

## Universal British Directory 1791

MARGATE, a sea-port town, situated on the northern side of the pleasant island of Thanet, is at present a place of fashionable resort for sea-bathing. It is seventy-three miles north-east of London, and seventeen from Canterbury; it is a member of the port of Dover, and has a pleasant harbour, much improved and secured lately by an elegant and spacious pier of stone. Many of the nobility and persons of distinction make this healthy spot their country residence during the summer months, as well to enjoy the pleasures of bathing as the advantages of the salubrious air of Thanet; for few places in the kingdom are so well calculated for the former of these purposes, the bay being of great extent, and the shore a level carpet of the finest sand sheltered from the winds, which enables the summer visitants to bathe in the greatest security. On that part of the town near the water-side are several commodious rooms, to which the company resort every morning, and in their turns are driven into the sea in the machines, they being four-wheeled carriages, covered with canvas, and having at one end of them an umbrella of the same materials which is let down to the surface of the water, so that the bather descending from the machine by a few steps is concealed from the public view, whereby the most refined female is enabled to enjoy the advantages of the sea with the strictest delicacy. In Hawley-square is the new library, a most elegant and spacious room, erected by Mr. Hall. There are two others; one in the Church Field, kept by W. Silver; the other in a very pleasant spot near the water, by Mr. Garner. Here are also several coffee-rooms for ladies and gentlemen, where the papers are taken in, and tea and card parties frequently formed.—The new theatre, in Hawley-square, is a new and elegant building, after the model of Covent-garden, the scenery is executed in a masterly style by Hodgins. The proprietors are Messrs. Ring and Grubb, and the present manager Mr. Wilmot Wells. — In Cecil-square is the assembly-room, an elegant and spacious building, pleasantly situated within view of the sea, and is kept by Mr. Benson; and, independent of the rooms, the house is one of the largest and best-conducted taverns in the kingdom. Charles Le Bas, Esq. is master of the ceremonies.

The bankers are Messrs. Cobb and Son; they draw on Sir James Esdaile and Co. London. Messrs. Sawkins, Grubb, and Brooman; draw on Robarts and Co. London.

The post arrives from London during the summer every morning at eight, except Monday; and returns every evening at five, except Saturday.

The mail-coach sets off from the York Hotel at five every evening, and returns at eight every morning: fare, £1 1s. Also a coach to carry six insides, at four every morning: fare, £1. 1s. A coach to carry four, at the same time: fare, £1. 3s. 6d. And a diligence to carry three, at four o'clock: fare, £1 3s. 6d.—Besides these, there are the balloon-coach from Benson's, and a diligence from the same place.—From Mummery's coach-office, a coach sets off every morning at four o'clock, to London, which carries six insides: fare £1 1s. Also a coach to carry four insides; fare, £1. 3s. 6d. A coach at five in the evening, to carry six; fare, £1 1s. And a diligence at four every morning: fare, £1 3s. 6. These take up passengers from the Fountain, the White Hart, and the Duke's Head.

The principal inns are, the Royal Hotel, kept by John Benson ; the York Hotel, by John Mitchener; the Shakespeare Tavern, by — Rayner; the Fountain, by J. Stevenson; the George, by P. Sacket; the White Hart, by W. Mitchener; the King's Head, by Ann Cricket; and the Prospect Tavern, by John Jenkins.

## VESSELS

*Robert and Jane*, Capt. Kidd  
*Dispatch*, Capt. Laming  
*Prince of Wales*, Capt. Finch  
*Francis*, Capt. Goatham  
*Endeavour*, Capt. Kennard

*Diligence*, Capt. Sandwell  
*Prince of Wales*, Capt. J. Laming  
*Diana*, Capt. Boxer  
The above vessels sail every day, alternately,  
from Margate to London.

