

Rev Reginald Heber Moss, Rector of Bletsoe c1905

Born 1868 in Huyton, Lancashire, Moss was a first class cricketer. Having played for Radley and gained a blue at Oxford, he played for Worcestershire, and Liverpool & District (against Australia), he also played for Bedfordshire, & Herefordshire. Moss had taught at Bilton Grange and Cheltenham, before becoming Rector of Bletsoe in 1899 and starting a 'crammer' here. As well as a cleric, a teacher, and a sportsman of some ability, he was a practical man; a fine oak chair in Bletsoe Church bears on its back the inscription "Carved and given by R H Moss, 1906". His professional life was spent at Bilton Grange School, Cheltenham College, Bletsoe Rectory, Woburn Vicarage, Malvern College, and Icomb Rectory, Gloucestershire; finally retiring to Bridport, Dorset, in 1945, where he died in 1956.