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PRESTON IS A VILLAGE AND PARISH WITH THE Liberty of Sutton Poyntz, 3 ½ miles north-east from Weymouth, in Culliford Tree Hundred, Weymouth Union, Dorchester division, and diocese of Salisbury. The living is a vicarage, value £250 per annum, in the patronage of the prebendary of Preston; the Rev – Bouverie is the holder; the Rev. Talbot H. B. Baker, M.A., is the present incumbent. **SUTTON POYNTZ** was a Liberty of free manor of the Poyntzes, an ancient family in the western parts. The church is an ancient fabric, of the perpendicular style of Gothic architecture, consisting of a nave, south aisle, and chancel, and contains an antique font; in the porch is a curious Norman arch. The Wesleyans have a chapel here. There is a National school, supported by subscription. Here are some genteel residences in the neighbourhood. The population, in 1851, was 711; area, in acres, about 3000. The coast is on Weymouth Bay.

WYKE OLIVER is the residence of Charles Gill, Esq.; Charborough, or Chalbury Lodge, of Mrs Kettle. South Down is a farm.

Baker Rev. Talbot H. B. M.A.	Vicarage
Gill Charles, esq.	Wyke Oliver
Kettle Mrs.	Charboro' lodge
Saunders Mr	
Scutt Mr. Robert,	Sutton Poyntz
Wallis Mrs	
Wilshire Mr. James	
Willshire Mr. Thomas	

TRADERS

Brett Charles,	butcher, Sutton Poyntz
Brown Robert,	painter & glazier
Croad John,	bootmaker
Croft William,	baker, Sutton Poyntz
Fancy Sarah (Mrs.),	miller, Preston mill
Fooks John,	blacksmith
Fooks Thos.,	blacksmith, Sutton Poyntz
Galpin Sarah (Miss),	shopkeeper, Sutton Poyntz
Galpin Stephen,	parish clerk & thatcher, Sutton Poyntz
Harvey James,	beer retailer
Hopkins Thomas,	miller, Sutton Poyntz
Keynes Henry,	baker, grocer & beer rtlr
King Isaac,	mason
Lowman William,	carpenter
Miller Edmund,	baker, Sutton Poyntz
Miller Thomas,	carpenter
Plowman Eliza (Mrs.),	'Ship'
Pooss Thomas,	farmer
Pope John Allen,	farmer, Sutton Poyntz
Puckett & Daw,	bootmakers
Reglar James,	butcher
Scutt John,	farmer, South Down farm
Spicer William,	miller, Sutton mill
Squibb Robert,	carpenter

Thomas John,	butcher
Walden William,	dairyman
Wallis Josiah,	farmer
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Wallis Thomas,	shopkeeper
Watts Matthew,	tailor
Watts Misses,	ladies' boarding school

Letters are received through Weymouth, which is also the nearest money order office

National School, Miss Green, mistress