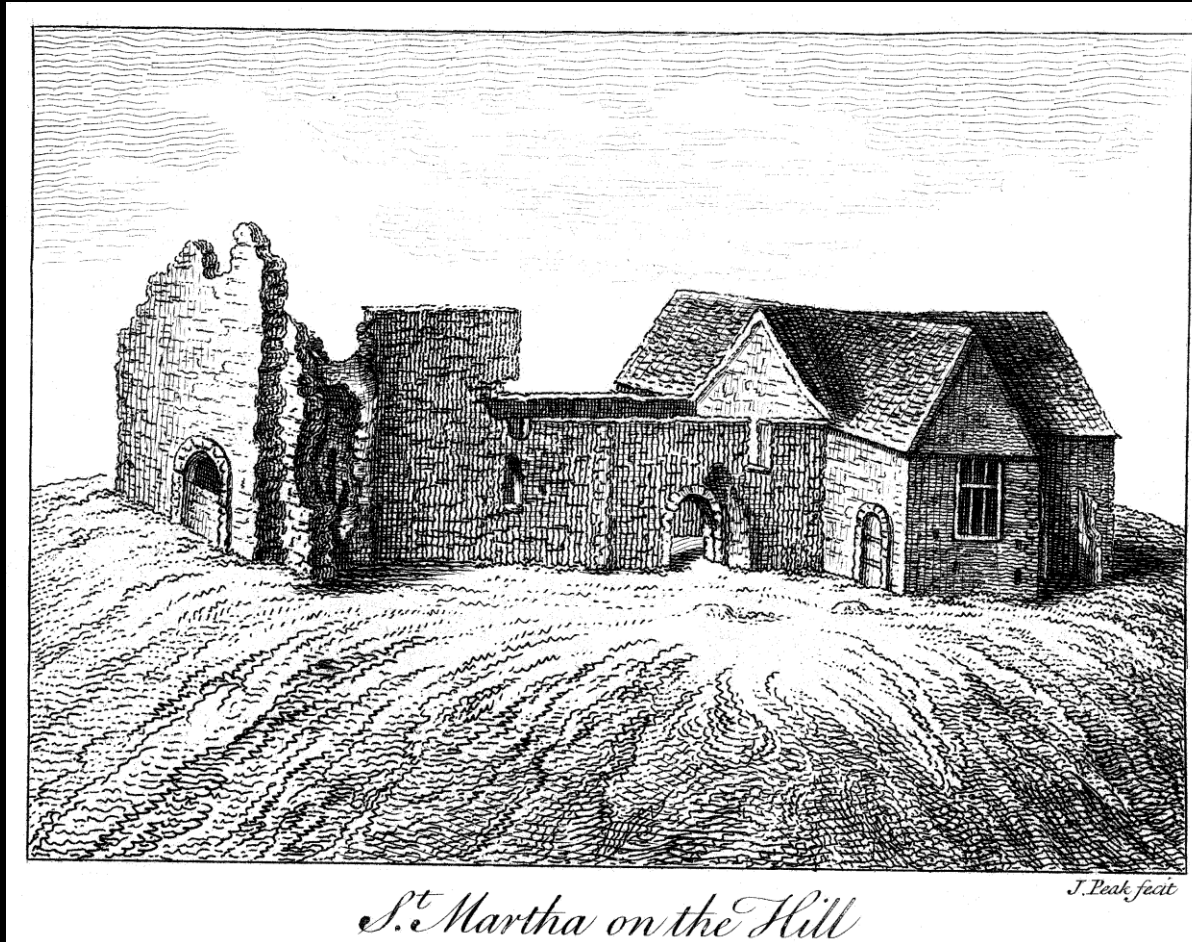
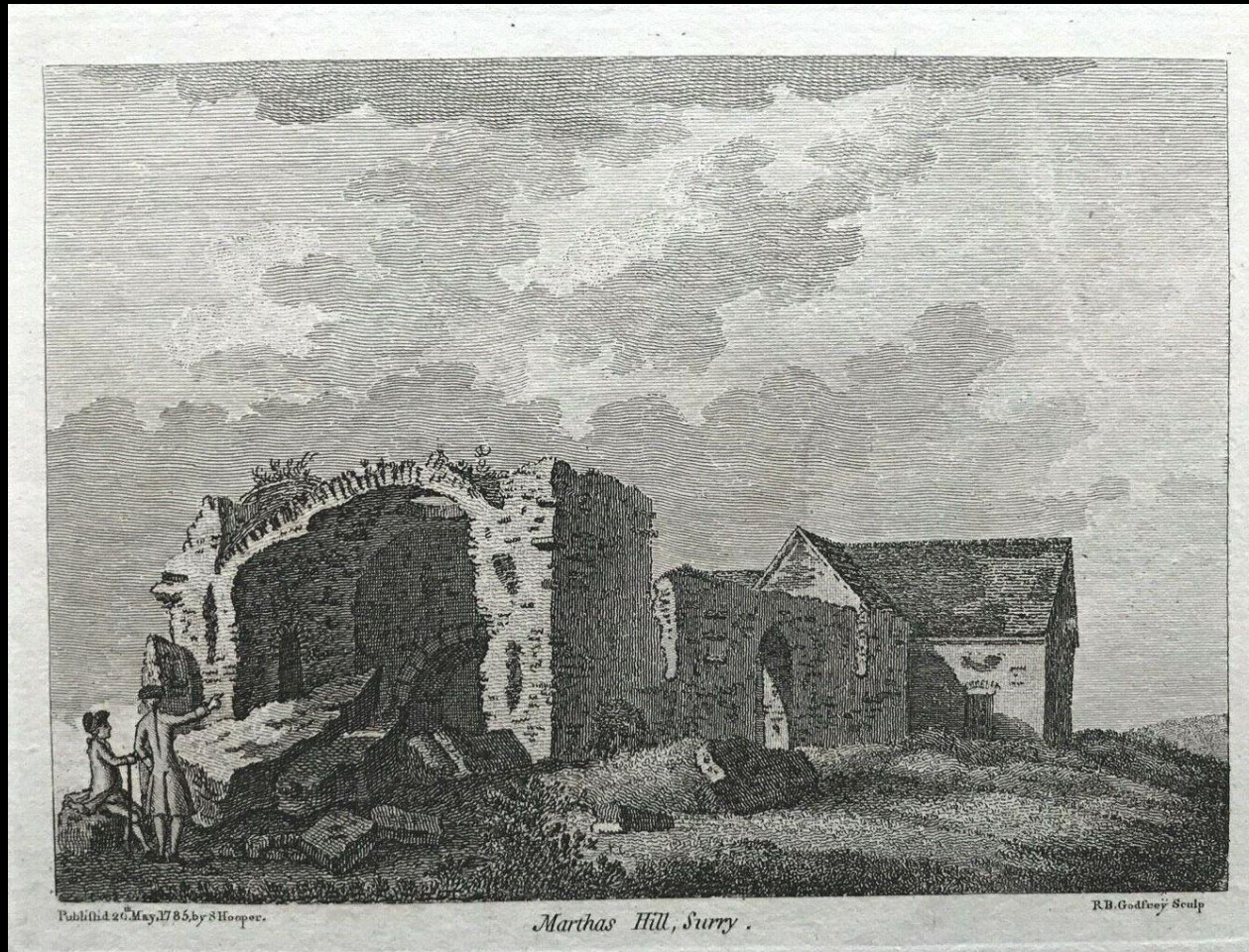


