



The Western Gazette

1900-1929

1900 **Married**

Feb 13, at Tisbury, by the Rev F E Hutchinson, William, eldest son of Osmond Woodford, of Motcombe, to Mary Freelove, eldest daughter of John Wastfield, of Tisbury
Western Gazette Friday 23 February 1900

War Funds

On Thursday evening a meeting to receive the report of the Committee appointed to collect money for the War Fund was held in Victoria Hall. There were only a few people present and the Vicar presided. The Hon Secretary (C A Ensor) and Mr E G Hibberd (hon treasurer) stated that the result of the work by the Committee and those who had assisted, was highly satisfactory, the creditable sum of £70 17 2d having been received. It was decided that after payment of the expenses, the whole should be forward to the Mayor of London for the Mansion House Fund to be apportioned in the following manner: £25 to the for helping the sick and wounded, £25 to the for immediate relief of families suffering the war, and the remainder, which after deducting incidental expenses, amounted to about for the Refugees Fund.

Altogether upwards 600 subscribed in Tisbury, the sums ranging from £5 to Lord Arundell of Wardour, Lady Arundell, the Rev F E Hutchinson, and Mrs Hutchinson each contributed £5 and the total sum collected also included £7 10s 2d from Zion Hill Chapel. At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of thanks was accorded to all helpers. The following amounts have been collected for the War Funds: Church of England £9, Congregational Chapel £7 10s 2d, Wesleyan Chapel £1 6s. (*parts illegible - article on crease of page*)
Western Gazette Friday 23 March 1900

Tisbury Petty Sessions

William Smart (or *Snook*) of East Tisbury, who did not appear, was summoned in respect of the irregular attendance of his daughter Florence at school. Mr Sidney J Isaac, School Attendance Officer, gave evidence. An attendance order was made.
Western Gazette Friday 06 April 1900

Tisbury Petty Sessions

Sidney Vincent, of Pokesdown, Bournemouth, was summoned to show cause why an order should not be made requiring him to support his mother, Sarah Burt, of East Tisbury. Mr Marsh, who prosecuted on behalf of the Board of Guardians, said the woman had been in receipt of 2s a week outdoor relief since February 22nd. The son was a master tailor in a fairly good position, but he flatly refused to pay anything towards his mother's maintenance. On hearing that proceedings were to be taken against her son, Mr Burt decided to do without relief. Mr Marsh consequently asked that the summons should be adjourned, and if defendant paid the costs, it would be withdrawn.
Western Gazette Friday 25 May 1900

Married

On July 12, at the Parish church of St John Baptist, Tisbury, by the Rev F E Hutchinson, Dennis Bray of South Lambeth, London to Katherine, youngest daughter of William John Gurd, of Tucking Mill, Tisbury
Western Gazette Friday 27 July 1900

Sudden Death

William Read, aged 53, a labourer in the employ of Mr P Genge, while in the field on Monday afternoon, was taken ill and expired the same evening from sunstroke. Before death, deceased had been attended by Dr Ensor and an inquest was not considered necessary.
Western Gazette Friday 17 August 1900

Oddfellow's Funeral

The funeral of Mr William Green, for many years head rural postman at Tisbury, took place at the Parish church on Saturday. A large number of members of the Wardour Lodge of Oddfellows, of which the deceased was a member, were present, and at the graveside, the funeral oration was read by Brother C Harrison PPGM. A wreath was sent by the Tisbury postal staff, most of whom attended. Deceased left a widow and six children unprovided for.
Western Gazette Friday 19 October 1900

Art Class

The following is the result of examinations held by the Science and Art Department. Modelling in clay, second grade: first class - Bertha K Coleman, John Bracher, Ada Lush, Edith Overson, Edith A Solomon, Edith M Love, Sidney V Snook; second class - Selwyn E Hutton, George P Howell, Minnie B Jones, Ada M Nurdin, Gertrude R Wastfield, Eveline A Stedman. Third class or highest grade examinations: Model drawing - first class Joseph T Gardener, Henry J Green; second class Ada Lush, John Bracher, Sidney V Snook. Freehand drawing - first class Joseph T Gardener, Henry J Green; second class Ada Lush, Kate Alford, Lucy M King, Mabel F King.
Western Gazette Friday 19 October 1900

1901 The Country's Loss

References to the death of the Queen were made at all places of worship in Tisbury on Sunday. The Parish Church was draped in black, and at the close of the morning service The Dead March in Saul and Beethoven's Funeral March were played by the organist. At the end of the evening service The Dead March in Saul and Chopin's Funeral March were given, the congregation standing. At the latter service there was no organ accompaniment to the singing. It is expected that the shops will close until five o'clock on the day of the funeral.
Western Gazette Friday 01 February 1901

Supposed Attempted Suicide

On Monday, the inhabitants of Hatch were startled to hear that a young girl, not quite 16 years, named Kate Grace Felstone, daughter of Mrs Felstone, a widow, who had only recently come to reside there, had been found with her throat cut. The girl, it appears, has been suffering for some time with hysterical fits, and it is presumed that during one of these, she cut her throat with a razor. She was found upstairs by her mother, covered in blood, with cuts on each side of the neck.

Dr Blucke, of Donhead St Mary, was called and attended to the girl's injuries and under his care she is progressing satisfactorily towards recovery. About four and a half years ago, the girl's father was instantaneously killed by a thrashing machine passing over him at Tisbury.

