

CLOPTON, a village and parish, on the Debenham road, 4 miles N.W. of Woodbridge, has 389 inhabitants and 2034 acres of land, including Clopton Green and several scattered houses and farms, extending two miles N. of the village. It is in the *manors* of Kingshall, Brendhall, Rousehall, and Wascolies, of which Major-General Felix Vincent Raper is lord, and holds a general *customary court* in the court-house yearly in July. Mr. Wm. Whiteside is steward. A great part of the soil is held by Lord Rendlesham, Mr. Wm. Steel, and other freeholders and customary tenants. In the 31st of Edward I., John de Weyland obtained a charter for a market and fair here, but they have long been obsolete. The Sackvilles, Weylands, and Bardolfs, were successively Lords of Clopton from the reign of Henry I. till after that of Edward III. The *Church* (St. Mary) is a small ancient fabric, and is a rectory valued in K.B. at £16. 13s. 4d., and in 1835 at £538, but the tithes were commuted in 1843 for £694 per annum. The Rev. Geo. Taylor is patron, and the Rev. Charles Taylor, B.A., is the incumbent, and has a neat *Rectory House*, which was much improved in 1831. The TOWN ESTATE comprises four tenements occupied rent-free by poor families; 14A. of land, held since 1489, for the repairs of the church and the relief of the poor, and let in 1828 for £32 a year; and the *Bell Pightle*, 1½A. let for £2. 5s. a year, which is applied in the service of the church bells. *Directory*:—Rev. Charles Taylor, B.A., *Rectory*; James Crapnall and John Day, *shoemakers*; John Crapnall, blacksmith; Richard Grayston, *wheelwright*; and Wm. Barker, Eunice Baldry, James Bolton, Jph. Burch, Henry Broom, John Buckingham, Joshua Catt, (*Hall*;) Wm. Catt, Samuel May, Wm. Smith, Wm. Steel, (and owner,) Wm. Steel, jun., and George Watkins, *farmers*.

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