

Kelly's Directory Extract 1867 West Overton



West Overton is a village and parish, in the Northern division of the county, Marlborough union and county court district, Selkley hundred, on the river Kennet, including the hamlet of LOCKERIDGE, pleasantly situated, the latter 3 miles and the former 4 south-west from Marlborough, diocese of Salisbury, archdeaconry of Wilts. and rural deanery of Avebury. The church of St. Michael stands on a slight acclivity: it is an ancient stone structure, with nave, chancel, porch, square tower, surmounted by four pinnacles, and containing 3 bells: the roof is of copper. The register dates from 1695. The living is a vicarage, united to that of Fyfield and Alton Priors, annual net value £310, with residence, in the patronage of the Duke of Marlborough, and held by the Rev. W.J.B. Angell, M.A., if Queen's College, Oxford. Lockeridge House, an ancient brick mansion, and Lockeridge Cottage are seats in the tithing of Lockeridge. Robert C. Long, Esq., is lord of the manor. The soil is clay; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, oats, beans, and turnips. The area of the parish is 8.030 acres, and the population of West Overton is 429, of LOCKERIDGE hamlet or tithing 274.

OVERTON HEATH, formerly extra-parochial, has 19 inhabitants; Barns, a quarter of a mile north; Piggle Dean, one mile north: Down Barn, three quarters of a mile north: Shaws, a mile and a half south. Here are many large boulders and barrows.

Parish Clerk, Nicholas Pope.

Marlborough is the post town & nearest money order office. Letters are delivered about 9 a.m. & dispatched at 7.30 p.m.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Angell	Rev. William J.B M.A.	Revd.	Vicar	
Cowell		Mrs.		Lockeridge Cottage
Long	Robert	Esq.		
Vylnn	S.	Esq.		Lockeridge House

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arnold	Charles		Shopkeeper	
Bailey	William		Baker & Shopkeeper	
Bracher	George		Farmer	
Coward	James		Carpenter	
Draper	William		Shoe maker	Lockeridge
Gale	John		Bricklayer	Lockeridge
Hamlen	William			Bell
Long	Robert		Farmer	
Messann	John		Boot & shoe maker	Lockeridge
Messann	Thomas		Boot & shoe maker	
Merrifield	John		Surveyor of roads	
Pocock	John		Farmer	Shaw's farm
Pumphrey		Misses	Farmers	
Rebbeck	Edwin		Shopkeeper	Lockeridge
Rebbeck	Jonathan		Farmer	Lockeridge
Tilley	Thomas		Shopkeeper	
Webb	John		Saddler	