

Kelly's Directory 1931

TISBURY is a parish and the head of a rural district and petty sessional division, situated on the sharp declivity of a hill; 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; it has a station on the Salisbury and Yeovil branch of the Southern railway; 12½ miles west from Salisbury, 8 north-east from Shaftesbury and 96¼ from London; it consists, for civil purposes, of two parishes, viz:- TISBURY and WEST TISBURY, which for ecclesiastical purposes, form only one parish; it is in the Salisbury division of the county, hundred of Dunworth, county court district of Shaftesbury, rural deanery of Chalke (Tisbury portion) and archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury.

The Rural District Council provided a water supply in 1911 at a cost of about £12,000. The town is supplied with electric light by a private company.

The church of St John the Baptist, the earliest part of which dates from about 1180, is a fine old building in the Early English, Decorated and Perpendicular styles, in the form of a cross, consisting of chapel, nave of four bays with aisles and transepts, with very ancient north and west porches, the north having over it a prairie or priests' chamber; the central embattled tower contains a clock and 6 bells; there was once a lofty spire, destroyed by lightning in 1762, after which the present upper stage was built, one pinnacle of which was again struck in 1795; the tower was restored and the bells recast in 1927 at a cost of over £3,000.

In the private vault are interred many of the former Lords Arundell of Wardour, and the helmet of the first lord of that name, who took a standard from the Turks at the Battle of Gran, 1595, is affixed to the wall above the vault.

The east window is stained; the south aisle has a carved oak ceiling, erected about 1650, and restored in 1888; the north aisle has a similar ceiling, with the inscriptions: "in the year of Our Lord 1560 this Hele was set up". In 1886 the south transept was restored throughout and an organ chamber and vestries built; the reredos, of alabaster, has figures in terra cotta, by Tinworth.

A memorial tablet of marble was placed on the south wall to the memory of those of the district who fell in the Great War, 1914-18; there are sittings for 600 persons. In the churchyard is an immense yew tree, measuring 30 feet in circumference, and said by experts to be 1,300 years old. The registers date from the year 1563.

The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £400, with residence, in the gift of the Rev Charles Alleyne Hutchinson M.A. and held since 1922 by the Rev George Temple Miller M.A., hon C.F. late Scholar of Queen's College, Cambridge, and surrogate.

At CHICKSGROVE is a Church of England school chapel, built in 1878, closed for school purposes in July 1926, and now used as a mission chapel under trustees.

At NEWTOWN is a chapel of ease, erected in 1911.

In the High Street is a Roman Catholic Church built in 1900 and dedicated to the Sacred Heart.

There is a Wesleyan chapel and schoolroom, erected in 1902 at a cost of £1,800, and seating 250 persons.

The Congregation chapel, erected in 1842, will seat 410 persons, and has a Sunday school, built in 1726.

There are two Primitive Methodist chapels, one at Tuckingmill, West Tisbury parish, built in 1877, to seat 100 persons, and one at Hatch, West Tisbury, built in 1872, with 90 sittings.

The charities, amounting to about £161 yearly, are administered under a scheme drawn up by the Charity Commissioners.

A public hall was erected in 1887 by a company formed for the purpose and will hold 400 persons.

A Police Station and Petty Sessions Hall were erected in 1889, when the headship of the petty sessional division was transferred from Hindon to Tisbury.

A large pile of buildings here, formerly a residence of the Abbesses of Shaftesbury, has for the last two centuries been occupied as farm buildings and include a tithe barn of the 15th century, the largest but one in England, its dimensions being 188 feet 3 inches by 32 feet 3 inches.

Situated on an eminence, and overlooking the surrounding country, is Wardour Castle, built in 1776, and the seat of Anne, Lady Arundell of Wardour; incorporated with the mansion is a beautiful Roman Catholic chapel, dedicated to All Saints, and about a quarter of a mile distant is an attached cemetery; the extensive park and pleasure grounds are flanked by plantations, adorned with numerous groups of stately forest trees; in the vicinity are the ruins of the old castle of Wardour, built in 1392, and the earthworks thrown up by the Parliamentary forces when they laid siege to the fortress still remain.