SOME OLD PICTURES AND POSTCARD VIEWS OF ST MARTHA'S

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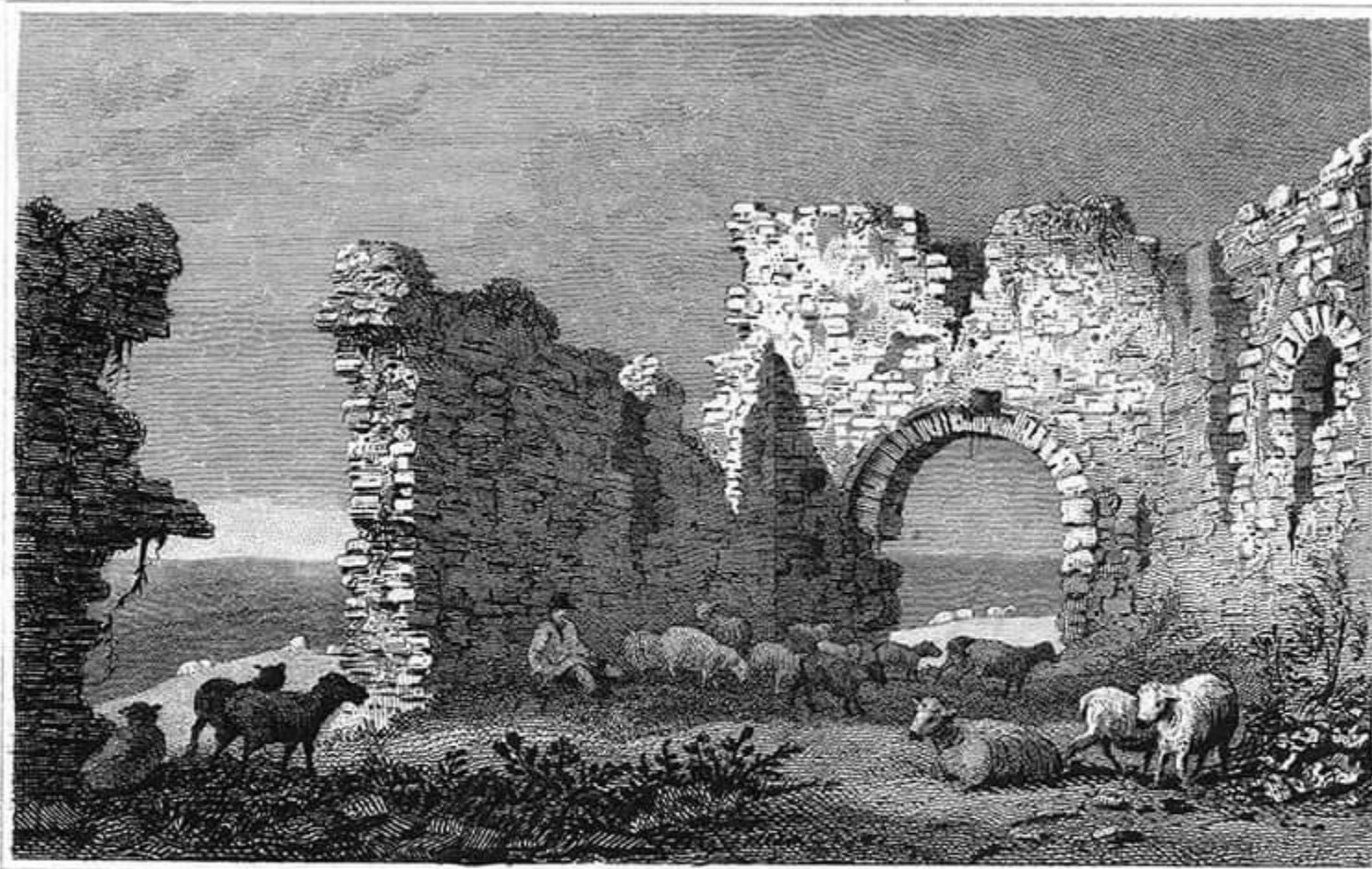
This engraving of the St. Martha on the Hill church (Surrey, England) was drawn by John Hill (18th century illustrator), engraved by James Peak (1729-1782?), and published in 1819. It pre-dates the next engraving which shows more of the tower collapsed.



