

Pillaton in the 1870's

The following transcription from Kelly's Post Office Directory of Cornwall (Published London, 1873) gives an idea of the social structure of the time and lists many of the inhabitants of the parish during the 1870's.

Unfortunately, this list rarely gives the property name with the inhabitant's name as it does in some of the directories for other years.

PILLATON is a parish and village, 5 miles north from St. Germans, 5 south from Callington, situated on the river Lynher, in the Eastern Division of the county, middle division of East, St. Germans union, Stonehouse county court district, rural deanery of East, Cornwall archdeaconry, and diocese of Exeter. The church is a modern structure, consisting of chancel, nave, north aisle, and high, square castellated tower with turrets surmounted by a cross; it has 3 bells. The register dates from the year []. The living is a rectory, in the gift of Digby Collins, esq., yearly value about £200, with residence and 33 acres of glebe, and held by the Rev. Charles Bissett Fenwick, B.A., of Trinity College, Dublin. There is a national school belonging to the church. There is a Wesleyan chapel. A fair for pleasure and cattle is held on Whitsun Tuesday. Pentillie castle is the beautiful seat of Col. Augustus Coryton, J.P. Digby Collins, esq., who is lord of the manor, and Col. Coryton, are the principal landowners. The soil is clay and slate; subsoil, slate and freestone. The chief crops are cereal, root, potato, &c. The area is 2,478 acres (including 20 of water); gross estimated rental, £2,575; rateable value, £2,242; and the population in 1871 was 385.
Parish Clerk, Thomas Vosper.

Letters through St. Mellion from Saltash. The nearest money order office is at Callington
National School, Mary Agnes Daundridge, mistress

- o Coryton Col. Augustus, J.P. Pentillie cstl
- o Herring Christopher, Sillaton
- o COMMERCIAL.
- o Betty Joseph, *Royal Oak*, & grocer
- o Budd John, miller
- o Collins James, mason
- o Drown Richard, smith
- o Elliott Eustace, farmer
- o Fowel Edmund, farmer
- o Gregory William, farmer
- o Herring John, farmer
- o Herring Nicholas, farmer
- o Lucas George, farmer
- o Lucas Reuben, farmer
- o Lucas William, farmer
- o Martin Richard, carpenter
- o Mason Peter, farmer
- o Netting Jane (Mrs.), smith
- o Nichols James, farmer
- o Parkin John, farmer
- o Paynter John, farmer
- o Pearce Edward, miller
- o Pearce Voisey, farmer
- o Perkins William, smith
- o Rickard Thomas, farmer
- o Tamblyn Jeremiah, farmer
- o Vosper John, shoe maker