Pythouse, the property and residence of Lt Col John Montague Fane-Benett-Stanford J.P. is a fine old mansion, with heavy porticoes at the principal entrances; the house stands on high ground within a park of 150 acres.

Ann Lady Arundell of Wardour is lady of the manor.

The principal landowners are Ann Lady Arundell of Wardour, Lt Col John Montague Fane-Benett-Stanford J.P., the Trustees of the late Hugh Morrison esq D.L., J.P., and Walter Richard Shaw-Stewart esq., M.B.E., D.L., J.P.

The soil is various, some light loam, clay and stone and light chalk; subsoil, clay and gravel, chalk and flint and green sandstone. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley and some land in pasturage

The area and population of the two parishes are as follows:-

	Area Acres	Population	
Tisbury	*4,559	1,510	*including 33 of water
West Tisbury	**2,704	691	** including 13 of water
		2,201	

The population of the ecclesiastical parish in 1921 was 2,192

By an Order dated March 25, 1885, a detached part of Chilmark, known as Chilmark Mill, was amalgamated with East Tisbury, and at the same date a detached part of Ansty, known as Sangers, was added to Wardour for civil purposes.

By an Order by the Minister of Health, dated Jan. 25th, 1927, the two parishes formerly known as East Tisbury and Wardour were for civil purposes joined to form the parish of Tisbury.

Parish Clerk: Walter Burt

OFFICIAL ESTABLISHMENTS, LOCAL INSTITUTIONS &c
Post, M.O., T & T.E.D. Office
Letters through Salisbury

County Magistrates for Tisbury & Mere Petty Sessional Division
(for addresses of magistrates, see complete list at front of the book)

Grove Sir Walter John bart (chairman)

Arundell of Wardour Lord

Combes Daniel

Fane-Bennett-Stanford Lt Col John Montague

Fane-Bennett-Stanford Mrs

Flower James

Hastings Capt. Jn. F.R.G.S.

Herbert Col. Hon. George S., T.D., D.L.

Hill Maj. Henry Leonard Gauntlett O.B.E.

Hoare Sir Henry Hugh Arthur bart

Parham Bernard

Rutter Fras. Burchett M.D.

Shaw Col. Francis Stewart Kennedy, C.B.E.

Shaw-Stewart Walter Rd., M.B.E., D.L.

Standerwick Thomas

Troyte-Bullock Lt Col Edward George C.M.G., T.D., D.L.

Waters Maurice S

White Arthur Rabbitts O.B.E., D.L.

Young Edward

Clerk to the Magistrates

George Edward Lush, High Street, Tisbury

The chairmen, for the time being, of the Tisbury and Mere Rural District Councils are ex-officio magistrates.

Petty Sessions

Held 2nd Thursday in the month at Tisbury and quarterly at Mere at 11am. The following places are included in the petty sessional division: Alvediston, Ansty, Berwick St John, Berwick St Leonard, Chicklade, Chilmark, Donhead St Andrew, Donhead St Mary, Fonthill Bishop, Fonthill Gifford, Hindon, Kilmington, East & West Knoyle, Mere, Lower Pertwood, Upper Pertwood, Semley, Sedghill, Stourton, Sutton Mandeville, Swallowcliffe, Teffont Evias, Teffont Magna, Tisbury, West Tisbury, Tollard Royal & Zeals.

Tisbury Rural District Council

The parishes in the District are Alvediston, Ansty, Berwick St John, Berwick St Leonard, Chicklade, Chilmark, Donhead St Andrew, Donhead St Mary, Fonthill Bishop, Fonthill Gifford, Hindon, Semley, Sutton Mandeville, Swallowcliffe, Teffont Evias or Teffont Ewyas, Teffont Magna, Tisbury, West Tisbury & Tollard Royal.