Engraving published in Grose's *Antiquities*, from a sketch made in 1763



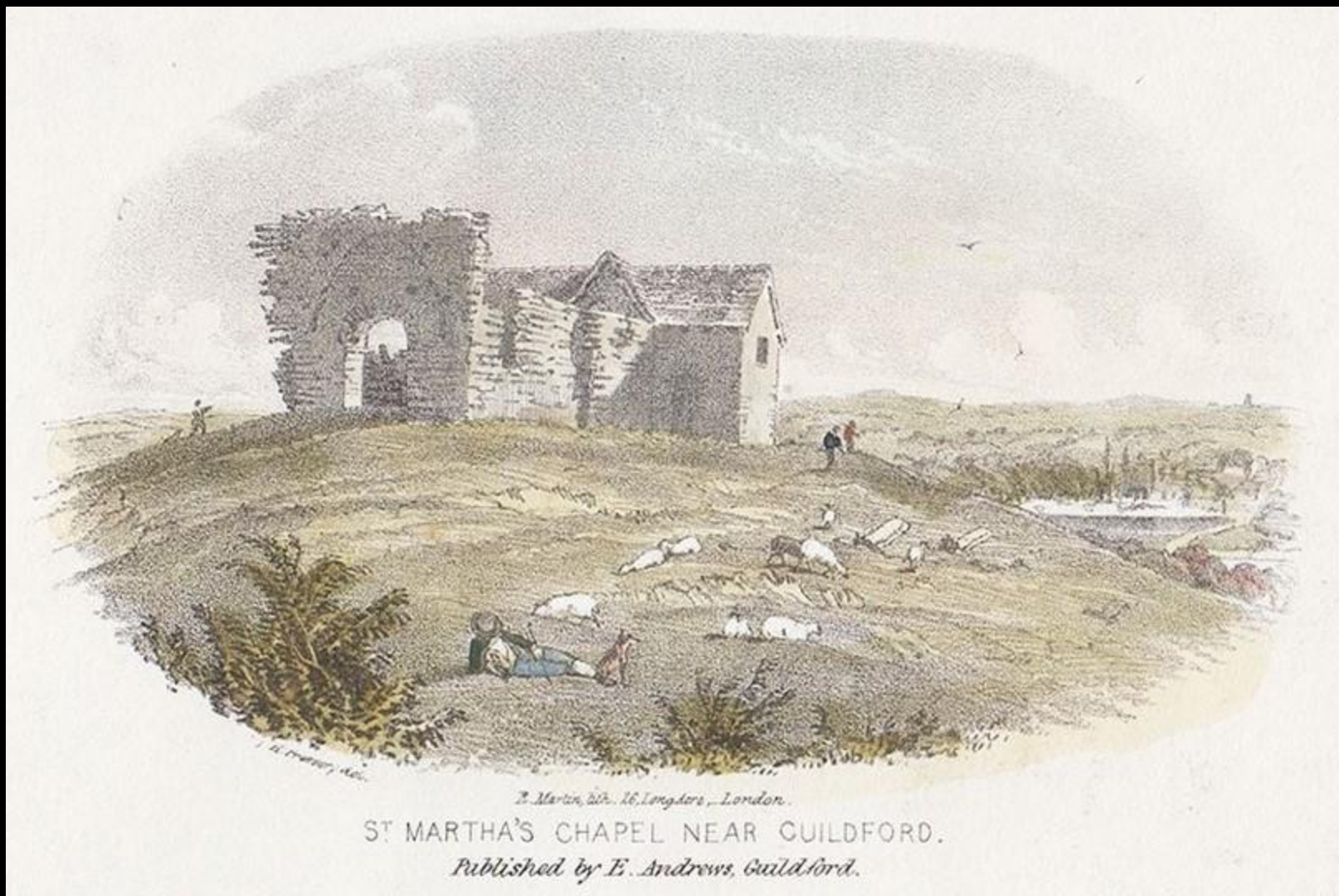
1819



Engraved by J. Greig, from a Drawing by H. Gastineau, for the Excursions through Surrey.

Remains of
ST MARTHA'S CHAPEL,
near Guildford.
SURREY.

Pubd June 1, 1820, by Longman & Co. Throstle Row.



c.1840



St Martha's Ruins by John Chaplin c1860

Although severely damaged services continued at the church until 1846.

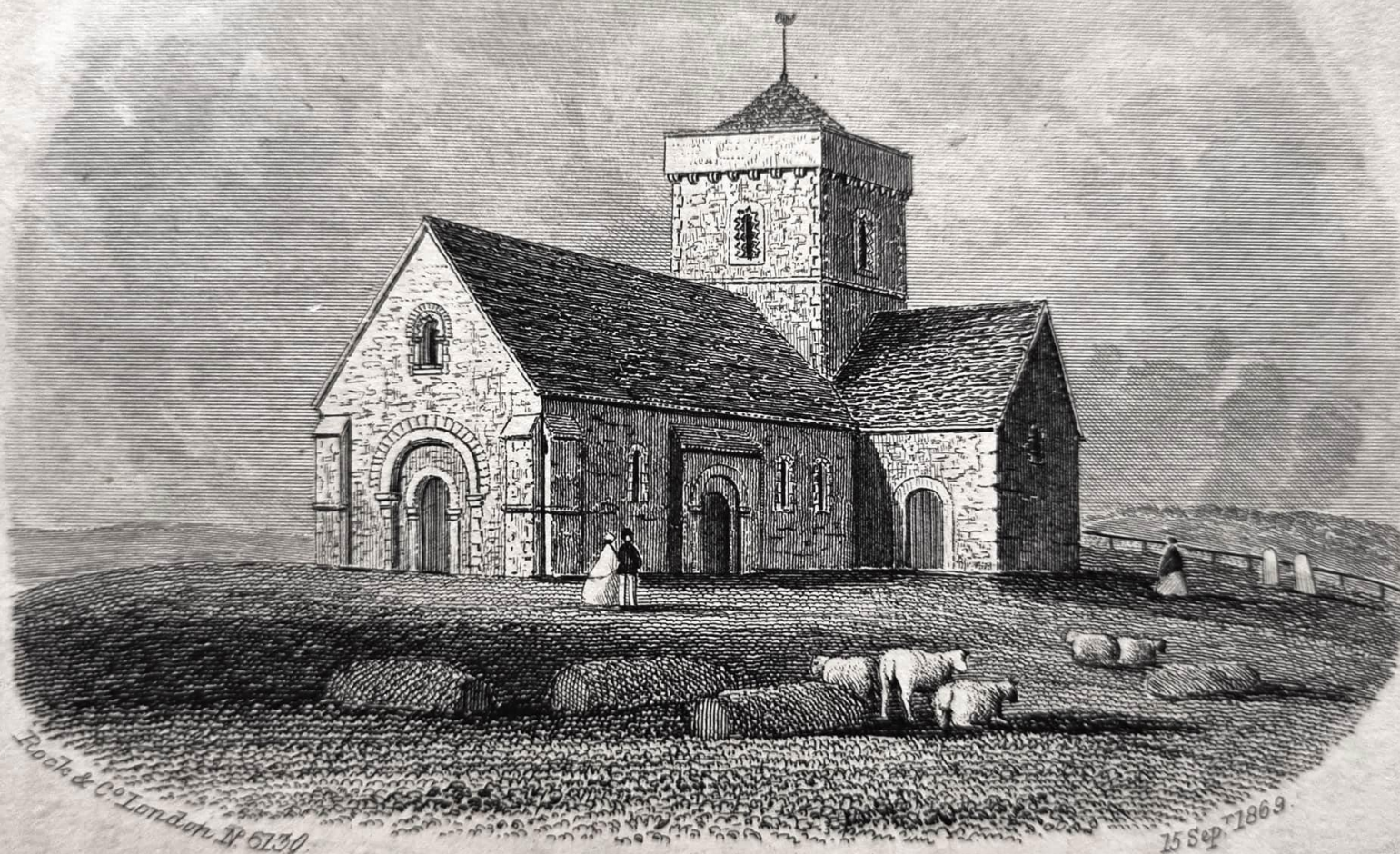
The 6th Duke of Northumberland, Lord Lovaine, who owned St Martha's Hill and the ruined church, decided to rebuild St Martha's and he and other local landowners chose a local architect, 32 year old Henry Woodyer, to oversee the designing and rebuilding of St Martha's church, a project which would cost £700.

Inspired by the Norman style, Woodyer incorporated the remaining walls into a new design, with a well-proportioned central tower to replace the large western tower of the original church. He used local dark ironstone for the walls and kept the interior clear and simple in whitewash. One of the original doors was blocked up, but the other four were retained.

Pevsner's Buildings of England describes the result as " an impressive job...expressing the spirit of the lonely exposed site perfectly."

The new church was opened on 15th May 1850.

Henry Woodyer went on to become a renowned church architect.



