

Uplyme celebrates the marriage of the Prince of Wales, 1863

Prince Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, and Princess Alexandra of Denmark were married in St George's Chapel Windsor on Tuesday 10th March 1863.

The Western Gazette reports how the village of Uplyme, in East Devon marked the occasion:

Uplyme - Loyalty is by no means at a discount in this parish. A hearty celebration took place here on Tuesday last. Subscriptions were raised and an abundant dinner of beef and other meat and plum pudding was provided at the Talbot Arms, of which between 200 and 300 of the working male inhabitants were partakers. The Rev C W Ethelstone [Ethelston], the rector, and R Talbot Esq, of Rhode Hill House, were present and addressed the numerous company in a very kind manner. After dinner the women and children of the parish were treated to tea, cake, and bread and butter at the Talbot Arms. "God save the Queen" was sung, and the greatest enjoyment characterised the proceedings. The unfavourable state of the weather prevented the carrying through of several rustic games which were intended.

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Reginald Talbot was Lord of the Manor of Uplyme and the major land owner in the parish.