

## Kelly's Directory 1939

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.

For civil purposes, it consists 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.

Electricity is available. Water is supplied by the Mere and Tisbury Rural District.

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 chancel, nave of four bays with aisles and transepts with very ancient north and west porches, the north having over it a parvise of 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 1938 the roof of the nave was restored.

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 inscription "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 roof of the nave was restored in 1938: 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 1914-1918. There are sittings for 600 persons. In the churchyard is an immense yew tree, measuring 30 feet in circumference. The registers date from the year 1563.

The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £268, with residence, in the gift of the Rev. Charles Alleyne Hutchinson M.A. and held since 1934 by the Rev. Canon Arthur Hubert Barnes M.A. of Keble College Oxford.

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

There is a Methodist Chapel, erected 1902, seating 250; there are also Methodist chapels at Tuckingmill, West Tisbury parish, built in 1877, to seat 100, and at Hatch, West Tisbury, built in 1872, seating 90. The Congregational chapel, erected in 1842, will seat 410.

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 includes a tithe barn of the 15<sup>th</sup> century, the largest but one in England, its dimensions being 188 feet 3 inches.

This is a fine agricultural district and there are excellent quarries producing good building stone.

Situated on an eminence and overlooking the surrounding country is Wardour Castle, built in 1776, and the seat of Lord Arundell of Wardour, J.P.; incorporated with the mansion is a 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.

Lord Arundell of Wardour J.P. is lord of the manor.

The principal landowners are Lord Arundell of Wardour, Lt. Col J.M. Fane-Benett-Stanford J.P., the trustees of the late H Morrison D.L., J.P. and Mrs Shaw-Stewart.

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:

Tisbury, area 4,733 acres of land and inland water; population in 1931, 1,387  
West Tisbury, area, 1803 acres of land and inland water; population in 1931, 635

The population of the ecclesiastical parish in 1931 was 2,022.

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

#### **OFFICIAL ESTABLISHMENTS, LOCAL INSTITUTIONS &c**

*Post, M.O. & T. Office*  
Letters through Salisbury

*County Magistrates for Tisbury & Mere*  
Petty Sessional Division  
For addresses of magistrates see complete list at front of the book  
Shaw Col. Francis Stewart Kennedy CBE (Chairman)  
Arundell of Wardour, Lord  
Brocklebank Capt. Henry Cyril Royds CBE, RN  
Burden Walter  
Combes Daniel  
Fane-Benett-Stanford Lt Col. John Montague  
Herbert Col. Hon. Sir George S., bart, TD, DL  
Hill Maj. Henry Leonard Gauntlett OBE

The chairmen for the time being of the Tisbury and Mere Rural District Councils are ex-officio magistrates, Solicitor & Clerk to the Magistrates - George Leopold Lush, High Street, Tisbury

Petty Sessions are held 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Mere & Tisbury Rural District Council  
(For particulars, see Mere)

*Public Establishments*  
Ministry of Labour Employment Office, High Street, Tisbury - John Earle Fairlie, Manager  
Police Station  
Sessions Hall, adjoining Police Station  
Victoria Hall - W.W. Kendall, Manager  
Solicitor & Clerk to Commissioners of Income & Land Tax of Division of Hindon - George Leopold Lush

*Tisbury Area Guardians Committee*  
Comprising the former Union areas of Tisbury & Mere  
Meets once in 4 weeks on Thursday at Mere Relief Office at 11am

Chairman, T. Doggrell C.C. Wallmead Farm, Tisbury  
Vice Chariman - W.A. Reeves, Norton Ferris, Kilmington nr Frome  
Public Assistance Officer - Leonard Hussey, County Offices, Trowbridge  
Relieving & Vaccination Officer & Collector - F. Ford, North Road, Mere

Medical Officers & Public Vaccinators:  
Donhead district - N.I. Townsend LRCP & S.Irel, LM., Shaftesbury  
Hindon district - H.C. Beck, MB, BS.Durh., Hindon  
Tisbury district - W.H. Du Pre MB, B.S.Lond., Tisbury  
Teffont district - R. Challoner C. Clay MRCS.Eng, LRCP.Lond., Manor House Fovant, Mere  
R.E. Whitby MB, Ch.B., Mere  
G.E. Ellis M.B., B.S.Lond., Bourton, Dorset