Western Gazette Friday 22 February 1901

Died

The death of Mr Philip Genge, of Pyt House Farm, took place on Sunday morning. Deceased had been some time suffering from gastritis and his family were not unprepared for this death. The end, however, came somewhat suddenly. Deceased was a prominent agriculturist and was widely known. A widow and fourteen children are left to mourn his loss and much sympathy is extended to them. The funeral will take place at the Parish Church today.

Western Gazette Friday 01 March 1901

Tisbury Petty Sessions

George Thomas Pitcher, of Tisbury, was summoned for not having his son vaccinated in accordance with the Vaccination Acts. Mr Marsh prosecuted on behalf of the Guardians. Defendant said he did not plead guilty to disobeying the order, inasmuch as he had applied to the Court in July 1900 for an exemption order, and it was refused. This was taken as a plea of not guilty, but defendant admitted that all legal formalities had been complied with. Mr Marsh mentioned that the vaccination officer had no alternative but to take these proceedings.

Defendant said he did not intend to have the child vaccinated, neither did he intend to pay anything more than the cost of the vaccination certificate. The Clerk, Mr J Mayo: that is a very foolish thing to say. Defendant: I say it with due respect to the Court.

In reply to the Bench, the Clerk read his minute of defendant's application to the magistrates for an exemption certificate, from which it appeared that the Bench was not satisfied that he had a conscientious objection. The Bench imposed a fine of 10s, with 7s costs, and defendant paid the money.

Western Gazette Friday 12 April 1901

Orders to Sail

Mr J Bennett Stanford is under immediate orders to sail for South Africa where he will join the 1st Royal Dragoons

Western Gazette Friday 03 May 1901

Theft of Soda Water

At Tisbury Petty Sessions, Richard Humphries, engine-driver, employed at Chilmark stone quarries, was charged with stealing six bottles of soda water of the value of 1s 6d, the property of Thomas Hull, carrier, of East Tisbury. Prosecutor stated that he sent Messrs Martin & Sons, of Salisbury, for 12 dozen bottles of soda water. On the delivery of the soda water at his house he missed seven bottles from one of the cases. He gave information to the police.

PS Hillier said on receipt of information from the last witness, he went in company with PC Jones, in search of defendant, and overtook him on the public footpath leading from Tisbury street to Tisbury row. Witness noticed that he had some bottles in his jacket pockets and on searching him, he found the six bottles produced, one full and the others empty. On being asked to account for the possession of the bottles, defendant said he did not know where he got them and added that he was sorry. He was much the worse for liquor.

Edward Soper, who brought the soda water from Salisbury in a covered van with an open back, said his load was alright at Chicksgrove, where he lighted his lamp. He passed Humphries on the road about a quarter of a mile from Tisbury and noticed that he was staggering drunk. He was walking towards Tisbury. When witness stopped at prosecutor's house to deliver the goods, witness saw Humphries come from the tail of the van and walk on down the street. Witness delivered the cases and then noticed that seven bottles were gone from a case at the rear of the van.

Defendant elected to be dealt with summarily.

Humphries pleaded not guilty and said "I know nothing about it". Superintendent Fox stated that defendant was convicted of stealing wood about five years ago, but had since been going on well. He was fined 20s, or in default, 14 days hard labour.

Western Gazette Friday 14 June 1901

Died

The death took place yesterday week of Mr Emanuel Turner, after a short illness. Deceased, who was 85 years of age, had lived in Tisbury all his life, carrying on the trade of a boot maker. His memory was wonderfully keen and his reminiscences of Tisbury and neighbourhood in his young days were most interesting. He was greatly respected and, in addition to the members of the family, a large number of tradesmen and others attended the funeral which took place at the Parish churchyard on Sunday. The funeral service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev F E Hutchinson.

Western Gazette Friday 14 June 1901

Bathing Place

A long felt want has been supplied through the kindness and generosity of Mr Archie Morrison M.P., who is having a dressing room erected at Hatch Hole, and the place otherwise made suitable for bathing and swimming. The want of a proper bathing place has been keenly felt in Tisbury and Mr Morrison's thoughtful ness and public spirit will be greatly appreciated by all, especially the youths of the neighbourhood who are fond of a "dip".

Western Gazette Friday 19 July 1901

Fishing Rights

Frederick Woods and Harry Kelly of Tisbury, were summoned on the information of Edward Cadley, of Donhead St Andrew, keeper to the Nadder Fishing Association, for unlawfully attempting to take fish from a stream in which the Association had a private right of fishery. Mr C H Kent, of Shaftesbury prosecuted. Defendants pleaded not guilty.

Mr Edward Cadley, steward to Lord Arundell of Wardour, who produced the yearly agreement between his lordship and the Nadder Fishery Association, said that he had spoken to Kelly several times about fishing in the waters. Defendant had always contended that he had a right to fish there.

Edward Cadley said he saw both defendants fishing with rods in the stream running through land occupied by Mr Street, above Tisbury Railway Bridge. This was water belonging to the Association. He asked Kelly who gave him permission to fish there, but in reply he asked witness for his authority to put the question. Witness opened Kelly's basket, but there were no fish in it.

Kelly, on oath, said he had permission from Mr Street to go on his land, and a license to fish in the stream. Consequently, he did not think he was doing wrong. He had been fishing on and off in the same place for five or six years and had never been interfered with before. Mr Cadley has spoken to him about fishing, but this was at another place in the river. It was the general opinion in Tisbury that if a license was taken out at the Post-office, and permission was obtained to go on the land, a man could fish in the stream. He also stated that there were no notices stating that fishing was prohibited.

Mr Kent said there was no wish on the part of the Association to press the case. They only wanted to protect their right. Kelly was fined 10s and Woods 5s, with costs. They were warned that a heavier penalty would be inflicted in any other case. Lord Arundell of Wardour and the Hon Percy Wyndham did not adjudicate in this case.