Chairman - Daniel Coombes, J.P., C.C., Dinton

Clerk - R. Howard Hiscott, Mere

Treasurer - E.B. Maddison, National Provincial Bank, Salisbury

Medical Officer of Health - John I F Knight, M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., Tisbury

Sanitary Inspector - J. Thompson, Wilton

PUBLIC ESTABLISHMENTS

Ministry of Labour Employment Exchange: Manager - Lt Commander R.G.A. Wiltshire R.N.R.

Police Station

Sessions Hall, adjoining Police Station

Victoria Hall, W.W. Kendall, Manager

Clerk to the Commissioners of Income & Land Tax of Division of Hindon - George Edward Lush

Salisbury Area Guardians Committee

(comprising the former Union areas of Amesbury, Salisbury, Tisbury & Wilton) - for particulars, see under Salisbury

Tisbury Registration District
 Superintendent Registrar - John Freestone, Tisbury; Deputy - Thomas Barrs

Registrars of Births & Deaths

Donhead sub district

Arthur Blandford, Charlton, Donhead St Mary; Deputy - Alec Dunning, The School, Ludwell

Tisbury sub district

William Winter Kendall, High Street, Tisbury; Deputy - Wm Henry Kendall, High Street, Tisbury

Registrar of Marriages

William Winter Kendall, High Street, Tisbury; Deputy - Wm Henry Kendall, High Street, Tisbury

Railway Station

Conveyance - A motor conveyance meets certain trains & conveys passengers to Shaftesbury

Carriers to Salisbury

Charles Hull, Tues & Sat.

Ebenezer Chivers, Tues & Sat. returning same days

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Farms marked * 150 acres or over

Surname	Given Names	Industry/Occupation
TISBURY - Private Residents		
Arundell, Lady	Anne Lucy	Wardour Castle
Arundell, Lord	of Wardour, J.P.	Wardour Castle
Bartlett	James Henry	Albany House
Bentall	Charles	The Croft, Park Road
Bull, Captain	George Arthur	High Street
Campbell, Miss		Hillside
Davis	Arthur	The Cottage
Dennistoun, Miss		The Hill Cottage
Fairlie	John Earle Fairweather	The Cottage
Freestone	John	Brook Cottage
Giles, Miss		Italian Cottage
Gornall, Mrs		Fairholme
Harris, Mrs		Canonbury House
Harryman	Frank Robert	Tudor Cottage
Headley, Lord		Chicksgrove Manor
Hibberd	Ebenezer E	High Street
Kaye, Rev	T Emmett	Congregational Minister, The Manse
Knight	John Iles Francis MRCS	Tisbury House
Lesley	Charles M	The Lodge
Lush	George Edward	The Old Garden
Lush	Robert	Selwood
MacAndrew, Mrs		Cleveland House
Miller, Rev	George Temple MA	Vicarage
Northover	Richard	Red House
Pethey, Miss		Minterne
Powney	Joseph	Prospect House
Pritty	Edward	Trellis
Pugh, Rev	Daniel	The Chantry
Randall	Andrew Charles	Coombe Warren
Rawlings	Albert Edward	Woodlands
Ryan, Miss		Hillside
St John, Rev	Philip SJ (R.C.)	The Presbytery
St John, Rev	Stanislaus SJ (R.C.)	The Presbytery
Staddon	John James	The Elms
Stedman	Eustace Arthur	Old House
Turner	George Bentick	Chicksgrove Close
Walsh	Alfred John	Southlands
Walsh	Charles Alfred	Glenside
Webb	Edward Doran	Gaston House
Wilson, Mrs		Quarry Farm, Chicksgrove
Wiltshire, Lt Commdr	Robert G.A., RNR (rtd)	Cross Close
Young	Edward J.P.	Arundell House
TISBURY - Commercial		
Alford, Mrs	James Everard & Sons	Farmers, Whitheyslade Farm*
Arundell Arms Hotel		Mrs Blanch Alice Pain
Ashford	Frederick	Farmer, Hazelden
Baker	Frederick	Dairyman
Baker	Samuel Gilbert	Market Gardener
Ball	Bros	Plasterers

