standing on high grounds, commands some capital views, amongst others Kingsettle Hill, and is situated amid a beautifully arranged park of 150 acres in which is a chapel for the use of the inmates.

Lord Arundell of Wardour is lord of the manor. The principal landowners are V.F. Benett-Stanford, Esq., M.P., Alfred Morrison, Esq., William Wyndham, Esq., and the Dowager Marchioness of Westminster.

The soil is various, some light loam, clay and stone, and light chalk; subsoil, clay and gravel, chalk and flint, and sandstone. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley and pasturage. The area of the three parishes is 7,355 acres.

	Gross Estimated Rental	Rateable Value	Population
East Tisbury	£6,999	£5,867	862
West Tisbury	£7,138	£6,047	853
Wardour	£5,943	£4,744	679

Parish Clerk: Henry Mabbett

Post & Money Order & Telegraph Office, Savings Bank & Government Annuity & Insurance Office -
 Ellen Harrison, Postmistress.
 Letters received from Salisbury, delivered at 7.30am & 3.30pm; dispatched at 9.40am & 7pm; Sunday at 4.30pm
 Wall letterbox at Hatch, cleared at 6pm

Insurance Agents
 Sovereign Life, J. Thornton; Sun Fire, C. Combes, East Tisbury; West of England Fire & Life, James Lush, East Tisbury

Tisbury Union Workhouse
 Rev. F.H. Hutchinson B.A., Chaplain; William Lathey, Governor; Mrs Charlotte Lathey, Matron

Inland Revenue Office, Bennett Arms Hotel
 Archibald Beckett

Public Officers
 Clerk to the Guardians Tisbury Union & Assessment Committee, Thomas Burrige Chitty, Bimport St, Shaftesbury
 Inland Revenue Officer, John Solomon; Registrar of Births & Deaths, James Lush

Schools
 National, Daniel Reakes, Master; Miss Sarah Ellen Boyce, Mistress
 Newtown Endowed, Miss Ellen Mullins, Mistress
 Chicksgrove, Miss Ranstone, Mistress
 Independent (vacant), Mistress
 Infant, Miss Frances Elizabeth Green, Mistress
 Roman Catholic, Wardour, Frederick Justin Sibert, Master; the Sisters Pauline & Ferdinand, Mistresses

Railway Station, William Hill, Station Master
 Agent by appointment to the L & S W railway for the delivery of goods & parcels, Frederick George Woods

Carriers to:
 Salisbury - Charles Hull, Tuesday; Wm Ford, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, returning same days
 Shaftesbury - Charles Hull & George Ford, Saturday, returning same day
 Warminster - Charles Hull, Thursday, returning same day

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Names	Industry/Occupation
EAST TISBURY		
Green	Jas L, MRCS Eng & SSA	
Hibberd, Mrs		High Street
Howell, Mrs		Alexandra Road
Howell, Mrs		High Street
Hutchinson, Rev	Francis Edmund BA	Vicar
King, Mrs		Rose Cottage
White, Rev	Joseph Metcalfe	Independent Minister
Wilkins	William	High Street
Beckett	Archibald	Bennett Arms Hotel & Posting House
Blandford	James	Prince of Wales
Boyce, Miss	Sarah Ellen	National Schoolmistress
Bracher	Jas Henry	Farmer, Place Farm
Bristol	James	Boarding & Day School
Brown	Jas	Farmer, Ashley Wood Farm
Burbidge	Charles	Compass Inn
Burton	Edward	Dairyman
Burton	John	Mason
Combes	Cyrus	Engineer/Land Surveyor/Quarry Owner
Combes	Daniel	Farmer, Chicksgrove & Apshill Farms
Combes	Nicholas	Farmer, Lower Chicksgrove
Cuff	Albert	Plumber & Glazier
Ensor	John Arthur MRCS	Surgeon
Ford	William	Grocer & Carrier
Gray	Charles	Shopkeeper, Chicksgrove
Green	James Lardner MRCS	Surgeon
Green, Miss	Frances Elizabeth	Infant Schoolmistress
Harrison, Mrs	Ellen	Shopkeeper & Post Office
Harrison, Mrs	Hannah	Beer Retailer, Shopkeeper, Farmer
Hartree	John James Philip	Commercial Traveller
Harvey	John	Brick & Tile Works, Ridge
Hibberd Bros	Ebenezer & Rowland	Drapers, Ironmongers, etc
Hill	William	Railway Station Master
Howell	John	Grocer
Howell	Thomas	Thatcher

