

Holmfild



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This house was inhabited by Mr Nichols who kept a pack of hounds to hunt the New Forest. When we came to Lyndhurst Sir Charles and Lady Burrard with their six daughters lived there, we were always very good friends with all the family; they gave nice parties, concerts, & dances. We went to all the young ladies weddings, Mr^s Lucas, Mr^s Nelson, Mr^s Norris, & Mr^s Compton were all married in Lyndhurst Church. On the death of the last member of the Nicholls family, the estate became the property of the Crown, but Sir Charles and Lady Burrard continued to reside there till the death of Lady Burrard ^{in 1885}, when the Miss Burrard & Miss Louisa Burrard bought the Red House and lived there till they both died. The house has been much added to and rebuilt, and no one now seems to like living there for any length of time and now it belongs to The Crown & has been nearly rebuilt.



Bench House

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A very small cottage, belonged to Mr Dent, he was a Plymouth brother who generally resided in London but used to come down to his cottage in the summer and preached at the room, as they called it at Foxlease Terrace. His wife was a Miss Lowther, and though we knew her sister Mr Harry Lee, and Mr Leigh we had no idea even that she was a lady, she wore a bonnet like a Quakeress & a very shabby dress, and would not see any body. One of her sisters was Mr Bridges, and Mr Bridges her son is now the proprietor and has let it to Mr Penton. Mr Dent made it habitable by raising the ceilings, & 2 more rooms were added. Mr Bryan & his family lived there in 1886. Mr & Mrs Penton live there now, and the place is much improved.



Roman Catholic Church 1898

In the year 1856 there were no houses on the Southampton Road except the Police Station which was then just built, and two small thatched cottages. A field of about 6 acres was sold to a building company and then bits were bought and houses put up. Mr Green has now a row of houses close to the road.

In the road looking north from the street which we call the Salisbury road, we used to find on the right hand side a beautiful green meadow, this was rented by the Crown Inn, it was sold and cut up in small bits some years ago and ugly red houses & shops erected there. As land was very scarce, every bit was sold. One day a foreign gentleman and his wife by name Souberville came to stay at the Crown Inn, he was a hunting



man, the lady was a Roman Catholic. She said she would like to be buried at Lyndhurst and wished her husband to build a Church here. So in 1895 it was begun and in July 1896 it was consecrated by the Bishop of Portsmouth. The Church and Presbytery are built on part of the green fields I mentioned before; a wide road was made, and many red brick houses are now built on each side of it, so the beauty of the village is spoilt.

Holly Mount.

Proceeding towards the Race course we come to a house with a very odd entrance. You enter by the stables & coach house. This house belonged to Captain Bulley, he died about 1853. Col. Morris bought the place & pulled the house down and began to build another. He and his architect & his builder

Forest Lodge.



quarrelled, so he pulled down
what was built. He and Miss
Morris his sister (a lame lady) lived
in a lodging near by. We used
to call the place the garden of
Eden for Col Morris had a number
of pets there, poultry, pigeons
sheep, a donkey or two &c. &c.
After a while the Col. Thought of
marrying ¹⁸⁶⁹; then he began to build
again, and finished the house in
which Lady Blanch Morris now
lives. He was Gen^l Morris when he died 1889.

Forest lodge.

This house was inhabited by Taylor
the brewer, afterwards Mr Williams
lived there who had married Miss Poore.
Then Mr Goldfinch & his family came
from Australia and lived there some
30 years. It was sold a few years ago
to Mr Puttney of Northwood, he has
sold it again with Northwood to
Mr Kelly. after Mr Goldfinch died Mr Puttney
came to live there with his daughters.



Park Hill

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This place used to be called Pond head. A Mr Sturgeon lived there, it was a very small house just a drawing room & dining room. Mr Sturgeon's mother was a lady in her own right, but she married her footman, so dropped her title. He had a servant whose son named Tate had the property after Mr Sturgeon's death. Tate farmed the fields & let the house often. Mr Sheddon was there in 1836 & had a sale of furniture there. Tate sold it to Cap^{tn} William Morant who married a daughter of Mr^r Frederick Long in 1857. Cap. W. Morant kept the New Forest hounds for some seasons then sold the place to Mr Smith Wright who let it to Mr Rawnsley for a school, & eventually sold it to him. It was enlarged by Cap. Morant, who made a nice house of it. 1902 now Mr Rawnsley has left & Mr Ridout keeps the school.