Western Gazette Friday 23 August 1901

1904 Bankrupt

Adjudications - Charles Fox, the King's Arms public house, Fonthill Bishop, innkeeper, and formerly a superintendent of police station at Tisbury.

Taunton Courier & Western Advertiser Wednesday 21 September 1904

Wilts Vagrancy Committee

A meeting of the Wilts Vagrancy Committee was held at Trowbridge on Thursday, Mr A C Mitchell presided. The Chief Constable presented his report showing the number of tramps relieved by the police during the quarter to 8,035 compared with 5,191 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of 2,841. The total number of nights' relief showed an increase of 3,300 from 8,760 to 12,060. The total number relieved with the mid-day meal was 3,196 against 2,207, an increase of 962, the cost being £12 9s 4d.

There was an increase in all the Unions in Wiltshire except Tisbury. He ascribed the cause to tramps passing through the county from the dock works at Avonmouth to the Government works on Salisbury Plain. The Chairman remarked that the increase reported was the largest since the Committee came into existence.

Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 27 October 1904

1910 Quarter Sessions Warminster

Frederick George Woods (26), labourer, was discharged on an indictment of maliciously wounding Thomas Gulliver with a knife, at West Tisbury, on May 2nd.

Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 30 June 1910

Death of Mr Kipling's Mother

The sympathy of the whole Empire will go out to Mr Rudyard Kipling in the great loss he has just suffered by the death of his mother, Mrs J L Kipling, which took place on Wednesday at The Gables, Tisbury, in Wiltshire. The funeral takes place today in the village church.

Hull Daily Mail Friday 25 November 1910

1911 Died

The death of Mr John Lockwood Kipling, C.I.E. which *The Times* reports as having occurred at Tisbury Wiltshire has followed closely upon the death of his wife, who died last November.

Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Tuesday 31 January 1911

Local Will

Mr John Lockwood Kipling, C.I.E. of The Gables, Tisbury, Wilts, father of Mr Rudyard Kipling, left estate valued at £1,155 gross, with net personalty £985
Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 16 February 1911

1912

A Considerate Act

During the coal strike, Mr Benett-Stanford has given permission to all his estate employees to go into his estate and pick up wood for fuel. He has also given extra pay to his employees during the strike. It is needless to say that his kindness is much appreciated.

Western Gazette Friday 29 March 1912

Died

It was with great regret that the inhabitants of Tisbury and district learnt of the death of Mr Jonathan William Howell, which occurred on Tuesday evening at his residence in High-street. Deceased, who was 68 years of age, until recently was head of the old established firm of Howell & Son, grocers, but had for some time been living retired in consequence of ill health.

A man of sound integrity, he was widely known and much respected. Unassuming and kindly in his manner always, he endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact and his death is a loss to the town. Although his end was painfully sudden, deceased was under medical treatment and death was not unexpected and an inquest will there not be necessary.

Western Gazette Friday 03 May 1912

Underweight Deliveries

Charles Gillingham, coal merchant, of Tisbury, was summoned for delivering a bag of coal containing 105 lbs instead of 112lbs and also for exposing for sale a number of sacks of coal containing less than the quantity represented.

Mr W Nelson, inspector of weights and measures, said the defendant's employee delivered a cwt bag of coal to a man named Haime, living in Hindon-lane. When the coal was weighed by Sergeant Light it was found that Haime had only received 105lbs. The police officer then weighed the remainder of the bags of coal on the trolley and the total shortage on the 18 sacks was 89lbs.

Mr W Marsh, who appeared for the defendant, said there had been a bona fide mistake in not allowing for the weight of the sacks when the coal was put up. Defendant had never received a complaint previously and he promised to be very careful about the weighing in future. The Bench imposed fines of £2 with 9s 6d costs, in each case.

Western Gazette Friday 14 June 1912

Local Will

Mr Jonathan Wm Howell, of Tisbury Wilts, grocer and provision merchant, of the firm of Messrs Howell & Son, who died on April 30th last, aged 68 years, left estate of the gross value of £7,530 2s 9d
Western Gazette Friday 06 September 1912

1913

Died

The inhabitants heard with regret of the death of Mr Alfred Jukes, a well-known and highly-respected inhabitant, which occurred at his residence with painful suddenness on Tuesday night. Deceased, who had been relieving officer of the Tisbury Union for many years, had not been in robust health for some time and was under medical treatment for a heart affection. An inquest will therefore not be necessary.

His end came as a great shock to his family and friends as he was at the club during the evening and on Sunday previous had attended the church parade of Territorials and Nation Reservists, latter of which he was a member. Great sympathy has been expressed with the widow and three children in their bereavement. Deceased was 51 years of age and celebrated his silver wedding on Sunday.

Western Gazette Friday 02 May 1913

Married

July 9 at the Parish Church, Tisbury, Arthur John Groves, of Chilmark, to Mary Hardiman, of Tisbury.

Western Gazette Friday 25 July 1913

Married

July 16, at the Parish Church, Tisbury, Arthur Morley, of Springport, Michigan, USA, to Kate Collins, of Tisbury

Western Gazette Friday 01 August 1913

Married

Dec 12, at the Parish Church, Arthur Down Cox to Edith Maud Fry, West Tisbury

Western Gazette Friday 19 December 1913

1914

Smoking Concert

The last of a series of smoking concerts arranged by the Loyal Wardour Lodge of Oddfellows was held on Thursday in last week at the Lodge-room, High-street, when a large number of members and friends were present. The chair was taken by Bro G Furnell and Bro W Scott again gave selections on the gramophone.

