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1850-1879

1851 For Sale

Two handsome black setters and two pointers, shot over one and two seasons; also three very handsome and well broke young pointers. Apply to Samuel Adams, Gamekeeper, Wardour Castle, near Salisbury
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 23 August 1851

Hindon Petty Sessions

Charles Jukes and Thomas Lever were summoned for trespassing upon land at Wardour in search of game. Ordered to pay the costs.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 08 November 1851

1852 Hindon Petty Sessions

Prudence and Jane Barratt were committed to gaol for seven days each for stealing certain live underwood, the property of Lord Arundell, at Semley
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 17 January 1852

Committed to County Gaol, Salisbury

John Stevens, of Wardour, one month, for an assault
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 17 January 1852

Wardour Castle

Shown on Tuesdays and Fridays. All horses and carriages must be put up at Mr Lane's stables, Bridzor.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 19 June 1852

Died

On the 2nd inst. at Wardour, after a short illness, in her 31st year, Miss Louisa Bowles, for many years a most able member of the Wardour Catholic choir. Her decease will be sincerely regretted by all the congregation, as she was much respected by all who knew her
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 16 October 1852

1854 Committed to the County Gaol, Fisherton Anger

Peter Foot, of Wardour, seven days for absconding from Union workhouse with the clothing.
Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 26 January 1854

Extensive Sheep Stealing

On Saturday last, John Barter and James Baker were committed for trial on a charge of stealing divers sheep and lambs, the property of Mr John Coombes of Harwood Farm, Wardour. The facts of the case presented a glaring instance of breach of trust; Barter, a confidential servant of Mr Coombs, having sold several of the flock under his care to the other prisoner at prices varying from 1s 6d to 5s each, although the animals were some of them worth 28s.

Great credit is due to Superintendent Harris and the force under his command, for the indefatigable and successful exertions in bringing the offenders to justice.
Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 18 May 1854

1855 Visit of a Cardinal

On Tuesday last, his eminence Cardinal Wiseman arrived at Wardour on a visit to the Right Hon Lord Arundell. He was met at the entrance lodge by the Catholic tenantry on horseback, who escorted him to Wardour-house. The road from the lodge to the house was lined with people, who cheered him on his way; and on the lawn in front of the mansion a large concourse assembled to greet him on his arrival.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 25 August 1855

1856 Fire at Wallmead

Early on Saturday morning last, fire was discovered in the roof of the dwelling house of Mr N Combes, of Wallmead Farm, Wardour. Measures were very promptly taken to endeavour to extinguish it, by the inmates and labourers of the farm, who were soon joined by numerous kind assistants of the neighbourhood, who, as there was a plentiful supply of water near, happily proved successful; but not before the greater part of the roof had been stripped off, some part of the furniture burnt, and a large quantity damaged.

It was very providential that the fire was arrested in its progress before the whole of the house was enveloped in flames. If it had not been so, the conflagration would have been awful, as two barns, a labourer's cottage, two stables, two granaries, two cart houses, a milk house and several other buildings, together with a considerable quantity of wheat and oats, and a large hayrick, must inevitably have fallen a prey to the devouring element. Nothing whatever is known of the origin of the fire.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 26 July 1856

Visit of the Prince of Wales

On Tuesday afternoon, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, accompanied by Mr Gibbs his tutor, and the Hon Colonel Cavendish, arrived at the White Hart Hotel Salisbury in a fly, having previously visited Wardour Castle and Wilton the same day.

Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 18 October 1856

Repairs Underway

Notice is hereby given that Wardour Castle will not be shown at present as it is undergoing repairs.

Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 08 August 1857

1858 Musical Tuition

Mr H T Osmond, organist of Wardour Chapel (late organist of St Francis Xavier's, Hereford), Professor of Music, begs respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Shaftesbury, Hindon, Tisbury and the neighbourhood, that he gives lessons on the pianoforte and organ, in singing, and thorough bass; and hopes by unremitting attention to pupils entrusted to him to merit their future patronage and support. Applications addressed to Mr H T Osmond, Wardour Castle, will be met with every attention. N.B. Pianofortes tuned.

Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 24 April 1858

1859 Wanted Immediately

A good workman that can take any branch of the trade as boot and shoe maker. Constant employ. Apply John Small, West Tisbury, near Wardour Castle

Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 05 March 1859

Laurels

Several thousands of well grown and thriving laurel plants, from two to three feet high. Delivered at the Tisbury Railway Station at twenty five shillings per thousand. Apply to Thomas Lever, Old Wardour Castle

Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 24 September 1859

Wilts Assizes

Elizabeth Barrett was indicted for stealing a dress, value 2s 6d, the property of Matilda Conner, at Wardour. There was a difficulty in proceeding with this case. The depositions purported to have been taken "in the hearing" of the prisoner, and yet she was stated to be deaf and dumb. Mr Dowding, the governor of the County Gaol, was examined upon oath and he said he was not aware of any means of making her understand the evidence.

The Chairman said that as she had been already five or six weeks in prison, the best course would be to withdraw from the prosecution. To this Mr Swayner assented and Sir John ordered the Semley policeman to see the prisoner home, at the same time directing Mr Dowding to provide him with means for defraying her expenses.

Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 24 October 1861

1862 Death of Lord Arundell of Wardour

Intelligence has been received of the sudden death of Lord Arundell of Wardour, which happened at Wardour Castle, his seat, near Salisbury, on Sunday last, from an attack of paralysis. The deceased peer, who was in his 58th year, succeeded to the title on his brother's death in 1834, but never took a prominent part in public matters. He was the head of one of our oldest Roman Catholic families, and a Count of the Holy Roman Empire. He is succeeded in the title and estates by his eldest son, the Hon John Francis Arundell, who was married only on the Monday before his father's death to Miss Errington of Northumberland.

Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 23 October 1862

1863 Lord Arundell's Will

The will of the Right Hon Henry Benedict, Lord Arundell, Baron Arundell, of Wardour Castle, near Salisbury, was proved in the London Court by his relict, the Right Hon Theresa Dowager Lady Arundell, and his son, the Right Hon John Francis Lord Arundell, the appointed executors and trustees. The personalty was sworn to under £12,000. The will, bearing date the 9th of April last, is exceedingly brief and solely of a family nature.

The late Baron, who died at the age of fifty-eight, was thrice married, and leaves three sons and three daughters. To his relict, his Lordship has bequeathed all the diamonds, pearls and jewels not disposed of by the will. To his son, the present Baron, he has left certain family jewels, and has devised to him all his real estate and the residuary of the personalty. The only other legatee mentioned in the will is his (the testator's) son, the Hon Edward Ignatius Arundell, to whom are bequeathed certain estates in Westminster.

Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 08 January 1863

1864 Hounds in the 17th Century

One of the earliest packs of foxhounds on record was that kept by the then Lord Arundell of Wardour, between the years 1690 and 1700; and the family are in possession of memoranda proving that they occasionally hunted them from Wardour Castle in Wiltshire and at Breamore, near Salisbury, now the seat of Sir Edward Hulse, but the occasional residence of Lord Arundell. These hounds were kept by the Arundells until about the year 1745, when the sixth Lord Arundell died.

Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 06 October 1864

1866 Fatal Accident

On Tuesday, an inquest was held by Mr Cardell at Wardour on the body of Edward Leaver, aged 40 years, a farmer, residing at Wardour. The deceased was on his way home with a waggon on Thursday, the 18th inst when he fell out of the vehicle and the wheels passed over him. He died on the following Sunday from the injuries he received. Verdict: Accidental Death
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 27 January 1866

1867 Wardour Castle

Among the lordly ruins of Old England which remain as monuments of the struggles of past ages, few can tell a tale of greater interest than the grey walls of Wardour Castle. Standing in the bosom of rich woods, their picturesque situation, and a soft grey time-worn colouring, attract attention from their natural beauty; while the evident havoc by the hand of man, which has reduced those strong and warlike towers to a ruined home for the jackdaw and the rook, adds to the interest which clings, like the ivy that clothes them, to these ancient towers. And the romance which attaches to them is greater than belongs to most, for not only were they defended by the courage of a noble-minded woman, but it was by the hand of their own lord that two of the strong towers were blown up, when, rather than leave them in the hands of traitors, he sacrificed his own glorious ancestral home to the loyalty of his true heart.

And ever since, for more than 200 years, those shattered remains have stood, perpetual witnesses of the ruthless wrong that reduced them to the state in which they now are, and lonely; reflecting in the calm bosom of the lake which lies below their grim aspect, while the bright scarlet rhododendrons which bloom around them and renew their gorgeous colouring every spring, seem to sparkle in mockery, as the light breezes ruffle the surface of the water.