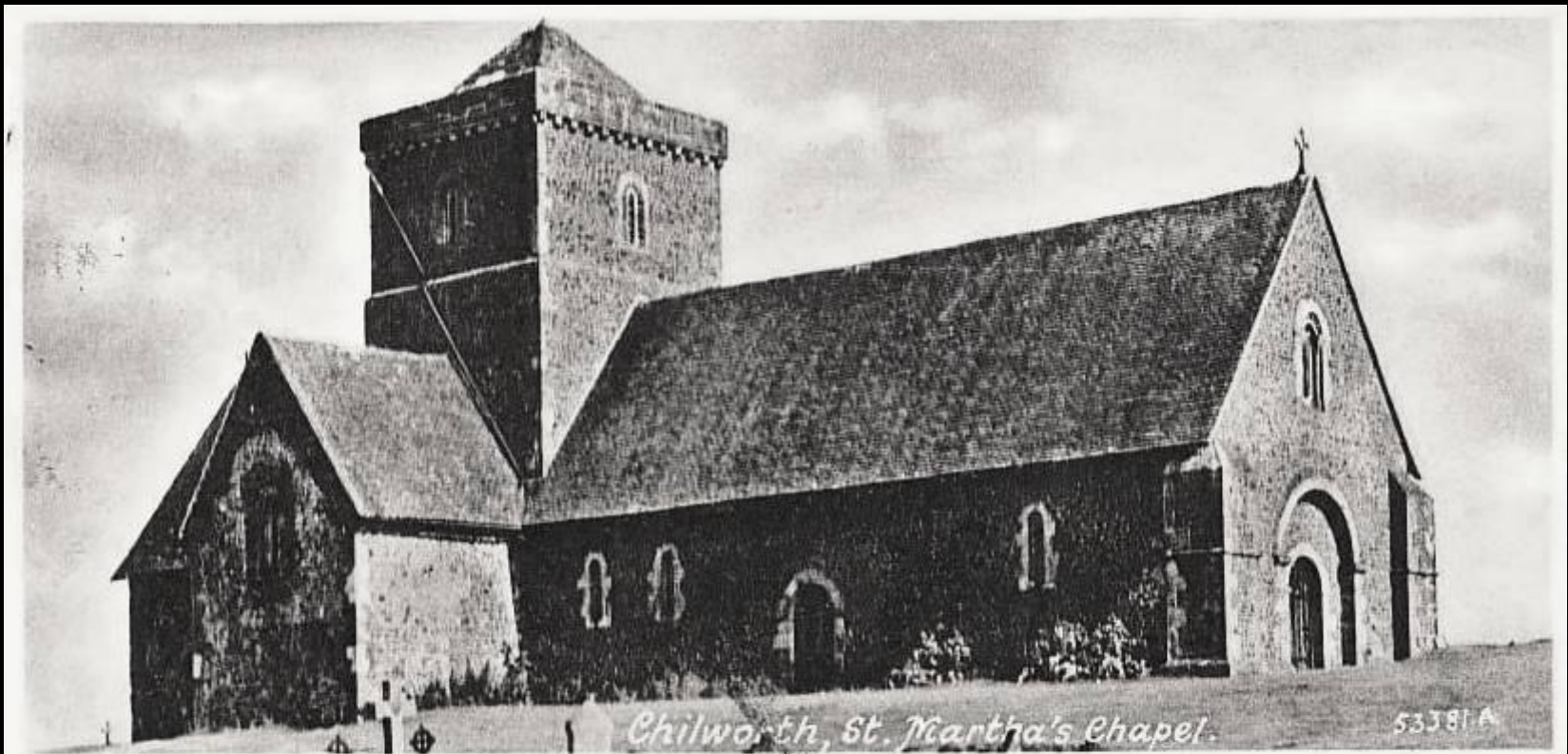
Saint Martha's Church, Guildford, Surrey



St. Martin's Chapel near Chilworth, F.F.A.C.



Postcard posted 1905 from the same photo as previous slide



This historical edifice is dedicated to St. Martha and all the holy martyrs, and stands alone on an eminence formerly called Martyrs' Hill, from a legend that some pious early Christians suffered death and were buried here. Of the actual date of its erection, no record exists; but it became attached to the community of Augustinian Monks of Newark Priory in 1262. For 350 years Pilgrims to Canterbury visited this Church, and Martin Tupper often mentions it in his book 'Stephen Langton'; and suggested that Langton was interred here. In course of time, it fell into decay and ruin, but was restored to its present state in 1848

An undated postcard



St Martha's from Lower Postford Pond by Hugh Thompson 1908



1898 print entitled "St Martha's from Lower Postford Pond"

The timber framed house in this and the next view does not exist any more.



Posted in 1904

This view and the preceding one are from the new road from Chilworth to Albury which cut across Postford Pond. The new road was built in 1876 and the house which no longer exists, was still there in the 1905 painting by Sutton Palmer shown below.



Map showing the proposed new road from Chilworth to Albury avoiding Postford Mill.
You can see the house on the left