The Cottage



The Cottage, now Oakfield.
When we came here, or soon
afterwards Col & M^{rs} Lushington
were living in this thatched Cottage
Many people have lived there since
1858 when I think the Lushingtons went
away. M^{rs} Crawford and her sister
Miss Goodenough lived there many years
M^{rs} Crawford had 2 children a boy & girl
she died of cholera at Vienna, and
Miss Goodenough brought up the children.
Miss Crawford was married to M^r Lockereil
and died a year afterwards, her monument
is in the Church. The boy Henry went
into the Guards, and Miss Goodenough
left & went to London. Col Mackay
bought the house, and M^r & M^{rs}
Lushington came to live there
they improved the cottage very much.

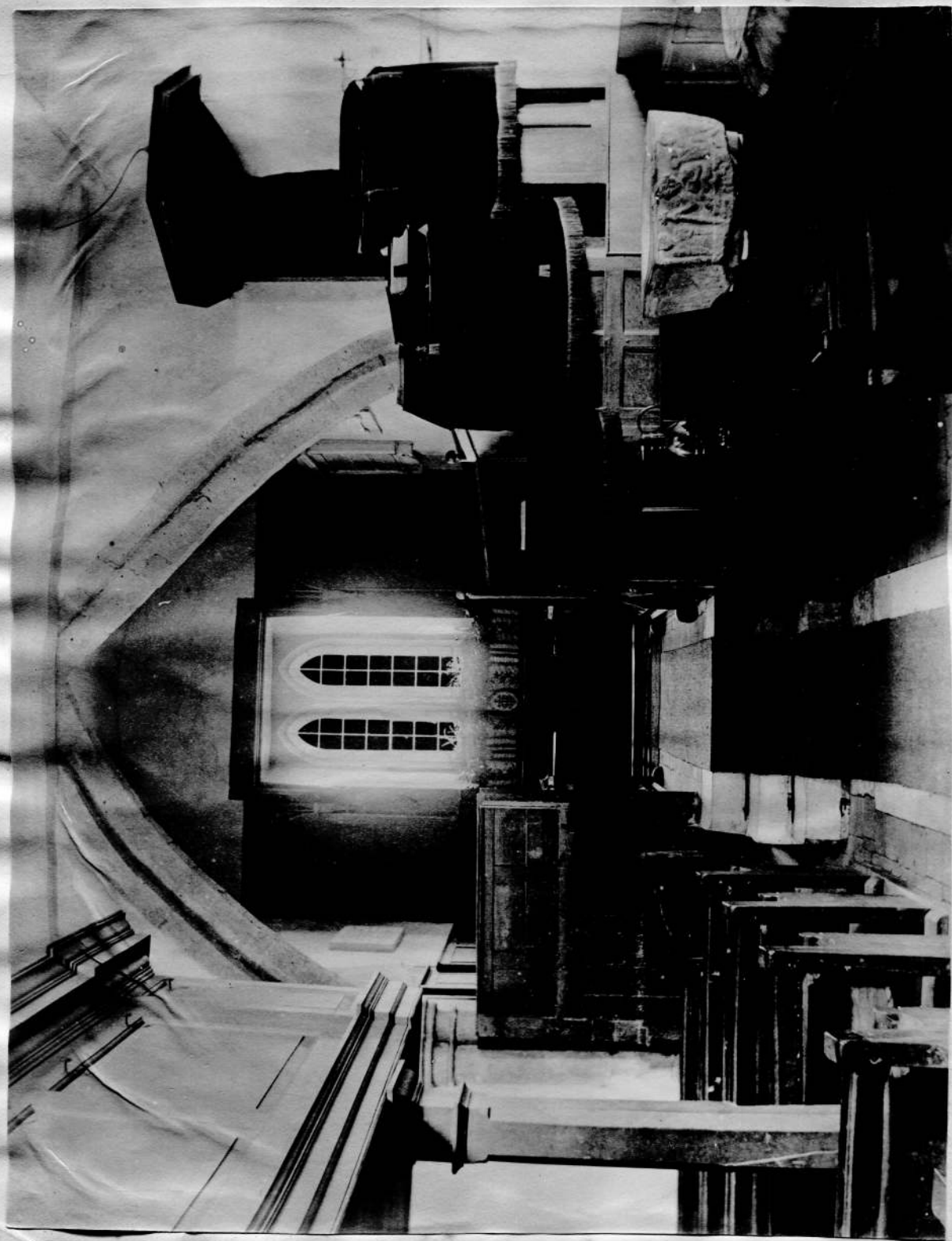
Col. Lushington rented Tickborne and was
much interested & excited about the
Claimant in whom he believed strongly.



