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BARLOWEnglish Derived from a number of English place names which variously mean "barley hill", "barn hill", "boar clearing" or "barley clearing". **BARNE**English Denoted a person who worked or lived in a barn. The word barn is derived from Old English bere "barley" and ærn "dwelling".**Geographical or Local Surnames.** These are names derived from the location of the homestead from which the first bearer and his family lived, and are generally the most common origin of English surnames. They were first introduced into England by the Normans, many of whom were known by the name of their personal estate.**Surnames from Place Names.** Another surname taken from the name of a village is Compton. It is a corruption of the Saxon words 'cumb tun', which meant farm or hamlet in a valley (cumb). The surname Darby is a corruption of Derby the city in England. Ripley comes from the place in Derbyshire.**English toponymic surnames? (252 P) Pages in category "Surnames of English origin"** The following 200 pages are in this category, out of approximately 257 total.