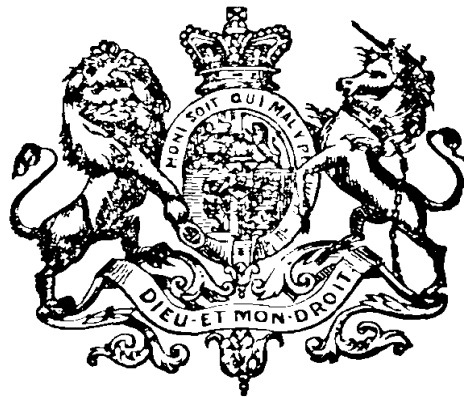


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WOODCHURCH.

Population, 1,240. Post town, Ashford. Six miles north-west from Appledore station, four-and-a-half from Ham Street station, and five-and-a-half north-east from Tenterden; a large parish and straggling village in the mid-division of the county, Tenterden Union and County Court district. rural deanery of South Lympne, archdeaconry and diocese of Canterbury. The principal part of the village is built round a spacious green several acres in extent, which constitutes a public recreation ground for the inhabitants.

The Church, dedicated to All Saints, stands on elevated ground overlooking Shirley Moor; it was built by one of the ancient family of Woodchurch, who took their name from the parish; it is a large building, consisting of chancel, north and south chapels, nave and aisles, with a tower containing six bells, and surmounted by a spire which forms a prominent feature in the landscape, being conspicuous for many miles round; the building contains many objects of interest, *inter alia*, a curious square font on Norman columns, it is of Bethersden marble, and probably of ancient date. In one of the lancet-headed windows are the arms of the Harbackendens; and, below, an altar tomb with a handsome groined ceiling covered with tracery, and at the back several brasses of the same family. At the end of the south aisle is another altar tomb, to Sir Edward Waterhouse, chancellor of the exchequer, and a member of the privy council in the reign of Queen Elizabeth; and in the window above are five shields of arms in stained glass. The register dates from 1538.

Philipott, in his history of Kent, says:—"Woodchurch, in the hundred of Blackbourn, was the habitation of a family of as deep root in antiquity as any in this track, who extracted their surnames, as well as borrowed their first original, from this place. One of them, *Sir Simon de Woodchurch*, is in the register of those eminent persons who accompanied Edward the First in his victorious and triumphant expedition into Scotland, where his victories entailed upon his memory the character *Malleus Scotorum* (the smasher of the Scots), but in this Sir Simon, the name though not the male line determined, for he, by matching with Susan, heir of *Henry de Clerke, of Munfild*, brought a large inheritance to own the signory of *Woodchurch*, and his Successors in Gratitude to a family which had added so much of splendour, and annexed so plentiful a Revenue to his name, altered their paternal appellation from *Woodchurch* to *Clerke*, and so all their deeds subsequent to this match have written *Clerke alias Woodchurch* ever since. But as all families have their descent and period, as well as gradation and ascent, so had this; for after this manor had for so many hundred years continued in this family, which had been productive of men which had been planted in places of greatest eminence, by which they were obliged to perform service to their country, it came down at last to *Humfrey Clerk, Esq.*, who, about the year 1594, passed it away by sale to *Walter Harlackenden, Esquire*, by whose daughter and heir, called *Deborah Harlackenden*, it was united to the revenue of *Sir Edward Hayles, Knight and Baronet*, who is entitled to the instant signory of it."

The living is a rectory in the gift of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and held by the Rev. Francis Ballard Wells, M.A., of Magdalen College, Oxford. During the progress of some excavations a few years since traces of a Roman road were discovered. There are chapels for the Wesleyan and Bible Christian denominations.

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Henhurst, the seat of Arthur Schrieber, Esq., about a mile-and-a-half from the village, is a neat compact residence, situated in a finely-wooded park, with pleasure grounds carefully and pleasantly arranged.

There are National Schools, also a private commercial school, which has been established upwards of seventy years, providing accommodation for forty boarders; it has been under the present master (Mr. Wisdom) for about three years, and promises to become an establishment of note in the scholastic arena, enjoying as it does a healthy situation, and not far removed from railway communication.

The manor of Woodchurch, otherwise Townland, was among the estates allotted for the defence of Dover Castle, forming part of the barony of the constable of that important fortress, hence called the constabularie. The name of Townland (a corruption of Thunland) was acquired from Ralph de la Thun, who possessed this manor in the reign of Henry III., and with whose descendents it continued to the reign of Henry IV., when it passed by sale to the family of Norton, and in the beginning of the reign of Henry VIII. was sold to the prior and convent of Leeds, in whose possession it remained until the dissolution of that priory in 1538.