Mivisstead Manor

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This pretty park & house have always belonged to Squire Compton. In the year 1810 he and Mrs Compton were married. It was in the same year that my father and mother were married, and they often said that the Compton Couple were the handsomest in London that year. My recollection of them was in 1837 when they lived in Portman Squ and we lived in Montagu Squ. Their eldest daughter was to come out that year so they gave a fancy ball. Mrs Compton & my mother used to consult together about the children's dresses. I was Anne Page. I remember all the little boys were Greeks or Turks. After this time we saw nothing of them, I think they went abroad. But in 1838 we went into the New Forest on a visit to Rev. John Trenchard my cousin.



Ministead Church

who lived at a cottage called
Fleetwater, as he was the clergyman
of the Church at Minstead during
the time that John Compton was
too young to be the Rector.
Lord Erroll was master of the King's
Buckhounds then, and he brought
the pack into the New Forest to hunt
for a week. My father & mother &
I went to the meets in my father's
carriage. The road was full of
carriages; miles of carriages, people
in carts & walking to & fro. Then there was
a ball at the Crown Inn, the room had
a very bad floor, very old & full of
splinters. In dancing down a country dance
with John Trenchard we fell, and
Lord Erroll & his partner & Sam Hay
& his partner all fell over us, rather
alarming as the gentlemen were
very fat. That night there was a sad
accident, going home from the ball
Mr Robbins who was commonly called 'Cock



Lyndhurst School

Robin was thrown out of his carriage on Brockenhurst Bridge and killed. We knew his family well, in London they lived next door to us in Montagu Sq. One of his sisters married Mr Buck who afterwards was Sir G. Stucley.

His brother Genl Robb's lived at Castle Malwood, owing to this sad occurrence the meeting of the Hounds next day was put off, they were to have met at Castle Malwood. While we staid at Fleetwater we saw the rhododendrons being planted in Minstead Manor, rows of tiny small shrubs. Minstead Church is very old, it is the Mother Church of Lyndhurst. Squire Compton died 1868