For never more will Lord Lovel's castle see within its halls the feast and banquet which once held high sway there. The last repast that was eaten in the great dining hall above the eastern entrance was too rudely disturbed by the parliamentary cannon-balls for the memory of that insult every to pass away; and the descendants of Blanche, Lady Arundell, have found a peaceful home in the modern mansion some little way below. *Gentleman's Magazine*
Western Gazette Friday 09 August 1867

1868 Hindon Petty Sessions

John Mould, of Wardour, was summoned for allowing his child to become chargeable to the common fund of the Tisbury Union, he being a person able to work and to maintain it. Defendant did not appear and the case was heard in his absence. He was sentenced to 14 days imprisonment.

James Sanger, of Wardour, was charged with permitting his wife and five children to become chargeable to the Tisbury Union. Mr Lathey, master of the Union, proved that the family had been in the workhouse for some time past and Mr Candy, relieving officer, stated that defendant had been at work. He was ordered to be imprisoned for one calendar month.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 18 July 1868

1869 Hindon Petty Sessions

Francis Lampard, of Wardour, was summoned by PC Britten for riding on a stone waggon drawn by two horses without any other person to guide the same, at East Tisbury on the 3rd inst. Fined 2s 6d and costs.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 17 April 1869

1870 Death of a Veteran at Wardour Castle

The Morning Post has the following: It is not every day we have to record the death of an officer whose father was left for dead on the battlefield of Culloden, and whose first commission in the army dates back no less than 75 years ago. And yet this is true of Colonel George Macdonell, CB, who died a few days since at Wardour Castle, near Salisbury, Wilts, the seat of his nephew, the present Lord Arundell of Wardour.

He was sprung from a branch of the MacDonnell's of Glengarry, the head of which clan, Alistair Macdonell, was chosen by the Highland chieftains of a century and a quarter ago to carry to "bonnie Prince Charles" an address signed with their blood, and his father was an officer upon the staff of the unfortunate Chevalier at the battle of Culloden. In this engagement Macdonell was severely wounded and left for dead, but being carried off secretly from the field, and being tenderly nursed by a faithful adherent of the cause, he recovered, contrived to escape to France, and, marrying late in life, became the father of the gallant officer now deceased, who was one of the first Roman Catholics admitted on the relaxation of the penal laws to hold a commission in the British Army.

His first commission dated from 1796, so that if he had not retired from the service several years ago, there would have been scarcely more than one or two field officers his seniors in respect of military standing. According to Hart's Army List, he held for many years a commission in the 76th Regiment of Foot, with which he served in the North American war, and he was severely wounded in the engagement at Chateauguay. He was rewarded with the Companionship of the Bath in 1817.

Colonel Macdonell married on the 18th of April, 1820, the Hon Laura Arundell, fourth daughter of James Everard, 9th Lord Arundell of Wardour, but was left a widower at her death May 19, 1854. He was buried on Saturday by the side of his late wife, in the chapel at Wardour Castle. Colonel Macdonell lived and died a devoted adherent of the Roman Catholic faith.
Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 28 May 1870

1871 Work for the Unemployed

During the late severe winter, when many labouring men were out of work, Lord Arundell of Wardour generously commenced a subscription, at the suggestion of Mr Ford, of Bridesor, to employ them in lowering the hill at Hazelton, which has long been dangerous and inconvenient to public traffic. Mr C Combes, of Tisbury, offered his professional services gratis; and Mr Spring, of Wardour, was timekeeper, also gratis. Subscriptions came in and the work was started.

The distressed poor were relieved, and when the road was done, a vestry was held on the 2nd to adopt it. The subscriptions amounted to 99/. 19s 6d; the expenditure to 95/. 1s 1d; so that 4/. 18s 5d remained to complete the fencing. At the conclusion of the meeting the following resolution was unanimously recorded: "This vestry desires to express its highest recognition of the public spirit shown by the landowners and other subscribers to the work, as well as by those who have throughout it rendered their valuable services in layout out and superintending the road, without any charge for their time and skill; the work having proved a great benefit to the unemployed poor, and the result being a great improvement to the high road". Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 04 March 1871

Annual Licensing Day

There was an application by Mr Archibald Beckett for a license to open a new inn at Wardour, called the Benett's Arms Hotel. Mr Nodder appeared for the applicant and produced a petition numerously signed by the leading persons of the locality and neighbourhood stating that the house would, if licensed be of great accommodation to the public.

Mr Nodder stated that the house was on the borders of the parishes of East Tisbury and West Tisbury; it was in the centre of a large agricultural district, and there were large stone quarries in the neighbourhood; also, it was conveniently adapted for public purposes, and accommodation it would afford to commercial travellers and visitors of all classes; he also gave a minute description of the conveniences in the house and outbuildings. Mr Atkinson opposed the application, and presented a petition, also numerously signed, from the inhabitants of Wardour, stating that the present inn accommodation was sufficient, and praying that the license applied for by Mr Beckett might not be granted.

