

COALEY, anciently known as Cowley, is a parish and picturesque village, 2 miles south-east from Coaley junction and 2 south-west from Procester station on the Birmingham and Bristol section of the London, Midland and Scottish railway, 2½ north-east from Dursley, 12 south from Gloucester, 7½ south-west from Stroud and 108 from London, in the Stroud division of the county, hundred of Berkeley, rural district, petty sessional division, county court district and rural deanery of Dursley and archdeaconry and diocese of Gloucester. Electricity, gas and main water are available. The church of St. Bartholomew is a stone building, rebuilt (with the exception of the tower) in 1858, in the Early English style; it consists of chancel, nave of five bays, north aisle, north porch and an embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing a clock and 6 bells: the stained east window is a memorial to the Rev. W. J. Evans, vicar 1883-1907: in 1902 a stained glass window was put in the north aisle of the church to the memory of Bernard Hadley (who died in 1900 in the Boer War), by his father, Charles Hadley: in 1922 a stained window was put in the north side of the church to the memory of Graham Elton Merrett by his mother: in 1928 an altar of English oak was

presented: in 1938 a two-manual organ was presented by Messrs. R. T. and F. G. Prout in memory of their sister, Miss Blanche Prout: there are 300 sittings. The register dates from the year 1581. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £363, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Gloucester, and held since 1936 by the Rev. John Pritchard Padmore. A cross was erected in the churchyard in 1919 by the parishioners in memory of those who fell in the Great War, 1914-18. There is a Methodist chapel. There is an endowment of £38 12s. yearly for the repair of the church and the relief of the poor of the parish. This charity, under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1894, was apportioned by the Charity Commissioners as follows:—half for the repair of the church and half for the relief of the poor not in receipt of public assistance. Messrs. Cory Brothers are the chief landowners. The land is chiefly in pasture. The area is 2,498 acres; the population in 1931 was 605.

Dead Hill was transferred to Slimbridge under the Divided Parishes Act, 1882.

Post Office. Letters through Cam, nearest M. O. & T. office

Marked thus † receive letters via Cambridge.

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

(For T.N.'s see general list of Private Residents at end of book.)

Padmore Rev. John Pritchard (vicar), Vicarage

Prout Herbert William J.P. The Elms

COMMERCIAL.

Marked thus ° farm 150 acres or over.
†° Acreman Wilfred Jn. farmer.
Cambridge 42

Allen Arth. farmer, Pear Orchard farm

Bozworth Elton, farmer, Field farm

Carter Chas. dairyman

Carter Douglas, farmer, Ham farm

†Cathcart Alex. Donald, farmer, Elm-cote

Curtis & Son, wheelwrights

†Drovers Arms Inn (Fras. Pegler), Bristol rd

Fox & Hounds P.H. (Mrs. Mary Ann Thomas)

†Gardiner Bros. motor engns. Cambridge 3

Gardiner Thos. Eric, farmer, Pinnells End farm

†Godwin Chas. Hy. farmer, Elm-cote. Cambridge 37

Griffin Elton Dennis, grocer, & post office. T.N. Cambridge 12

Griffiths Chas. farmer, Lapley farm

Hearts of Oak Inn (Ivor H. Hobbs) Higgins Evan, coal dr. Tickshill

Hill Geo. Herbt. farmer, Betworthy farm

Hobbs Reginald, farmer

Hobbs Stanton, farmer, Ford farm

Hobbs Wm. farmer, Silver Street ho
Hulbert Jn. farmer, Hodge Coombe farm
Longstreth Albt. farmer, The Knapp
Major Thos. bldr. Uley 239

Matthews Mervyn, shopkpr
Pegler Saml. & Sons, butchers. Uley

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†Pegler Thos Geo. farmer, Potgaston farm

°Prout Thos. & Gilbt. farmers, Corner farm

Prout Bernard, farmer, Westfield frm

Prout Burton, farmer, Silver st

Prout Ernest, farmer, Silver Street farm

Prout Herbt. Wm. J.P. farmer. Cambridge 22

Robins Ellen Eliz. (Mrs.), farmer, Lower Knapp

Smith Misses, farmers, Leigh farm

Smith Rt. farmer, Oatridge ho

Thomas Leonard & Co. edge tool mfrs. T.N. Dursley 27Y4
Workman Leslie R. farmer, Street frm
Ye Olde Swan Inn (Harry Curtis). Dursley 27X3