

## Kelly's Directory 1915

EAST KNOYLE is a parish 3½ miles north from Semley station on the Salisbury and Yeovil section of the London and South Western railway, 5 east by south from Mere and 6 north from Shaftesbury, in the Southern division of the county, in Downton hundred, Shaftesbury County Court district, Mere Union and Tisbury petty sessional division, rural deanery of Chalke (Tisbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St. Mary the virgin, pleasantly seated on rising ground, is a cruciform building of stone in the Early English and Perpendicular styles consisting of chancel, nave of two bays, aisles, transept, south porch and an embattled western tower, 66 feet high, with turret and containing a clock and 6 bells.

The church was restored in memory of Charles Richard Sumner, Bishop of Winchester (1827-69) and has sittings for 345 persons.

The parish register dates from the year 1538.

The living is a rectory, net yearly value £609, including 107 acres of glebe with residence in the gift of the Bishop of Oxford and held since 1912 by the Rev. William Neville M.A. of Magdalen College Oxford.

Here is a Congregational Chapel erected in 1840 with 130 sittings and a Primitive Methodist Chapel.

The charities for distribution amount to about £58 yearly, derived from lands situated in the parish and left during the last 200 years by Doctors Shaw, Trippett and Mr. Compton.

East Knoyle claims the honour of being the birthplace of Sir Christopher Wren who was born on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October 1632; his father, Doctor Christopher Wren, chaplain in Ordinary to Charles 1 and Dean of Windsor, was the Rector of this parish having been instituted thereto in 1623.

The Ecclesiastical Commissioners are lords of the manor.

The trustees of the late Percy L. Wyndham esq., and Miss Seymour are the largest landowners.

The soil is partly light loam and partly stiff loam, subsoil chalky. The chief crops are wheat, barley and oats and some land in pasture. The area is 5,926 acres, rateable value £5,936.

The population in 1911 was 853 in the civil and 830 in the ecclesiastical parish.

Milton 1½ miles north, Green ½ miles north-west and Upton 1 mile north-west are outlying hamlets.

By an order dated March 25, a portion of Pertwood parish was for civil purposes amalgamated with this parish, the remainder being added to Sutton Veny.

Parish Clerk - Frank Tuck

Post M.O. & T. Office - Henry Burton, Sub-Postmaster.

Letters arrive from Salisbury at 6.40am and 2.10pm; dispatched at 11.55am and 6pm on weekdays and 5.20pm on Sundays.

Wall Letter Boxes: Green, cleared at 9.5am and 5.20pm; Sundays 9.5am.  
Milton, cleared at 8.15am and 5.30pm on weekdays; 5.20pm Sundays 8.15am

Police Constable - James May

Elementary School built in 1873 at a cost of £1,000 and has an endowment of £8.18s yearly; the school will hold 200 children. Frank Walter Barnes, Master

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Cross, Miss		
Gray, Mrs		Bathampton
Hughes, Rev	John Aled	Congregational Minister
Icke	William	Prospect House
Neville, Rev	William	Rector, The Rectory
Pembroke & Montgomery	Beatrix, Dow. Countess of	Knoyle House
Reader, Rev	Edgar Alfred	Curate
Taylor	Edwin	Underhill
Woodford, Mrs		
Alford, Misses	Grace & Catherine	Apartments
Alford	Felix	Bootmaker
Alford	Frank, Harness Maker &	Collector of Rates & Taxes for E.Knoyle
Barnes	Frank Walter	Elementary Schoolmaster
Bath	Tom	Blacksmith
Burton	Henry	Grocer & Post Office

Chubb	Ernest	Butcher
Dowding	William	Farmer, Leigh Farm
Drew	Albert	Farmer, Brickyard Farm
Drew	James (exors. of)	Farmer, Lugmarsh
Elliott	James	Painter
Fletcher	Robert	Farmer
Fletcher	Sidney	Farmer
Forward	Ivan	Farmer, Upton Farm
Fowler, Mrs	Annie	Furnished Apartments
Fowler	Henry	Farmer, Little Leigh Farm
Fowler	Tom	Baker
Fulford	Frank	Private Gardener, Clouds House
Francis	Henry & Son	Farmers, Summerleaze Farm
Genge	George (exors. of)	Farmer, Lower Leigh
Harrison & Bishop		Farmers, Redhouse Farm
Hull	Edwin	Farmer
Jacob	Albert	Farmer, The Moors
Jay	Stephen (exors. of)	Farmer, Friar's Hayes
Jones	Jesse	Private Gardener, Seymour Estate
Jukes	Charles	Beer Retailer, The Green
King	John Charles	Seymour Arms, Hotel & Farmer
Maidment, Mrs	Jane	Shopkeeper
Mallet	William	Carpenter, Clouds Estate
Mallet	William jnr	Cycle Agent
Matthews	Samuel	Shopkeeper, Milton
May	James	Police Constable
Miles	Edward Henry	Est Agent to Trustees of late P L Wyndham
Nisbeck	Michael	Farmer
Sanger	Justus	Farmer
Snook	Wilberforce	Carpenter & Farmer
Tuck	Frank	Grocer & Draper & Parish Clerk
Warren	William	Farmer, Knoyle Down
Whitehead	Alfred	Farmer, Newleaze