Lyndhurst School was built by Mr John Compton Rector



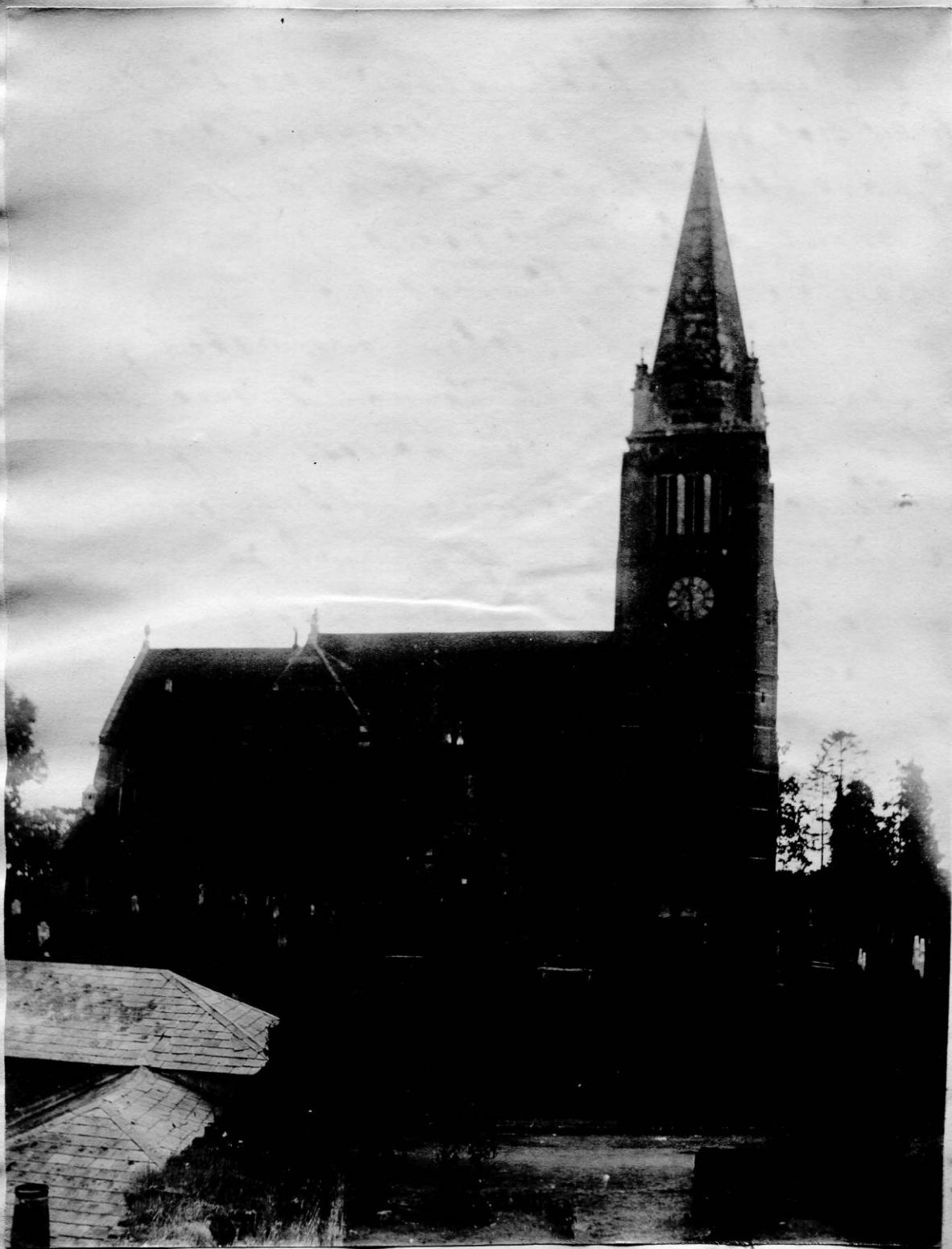
BY THE BOUNTY OF KING GEORGE 7th &c.
AT THE INTERCESSION OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE
LORD VISCOUNT LYNNINGTON
IN WARRICK OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF LYNDHURST

Lyndhurst Old Church

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The church which stood here in 1856
was not more than 100 years old about
56 I have heard that the Baptist Chapel
is much older, therefore in about
1700 there probably was no church
but Minstead. When we asked for
the seat belonging to Vernalls we were
told it had been taken possession of by
a girls school. We were told to walk
up into the gallery from which you
looked down into the church. The
seat belonging to Vernalls was a large
square pew quite high with curtains
round it. Sir Charles Burrard and Mr Lucas
were very anxious to have a new church
but at first there was great opposition
to the plan; the tower was voted unsafe
and the church very ugly. In 1858 the
demolition began, the building was very
strong, the roof very difficult to pull down
as it was very well built. Then came
the difficulty of extending the space

Synderhurst Church.



For the foundations of the new Church
People whose relations were buried
in the Church yard were very angry at
the graves being disturbed, and some
said they would never go to the new
Church. I believe the new edifice
was begun with only £6000 and so
made fit for the service. We had
the Church Services in the School.