Barnes	Charles	Farmer, Mill Farm, TN 44
Barrs	Thomas	Deputy Supt Registrar, TN 9
Bartlett	Francis Charles	Mechanical Engineer
Bartlett	James Henry	Miller, Flour Mills, TN 7
Bell	Frank & Son	Builders, Church Street, TN 70
Benett Arms Hotel		Alan Davis, Proprietor
Blake	Edwin Ewart	Butcher, High Street, TN 16
British Legion	(The)	? Weskett, Hon Sec, High Street
Brockway	Charles	Insurance Agent
Bull	G A & Son	Tailors, Outfitters, Drapers, etc TN 37
Bull	George Arthur	Collector of Taxes, Caergloen, TN 37
Burt	Frederick jnr	Farmer, Bridzor*
Burt	Frederick jnr	Collecting Officer for Fonthill Gifford
Burt	Frederick jnr	Collecting Officer for Tisbury
Case	& Sons	Fried Fish Dealers, High Street, TN 69
Chivers	Ebenezer	Carrier
Combes	Daniel, J.P.	Farmer, Chicksgrove
Compton	Walter	Shopkeeper, High Street
Cuff, Miss	Fanny	Dressmaker, Church Street
Dean	William Henry	Farmer, Place Farm*, TN 14
Doggrell	Thomas	Farmer, Wallmead*, TN 8
Exeter Building Society		Walter William Didham, secretary
Fairweather Fairlie & Son		Estate Agents, Surveyors & Valuers
Flexen	Philip	Nurseryman
Flower	Albert	Farmer, The Ark*
Freestone	John	Supt Registrar of Tisbury District
Frisby	Joseph Ltd	Bootmakers
Gatehouse	Frank	Saddler
Genge	Tom Chitty	Farmer, The Gables*, TN 41
Gillingham	Charles Robert	Coal Merchant, TN 79
Green	Wyndham	Farmer
Green	Wyndham jnr	Farmer, Apshill*
Gurd	Henry	Farmer
Gurd	Henry James jnr	Shopkeeper
Hannam	Allen H	Farmer, Hill Street*
Hardiman	Henry	The Compasses P.H., Chicksgrove
Harris	H & Sons	Bakers, High Street, TN 63
Hibberd	Arthur	Motor Car Hirer, High Street Villa
Hornblow	William	Boot Maker, High Street
Howell	& Son	Grocers, TN 13
Howell	& Sons	Painters, High Street
Hull	Charles	Carrier
International Tea Co	Stores Ltd	Grocers, TN 29
Kendall	William Henry	Jeweller
Kendall	William Henry	Deputy Reg of Births Deaths Marriages
Kendall	William Winter	Registrar of Births Deaths Marriages
Knight	John Illes Francis MRCS	Physician & Surgeon
Langdon, Mrs		Beer Retailer
Lawrence, Miss	Kathleen	Music Teacher, High Street
Lever	George	Chimney Sweep
Lever	George Henry Baker	Baker & Farmer, Chicksgrove
Lewis	Daniel MPS	Chemist
Lloyds Bank Ltd	Sub Branch	High Street
Lush	Robert & sons	Motor Transport Contractors etc
Lush	George Edward	Clerk to Magistrates, High Street, TN 23
Lush	Robert	Accountant & Collector of taxes, TN 23
Maidment	George Alfred	Haulage Contractor & Removals, TN 51
Maidment	Willie	Baker, TN 34
Marsh Warry & Broad		Solicitors
Marshall	Cecil	Motor Cycle Agent
Marshall	Uriah	Insurance Agent
Martin	Herbert	Tobacconist
Mayo	& Son	Solicitors/Commissioner for Oaths
Meaden	James Harold	Confectioner
Miles	Harold Edward	Relieving/Vaccination Officer, Hindon Road
Ministry of Labour	Employment Exchange	Lt Cmmdr R G A Wiltshire Rtd, Manager
Mullins	Stephen	Clerk of Works to Lady Arundell
National Provincial Bank Ltd		
Northover	Ronald	Gents' Outfitters
Oliver	Harry James	Newsagent, Stationer etc, High Street
Overhouse Laundries		New Street, TN 12

