

**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 London, Midland and Scottish 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 archdeaconry and diocese of Gloucester. 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 1925 by the Rev. Alfred Clarkson Martin Maynard M.A. of Queens' College, Cambridge. A cross was erected in the church-

yard 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 land-owners. 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, £6,287; the population in 1921 was 635.

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

Sexton, E. Hill.

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

Public Elementary School (mixed), built in 1864, & enlarged in 1901 & again in 1911, for 140 children; Hubert William W. Ashworth, master

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

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

Bullock Mrs. Cyprus house  
Maynard Rev. Alfred Clarkson Martin M.A. (vicar), Vicarage  
Prout Herbert William J.P. The Elms  
Smith Robert, Oatridge house

COMMERCIAL.

Adey Thomas Garfield, wheelwright  
Allen Reginald, farmer, Pear Orchard farm  
Carter Chas. dairyman  
Curtis Harry, Swan P.H.  
Curtis & Son, wheelwrights  
Dursley Rural District Isolation Hospital (J. G. Fayer Hosken M.B.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., D.P.H.Cantab. medical officer)

Gardner Bros. motor engns  
Godsell Thos. farmer, Elmcoate  
Grey Geo. farmer, Elmcoate farm  
Griffiths Arthur, farmer, Lapley frm  
Hadley Ernest, farmer, Ham farm  
Hancock James, farmer, Church frm  
Hawkins Geo. & Thos. Fdk. farmers  
Higgins Evan, coal dr. Tickshill  
Higgins William, Heart of Oak inn  
Hill Herbert, farmer, Betworthy frm  
Hill Mervyn, farmer, Pinnells End farm  
Hobbs Reginald, farmer  
Hobbs Stanton, farmer, Ford farm  
Hobbs Wm. farmer, Silver Street ho  
Hubert Jn. farmer, Hodge Coombe farm  
Longstreth Albt. farmer, The Knapp  
Lord William, gamekeeper to Earl of Berkeley

Major Wm. wheelwright  
Pegler Chas. beer retailer, Bristol rd  
Pegler Herbt. Geo. grocer, Post office  
Pegler Samuel, butcher  
Powell Hudson, beer retr  
Prout Thomas & Gilbert, farmers, Corner farm  
Prout Fred, farmer, Silver st  
Prout Gilbert, farmer  
Prout Herbt. Wm. J.P. farmer  
Prout Wm. A. farmer, Silver St. frm  
Robins Cecil, farmer, Low. Knapp  
Smith Jas. Lusty, farmer, Field farm  
Smith John, blacksmith  
Stanley Thos. shopkpr  
Thomas Leonard & Co. edge tool mfrs. T.N Dursley 27Y4  
Workman George, farmer  
Workman Thomas, farmer & assistant overseer