## DEPUTY AND CIVIL OFFICERS

Francis Cobb, sen. Esq. *Sub-Deputy*  
Thomas Gore, *Pier-warden*, (chosen annually on  
the first of May)  
*Sub Pier-wardens.*

John Harman

John Brett  
*Agent for the Lord-warden.*  
W. Ruff  
R. Grant

*Agents for Wrecks.*

J. Sawkins  
F. Small  
J. Strannack  
E. Boys  
J. Whitehead  
John Giles

*Collectors of the Salt Duty.*

Messrs. Cobb and Hooper

J. Mitchener

Messrs. Bassets

D. Valder, *Surveyor of the Customs*

R. Laming, *Waiter and Searcher*

*Tidesmen.*

T. Wood

H. Pott

J. Tatnell

H. Foster

W. Curling

T. Brooke

S. Hunt

J. Austen

T. Woodward

J. Dixon

C. Muggilstone

*Boatmen.*

J. Hawke

B. Crickett

T. Fife

R. Cooke

A. Cooke

J. Prichard

Peter Jacob, *King's Coal-meter*

*Town Coal-meters.*

William Cock

Charles Cricket

*Pilots.*

Robert Ladd, sen. *Master*

Edward Robinson

William Watler

J. Harman

T. Palmer

J. Smith

J. Peirce

Edward White

Robert Ladd, jun.

Francis Cobb, jun. Esq. *Margate Pavement*

*Treasurer*

A. Mummery, jun. *Clerk*

John Franklin, *Collector of Rates*

Thomas Holness, *Assistant*

The following is a list of the principal inhabitants

GENTRY

Agarise Lewis, Gent.

Le Bas Charles, Esq. *M.C.*

Baker John, Gent.

Baker Mrs.

Brooke Miss E.

Bennet Mrs.

Brown William, Gent.

Barber Miss

Barber Mrs.

Benneret Claude, Esq.

Cowell Mrs.

Carraway Mrs.

Cock John, Gent.

Cecil Miss

Champion Edward, Gent.

Covel Mrs.

Culmer Joel, Gent.

Castle Mrs.

Caunt Thomas, Gent.

Corbett Mrs,

Cowel John, Gent.

Deboch Mrs.

Dandy Miss

Eason Robert, jun. Gent.

Fletcher Mrs,

Griffen Mrs.

Granger Mrs.

Gore John, Gent.

Hagstone Mrs.

Hills Mrs.

Hurst William, Gent,

Hutchinson Mrs.

Hughes Captain

Johnson Miss.

Ladd Mrs.

Mummery Richard, Gent.

Penny Mrs.

Payne Mrs.

Pegden Nicholas, Gent.

Price Miss

Pickford Mrs.

Peake Miss

Payne John, Gent.

Robson Thomas, Gent.

Reader —, Gent.

Rammel Mrs.

Smith Matthew, Gent,

Shelton William, Gent,

Sacket John, Gent.

Sacket Mrs. E.

Sacket Mrs.

Stone William, Gent.  
Smith Miss  
Slater Mrs.  
Squires Mrs.  
Stokes Mrs.  
Simmonds Mrs.  
Tahourdin Mrs.  
Troward Mrs.  
Twaites —, Gent,  
Twynam Mrs.  
Taylor Mrs.  
Tomlin Mrs.  
West —, Gent.  
Wrindal —, Esq.  
Wells Mrs.  
Whitched John, Gent.  
Wild Mrs.  
Wild Miss

CLERGY.

Chapman Rev. —, *Schoolmaster*  
Harrison Rev. William, *Vicar*  
Lloyd Rev. Henry, *Curate*  
Purchase Mr. *Dissenting-minister*  
Williams Rev. Mr.

PHYSIC.

Anderson J. M. D.  
Gilder —, *Surgeon*  
Hunter R. E. *Surgeon*

Hoile —, *Druggist and Apothecary*  
Jarvis D. *Surgeon*  
Plummer Walter, *Druggist, &c.*  
Ridley F. M. D.  
Slater G. *Surgeon*  
Silver J. *Surgeon*  
Silver —, *Apothecary and Druggist*

LAW.

Austen N. *Attorney*  
Sawkins J. *Attorney and Banker*  
Small F. *Attorney*

TRADERS, &C.

