

OUR VILLAGE (EG LAMBERT 1972)

There's a saying in East Meon, told by the older people
It's the only village in the south, where corn grows higher
than church steeple

The village lies between two hills, the river in between
And has many old thatched cottages, just waiting to be
seen.

As you walk along the old Church Street
You find the "Almshouses" with their gardens neat
There are a tribute to a long dead squire
To house the elderly his one desire.

Then comes the Post Office, "Mr Woods", with its windows
red & white.
And opposite stands the old "George Inn" where one gets
a good sandwich bite

Then comes the butcher "Mr Witt" with a fence so
white & neat

Where we can buy "Spring Cleaning" bit and also
our daily meat

As up the High St you ramble, you come to Herby
Goddards garage
Where he will mend at any time, any kind
of horseless carriage
And further up the High St, you will find the Country
Where you can buy most things to eat, and aids to do your ^{stoves}
Across the river the New Inn stands, with bright and ^{choke} shining
And next to it old thatched cottages that visitors adore
And as you turn back to the other end of High St in the
Tis there you'll find our village hall where everyone has fun ^{sun}

Across from that is "McDold's" a shop both new and bright
Where one walks in and helps oneself or so I have been ^{told}
The children have a brand new school where they learn
to read and write
And we've a really lovely Church in which today
you never feel the cold.

Some American visitors last summer called our river a ^{Brook}
If they saw it in the winter, it would give the lie, to
the pictures that they took

For it can be a rushing torrent on its way down
But by the good work of Hampshire River Men, no
more flooded will we be.

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We have cricket in the Summer and Scramble Races
And just outside the village live the boys in Navy Blue^{Too}
So come and see our village when you have the time
And you'll wish that you could live here too^{to spare}
But the answer is - Just Where?

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