Hull	Charles	Carrier
Leaney	George	Veterinary Surgeon
Leaney & Son	Wm & Henry James	Builders & Contractors
Lever	Francis	Farmer, Chicksgrove
Lever	Henry	Farmer, Chicksgrove
Lever	John	Shoemaker & Shopkeeper
Lush	James	Registrar of BMD's & Assistant Overseer
Mullins	Mark	Shoemaker
Nat Provincial Bank	of England	Benett Arms Hotel
Northover Bros	Edw Henry & Henry Edw	Outfitters, Drapers, Furnishing Undertakers, etc
Ponton	George	Saddler & Harness Maker
Ranstone, Miss		Chicksgrove Schoolmistress
Reakes	Daniel	National Schoolmaster
Thornton	John	Mason
Titt	James	Mason
Turner	William	Farmer, Weaveland Farm
Thornton	J	Agent, Sovereign Life Insurance
Vincent	Samuel	Farmer, Hill Street Farm
Ward & Webster, Misses	Susanna & Jane	Shopkeepers
Wilts & Dorset Bank		
Woods	Frederick George	L & S W Railway Parcel Agent
Yates	Samuel	Blacksmith
Yeates	John	Farmer, Chicksgrove
WEST TISBURY		
Aldington, Rev	George	Curate, West Hatch
Allen	James Dredge	Pyt House Farm & Hatch Farm
Benett-Stanford	Vere Fane, MP JP	Pyt House
Birt	John	West Hatch
Rawlings, Mrs		Tucking Mill
Wheeler, Mrs		Tucking Mill Cottage
A'Barrow	Henry	Farmer, Upper Lawn Farm
Alford	John	Stone Merchant & Mason
Annandale	Robert Burns, Bailiff to	Dow. Marchioness of Westminster, Lower Lawn Farm
Bowles	James & Samuel	Farmers, Billhay Farm
Cuff	James, jun	Benett Arms, East Hatch
Ford	George	Carrier, East Hatch
Hall	George	Farmer, East Hatch Farm
Jay	Henry	Farmer, Cools Farm
King	Joseph & William	Farmers, Wickwood Farm
Lathey	William	Governor, Tisbury Union Workhouse
Lathey, Mrs	Charlotte	Matron, Tisbury Union Workhouse
Leaney	George	Veterinary Surgeon
Morgan	Robert	Farmer & Miller, Linley Farm
Mullins, Miss	Ellen	Newtown Endowed Schoolmistress
Perrett	William	Farmer, Poldens Farm
Scammell	Charles	Blacksmith, East Hatch
Snook	William	Harness Maker
Solomon	John	Inland Revenue Officer
Thorp	Benjamin Walter	Steward to Pyt House Est, & Famer Wick Farm
Turner	George	Shopkeeper, East Hatch
Woods	William	Shopkeeper, East Hatch
WARDOUR		
Arundell, Lord	of Wardour	Wardour Castle
Baron, Rev	John	Roman Catholic
Hood, Rev	Edward Theophilus	Roman Catholic
Alford	James	Coal Merchant & Farmer
Baker	Jeremiah	Shopkeeper
Barnes	William	Farmer, Withyslade Farm
Burridge	William	Bricklayer & Shopkeeper
Burridge	William	Stone Mason
Combes	Abdiel	Farmer, Wallmead Farm
Combes	Uriah & Dan	Millers/Maltsters /Farmers, Chicksgrove & Tisbury Mill
Cooke	George Foster	Organist to Lord Arundell
Coombes	Jas	Farmer, Totterdale Farm
Dominy	John	Farmer, Highwood
Fisher	William	Shopkeeper, Bridzor
Ford, Mrs	Emily	Gardener & Florist
Foyle	Charles	Carpenter, Bridzor
Foyle	John	Boot & Shoemaker
Furnell	James	Farmer, Furze Lease
Goddard	Frank	Chemist & Druggist

Green	Edward	Shoemaker
Gurd, Mrs	Elizabeth	Farmer, Hazelton Farm
Holloway	Samuel	Farmer, Squalls
Hyde	Charles Fras	Farmer, Bridzor Farm
Jeffery	John	Steward to Lord Arundell
King	Henry	Farmer
Laversuch & Sons		Provision Dealers
Lever	Henry James	Oil & Lamp Warehouse, Ironmonger, Bldr & Contractor
Mabbett	Henry	Carpenter & Parish Clerk
Northover	Thomas	Boot Inn
Oborne	George	Lime Builder & Coal Merchant
Oliver	Charles	Crown Inn
Osmond	Edwin	Organist
Osmond	George	Watch & Clock Maker
Rebbeck	George	Butcher
Russell	Charles	Shoeing Smith
Sibert	Frederick Justin	Wardour RC School Master
Titt	Stephen	Maltster
Turner	Henry	Grazier
Wardour, Chilmark &	Tisbury Stone Quarries	T P Lilly, Proprietor, Gillingham
Wilkins	Emanuel	Baker & Grocer
Woods	Frederick George	Arundell Arms Hotel & Posting House & Fly Proprietor