Arnold M.  
Atwood Henry, *Shopkeeper*  
Austin John, *Tide-waiter*  
Austin William, *Carpenter*  
Andrews Sarah, *Shopkeeper*  
Anderson —, *Broker*  
Adams Eliz. *Victualler, (Duke's Head)*  
Adams George, *Cow-keeper*  
Boncy Charles, *Builder*  
Boncy Samuel, *Farmer*  
Bailey William, *Bricklayer*  
Bone —, *Carpenter*  
Brasier Zachariah, *Musician*  
Brasier Miss, *Schoolmistress*  
Brasier S. *Boarding-house*  
Brasier —, *Hatter*

Baylis —, *Watchmaker*  
Brown John, *Cabinet-maker*  
Beer Joseph, *Green-grocer*  
Barwife —, *Hair-dresser*  
Barret Isaac, *Butcher*  
Batt Thomas, *Shopkeeper*  
Basset Hen. *Phoenix Fire-office Agent*  
Basset Stephen, *Merchant*  
Brooman Thomas, *Grocer*  
Brooman Jn. *Linen-draper & Banker*  
Bettison — *Perfumer*  
Brooke S. *Schoolmistress*  
Benson John, *Royal Hotel*  
Burbridge George, *Stonemason*  
Beard-----, *Carpenter*  
Brewer William, *Broker*  
Bonman Thomas, *Gardener*  
Broome-----, *Taylor*  
Budd Thomas, *Musician*  
Bloxham Samuel, *Stable-keeper*  
Bloxham —, *Farmer*  
Barclay Mrs. *Baker*  
Bytham —, *Carpenter*  
Bryan Mrs. *Schoolmistress*  
Burton John, *Sawyer*  
Barnes —, *Carpenter*  
Bundock William, *Carpenter*  
Boyce —, *Farmer*  
Brett John, *Farmer*  
Belsey J. *Hair-dresser*

Caley John, *Carpenter*  
Collins Richard, *Watchmaker*  
Cock George, *Blacksmith*  
Cock Thomas, *Grocer*  
Cock John, *Cordwainer*  
Cock —, *Mariner*  
Cousins Zachariah, *Schoolmaster*  
Chapman William, *Breeches-maker*  
Cobb Catharine, *Baker*  
Cobb and Son, *Bankers and Brewers*  
Constable Matthew, *Carrier*  
Castle William, *Cordwainer*  
Chapman John, *Mariner*  
Crickett Ann, *Victualler, (King's Head)*  
Cricket John, *Mariner*  
Crouch Simon, *Victualler, (Queen's Arms)*  
Cronk Thomas, *Baker*  
Constant John, *Blacksmith*  
Chancellor John, *Grocer*  
Chappel John, *Hair-dresser*  
Chapman William, *Carpenter*  
Corbet John, *Mariner*  
Claggit —, *Carpenter*  
Coleman Thomas, *Schoolmaster*  
Dixon James, jun. *Gingerbread-baker*  
Dixon James, sen. *Baker*  
Dunkin William, *Hair-dresser*  
Dunkin D. *Victualler, (Bull's Head)*  
Darby William, *Carpenter*  
Darby —, *Green-grocer*

Denham —, *Sawyer*  
Davis. —, *Flint-napper*  
Dawes William, *Hair-dresser*  
David Peter, *Brazier*  
Dawson —, *Shipwright*  
Drayson Thomas, *Carpenter*  
Duff James, *Carpenter*  
Dadd —, *Shopkeeper*  
Edmunds —, *Beer-merchant*  
Edmunds Thomas, *Carpenter*  
Eason Robert, *Farmer*  
Foard Joseph, *Farmer*  
Fuller John, *Bricklayer*  
Fagg Thomas, *Cordwainer*  
Finch John, *Packet-master*  
Freebody John, *Baker*  
Fleming Thomas, *Taylor*  
Fordred —, *Shoemaker*  
Franklin John, *Droit Collector*  
Franklin Isaac, *Cordwainer*  
Foat John, *Painter*  
Farley E. *Boat-builder*  
Griggs Stephen, *Shipwright*  
Goodburn John, *Mariner*  
Gammon —, *Gardener*  
Granger Giles, *Auctioneer*  
Gann John, *Mariner*  
Grubb—, *Banker*  
Garner William, *Bookseller*  
Garret Thomas, *Bricklayer*

