**HATHERN** is a parish on the road from Loughborough to Derby, near the border of Nottinghamshire, with a station on the Midland railway, about 3 miles north-west from Loughborough and 112 from London, in the Mid division of the county, West Goscote Hundred, Loughborough petty sessional division, union and county court district, rural deanery of East Akeley, archdeaconry of Leicester and diocese of Peterborough. Hatherne railway station is locally in the parish of Normanton-on-Soar, Nottinghamshire, 1½ miles from the village. The church of St. Peter is an ancient structure of freestone and sycamore from Charwood Forest, dating from the latter part of the 14th century, in the Decorated and Perpendicular styles, and consists of chancel, nave with chancel, north transept, aisles, south porch and an ornate western tower containing 5 bells, dated 1618, 1620, 1794 and 1795; the stained east window was erected by E. G. Midleton esq. as a memorial to his parents; the communion plate includes a silver chalice given in 1698 by Mary, widow of Sir Ambrose Philips knt. of Garendon: the church was thoroughly restored in 1864 at a cost of about £1,000, and affords 364 sittings. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £500, with residence, and 256 acres of glebe, and held since 1921 by the Rev. Joseph Glenn Lawrence. Here is a Baptist chapel, rebuilt in 1870, and Wesleyan, Primitive, and New Connexion Methodist chapels. An anonymous charity, now (1895) realizing about £60 yearly, is disposed of for the general good of the inhabitants at the rates of £5 per annum to the support of the elementary school, by order of the Charity Commissioners. Near the church, in the centre of the village street, stands an ancient cross, raised on a high graduated base of apparently five steps; it consists of a square moulded plinth, from which spring a tapering octagonal shaft, finished with a square plainly moulded capital. Hatherne Turn is a famous meeting-place of the Quorn Hunt. Hatherne was for some time the residence of Mr. John Heathcoat, the inventor of the bobbin-net machine, born at Duffield (or as others say, at Long Whatton), 7 Aug. 1823, and also resident at Kegworth and Loughborough. Two-thirds of the inhabitants are framework knitters. Everard March-Phillipps-de Lisle esq. J.P. is lord of the manor. The principal landowners are Wyggeston's Hospital, Leicester, Christ's College, Cambridge, Everard March-Phillipps-de Lisle esq, the rector and the Rev. Robert Bayler. The soil is for the most part a rich loam on the new red sandstone; the higher portions are a strong clay, overlaid by drift. The land is specially suitable for grazing and growing wheat and beans. The area is 1,340 acres; rateable value, £3,698; the population in 1891 was 1,183. Post, M. O. & T. O., S. R., Express Delivery & Ammunition & Insurance Office. — George Randon, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Loughborough at 7 a.m.; dispatched at 6.15 p.m. There is no dispatch or delivery on Sundays.

**Wall Letter Box near the 'Anchor,' cleared 6.30 p.m.**

National School Church School (mixed), & managed by a committee of 5 members, erected in 1859, for 195 children; average a year being 186; James Henry Lomma, master; Mrs. Lomma, mistress.

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**Co-operative Stores (Hy. Mitchell, mgr.)**

Crofts John, farmer
Davenport Samuel, hosier
Donnies George, grazier
Exon John, grazier
Fuller Fred, hosier
Fuller Wm. frame-work knitter
Groves Charles, nurseryman
Groves Silas, grazier
Hallam John, grazier
Harriman Henry, framemaker
Harriman Sarah Ann (Miss), farmer
Harris Thomas, farmer

**Hatherne Liberal Club (John Fisher, manager)**

Hatton Henry George Laban, grazier
Hatton William, cattle dealer
Hunt Sarah (Miss), grocer
Keightley Frederick, farmer, Glove firm
Moody Charles, hosier
Moseley Joseph, farmer
Price John, hosier
Price Rosetta (Mrs.), beer retailer
Priestley Jn. Edw. King’s Arms P.H.

**Hatherne, Freehold Grog & Hosier, Post Office**

- Russell James, blacksmith
- Sharpes William, farmer
- Simpkin Henry, assistant overseer
- Smith George, frame work knitter
- Swift Harry, curried hair manufacturer
- Thompson John, hosier
- Vickars Isaac, butcher
- Vickers Thomas, butcher & grocer
- Ward William, nail maker
- Wells George, Three Crowns P.H.
- Widgwood William, framemaker
- Wilde Edward, grocer

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