Mr Compton wisely would not allow
more to be done till more money
was given. In 1860 it was consecrated
the roof was supposed to be a temporary
one. Ladies gave money for the carvings
on the pedestals, and one after another
gift arrived. Once an anonymous gift
of several hundreds was sent to Mr
Compton to build the tower, Mr Ashman
gave £300 for the clock, Mr Buckworth
Powell gave the bells. Mr Aitchison gave
the window in memory of his husband, ^{The East one} ~~West one~~
Mr R. Patteney gave the South window in
memory of his parents. The north window is



Fresco in Lyndhurst Church

The Powell window. So by bits the Church has been built, many of the congregation quarrelled about the seats, and sometime elapsed before peace was restored. After some years the roof became faulty and in 1893 there was a large Bazaar & entertainment at Glashayes to raise £1000 for a new roof.

The Bazaar did not produce so much but the money did come and the new roof was erected.

The Churchyard was too full of graves and in 1886 the Cemetery was finished, and the Churchyard shut for funerals.

The Orchard

This was the brewery, opposite Shrubby Hill. All the beer for the place was brewed there. Old Mr Lainsou lived there, then Mr Taylor the Brewer. Of course it was in their days just a large place with no windows only the wooden shutters. Mr Gore bought it and put windows in it, and made a large hall ornamented with flags and old armour & all sorts of curios. There was only one good bedroom. Mr Gore had married Miss Curzon, a cousin of Mr

W. Morant. Mr Gore having spent all his money had first a sale of furniture at Linwood, then having ⁱⁿ 1863 migrated to The Orchard he finished by having a sale there, and sold the place to Miss Aitcheson. in 1869 Col Powell bought it of her and sold it to Cap^t afterward Ad^l Aitcheson.



Shrubs Hill

Several people rented it, Doctor
McLean lived there in 1864 then
after him an artist of the name
of Jevous. Mr Roe the doctor
came to live there about 1880,
and after some years bought it
pulled down the old brewery &
built rooms & a greenhouse.
Mr Roe died

Shrubbs Hill.

My husband told me that this
house was inhabited by ^{Mr Davis} two
old gentlemen bachelors. Ad-
Aitcheson who lived at Rushington
came and bought it, as well as
the Red house and Vernalls, he died
in 1861. Mr Aitcheson let it to
Cal. & Mr M. Powell for several years.
Mr Aitcheson married again
Mrs H. Cadrington.

In the year 1883 Genl & Mrs Call rented
it. After sometime the present
Adl Aitcheson and his wife came to
reside there. Adl Aitcheson died in 1901.



Emery Down Church
1864

Emerg Down

I remember this being only a little village with a primitive dame school kept by old Mr Davis. Col. Hogg owned the house now the Vicarage, he let it to Mrs Frederik Long a far off connection of mine at least her husband was.

She was a widow when living there with a number of very pretty daughters, one married Cap W. Morant.

Col Hogg sold the place which was a thatched cottage to Cap^r Boulbee who was afterwards Admiral Boulbee for £1500 when the little Church was built 1864 Mr Redhead was the 1st Vicar, he was my boy's tutor and our great friend, as well as his wife. They went away in 1868 then Mr & Mrs Izard came & W. Ashe, then Mr Hughes. Miss Boulbee's death caused her house to be made into the Vicarage, and the pretty old thatched cottage into a red brick house and the living is £400 a year. Mr Redhead lived in a very poor cottage.

Village of Lynnhurst



The village of Lyndhurst is much altered during the last few years. Many of the small shops belonged to the Crown and were thatched cottages. They have been pulled down and houses built in their place.

The Crown Inn has been rebuilt and the Fox & Hounds ^{Inn} improved.

I saw a sad accident one New Year's Day.

I was walking on the road up the street when I saw a great smoke come out of the Fox & Hounds Inn. I ran after our clergyman Mr Baynes he went in & shouted to me to fetch Mr Maskew the doctor. It was the master of the Inn who was burnt to death, falling backwards into his kitchen fire; his name was Ives.

The last house in the picture now pulled down used to belong to Major Gilbert and was called the Blackhouse. He let it as he & M^{rs} Gilbert lived at Lamb's Corner now called Bartley Manor. The Blackhouse had a very nice flower garden & kitchen garden. Sir Simon Stuart, father of the present Sir S. Stuart lived there in 1866 his wife went abroad to him & left me the care of the 3 children.