Goold William  
Greenwood Thomas, *Victualler*  
Gore Thomas, *Maltster*  
Gore Thomas, *Grocer*  
Gore James, *Mariner*  
Grant Richard, *Mariner*  
Grant —, *Carpenter*  
Goatham Edward, *Mariner*  
Gibbs —, *Farrier*  
Humble John, *Victualler, (Six Bells)*  
Humble Mary, *Boarding-house*  
Harrison Denwood, *Cordwainer*  
Hayward John, *Tea-dealer*  
Hewit John, *Carpenter*  
Haywood —, *Green-grocer*  
Hunter William, *Brewer*  
Hollams John, *Slop-seller*  
Hurst Thomas, *Shipwright*  
Hall Joseph, *Coachmaker*  
Hall Joseph, *Wine-merchant*  
Hall James, *Post-master*  
Hughes Messrs. *Bathers*  
Hughes William, *Carpenter*  
Hubbard —, *Sailmaker*  
Hedgecock John, *Butcher*  
Hubbard —, *Bather*  
Harman Henry, *Mariner*  
Harman Robert, *Mariner*  
Harris Thomas, *Carpenter*  
Hooper Stephen, *Miller*

Hutchinson —, *Farrier*  
Hunt George, *Cooper*  
Holmans William  
Holniss John  
Ismonger Miss, *Milliner*  
Jacobs Peter, *Coal-meter*  
Jell Benjamin, *Coachmaker*  
Jenkins William, *Builder*  
Jefferson —, *Schoolmaster*  
Jewel Elizabeth, *Shopkeeper*  
Jones ———*Staymaker*  
Jenkins John, *Prospect Coffee-house*  
Jarrat —, *Bather*  
Kite Thomas  
Kite Edward  
Kidd Robert, *Packet-master*  
Kemp —, *Taylor*  
Kirby William, *Stable-keeper*  
Kirby William, *Victualler, (Hoy)*  
Keate Ann, *Shopkeeper*  
Kirman —, *Staymaker*  
Knatchbull Thomas, *Green-grocer*  
Kennard Vincent, *Packet-master*  
Lewis —, *Schoolmaster*  
Laming Richard, sen. *Land-waiter.*  
Laming Richard, jun. *Packet-master*  
Laming James, *Linen-draper and Packet-master*  
Lancel William, *Grocer*  
Lautier Mrs. *Boarding-house*  
Ladd Robert, sen. *Pilot*

Ladd Robert, jun. *Pilot*  
Lyon Joseph, *Plumber*  
Leadbeater —, *Hair-dresser*  
Mummery Stephen, *Blacksmith*  
Mummery Mat. sen. *Surveyor of Roads*  
Mummery Matthew, jun. *Coach-master*  
Mummery Abraham, sen. *Grocer*  
Mummery Abraham, *Grocer*  
Mummery Richard  
Mummery John  
Munns John, *Victualler, (Queen's Head)*  
Munns —, *Green-grocer*  
Mutton John, *Gardener*  
Marsh Richard, *Shoemaker*  
Marsh —, *Green-grocer*  
Maxted John, *Carpenter*  
Minter George, *Cabinet-maker*  
Minter George, *Mariner*  
Musserid Thomas, *Carpenter*  
Musserid William, *Carpenter*  
Mepham John, *Grocer*  
Mercer Samuel, *Carpenter*  
Morrice John, *Carpenter*  
Moat —, *Carpenter*  
Marcall Michael  
Mitchener John, *York Hotel*  
Manble — *Green -grocer*  
Mackanelly — *Cordwainer*  
May M. *Carpenter*  
Nathan and Lee, *Pawnbrokers*



Napier John, *Staymaker*  
Nott Thomas, *Shoemaker*  
Nash John, *Hair-dresser*  
Nash Miss, *Milliner*  
Newby Hannah, *Slop-filler*  
Noble —, *Taylor*  
Noble Thomas, *Mariner*  
Owen John, *Carpenter*  
Osborn Latham, *Hoyman*  
Osborne —, *Carpenter*  
Offin ———, *Fruiterer*  
Orpin Edward, *Carpenter*  
Pegden Nicholas, *Carrier*  
Peckar John, *Carpenter*  
Philpot George, *Horse-master*  
Pointin Edward, *Carpenter*  
Pointin —, *Carpenter*  
Petty John, *Whitesmith*  
Packer John, *Butcher*  
Pott —, *Blacksmith*  
Payne Ann, *Shopkeeper*  
Pope John, *Wine-merchant*  
Philpot George, *Bather*  
Payne John, *Baker*  
Poole John, *Ironmonger*  
Packer Mary, *Butcher*  
Pavey —, *Hair-dresser*  
Palmer Thomas, *Packet-master*  
Pindar John, *Cabinet-maker*  
Pound John, *Mariner*