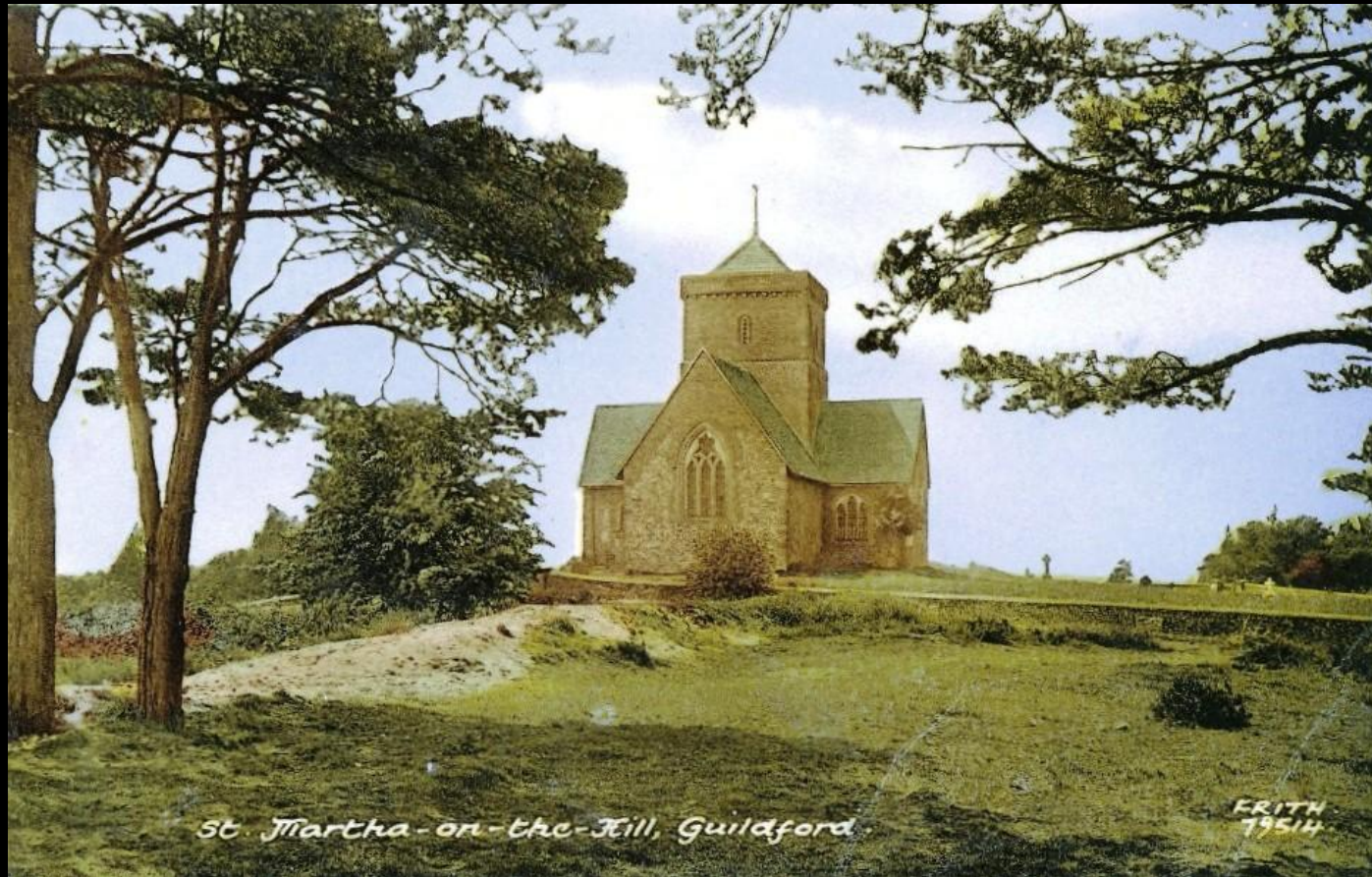
This painting by Sutton Palmer c.1905 entitled Autumn Weeds Chilworth
A different view of the same house.



St Martha's from Postford Pond 1929



Tangle Mere lake, Chilworth, with St Martha's in the background



Postcard posted in 1902



A differently coloured postcard from the same photo



Postcard posted in 1903

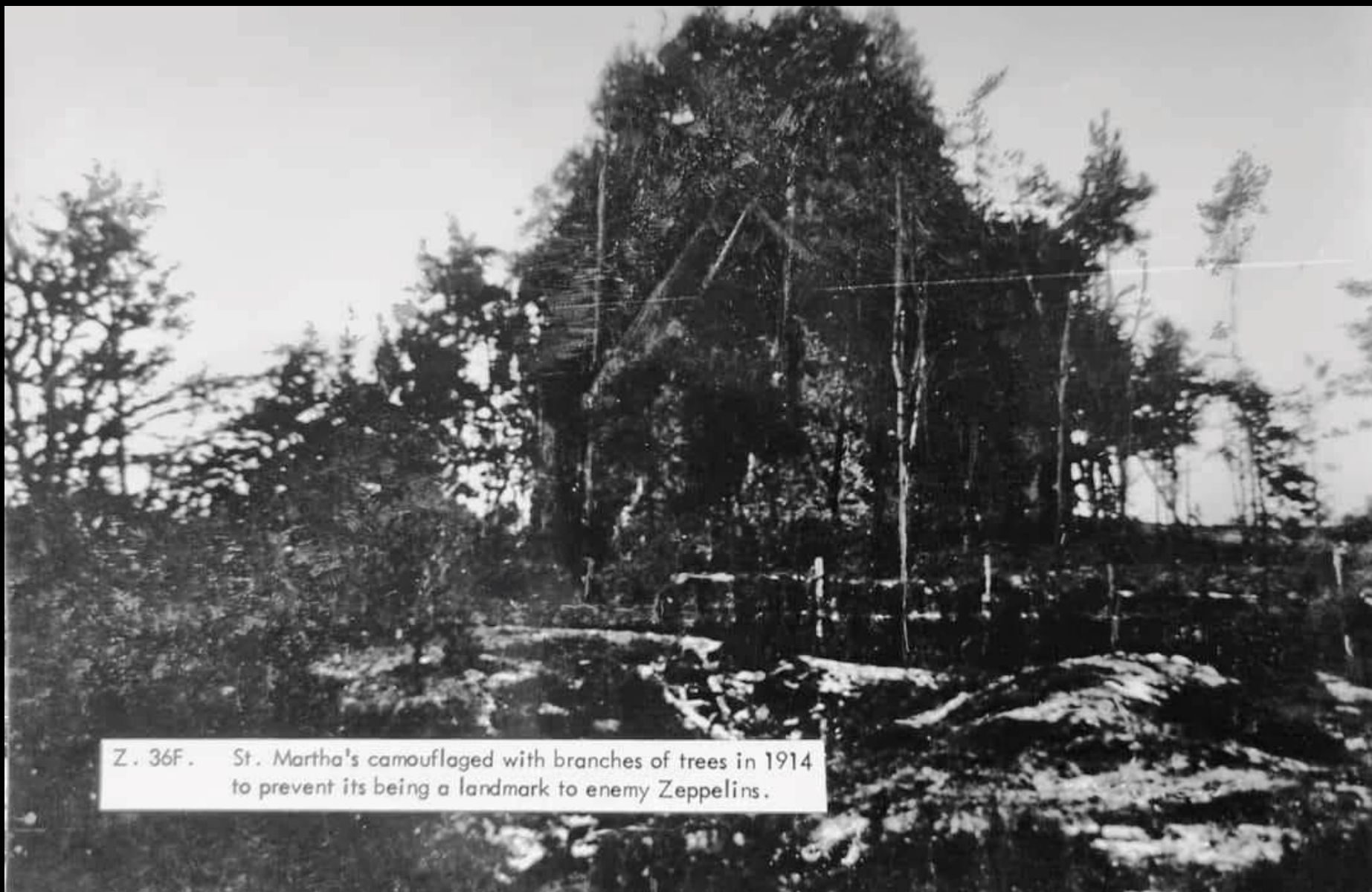


ST. MARTHA'S CHURCH FROM THE AIR.

850



Posted 1912



Z. 36F. St. Martha's camouflaged with branches of trees in 1914 to prevent its being a landmark to enemy Zeppelins.





Undated drawing – the fence is artistic licence as the stone wall was built in the 1850 renovation



St. Martha's Chapel on the Pilgrims' Way.
Chilworth, near Guildford, Surrey. 1929.



79514 ST. MARTHA-ON-THE-HILL, GUILDFORD



St. Martha's Church near Guildford

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Actors resting between takes at St Martha's Church during filming of the 1944 movie *A Canterbury Tale*.