The justices heard the arguments of Mr Nodder and Mr Atkinson and after some consultation, they decided to grant a provisional license, as they considered that the refusal to grant the same would be of great inconvenience to the public. The justices also directed their clerk to report their decision to the Secretary of State for his confirmation under the recent Act. Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 09 September 1871

1872 The Tichborne Trial

On Monday last, on receipt of the news that this almost unprecedented case had collapsed, the inhabitants of this place, near which stands the noble residence of Lord Arundell of Wardour) of every class and creed, religious and political, were on the alert to testify their joy at the result and their goodwill to the noble lord and his lady as well as to his respected relatives, Lady Tichborne and her son, the rightful heir.

Joyous peals began to pour forth from the bells of the parish church, so long dormant by reason of the supposed insecure state of the tower, which were continued at intervals during the evening, and far into the night. On Wednesday afternoon, Major Wilkins' nine-pounder and all the small arms of the place were brought into service, and at frequent intervals volleys were discharged at different parts of the parish. A sham fight afterwards took place, resulting, of course, in the defeat of the party not properly armed. The Major then conducted his men to the lawn in the rear of the Castle and gave a volley.

On the return of Lord Arundell from London on Thursday, he was met at the Tisbury station at five p.m. by his lady, and many of his tenantry and others on horseback there awaited him. On his lordship taking his seat in his carriage, the noble pair were heartily cheered, and were thence escorted to the entrance of Wardour Park, where the horses were taken out and the carriage was drawn to the Castle by some of the assemblage. His lordship, before alighting, in a neat speech, with feelings of emotion, thanked those present, as well as absentees, for the kind feelings of sympathy shown to him during the course of this eventful trial, and especially for the present manifestations.

During these proceedings the church bells again sent forth their music, the cannon's roar was again heard in the evening, large bonfires were lighted on several noted eminences, whilst the church and its vicinity were brilliantly illuminated by Mr F Goddard, chemist. Salisbury & Winchester Journal Saturday 09 March 1872

1873 Hindon Petty Sessions

William Eyres, a lad, of Wardour, was summoned for throwing a stone and breaking a window of a railway carriage whilst the train was passing East Tisbury, on the 24th ult. Joseph Hopkins, travelling inspector of the South Western Railway Company, who was in the train at the time, and a lad named William Lever, who was on the bridge at Chicksgrove, and saw defendant throw two stones at the train, gave evidence in support of the charge. The Bench fined Eyres 10s and costs and ordered him to pay the damage, 5s. Western Gazette Friday 06 June 1873

Hindon Petty Sessions

William Collins, of Tisbury, was summoned by Mr Dominey, farmer, of Wardour, for leaving his service. He made a very weak defence and the Bench characterised him as a most disgraceful fellow and ordered him to pay 30s compensation, 30s fine, and costs, or three weeks. Committed. Western Gazette Friday 31 October 1873

Lord Arundell

It appears from L'almanach Imperial, published annually at Vienna, that a few British subjects, either born or naturalised, hold titles of nobility in the ancient German, or (as it is generally styled) the Holy Roman Empire. Among these is John Francis Arundell, Lord Arundell of Wardour, a Count of the Holy Roman Empire; date of patent, 1601. This honour was conferred on Sir Thomas Arundell, surnamed "The Valiant" for having taken the standard of the Turks with his own hands at the Battle of Gran in Hungary.
Western Gazette Friday 21 November 1873

Fatal Accident

On Saturday evening during some rejoicings at Lord Arundell's, Wardour Castle, on the result of the Claimant's trial, a small cannon burst, killing a lad named Mullins on the spot. It completely took off the top of his head. Mr George Ford, the gardener, was struck by a piece of iron, and so much hurt that he died in the course of the evening. An inquest on the bodies of George Ford and the lad Mullins was held on Monday, before Mr R M Wilson, Coroner, when George Gurd, Mason, Charles Wyatt of Semley and Mr F Cooke of Wardour Castle, gave evidence. A verdict of Accidental Death was returned.
Western Gazette Friday March 6 1874

1879

Hindon Petty Sessions

Edward Viney was summoned for being drunk at Wardour on the 14th inst. PS Fox proved the case. Fined 2s 6d and costs.
Western Gazette Friday 31 October 1879