Roasway John, *Cabinet-maker*  
Russel Miss, *Schoolmistress*  
Randall John, *Victualler, (1 Bell)*  
Rouse — *Gunsmith*  
Rete John, *Collar-maker*  
Rudd Richard, *Shoemaker*  
Rudd William, *Builder*  
Rice John, *Hatter*  
Rowe Messrs. *Linen-drapers*  
Rowe John, *Shopkeeper*  
Rowe John, *Mariner*  
Rowe John, *Painter*  
Rowe Catharine, *Shopkeeper*  
Rowe I. *Salt-officer*  
Rowe William  
Rowe —, *Mariner*  
Reade John  
Reade John, *Victualler, (Old Crown)*  
Reade —, *Victualler, (Mason's Arm)*  
Reade Roger, *Farmer*  
Rayner —, *Shakespeare Tavern*  
Robason George, *Tallow-chandler*  
Robason Edward, *Pilot*  
Reynold Isaac, *Mariner*  
Righton —, *Farmer*  
Sacket John, *Farmer*  
Sacket John, *Hoyman*  
Sacket Paul, *Victualler, (George)*  
Synnock —, *Carpenter*  
Symmonds William, *Carpenter*

Symmonds Valentine, *Painter*  
Symmonds Zachariah, *Baker*  
Surman Peter, *Carpenter*  
Stone Martha, *Collar-maker*  
Stone Thomas, *Poulterer*  
Scotcher —, *Victualler (Jolly Sailor)*  
Surflen Edward, *Poulterer*  
Surflen Amadis, *Bather*  
Solomon —, *Silversmith*  
Sayer Miss, *Milliner*  
Sayer John, *Bather*  
Sayer John  
Sanneville Abraham, *Taylor*  
Salter Robert, *Grocer*  
Silver Samuel, *Bookseller*  
Stricker George, *Baker*  
Stricker Elizabeth, *Baker*  
Sharpe Thomas  
Solly John, *Shipwright*  
Sissar John, *Victualler*  
Squires James, *Victualler, (Ship)*  
Strannach John, *Mariner*  
Strannach James, *Mariner*  
Strannach Jeremiah, *Mariner*  
Sandwell Jethro, *Packet-master*  
Swinford Daniel, *Taylor*  
Stevenson James, *Victualler, (Fountain)*  
Scoats Messrs. *Farmers*  
Staines Thomas, *Farmer*  
Taddy Edward, *Farmer*

Taddy Roger  
Thompson C. *Carpenter*  
Twynam R. *Baker*  
Twynam —, *Shoemaker*  
Taylor Steven, *Bricklayer*  
Truss Joseph, *Grocer*  
Tucker Mary, *Shopkeeper*  
Tennant —, *Linen-draper*  
Thornton Henry, *Carpenter*  
Thornton John, *Carrier*  
Tournay —, *Butcher*  
Tomlin John, *Farmer*  
Tomlin Robert, *Farmer*  
Valder —, *Surveyor of Customs*  
Weatherly—, *Plasterer*  
Wells John, *Grocer*  
Wells Rob. *Victualler, (Wheat-sheaf)*  
Wommersley Henry, *Cabinet-maker*  
Watler H. *Mariner*  
Worfly Thomas, *Sadler*  
Wood Thomas, *Bather*  
Wood —, *Shoemaker*  
Wood Jackson, *Farmer*  
Wiles Richard, *Bricklayer*  
Waterhouse —, *Carpenter*  
White ———, *Mantua-maker*  
White Edward, *Mariner*  
Winch —, *Mantua-maker*  
Watson John, *Baker*  
Worton ———, *Farmer*

In the neighbourhood of Margate is Dandelion, a most pleasing spot, opened as a tea-garden, at which every Wednesday in the season there is a public breakfast, frequented by most of the company.—North-down, a pleasant little village.—Kingsgate, a delightful villa built by the late Lord Holland.—Nash-Court, an antique farm-house.—There are also the following hamlets, viz. Westbrook, Garlinge, Shockenden, Lidden, Street, Fleet, Sacket's Hill, Up-down, and Chappel-hill, at some of which there are several gentlemens seats.