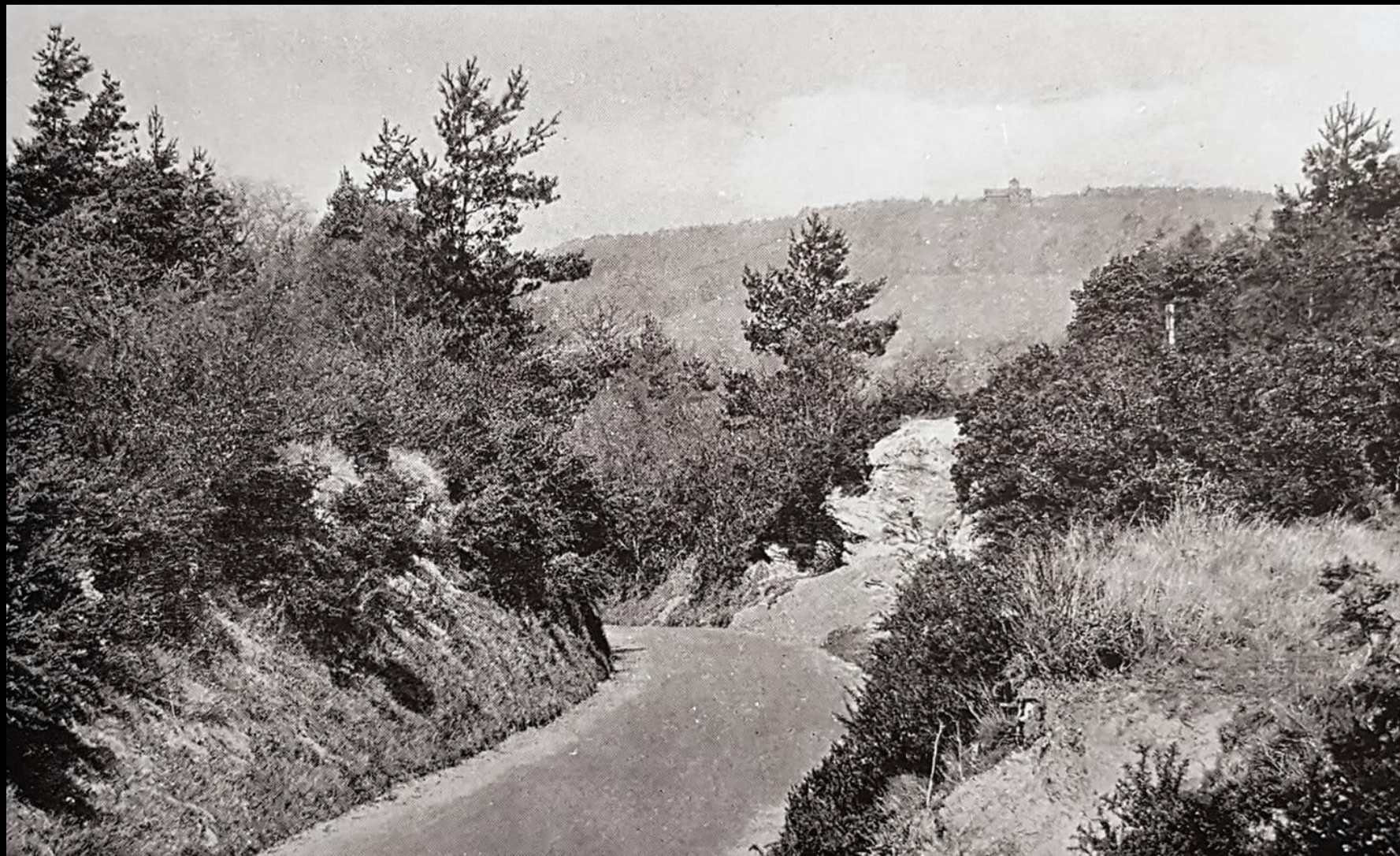
ST. MARTHA'S,
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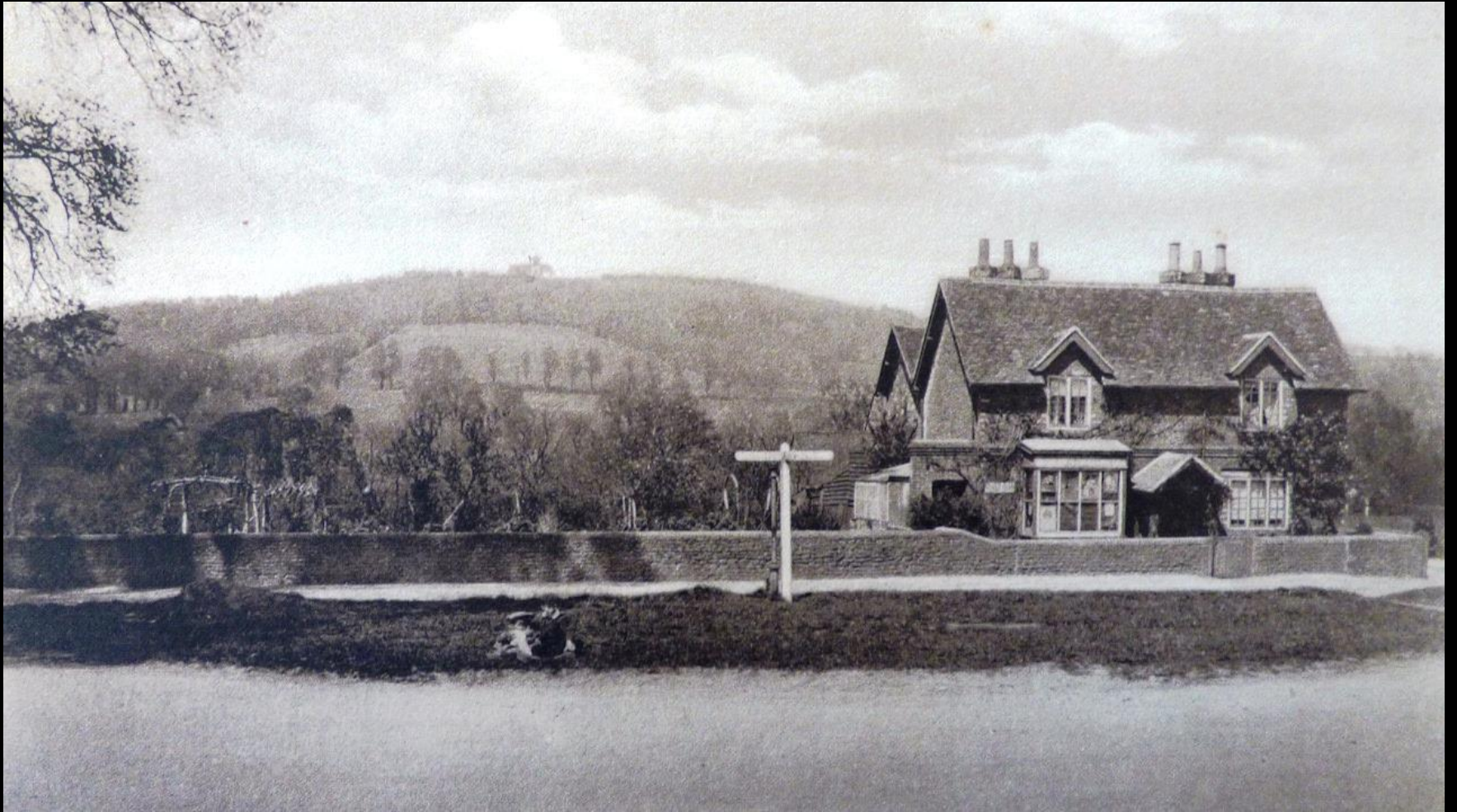
St Martha's from Lockner Farm
(a colorised postcard photo)