Songs were sung by Bros G Furnell, T Gauler, J Turner, R Houston, W Curtis, W Burt, T Holwell, A Gilbert, W Gilbert, J Gilbert, J Mould, J Gurd, J Scammell, C Fowles, A Smart, M Burt and J Ball. The first prize, a tobacco pouch, given by the Treasurer (Bro W Cuff) was won by Bro John Turner and the second prize, a cigarette case, given by Bro G Ponton, jun., was won by Mr John Gurd. Before dispersing, the secretary (Bro H J Penny) proposed a vote of thanks to the donors of prizes, the Chairman and all who had contributed to the evening's entertainment.
Western Gazette Friday 20 February 1914

Moved

Mr S Robins, colporteur, who for 26 years has laboured in 100 villages of Wilts and Dorset, has removed to No 2 Playcross, Shillingstone, near Blandford. It is estimated that he has circulated 70,000 books, bibles and tracts, and scripture cards.
Western Gazette Friday 26 June 1914

Advertisement

"Ford" Motor-Cars – John Earl Fairlie, official agent for Ford Motor-cars. Two-seater £125; Five-seater £135, Landulette £180 for cash, or at those prices on payment of a deposit of £25 down and the balance in 12 monthly payments (if the car is £135) of £9 1s 3d per month and 2 per cent. (£2 14s) add for interest for deferred payments. Immediate delivery. Trial runs by appointment. Cars on hire – for full particulars apply to John E Fairlie, Motor Engineer, Tisbury, Wilts, Telephone 5.
Western Gazette Friday 24 July 1914

Married

The wedding was solemnised at the Parish Church of St John the Baptist on Wednesday of Mr Garnet Mark Hickman, fifth son of the late Mr Walter Hickman, of Downton, and Miss Ida May Northover, second daughter of Mr H W Northover, Brundell House. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of cream silk popelline trimmed with ninon and lace, and also wore a wreath and veil, and carried a sheaf of white lilies. The bride was attended by two bridesmaids, namely Miss L M Northover (sister of the bride) and Miss B Hickman (sister of the bridegroom who wore dresses of cream sponge cloth with Medici collars, trimmed with lace and carried bouquets of pink and white asters. Mr Walter G Palmer carried out the duties of best man. (part article only)
Western Gazette Friday 21 August 1914

1916

Married

Feb 26, at the Parish Church, Tisbury, by the Rev C A Hutchinson, Private Richard Winterbottom (Manchester Regiment), to Lucy, second daughter of the late Mr E Maidment, the Quarry, Tisbury
Western Gazette Friday 03 March 1916

Died

Having been in indifferent health for several months past, the death took place at Blundell House on Monday in last week of Mr Henry William Northover, at the early age of 57. The deceased who carried on the London House drapery and outfitting business in High-street, was well known and highly respected by a large circle of friends. The funeral took place on Thursday amidst every token of sympathy and respect, the deceased being laid to rest by the side of his parents in the parish churchyard. The service was impressively read by the Vicar, the Rev C A Hutchinson. The coffin, of polished elm with heavy brass furniture, bore the inscription "Henry W Northover, died March 6th 1916, aged 57 years". Mr Northover leaves a widow and grown up family.
Western Gazette Friday 17 March 1916

Died

The death occurred at his residence, Jubilee House, High-street, of Mr Job Wastfield, after a long illness, at the age of 62 years. The deceased, who had for upwards of 30 years carried on a butcher's business in High-street, was an excellent judge of cattle and horses and was a regular attendant and buyer at Salisbury, Sturminster and Gillingham Markets. He was a staunch Conservative and a sound Churchman and a member of the Church Council. The funeral will take place today at three o'clock at the parish church.
Western Gazette Friday 12 May 1916

Married

June 12, at St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury, by the Rev C A Hutchinson, John, eldest son of Mr J Evans, Edgbaston, Birmingham, to Dorothy Ethel, only daughter of Mr R Northover, High-street, Tisbury
Western Gazette Friday 16 June 1916

Bankrupt

Creditors of Edwin Dewey (trading as E Dewey & sons) of High-street, Tisbury, baker and grocer, held their first meeting at Salisbury on Monday, under a receiving order dated August 24th.

The statement submitted by the debtor showed gross liabilities of £2,632 4s, of which £1,289 was fully secured, and an item of £425 14s is secured to the extent of £371, leaving £972 4s to rank against the available assets. These are estimated to produce £1,300 15s, and the debtor therefore showed a surplus of assets over liabilities to the extent of £328 11s. The Official Receiver presided at the meeting. Mr Arthur Collins, chartered accountant, of Bristol, was appointed trustee, with a committee of inspection of three creditors.
Western Gazette Friday 15 September 1916

Soldiers' Welfare

An excellent concert arranged by the President of the Tisbury Centre Soldiers' Welfare Committee (Lady Mary Morrison) was given in the Victoria Hall on Saturday by Miss Graham's Ladies Choir from Salisbury, assisted by officers and non-commissioned officers from the camp.

Western Gazette Friday 22 December 1916

1917 Malta Base Hospital (Tisbury Centre)

The report of the work for the year ending December 31st shows that £100 18s 9d was collected in cash, in addition to which gifts in kind of the value of £200 have also been received.

Various articles, including books, games, tobacco, linen &c, weighing altogether one and a half tons, have been sent in 56 cases to the Commissioner of the British Red Cross and Order of St John at Malta, who has seen to their proper distribution between various hospitals on the island.