Parmiter	P J & Sons	Agricultural Engineers, TN 45
Parmiter, Mrs	Charles	Farmer, Westfield Farm
Pickford	William	Hairdresser
Ponton	George	Saddler & Harness Maker
Randall	Andrew Charles	Ironmonger
Raymond	James Edmond	Firewood Dealer, Chicksgrove Lane
Reading Room		E Plummer Davies, Hon Secretary
Rutter & Rutter		Solicitors, High Street
St Mary's Convent		Sisters of Charity
Sims, Miss	Dorothy J	Motor Car Hirer, Station House, TN 35
Smart	Percy J	Confectioner
Smith, Mrs	Elizabeth	Shopkeeper, Chicksgrove
Sons of Temperance	Friendly Society	Walter Wm Didham, Secretary
South Western Hotel		Percy Aldridge, Proprietor
Southern Counties Agricultural	Trading Society Ltd	TN 71
Staddon	John James	Timber Merchant, TN 6
Stocker	Frank Alfred	Dentist, High Street
Swadling	Walter	Motor Coach Proprietor, Hindon Road
Sweatman	William	Farmer, Ham Cross
Tisbury Electric Supply Co Ltd		R Lush, Local Secretary, TN 23
Tisbury Lending Library		Mrs Miles, Sec, High Street
Tisbury Meat Co		Butchers, High St, TN 59
Tisbury Motor Works		Motor Garage, High St, TN 58
Tisbury Printing Works Ltd		Printers, TN 50
Travelling Lending Library		Emlyn Thomas, Proprietor, High Street
Tucker	George William	Crown Inn, Church Street
United Dairies (Wholesale) Ltd		TN 18
Victoria Hall Co		W W Kendall, Manager
Walsh	Charles Alfred & Son	Drapers, High St, TN 76
Wardour R.C. Benefit Society		Henry J Gurd, Secretary
Webster, Miss	S	Fancy Repository
Wells	G Buist	Dentist
Weskett, Miss	Edith	Private School, The Academy, Hindon Rd
Wilton Co-operative Society Ltd		
Wiltshire	Robert G A	Motor Garage, Cross Close, TN 21
Woods	Frederick	Southern Railway Parcels Delivery Agent
Yates	Walter	Blacksmith
Ye Old Boot Inn		Frederick Staplehurst, Proprietor, High St
Yendole	Frederick	Hairdresser, High Street
WEST TISBURY - Private Residents		
Bristol, Miss		West End Cottage
Crofton, Major	Malby Richard H, Sir, bart, DSO	Pythouse Farm
Crisp, Miss		Pythouse Cottage
Fane-Benett-Stanford, Lt Col	John Montague, JP	Pythouse
Hollis	Herbert	Red House
Smith, Mrs		West Villa
Wills	Gerald	Hatch House
WEST TISBURY - Commercial		
Brain	William	Farmer, Linley Farm*
Cox	Charles	Shopkeeper, Hatch
Fry	Walter George	Farmer
Gosling	Herbert	Farmer, Wick Farm*
Green	William E	Quarry owner
James	Edwin	Farmer, Billhay
Jukes	William	Farmer, Ruddlemore Farm*
Marsh, Miss	Jean	Grocer, The Stores
Mathews, Mrs	Sarah	Shopkeeper, Tuckingmill
Rose Bros		Farmers, Pouldens Farm
Street	James	Farmer, Lawn Farm*, TN 42
Tisbury Farming Co Ltd		
Woods	Rowland	Thatcher