From Lockner Farm



From Sample Oak Lane, Blackheath



From near Chilworth Station when Aston Villa had a shop



St Martha's from White Lane



St Martha's from White Lane



ST. MARTHA'S CHAPEL
from PEWLEY HILL, GUILDFORD

St Martha's from Pewley Hill



Guildford, St. Martha's from Warwick's Bench.

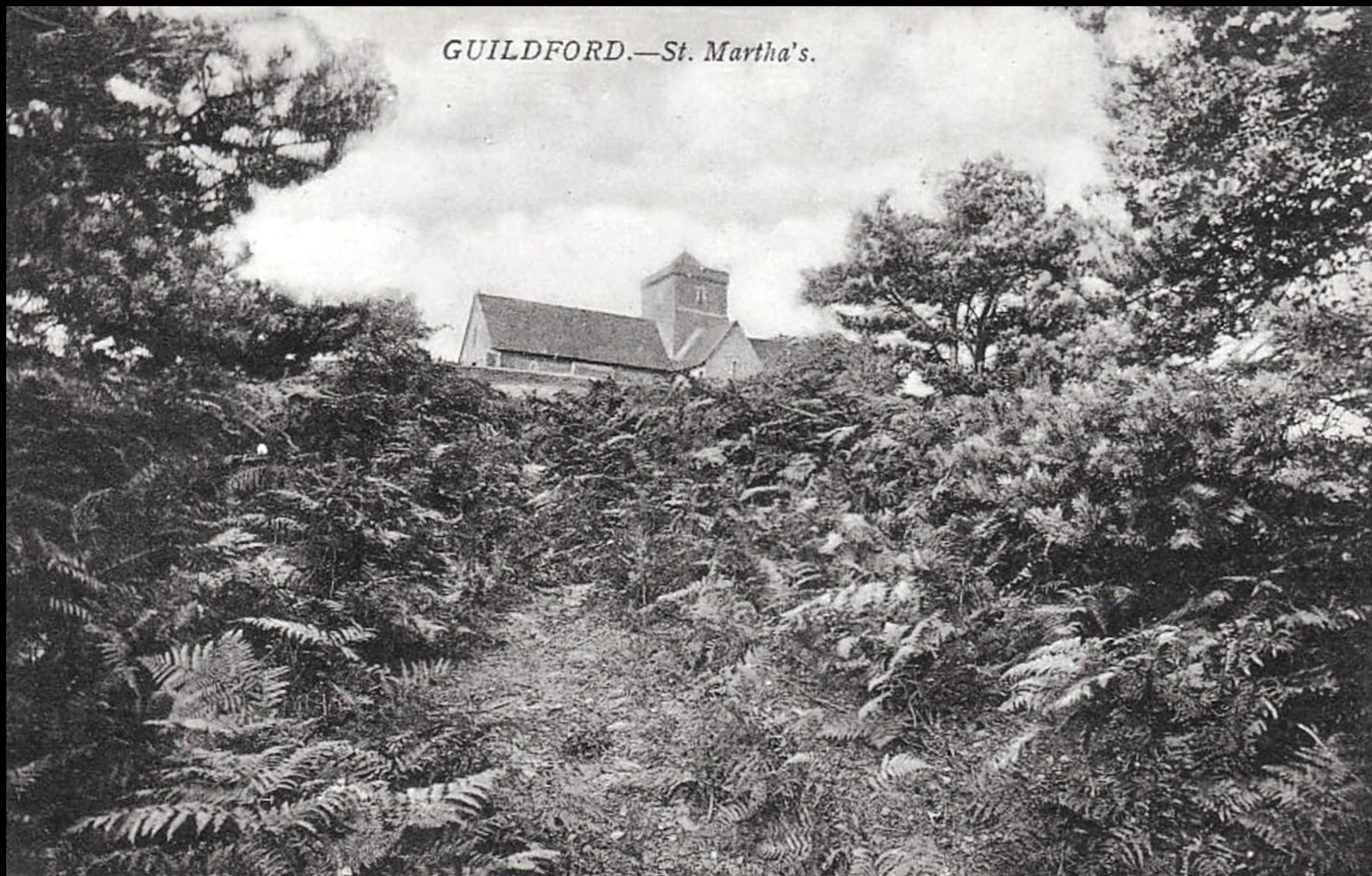


Tyting farm on the right



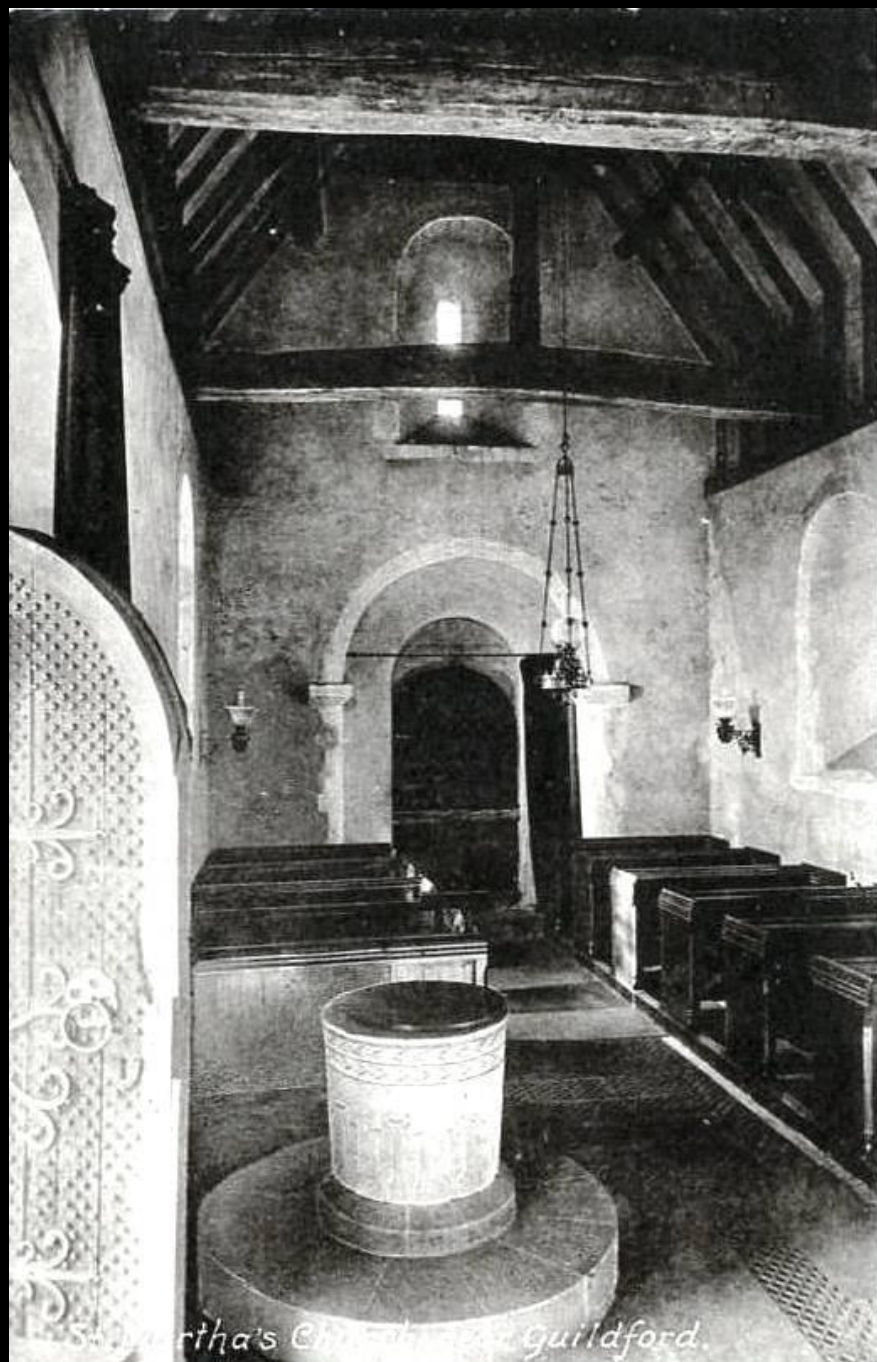
"A Hayfield Wonersh" by Sutton Palmer c.1905 with St Martha's in the background

GUILDFORD.—*St. Martha's.*





St. Martha's Church, New Bedford