The area of the parish is 7,000 acres; the rateable value. £8,289.

Har Lackenden, Plurrenden, Brook Street, and Redbrook Street are outlying parts of the parish.

CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.—*Rector*, The Rev. F. B. Wells; *Curate*, The Rev. John Kirkham Fox; *Churchwardens*, E. B. Terry and George Carpenter; *Parish Clerk*, J. Milliner.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS.—*Master*, T. E. Kenward; *Mistress*, Miss Durrant; *Infants' Mistress*, Miss Simms.

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Fox, Rev. John Kirkham, curate
Hook, Miss, Susan's hill
Hughes, John, sen., High View villa
Schrieber, Arthur, Esq., Henhurst
Terry, Edward Batchelor, Esq.
Wells, Rev. F. Ballard, M.A., rectory
Wilson, Capt., Red Brook street
Wilson, Mrs., The Limes
Wisdom, W. E., Melrose house

Banks, Stephen, farmer, Coldblow fm.
Barham, John, baker
Barman, Mrs., butcher
Barman, Josiah, greengrocer, fruit & general dealer, and licensed to let horses

Barton, Thomas, shopkeeper
Baslee, Mrs., farmer, Red brook
Bion, Emile, Sandhill
Bourne, John & Son, builders, wheelwrights & blacksmiths, & farmers
Bourne, Albert, butcher
Bright, Henry, farmer, Brook street
Bunn, Geo. Wickes, grazier, The Cot.
Button, Fredk. Edward, shopkeeper and carpenter
Button, Samuel, farmer, Brickwall farm
Carpenter, George, farmer, Hendon place
Chapling, William, farmer, Red Brook street, and Maywood farm

