

Directory of the County of Gloucester 1923

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COALEY, or Cowley, is a parish and picturesque village, 2 miles south-east from Coaley junction and 2 south-west from Frocester station on the Birmingham and Bristol section of the Midland railway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ north-east from Dursley, 12 south from Gloucester, $7\frac{1}{2}$ south-west from Stroud and 108 from London, in the Stroud division of the county, hundred of Berkeley, rural district of Marston Sicca, union, petty sessional division, county court district and rural deanery of Dursley and arch-deaconry and diocese of Gloucester. The Birmingham and Bristol branch of the Midland railway passes through the parish. The church of St. Bartholomew is an edifice of stone, rebuilt (with the exception of the tower) in 1857, at a cost of £2,000, under the direction of Messrs. Jacques and Son, architects, 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 side of the church to the memory of Bernard Radley (who died in 1900 in the Boer War), by his father, Charles Radley: in 1922 a stained glass window was put in the north side of the church to the memory of Graham Elton Merrett by his mother: there are 300 sittings. The register dates from the year 1581. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £325, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Gloucester, and held since 1920 by the Rev.

John Percy Clarke. 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 Wesleyan chapel. The Moors is held by the Dursley Rural District Council as an Isolation Hospital for Infectious Diseases, at an annual rent of £25, and has accommodation for six patients. There is an endowment of £38 12s. yearly for the repair of the church and the relief of the second 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 parish pay. Messrs. Cory Brothers are the chief landowners. The soil is gravelly and clayey; subsoil, gravel. The chief crops are wheat, barley and some land in pasture. The area is 2,498 acres; rateable value, £6,289; the population in 1911 was 673.

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

Sexton, E. Hill.

Post Office.—Austin Watts, sub-postmaster. Letters through Dursley. The nearest money order office is at Cam. The railway station is the nearest telegraph office for collection & Cam for delivery of telegrams, 2 miles distant

Public Elementary School (mixed), built in 1864, & enlarged in 1901 & again in 1911, for 140 children; Henry Richard Caddy, master

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Bullock Mrs. Cyprus house
Clarke Rev. John Percy (vicar),
Vicarage
Smart Mrs. Green street
Smith Robert, Oatridge house

COMMERCIAL.

Adey Thomas Garfield, wheelwright
Allen Reginald, farmer, Pear Orchard farm
Curtis Harry, Swan P.H. & farmer, Bridge farm
Curtis Richard, wheelwright
Dursley Rural District Isolation Hospital (Arthur Jas. Campbell M.D., B.Ch.Dub. medical officer), The Moors

Gray George, farmer, Elmcote farm
Griffiths Albert, haulier
Griffiths Arthur, farmer, Lapley frm
Hadley Ernest, farmer, Ham farm
Hadley Raymond, farmer, Silver Street
Hancock James, farmer, Church frm
Hawkins Geo. & Thos. Fdk. farmers
Higgins Evan, farmer, Tickshill
Higgins William, Heart of Oak inn
Hill Herbert, farmer, Betworthy frm
Hill Richard Wm. farmer, Pinnells End farm
Hobbs Reginald, farmer
Hobbs Wm. farmer, Silver Street ho
Lord William, gamekeeper to Earl of Berkeley
Major William, wheelwright
Parker Geo. Grantley, frm. Leigh frm

Pegler Chas. beer retailer, Bristol rd
Pegler Samuel, butcher
Phillips Frank, beer retailer
Prout Thomas & Gilbert, farmers, Corner farm
Prout Gilbert, farmer
Prout Herbert William, farmer
Prout Sidney H. farmer, Elmcote
Prout Wm. A. farmer, Silver St. frm
Smith Jas. Lusty, farmer, Field farm
Smith John, blacksmith
Thomas Leonard & Co. edge tool mfrs
Watts Austin, grocer, Post office
Workman George, farmer
Workman Thomas, farmer & assistant overseer
Wratten Brooke, poultry breeder