Western Gazette Friday 26 January 1917

Wanted

Nurse (experienced). Good needlewoman. For two boys, two years and five months respectively. Quiet country place. One other servant kept. Wages from £24, according to age and experience. Apply Mrs Culley, Hillside, Wardour, Tisbury.

Western Gazette 02 March 1917

1918 Married on Feb 9th (by license) at St John's Church, Tisbury, by the Rev C Hutchinson, Corporal Sidney Archer, RFA, BEF, of Northampton, to Annie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Cox, West Tisbury

Western Gazette Friday 15 February 1918

Military Cross Awarded

Sergt Major S J Parker M.C., son of Mr and Mrs J Parker, Tisbury Mill, Tisbury, was decorated by the King with the Military Cross at Buckingham Palace on Saturday. Another son, QMS G Parker, who has been a prisoner of war in Germany for 3½ years has been transferred to Holland.

Western Gazette Friday 29 March 1918

Welcome Home

On Tuesday, Staff Sergeant Major S Parker, who, on Saturday received the Military Cross from the hands of His Majesty, paid a visit to his home. He received a very hearty welcome on his arrival by the mid-day train from the schoolmaster, teachers and children of the Church schools, who assembled at the station with many others to welcome the hero. Lusty cheers were given by the children after which the National Anthem was sung.

Western Gazette Friday 29 March 1918

Soldiers' Welfare

On Saturday an excellent concert was given in the Victoria Hall arranged by the Soldiers' Welfare Sub Committee. Every item was well received and many obtained well deserved encores from the crowded audience.

Western Gazette Friday 29 March 1918

1919 Long-lived Families

Mrs Emily Miles (nee Osmond), the School House, Tisbury, Wilts, writes to the "Daily Mail": I was greatly interested in reading of the longevity of Mr William Weston's family, and I should like to give the record of the Osmonds, of Tisbury, the average age of nine members of the family being 86:

Thomas Osmond, died at Tisbury 1833, aged 80

Betty Osmond (his wife), died at Tisbury 1841, aged 89

Their sons included:

Thomas Osmond, died at Tisbury 1868, aged 81

William Osmond, died at Salisbury 1875, aged 84

Joseph Osmond, died at Tisbury 1886, aged 94

George Osmond, died at Tisbury 1888, aged 91

Eliza Osmond (w/o George Osmond), died 1878, aged 81

Their children included:

Eliza (Cuff), died at Tisbury 1907, aged 84

Emily (Tabor) who is still living at Richmond, Tasmania, and will be 94 on May 18 next. She was photographed in her 90th year with her daughter, granddaughter, great granddaughter, and her great great grandson (Colin Oates).

Western Gazette 21 March 1919

Honoured for War Work

The name of Nurse Ansdell, Miss M., V.A.D., Red Cross Hospital, Tisbury, has been brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War for valuable nursing services rendered in connection with the war.

Western Gazette Friday 22 August 1919

Railway Presentation

On Saturday in last week, Mr W Hoare, for 15 years the esteemed stationmaster at Tisbury Station, retired from the service of the London and South Western Railway and was presented with a silver mounted walking stick, case of pipes, and tobacco pouch, by the members of the L and SW Station staff as a slight recognition of the good feeling which had always existed between Mr Hoare and those under his charge. Mr C Rock, booking clerk, made the presentation and Mr Hoare suitably acknowledged the gifts.

Western Gazette Friday 12 December 1919

1920 Charged with Bigamy

Roland Castleman, otherwise Burrell (47), veterinary surgeon, in the uniform of a sergeant of the Canadian Forces, was charged at Westminster Police Court yesterday with bigamously marrying Emily Gertrude Jay, a widow, late of Tisbury, Wilts, and stealing her household property, value £100.

Evidence was given that the prisoner was married in August 1913 at Toronto, Canada, and his wife was seen there as recently as last November. Accused, when stationed at a Somerset camp, made the acquaintance of the prosecutrix, and as a single man, married her at Cocklington, Somerset, last June. They afterwards lived together at Seaford and London. Prosecutrix packed two large cases of her household effects which were addressed to Canada, in the belief that she was to accompany him there. While waiting for the steamer tickets she found that Castleman was already married, and left him.

The packing cases, returned from Liverpool, were placed in a repository and sold by the accused for £29, the purchaser testifying that the accused represented the contents to be his own property for which room could not be found on the boat. Prisoner was also charged with improperly wearing uniform and badges. The prisoner was committed for trial.

Western Daily Press 07 April 1920

1921 Married on Jan 1st, at Tredegar, William Cecil, second son of Mr and Mrs Frank Lambert, Tisbury, to Florence E Morgan, of Tredegar
Western Gazette Friday 07 January 1921

Death of Rev Hutchinson. "The Times" announces the death at Cove, Tiverton, at the age of 90, of the Rev Francis Edmund Hutchinson, who was vicar of Tisbury for 55 years.
Western Morning News Monday 18 April 1921

Married on March the 23rd, at St John's Parish Church, East Northam, West Australia, by the Rev Mr Grimes, James Henry Todman to Edith Amy, third daughter of Mr and Mrs George Furnell, Court-street, Tisbury.
Western Gazette Friday 10 June 1921

Local Will. Rev Francis Edmund Hutchinson, a former Vicar of Tisbury, who died at Court-place, Cove Devon, at the age of 90, left estate valued at £21,773
Western Times Friday 29 July 1921