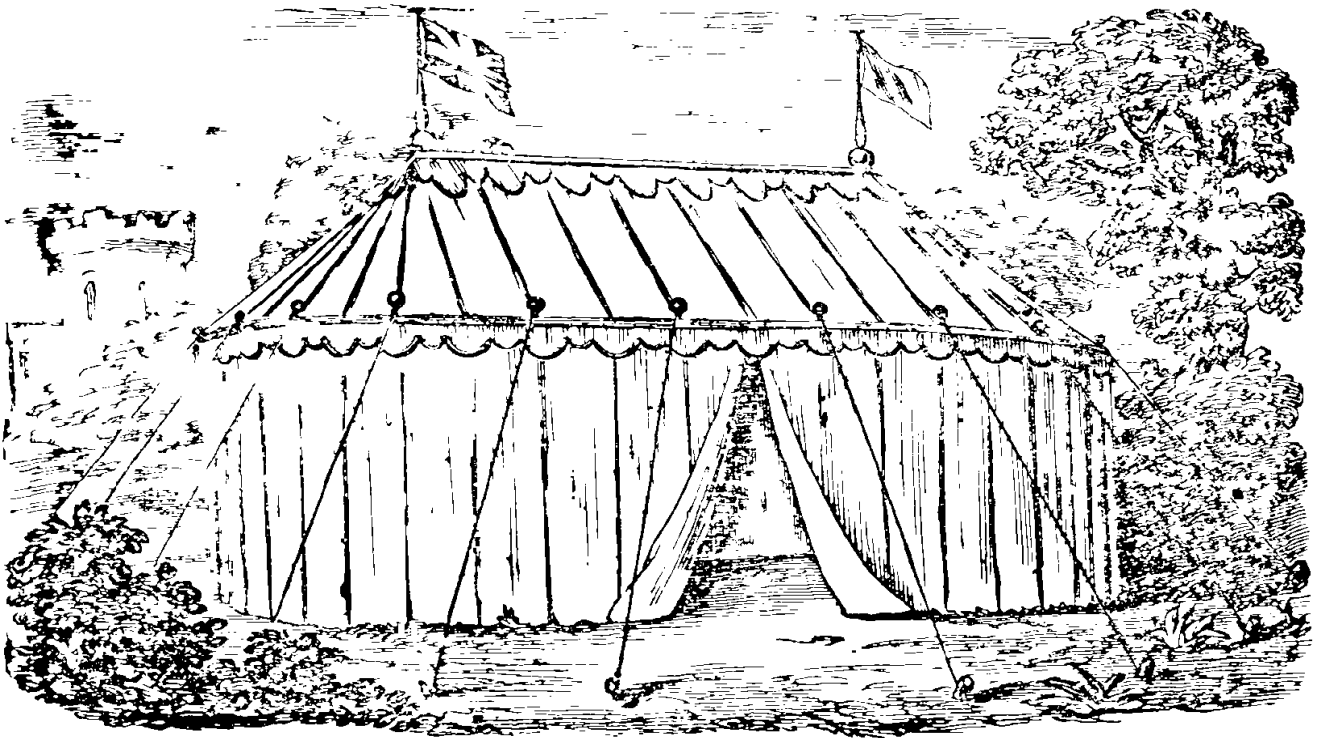
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| <p>Chasmar, George, brick, tile, &amp; drain pipe maker, Spring place<br/>         Chasmar, Geo. F., carpenter &amp; builder<br/>         Coleman, George, farm bailiff to A. Schrieber, Esq., New house farm<br/>         Collick, Henry, farmer, Park farm &amp; Townland farm<br/>         Curtis, Mrs., farmer, Har Lackenden<br/>         Davis, John, farmer, Cherry garden<br/>         Durrant, Miss, National school mistress.<br/>         Fullager, Mrs., shoemaker<br/>         Fullager, Henry, grocer &amp; earthenwr. dealer<br/>         George, John &amp; Henry, traction engine proprietors<br/>         Hook, Frank, farmer and hop grower, Stonebridge<br/>         Hook, George, farmer, Malthouse farm, Brook street<br/>         Hook, Stephen, farmer, Brook street<br/>         Hughes, John, grocer, draper, corn dealer, boot &amp; shoe &amp; earthenware dealer<br/>         Hyland, John, farmer, Mount pleasant farm<br/>         Jarvis, Horace, grocer &amp; draper, Post office, and at Bethersden<br/>         Jarvis, Richard, Maysham farm<br/>         Judge, Charles, farmer, Oakhurst fm.<br/>         Kenward, T. E., National schools<br/>         Killick, Mrs. Jane, farmer, Waterhouse farm<br/>         Kingsnorth, Geo., farmer, May's farm<br/>         Kingsnorth, John, farmer, Highlands farm<br/>         Kingsnorth, Joseph Potter, farmer &amp; surveyor of roads, Redbrook<br/>         Lindridge, Charles, butcher<br/>         Mace, David B., farmer, Great Ingham<br/>         Markwick, Thomas, farmer, Coleham green</p> | <p>Markwick, William, farmer, Little Ingham<br/>         Melrose House School, W. E. Wisdom, head master<br/>         Milliner, J., parish clerk<br/>         Orms, J., farm bailiff to A. Schrieber, Esq., Henhurst farm<br/>         Orpen, Charles, farmer, Plurrenden<br/>         Palmer, H., Beacon farm<br/>         Pearson, Alfred, carpenter &amp; farmer, Redbrook<br/>         Putland, Thos., grocer, draper, dealer in wines, &amp; agent for W. &amp; A. Gilbey, wine &amp; spirit merchants<br/>         Reader, Thomas, farmer<br/>         Reeves, James, King farm<br/>         Reeves, John, farmer, Susan's hill<br/>         Sillibourne, John, Hornbrook farm<br/>         Simms, Mrs., infant school mistress<br/>         Tanton, George, carrier<br/>         Tanton, James W., miller and farmer<br/>         Terry, Edward Batchelor, surgeon<br/>         Terry, Thomas, farmer, <i>Six Bells</i><br/>         Trowell, William &amp; Son, carriers<br/>         Trowell, William, farmer<br/>         Walter, John, <i>Bonnie Cravat Commercial Inn</i><br/>         Watts, S. L., Roburst farm<br/>         Wells, Richard, farmer and grazier, Court Lodge farm<br/>         Whitehead, Thomas, farmer, Orange farm<br/>         Whitehead, William, farmer, Bellconey farm<br/>         Wilkinson, Mrs., shopkeeper<br/>         Wilson, Miss, ladies' school<br/>         Wisdom, W. E., head master of Melrose House school<br/>         Woodgate, Samuel, farmer<br/>         Young, William, tailor, The green</p> |
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### YALDING.

Population, about 3,000. Post town, Maidstone. A very large parish, seven miles south-west from Maidstone, eight north-east from Tunbridge, and forty-nine from London. The church is an ancient building, cruciform in structure, with square tower containing six bells, and dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul: the register dates from the year 1558. There is a Free Grammar school, likewise National schools. Area, 5,843 acres. Collier street. Gafford's bridge, Benover, and Havicker street are outlying portions of the parish.

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