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Bishops Cannings



BISHOP'S CANNINGS is a parish, containing a scattered village of the same name, and the tithings of HORTON, BOURTON, EASTON, and COATE, in the Northern division of the county, Potterne and Cannings hundred, petty sessional division, union and county court district of Devizes, Salisbury diocese, Wilts archdeaconry, and Avebury rural deanery. The village is situated near the Kennet and Avon Canal, 3 miles north-east from Devizes, and 24 north from Salisbury. The church of St. Mary, built about A.D. 1190-1200, is a large and beautiful cruciform structure, in the Early English style, having a nave, chancel, north and south aisles, transepts, and, rising from the intersection of the building, a lofty tower, which has a turret, plain parapet, contains 8 bells, and is surmounted by a spire, measuring 230 feet from the ground to its summit: the interior was re-pewed in 1829: the aisles are connected with the nave by pointed arches, supported by cylindrical pillars: the chancel is large: it has a groined ceiling, and a small but finely painted eastern window, subject – “The Passion and Crucifixion of the Saviour”: the organ, erected in 1809, at a cost of 400 guineas, and the yearly interest of £600 to keep the instrument in order and pay the organist, was bequeathed by Mr. William Bayley, a native of this village, and once a schoolmaster here; he circumnavigated the globe with the celebrated Captain Cook, and died in 1809. The register dates from 1560. The living is a vicarage, value £350, with residence, in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Salisbury, and held by the Rev. William Ewart, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford; the Rev. G. Pilgrim Toppin, M.A., is the curate. Here is the National school, founded in 1830. The Right Hon. Thomas Henry Sutton Sotheron-Estcourt was lately the lord of the manor, but the property is now vested in the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, who have recently purchased it. The soil is green sand and chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, beans and turnips. The parish contains 12,641 acres of arable, pasture and down land; the population in 1861 was 1,140, exclusive of South Broom and Chittoe.

ST. JAMES (or South Broom chapelry), is in this parish, but is within the town and borough of Devizes.

BORTON (OR BOURTON) tithing, a Roman settlement, is half a mile north-east; HORTON tithing is half a mile south-east; COATE tithing and CORCUTT, a mile and half south; EASTON tithing, one mile north-east. On Pound Down are many barrows. CHITTOE ecclesiastical district is partly in this parish, but it will be found under a separate heading. A part of this parish is included in the ecclesiastical parish of DERRY HILL.

Parish Clerk, Daniel King.

Post office. - Richard Oliver, receiver. Letters through Devizes, arrive at 7.40 a.m.; dispatched thereto at 6.45 p.m. Devizes is the nearest money order office

National School, Richard Oliver, master, & organist to the church.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Brown	Thomas, Snr.	Esq.		Horton house
Ewart	William	Rev., M.A.	Vicar	
King	Daniel		Parish clerk	
Sloper		Miss		
Toppin	G. Pilgrim	Rev., M.A.	Curate	

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Benjamin	Lewin Thomas		Farmer	Coate
Bolland	William		Farmer	Coate
Breadmore	George		Carpenter	Horton
Brown	Thomas, Jnr.		Farmer	Horton
Burry	Isaac		Farmer	Coate
Davis	William		Grocer	Bourton
Drew	John		Miller	Horton Mill
Giddings	Aaron		Farmer	Horton
Giddings	Charles		Farmer	Calcott Farm
Godden	Stephen		Grocer	
Harraway	William	Mrs.	Farmer	Easton
Hillier	James		Blacksmith	Horton
Lane	Thomas		Blacksmith	Horton
Neate	Robert		Carpenter	Coate
Neate	Robert		Farmer	Coate
Oliver	Richard		Post Office Receiver, National School Master, Organist to the Church	Post Office
Phipps	Daniel		Farmer	Bourton
Prior	Thomas		Bricklayer	
Ruddle	George		Farmer	
Ruddle	George Skeate		Farmer	
Ruddle	Robert		Farmer	
Sloper	Andrew Mark Vincent		Farmer	Manor House
Sloper	James		Baker & Farmer	Blackhouse Farm
Sloper	Mark		Farmer	Manor House
Sloper	Michael		Beer Retailer	Horton
Sloper	Simon		Publican, Blacksmith & Harness Maker	The Crown
Smith	Lucy	Mrs.	Beer Retailer	
Wild	David		Farmer	Coate
Wordley	Robert		Shoe Maker	Coate