

Kelly's Directory 1867

SEdgeHILL is a parish in the southern division of the county, county court district of Shaftesbury, hundred of Dunworth, Mere union, Hindon petty sessional division, Salisbury diocese and archdeaconry, and Chalke rural deanery, situated 20 miles south west from Salisbury and 3 north from Shaftesbury.

The church of St. Catherine is of stone, and was, with the exception of the tower, rebuilt in 1844, and a chancel added. It is 84 feet long, 24 feet wide, will seat 150 persons, and has a square tower at the west end 38 feet high, which contains 3 bells. There is also a large porch on the south side.

The register dates from 1760.

The living is a chapelry, incorporated with the rectory of Berwick St. Leonard, valued at £374, in the patronage of the Marquis of Westminster, and held by the Rev. Charles Henry Grove, M.A. of University College Oxford; the Rev. Joseph Holden Johnson B.A. of St. Catherine's College Cambridge, is the curate.

The Marquis of Westminster is lord of the manor and principal landowner.

The soil is light clay; subsoil, sand and marl. The chief crops are beans and wheat in the west, and in the south, pasturage. The area is 1,175 acres and the population in 1861 was 194.

Parish Clerk - Stephen Parsons

Letters through Shaftesbury which is the nearest money order office

Parochial School - Mrs. Esther Thomas, Mistress

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Grove, Rev	Charles Henry	Rector, The Rectory
Johnson, Rev	Joseph Holden, BA	Curate
Grove, Mrs	George	East Hayes
Troyte-Bullock, J.P.	George	Sedgehill House
Bracher	James	Landowner & Farmer, Berrybrook Farm
Bracher	Stephen	Farmer, Sedgehill Farm
Bracher	Thomas	Farmer
Burt	Stephen	Shopkeeper
Lush	William	Farmer
Parsons	Stephen	Parish Clerk
Perrett	Joseph	Dairyman & Farmer
Scammell	John	Farmer
Scammell	William	Farmer
Snook	Joseph	Farmer
Thomas, Mrs	Esther	Schoolmistress