1922 100 Years Ago. May 19th, 1822. A most interesting and rare specimen of fossil fish, which was found embedded in stone in a quarry at Tisbury has been presented to the Wiltshire and Salisbury Library and Reading Society, by Mr Croome, of Fisherton. It measures 20 inches in length and is four inches wide; the head, tail and fins are clearly defined. It is deposited in the collection of the Society for the inspection of the curious.
Western Gazette Friday 19 May 1922

Sale of Church Street Cottages

At the recent property sale conducted by Messrs Senior & Godwin at Tisbury, the property in Church-street, consisting of six cottages with gardens, &c., sold to Mr Burt for £350, was later disposed of to Mr G E Lush.
Western Gazette Friday 09 June 1922

Local Will

Capt Vere Benett-Stanford, M.C., R.F.A., of Hatch House, Tisbury, who died on March 30th, aged 28, left estate of the gross value of £62,493 with net personalty £58,759. The testator left his "Wake Cup" to V.H. Seymer, of Hanford, and all other property to his mother.
Western Gazette Friday 11 August 1922

1923 Shaftesbury County Court

On Wednesday, Mr W Farley Rutter applied on behalf of William Randall, a young man of 19 years, of Hatch, Tisbury, for the payment out of Court of a portion of the sum of £75 paid into Court as compensation for injuries sustained in an accident while employed by Mr James Street, of Lawn Farm, Tisbury.

His Honour Judge Maxell: You consider the sum a fair one? Mr Rutter said that it had been accepted as such. Randall had been in receipt from his Insurance Society of 9s a week for six months and 4s 6d a week for eight months, which came to about £18, but some portion of this Randall would be liable to repay. He wished to have the sum of £20 paid out of Court for this purpose.

His Honour suggested that it would be better to wait until Mr Rutter knew exactly the amount to be repaid before the money was paid out, and this course Mr Rutter agreed to. He asked, however, that a sum of money be paid out to cover the cost of visits of the parents from Tisbury to Salisbury while the lad was in Hospital, and also to buy him some clothes. After hearing the evidence of the father, His Honour made an order for the payment out of Court of £10 with liberty to apply.

Western Gazette Friday 09 March 1923

Married on Sept 17th, at St John Baptist's Church, Tisbury, by the Rev G A Miller, George Charles Wilkinson, second son of Mr and Mrs G Pegg of Brockley, London, to Marjorie Ellen (Madge), elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R J Meadway, Tisbury, Wilts.
Western Gazette Friday 21 September 1923

1924 Shaftesbury County Court

William John Foley, a sergeant-major, of Chatham, claimed possession of a house in Hindon-lane, Tisbury, occupied by Michael Butt, a groom gardener. The case had previously been before the Court, and plaintiff, for whom Mr F G Trethowan, of Salisbury, appeared, now gave evidence that he had had to put his family in rooms in Chatham. His wife, who was a certified nurse, had an invalid to look after. The case had been a great expense to him and he would like possession of the house as early as possible.

Defendant, for whom Mr W Farley Rutter appeared, said he had a family of eleven, and had tried without success to get another house. It transpired that the rent of the house was only 1s 3d, and that plaintiff had had to repay to defendant money which, it was stated, he had overcharged above that amount.

The Judge said that having regard to what had happened, the defendant could not expect to be allowed to remain in the house much longer. The cottage must be given up in six weeks.

Western Gazette Friday 04 January 1924

1925 Yeovil Borough Petty Sessions

The varying of an order to pay £1 10s a week for the maintenance of his wife and child was applied for by Wyndham Fred Wilds, blacksmith, of Hatch, Tisbury, Wilts, on the grounds that his income was not sufficient to justify it. The order was made on 22nd May 1924, on the application of Elizabeth Marian Wilds, married woman, of Huish, Yeovil, who was now represented by Mr F G Bradford.

Wilds said his wages averaged £1 18s. He was just beginning to get a little custom in his smithing business when his wife came and told people tales about him which interfered with his trade. In consequence he was not able to keep up his payments and not having enough goods to meet the distress order, he went to prison for a month. By Mr Bradford: He denied that his wife went to him because he was receiving frequent visits from a Yeovil girl. He denied that his wife had seen him with the girl. "It's not a woman in this trouble at all, it's a man" he declared. He would offer 10s weekly for the boy, aged 12, and 8s for his wife, on condition that she would forgo the arrears. Mr Bradford said arrears were now £11 and he thought something should be paid off them. The Bench varied the order to £1 a week, with 2s 6d towards the payment off arrears. They would not allow costs.

Western Gazette Friday 06 March 1925

Tisbury Petty Sessions

Thomas Hubert Butt, of Hindon-lane, Tisbury, was summoned for failing to shown an index number plate at the rear of a timber carriage drawn by a motor-lorry - fined 10s. Tom Copp, of Duck-street, Tisbury, was summoned for riding a cycle on a footpath in Station-road, Tisbury. Inspector Shaw said the footpath was asphalted. The police had received complaints about people riding on it - fined 5s.

Western Gazette Friday 25 September 1925

Tisbury Petty Sessions

George Maidment, haulier, of Tisbury, pleaded guilty to two summonses for failing to mark seven calves intended for slaughter and removal under license, also for conveying the calves from East Knoyle to Tisbury by a route other than that specified in the removal license. PC Reeves gave formal evidence. Inspector Shaw said the route departed from by the defendant was carefully selected by him, as he knew the calves had to go close to the borders of an infected area, and a regulated area.