*Railway Station*  
Conveyance: a motor conveyance meets certain trains and conveys passengers to Shaftesbury  
Carriers to Salisbury - Edward Montague Chivers, Tues & Sat returning same days

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders  
 Marked \* farm 150 acres or over

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Arundell, Lord	of Wardour, JP	Wardour Castle
Barnes, Rev Cannon	Arthur Herbert MA	Vicar, The Vicarage
Bartlett	Francis James	Cobbles
Bennett, Mrs		Minterne
Blood, Rev	Alban Elwin	Curate, The Chantry
Bull, Capt	George Arthur TD	High Street
Burt	Claude	Prospect House
Campbell, Lt col	George Cecil	Chicksgrove Manor
Campbell, Miss		Hillside
Cox	John	Dormer House
Denistoun, Miss		Gray Walls
Du Pre, Mrs		Tisbury House
Du Pre	William Henry MB BS	Tisbury House
Flynn, Rev	Hugh, Roman Catholic	Parochial House
Gornall, Mrs		Fairholme
Hardy	George Bonner	Coombe Warren
Hyland, Rev	Daniel, Roman Catholic	The Presbytery
Kaye, Rev	T Emmett, Congregational	The Manse
Lesley, Mrs	C M	The Lodge
Mortland, Rev	William A, R. Catholic	Parochial House
O'Kelly	Renfric de Pentheny	Pentagon, Wardour
Ponsonby, Brigadier	Henry Chambre DSO MC	Chicksgrove Mill
Ryan, Miss	O	Hillside
Stedman	Eustace Arthur	Old House
Turner	George Bentick	Chicksgrove Close
Walsh	Alfred John	Southlands
Walsh	Charles Alfred	Glenside
Young	Edward, JP	Arundell House
Aldridge	Percival (Proprietor)	South Western Hotel
Arundell Arms Hotel		Mrs Blanch Alice Pain
Baker, Mrs	Asenath Kate	Dairy, Duck Street Farm
Baker	Samuel Gilbert	Market Gardener, Vicarage Farm
Ball Brothers		Plasterers
Barnes	Charles	Farmer, Mill Farm TN44
Bartlett	J H & Son	Millers, Flour Mills TN207
Bartlett	Francis Charles	Mechanical Engineer TN274
Bell	Frank & Son	Builders, Church Street TN270
Benett Arms Hotel	Alan Davis	Alan Davis
Blake	Edwin Ewart	Butcher, High Street TN216
Boot Inn		Arthur Edward Matthews
Bull & Sons		Tailors, Outfitters, etc TN237
*Burt	Frederick John	Farmer, Bridzor
Burt	John Henry	Farmer, Hazelden
Carter	F & Son	Motor Engineers TN238
Chivers	Edward Montague	Carrier
Compasses Inn		H Hardiman
Compton	Walter	Shopkeeper, High Street
Corry	R S	Farmer, Hill Street Farm TN249
Cross Inn		Mrs A Langdon
Crown Inn		George William Tucker
Davis	Alan	Benett Arms Hotel
Disney	Herbert Valentine	Ladies & Gents Hairdresser
*Doggrell	Thomas	Farmer, Wallmead TN208
Dominy	Reginald Augusta	Baker
Du Pre	Frances Jane MRCS	Tisbury House TN204
Due Pre	William Henry MRCS	Tisbury House TN204
*Flower	Albert	Farmer, The Ark
Foley, Mrs	Emily Kate	District Nurse
Frisby	Joseph Ltd	Bookmakers, High Street
*Genge	Tom Chitty	Farmer, The Gables TN241
Giles	C	Farmer, Chicksgrove
Gillingham	C & Sons	Coal Merchants TN279
Green	Morley	Farmer, Coleman's Farm
Green	Philip	Farmer, Court Street Farm
*Green	Wyndham, jnr	Farmer, Apshill
Gurd	Henry	Farmer
Gurd	Hy Jas	Shopkeeper
Hardiman	H	Compasses Inn

