

Post Office Directory Extract 1875

Coombe Bisset



Coombe Bisset is a parish, partly within Wilton parliamentary borough, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Cawden and Cadworth, Alderbury union, Salisbury county court district, diocese and archdeaconry, and rural deanery of Chalke, 3½ miles south-west from Salisbury station, and 87½ from London, on the river Chalk.

The church of St Michael is a fine specimen of the Decorated Norman style, and has chancel, nave, aisles, with massive square embattled tower, clock and 4 bells. The register dates from 1560. The living is a vicarage, with the chapelry of West Harnham annexed, joint yearly value £220, with residence, in the gift of the Prebendary of Coombe and West Harnham, in the cathedral of Salisbury, and held by the Rev. Henry Smith Pollard, M.A., of Lincoln College, Oxford.

Here is a small National school. The charities are £8 13s 4d yearly, distributed in money and kind.

The Earl of Radnor, who is lord of the manor, and the Dean and Chapter of Winchester are the principal landowners.

The soil is chalk and gravel; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley and turnips. The parish contains 1,531 acres; gross estimated rental, £1,719; rateable value, £1,571; and in 1871, 332 inhabitants.

PARISH CLERK, William Kimber.

POST OFFICE, William Kimber, receiver. Letters arrive by messenger from, Salisbury at 7 am.; dispatched at 7 pm. The nearest money order office is at Salisbury.

NATIONAL SCHOOL, Miss Emma Huntley, mistress.

CARRIERS to Salisbury, John Allsop, Mrs Maria Ridout & Charles Nottley, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday.

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	Edward	Capt.		
Fleetwood		Misses		
Long	William			The Elms
Pollard	Henry Smith	Rev. M.A.	Vicar	
Rosamond	Thomas			The Cottage
Swayne		Miss		

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Blake	Alfred & George		Farmers	
Bound	George		Wheelwright	
Cure	Cornelius		Blacksmith	
Etwell	John		Drill owner	
Fleetwood	John		Farmer	
Flower	Walter		Farmer	
Parrett	William			Fox & Goose
Ralph	William		Shoe maker	
Ridout	Maria	Mrs	Carrier & shopkeeper	
Spicer	George Lush		Baker & shopkeeper	
Terrill	William Feltham		Farmer & corn dealer	

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