In reference to the marking of the calves, defendant stated that he was only acting as a carrier between the seller and the butcher. Inspector Shaw pointed out that the person who removed the calves had to see that they were marked. Mr Waters said it seemed to be the proper thing that the seller should mark the calves. Admiral Sandeman: In whose name was the license made out? Inspector Shaw: The licenses were issued to Mr Baker of East Tisbury. Maidment said he was handed the licenses and knew the calves had to be marked, but it was dark when he moved them and he could not see whether the calves were marked or not. Defendant was fined 10s for moving the calves by a wrong route; the first summons was dismissed on payment of costs.

Western Gazette Friday 11 December 1925

1926 Tisbury Petty Sessions

Yesterday, the magistrates of the division presented an inscribed silver salver to Sir Walter Grove, chairman of the Tisbury Bench, to mark the completion of 50 years as a magistrate for the county.

There were present Mr G H Gordon, Colonel J M Benett-Stanford, Dr F B Rutter, Admiral Sandeman, Colonel Kennedy Shaw, Colonel the Hon George Herbert, Major Hill, Mr J Blower, Major Astley Corbett and Mrs Benett-Stanford, with the Magistrates' Clerk Mr J Mayo, Assistant Clerk Mr G E Lush, Supt Barrett and Inspector Shaw. (part article only)

Western Gazette Friday 12 March 1926

Married on Wednesday July 9th, at the Parish Church, Tisbury, by the Rev G Miller, vicar, John Earl, only son of Mr and Mrs John Fairweather-Fairlie of Canonbury, Tisbury, to Sarah Edith Adelaide (Sally) youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs George Edward Lush of The Old Garden, Tisbury.

Western Gazette Friday 18 June 1926

Accident

Whilst Mr Sidney Parham, of Church-street, was engaged with other men in sawing up firewood, his foot by some means came in contact with the circular saw, causing such injury to his toes as to necessitate his remove to Salisbury Infirmary, where he was detained. He is now progressing satisfactorily.

Western Gazette Friday 03 September 1926

Bankrupt

Adjudication - John Mullins, Garfield Villa, High Street, Tisbury, coal merchant
Western Daily Press Saturday 30 October 1926

Shaftesbury County Court

Mention was made of the action brought by William Nathaniel Worthington of Cliffe House, Swallowcliffe, timber merchant, against John Mullins, coal merchant, of Tisbury. Plaintiff claimed to recover the sum of £64 damages, arising out of a collision between his motor-car and Mullins' motor-lorry at the junction of the Tisbury-Ansty and Swallowcliffe roads, on August 7th. It was alleged that through negligence of Mullins or his servants, a collision occurred between the two vehicles, as a result of which the motor-car became an almost total loss.

Mr Williams (Messrs Trethowan & Williams, Salisbury), for plaintiff, told His Honour that Mullins had now filed his petition in bankruptcy and he was not sure what course was to be adopted. He (Mr Williams) asked that the case might be adjourned sine die, with liberty to apply. Mr W Farley Rutter, for the defendant, agreed to this course and the Judge made an order accordingly.

Western Gazette Friday 05 November 1926

Shaftesbury County Court

William Sweatman, of Ham Cross Farm, Tisbury, applied for an order of ejectment against L A Hubbard, of Pauter's, Sutton Mandeville. Mr Williams, for the plaintiff, said defendant had written a letter to the Court and he asked for possession on the facts outlined therein. The Judge made an order accordingly.

Western Gazette Friday 05 November 1926

Advertisement

S G Baker, Family Butcher, Tisbury, begs to announce he has purchased for the Xmas trade prime Devon Oxen and Maiden Heifers, all prize-winners, at the leading Devon and Salisbury Shows. Your orders solicited.

Western Gazette Friday 17 December 1926

District Commissioner's Visit

On Saturday Mrs Hastings, the district commissioner visited the 1st Tisbury Girl Guides' Company and Brownie pack, in their club-room, for the purpose of enrolling new recruits and presenting badges gained by the Company recently. The guides now number twenty-four, divided into three patrols. The winning patrol for this year's competitions was the Primrose. There are also twenty-six Brownies.

After the inspection, Mrs Hastings expressed her satisfaction with the work they had done and the excellent progress made. There were present Mrs Shaw-Stewart (chairman of the Girl Guides' Association), Miss Shaw-Stewart (captain of the Guides Company), Mrs Adams (honorary secretary), Miss Stainer (captain of the Brownies) and Mrs M Davies, also several mothers of the Guides.

Western Gazette Friday 17 December 1926

Appreciation

The week preceding Christmas-day was an exceptionally busy one at the Post-office, constituting a record large consignments of incoming and outgoing mails being dealt with each day. Before the staff commenced their rounds on Christmas morning, Miss Thorne, postmistress, with her accustomed thoughtfulness, provided them with mince pies, cake, coffee and cigarettes, which were much appreciated.

A letter has now been received by the postmistress from the newly-appointed Postmaster for Salisbury, Colonel J W Lincoln, expressing his gratitude to all ranks for the hearty co-operation in dealing so expeditiously with the Christmas pressure and expressed his sincere greetings to all for a happy New Year.

Western Gazette Friday 31 December 1926

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Parish Council Meeting

The following nominations as school managers were made: Wardour Catholic School, Mr H J Burt, County Council nominee. Mr F J Burt, Parish Council nominee. Tisbury Council School, Mrs Young, County Council nominee; Mr A Davis and Mr H A Jennings, Parish Council nominees. It is regretted that Mr E E Hibberd has been compelled, for health reasons, to resign as a school manager.

Western Gazette Friday 06 May 1927

Brownies' Outing

The Tisbury Pack of Brownies went for their annual outing on Friday to Swanage, where a most delightful time was spent by the children who were accompanied by Mrs Stainer (captain) and Miss M Plummer-Davies (lieutenant), and several parents.