Harris	H & Sons	Bakers, High Street TN263
Harry	R L	Insurance Agent
Hogg	M T & L G	Fried Fish Dealers, High St TN273
Howell	& Son	Grocers TN213
Hull	Chas	Motor Coach Proprietor
International Tea Co's	Stores Ltd	Grocers TN229
Kelett	Geo Chas	Boot & Shoe Maker, High Street
Kendall	Wm Hy	Jeweller, High Street
Kirby	Ronald	Chemist, High Street TN264
*Lee	Geo Rt	Farmer, Place Farm TN214
Lever	Geo Hy Baker	Farmer, Chicksgrove
Lewis	Daniel	Chemist TN231
Lloyds Bank Ltd	Sub-branch	
Langdon, Mrs	A	Cross Inn
Lush	Robert & Sons	Greengrocers etc, High Street
Lush	F T	Butcher, High Street
Lush	Geo	Solicitor, High Street TN233
Maidment	George Alfred	Cattle & Gen Goods Haulier TN251
Marsbridge	William Frs	Butcher, High Street TN259
Marshall	Cecil	Cycle Agent TN219
Matthews	Arthur Edward	Boot Inn, High Street TN307
Mayo	& Son	Solicitors & Comm. for Oaths
Meaden	James Harold	Confectioner
Ministry of Labour	Employment Office	Jn Earle Fairlie, Manager, TN205
Moxham	Frank	Farmer, Squall's Farm
National Provincial	Bank Ltd	
Northover	Henry & Son	Outfitters, E Toogood, Proprietor
Oliver	Harry Jas	Newsagent, High Street
Overhouse Laundries		New Street TN212
Pain, Mrs	Blanch Alice	Arundell Arms Hotel
Parmiter	P J & Sons Ltd	Agricultural Engineers
Parmiter	Rt Chas	Farmer, Westfield Farm
Parsons	Felix	Farmer, Spilsbury Farm
Pickford	William	Hairdresser, High Street
Ponton Geo	George	Saddler & Harness Maker
Randall	Andrew Chas	Ironmonger TN247
Rawlings	Albert Edward	Poultry Farmer, Woodlands
Reading Room		Edward Young JP, Hon Sec
Reece	Thos, jnr	Coal Merchant, High Street TN269
Rutter & Rutter		Solicitors, High Street
St Mary's Convent		Sisters of Charity
Smart	Percy J	Confectioner
Smith	Samuel	Shopkeeper, Chicksgrove
South Western Hotel		Percival Aldridge (Prop)
Southern Counties	Agric Trading Soc Ltd	TN271
Staddon	Jn Jas	Timber Merchant TN206
Stocker	Frank Alfred	Dentist, High Street
Sweatman	William	Farmer, Ham Cross
Tisbury Printing Works	(T/A Dodsworth)	Printers, New Street TN250
Toogood	E	Proprietor, Henry Northover & Son
Tucker	George William	Crown Inn, Church Street
Victoria Hall Co		W W Kendall, Manager
Walsh	Charles Alfred & Son	Drapers, High Street TN276
Wardour R Catholic	Benefit Society	Henry J Gurd, Secretary
Wilton Co-operative	Society Ltd	High Street TN257
Woods	Frederick	Parcels Delivery Agent for S. Railway
<b>WEST TISBURY</b>		
Atwood, Comdr	George E.L., RN retd	Pythouse East
Crisp, Miss	C	Pythouse Cottage
Fane-Benett-Stanford	John Montague JP	Pythouse
Hammick, Brigadier	Robert Townsend DSO	Red House
Hay	J Drummond	Dennis Farm House
Wills	Gerald	Hatch House
*Brain	William Edward	Farmer, Linley Farm
Brice	Lisle Reginald	Farmer, Cool's Farm
*Carter	Arthur Thomas	Farmer, Billhay
Cox	Charles	Shopkeeper, Hatch
Fray	Walter George	Farmer
Green	William E	Quarry Owner TN239
*Hart	William Charles Cecil	Farmer, Wick Farm
*Jukes	Ivor William	Farmer, Ruddlemore Farm

*King, Mrs	Martha	Farmer, Pouldens Farm
Mathews, Mrs	Sarah	Shopkeeper, Tuckingmill
Pickford	Percy	Farmer, Dennis Farm
Pythouse Club		Miss C Crisp, Hon Sec, TN252
Pythouse Farming	Partnership	Farmers, TN210
Revell	Walter	Shopkeeper, The Stores, TN289
Richmond	Jas Bennett	Dairy Farmer, Priors Farm
*Street	Maurice	Farmer, Lawn Farm, TN242
Woods	Rowland	Thatcher