St. Martha's Church, Guildford.

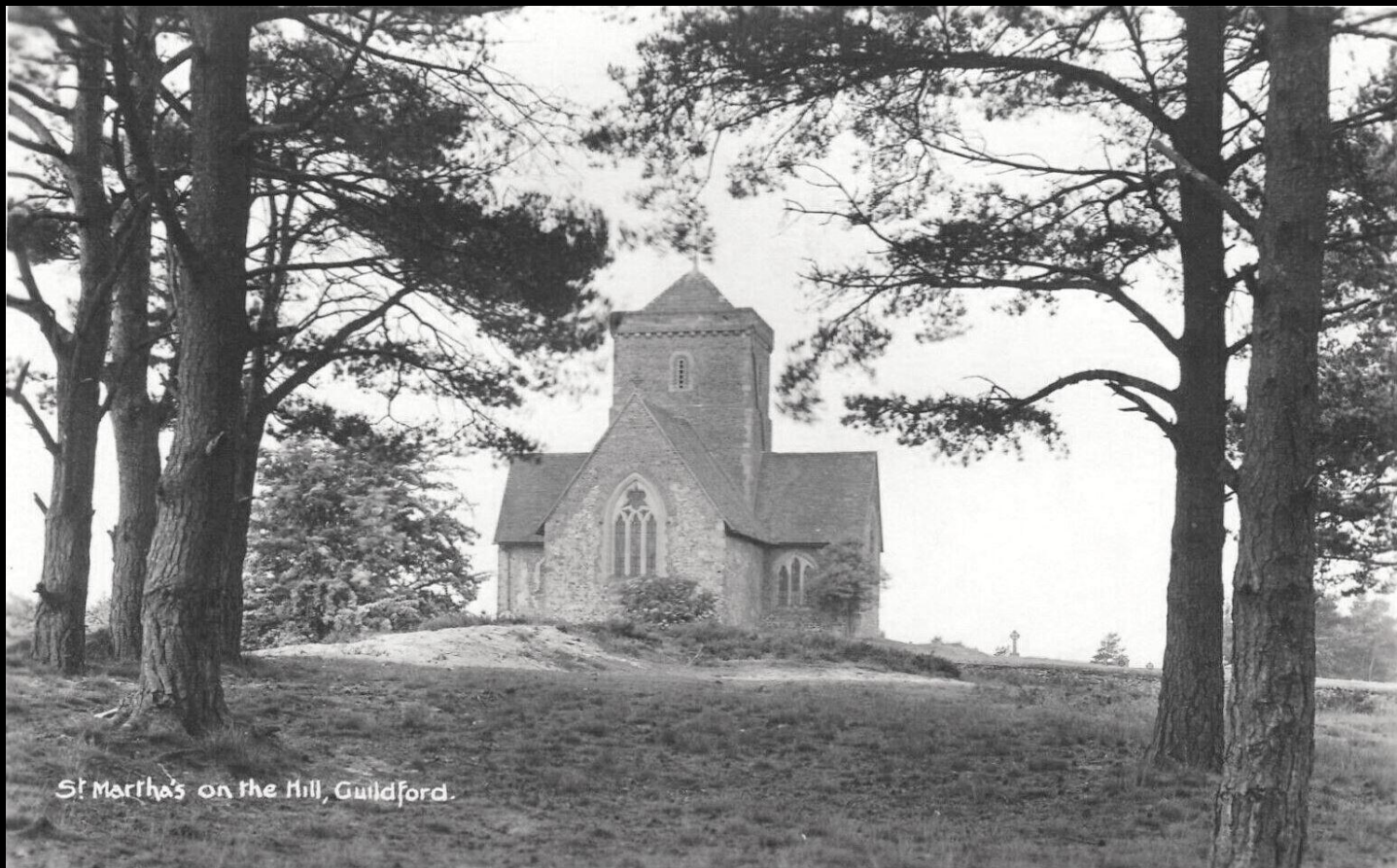




ST. MARTHA'S CHURCH, GUILDFORD.



Old postcard undated



St. Martha's on the Hill, Guildford.









St. Martha's, near Shalford.



Another painting by Sutton Palmer c.1905 entitled Albury vale from St Martha's Hill



Finally a 1938 photo of Tyting Manor and farm at the foot of St Martha's Hill. On the extreme right you can see part of the late Neolithic or Bronze Age Bowl Barrow which is a Scheduled Monument.

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