Western Gazette Friday 17 June 1927

Scouts in Camp

The Tisbury Troop of Boy Scouts has returned from an enjoyable week's camp at Wincombe Park, by the kindness of Capt and Mrs Hastings. The weather at the start was unpromising, but the march was carried out without coats in two and a half hours – a good performance with trek cart and kit. Sunday was a good day, much camp work being done and concluding with a three mile march to Donhead, where the visitors were joined by the Donhead Troop and together they paraded at church. Bathing in the lake was possible although chilly, and boating was much enjoyed.

On the last evening, a cricket match was played against a team of ladies and gentlemen from the House. The Scouts, numbering nine, assisted by two Guides, won by 45 runs to 31, and after a good game, the boys enjoyed refreshments provided by Mrs Hastings.

At night a camp fire was held, when a number of visitors were present and the Donhead Troop gave a number of excellent musical items. The return march began at about 3pm and was done in 2¼ hours. All were feeling much better for their "hike".
Western Gazette Friday 02 September 1927

Women's Institute

The October meeting was held in the Victoria Hall on Wednesday last week. Mrs Brocklebank gave an interesting demonstration on Papier Mache work, for which she was heartily thanked. Mrs Adams was the successful competitor in making "something new from something old". After tea, the folk dancing class was started again for the winter months, several new members joining. Miss Davis, who has kindly taught the dancing during the previous months, was presented by Mrs Bartlett with a small present on behalf of the dancers.
Western Gazette Friday 14 October 1927

Thank you

Mr and Mrs Bartlett, of The Chantry, wish to thank their many kind friends for all sympathy shown them in their sad bereavement. Western Gazette Friday 11 November 1927

Boy Scouts' Bonfire Revels

The Tisbury Troop of Boy Scouts held a bonfire night celebration on Guy Fawkes' night. They paraded the High-street with their "band", many being in fancy dress and carrying two guys. Two Scouts carried collecting boxes. After the procession all proceeded to a field, kindly lent by Mr R Lush, where a huge bonfire built by the Scouts was set alight and a firework display given. A large crowd attended. The collection amounted to £1 2s 3½d, 10s of which has been sent at the boys' wish to the Roland House Scout Home, and the remainder goes to the Troop funds.
Western Gazette Friday 11 November 1927

Died

Deep regret was felt in the Tisbury neighbourhood by the announcement of the death in a London Nursing Home on Monday, after a prolonged illness, of Mr Archibald William Shaw-Stewart of Lower Lawn, Tisbury. Mr Shaw-Stewart, who was 62 years of age and unmarried, was the fourth son of the late Sir Michael Shaw-Stewart, the seventh baronet in line of the well-known Renfrew family. Mr Archibald Shaw-Stewart entered the Navy as a young man, and retired several years ago. He then came to the Tisbury district to reside with his mother, the late Lady Octavia Shaw-Stewart. (part article only). Western Gazette Friday 09 December 1927

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Married

January 31st at the Parish Church, Tisbury, by the Rev A H Bell, rector of Poyntington, assisted by the Rev C L Desailly, Ronald Richbell, eldest son of the late Mr and Mrs E Northover, Victoria House, to Dorothy Rose, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J Parker, Tuckingmill.
Western Gazette Friday 03 February 1928

Tisbury Petty Sessions

Edward Coombes, of Hatch, Tisbury, was summoned for using an unlicensed motor-cycle on November 24th 1927. Mr W L Hey said the defendant had been given an opportunity of paying a compromised penalty and had promised to do so but had not paid the amount. Defendant wrote stating that he had not taken out the license because the cycle had not been transferred to him at the time of the offence. Mr Hey said the taxation authorities could only proceed against the users. Defendant fined 10s.
Western Gazette Friday 20 April 1928

Accident

Whilst cycling home from work on Saturday, Mr Ernest Ball, of Court-street, met with a serious accident at Chicks Grove, a small stone having got into the fork of his machine which caused him to be thrown to the ground. He was removed to Salisbury Infirmary suffering from severe head injuries.
Western Gazette Friday 08 June 1928

Funeral

The funeral of Mr John Fairweather-Fairlie took place on Thursday. His passing has occasioned widespread regret and there was a large congregation at the church. Along the line of route from Canonbury House, blinds had been drawn at business premises and private residences. On arrival at the church gates, the funeral cortege was met by the clergy and surplice choir. As it entered the west door and moved up the nave, the hymn Rock of Ages was sung. (part article only)
Western Gazette Friday 10 August 1928

Poppy Day

The sale of poppies, organised by Mrs Young, of Arundell House, on the Saturday preceding Armistice Sunday, was very gratifying. The total collected for poppies was £26 3s, results being: Mrs Harryman £3 17 10d, Mrs Haines £3 5s 4½d, Mrs P Randall £2 10s 8d, Mrs Mounty £2 9s 6½d, Miss Prittey £2 9s 0½d, Mrs Burt, Miss J Mullins and Miss E Dunn £1 17s 1d, Mrs Smith and Miss O Freemantle £1 12s 1d, Miss M Compton £1 14s 1½d, Mrs Gournall £1 6s, Miss B Waters £1 3s 6d, Miss M Freestone £1 3s 0½d, Misses E Jukes and M Thick 19s 2½d, Miss P Genge 19s 1d, Girl Guides and Brownies 11s, Schools 1s 9d. Collections in the churches were: Parish Church £5 12s 5d, Wesleyan Church 16s, Congregational Church £1, Wardour Roman Catholic £1 4s 6d, Primitive Methodist 7s 7d.
Western Gazette Friday 23 November 1928