

Kellys Directory 1895

BAWDRIIP is a village and parish, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-east from Bridgwater, in the Bridgwater division of the county, hundred of North Petherton, petty sessional division, county court district and union of Bridgwater, rural deanery of Pawlett, archdeaconry of Wells and diocese of Bath and Wells. The Bridgwater and Edington line of the London and South Western railway passes through the village, but the nearest station is at Cossington, 1 mile north-east. The church of St. Michael is an ancient cruciform building of stone in the Early Decorated style, consisting of chancel, nave, transepts, south porch and a central embattled tower containing a clock and 4 bells: in the north transept is a recumbent effigy in stone, of Joel de Bradney, *ob.* 1250: there are stained windows in the transepts: the church has sittings for 200 persons. The register dates from the year 1761. The living is a rectory, average tithe rent-charge £259, gross yearly value £309, including 38 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of and held since 1886 by the Rev. John Maturin Warren M.A. of Exeter College, Oxford. There is a Congrega-

tional chapel at Knowle built in 1830 and a Wesleyan chapel at Bradney. The parish has some charities. Knowle Hall is the residence of Charles Gowan esq.; Upland House, the property of the rector, is occupied by William F. Gooding esq. Jefferys Charles Allen esq. B.A., J.P. of Gatchell House, Taunton, is lord of the manor and chief landowner. The soil is red sand and marl; subsoil, various. The crops are oats, wheat and barley, but chiefly pasturage. The parish contains 1,819 acres; rateable value, £3,987; the population in 1891 was 340.

POST OFFICE, Knowle.—John Savidge, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Bridgwater at 4.5 a.m.; delivered at 6.30 a.m.; dispatched at 9.21 p.m. The nearest money order office is at Dunball, & telegraph office at Cossington railway station

WALL LETTER BOX, near the church, cleared at 7.10 p.m. Parochial School (mixed), for 70 children; average attendance, 47; Miss Eliza Jane Hillier, mistress. Carriers to Bridgwater pass through on mon. wed. & sat

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Bellringer Miss, Knowle
 Bennett Rev. Wm. (Cong.), Knowle
 Carter William, Bradney
 Gooding Wm. F. Upland house
 Gowan Charles, Knowle hall
 Hann George
 Jarman Mrs. Bradney house
 Warren Rev. Jn. Maturin M.A. (rector)

COMMERCIAL.

Baker Robert, farmer, Knowle hill
 Brake Brothers, farmers, Knowle
 Brake William, farmer, Court farm
 Brewer John, cowkeeper, Bradney

Burge Abraham, gardener to Charles Gowan esq
 Chipling Joseph, farmer, Bitham
 Coles Jonas, haulier
 Collings Edward, farmer, Peasy farm
 Collings John, jun. farmer, Ford farm
 Conduit John, tobacconist
 Darch Isaac, baker, Knowle
 Dymont John, farmer
 Hunt James, carrier
 Hurman Thomas, farmer, Ford gate
 Pain William, farmer, King's farm
 Petheram Mary (Mrs.), Knowle inn
 Pople James, farmer & assistant overseer

Savidge John, tailor & draper, Post office, Knowle
 Slocombe Robt. farmer & dairyman
 Slocombe William Carter, farmer, Bradney farm
 Smith Andrew, farmer, Knowle villa
 Staples John, blacksmith
 Stokes John, shoemaker
 Tilly Edwin, dairyman
 Varman William, carpenter
 Varman William, jun. tailor
 Way Wm. dairyman
 West George, farmer