

The Dorney Millennium Show Displays: June 2000

Former Village Shopkeepers – The Grove Family

- Edward Grove's father, James Grove, was born in Wycombe. He had set up business as a baker in Dorney by 1841 and later became a grocer and the postmaster as well. In the 1850s, letters arrived in Dorney from Windsor at 8am, and left at 5pm
- Edward Grove was born in Dorney about 1845 and took over from his father in the late 1870s. He lived at the Post Office with his wife and family. They kept servants to help them, as his father James had done before him.
- Edward would have been a person of standing in the village. He was coopted onto the School Board in 1880 and elected to it in 1896.
- At the beginning of the 20th century, Edward Grove ran the village post office in Dorney.
- He was also a baker and grocer - one of two such shops in the village in 1903.
- Edward must have died in the early years of the last century, as by 1907 his wife had taken over from him.
- By 1915 she was no longer a grocer; Bertram James Barksfield ran a grocer's shop in the village.
- By 1920, Mrs. Grove was left with only the Post Office, and Mr. Barksfield was a baker and grocer.









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