

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. Hathern railway station is locally in the parish of Normanton-on-Sour, Nottinghamshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the village. The church of St. Peter is an ancient structure, of freestone and syenite from Charnwood Forest, dating from the latter part of the 14th century, in the Decorated and Perpendicular styles, and consists of chancel, nave with clerestory, north transept, aisles, south porch and an embattled western tower containing 5 bells, dated 1618, 1620, 1791 and 1792; the stained east window was erected by E. C. Middleton esq. as a memorial to his parents: the communion plate includes a silver chalice given in 1692 by Mary, widow of Sir Ambrose Phillipps kt. of Garndon: 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 £293, with residence, and 266 acres of glebe, and held since 1891 by the Rev. Joseph Glenn Lawrence. Here is a Baptist chapel, rebuilt in 1880, and Wesleyan, Primitive, and New Connexion Methodist chapels. An anonymous charity, now (1895) realising about £50 yearly, is disposed of for the general good of the inhabitants at the discretion of the trustees, £35 a year being devoted 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 springs a tapering octagonal shaft, finished with a square plainly moulded capital. Hathern Turn is a famous meeting-place of the Quorn Hunt. Hathern was for some time the residence of Mr. John Bestcoat, the inventor of the bobbin-net machine, born at Duffield (or as others say, at Long Whitten), 7 Aug. 1783, and also resident at Keworth 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 Boyer. 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, £3,658; the population in 1891 was 2,133. Post, M. O. & T. O., S. B., Express Delivery & Annuity & 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 Church School (mixed), & managed by a committee of 5 members, erected in 1850, for 193 children; average attendance, 168; James Henry Lammas, master; Mrs. Lammas, mistress

Cotton Mrs
Foster Rev. Tom (Baptist)
Fuller Benjamin
Gregory Edward
Keightley Mrs
Lawrence Rev. Japh. Glenn (rector),
Rectory

Pellard William
Wilde Miss
COMMERCIAL.
Adams Chapman, butcher
Adams William, farmer
Uray Thomas, farmer
Burrows John, wheelwright

Burrows Henry Thomas, timber dealer, saw mills, gates & posts & every description of fencing for estate work
Cherrington Wm joiner & wheelwright
Cooper Agnes (Mrs.), Anchor P.H. & maltster

Co-operative Stores (Hy. Mitchell, mgr)
Crofts John, farmer
Davenport Samuel, hosier
Domlee George, grazier
Exon John, grazier
Fuller Fred, hosier
Fuller Wm. frame work knitter
Groves Charles, nurseryman
Groves Silas, grazier
Hallam John, grazier
Harriman Henry, framesmith
Harriman Sarah Ann (Miss), farmer
Harris Thomas, farmer

Hathern Liberal Club (John Fisher, manager)
Hatton Henry George Laban, grazier
Hatton William, cattle dealer
Hunt Sarah (Miss), grocer
Keightley Frederick, farmer, Glebe frm
Moody Charles, hosier
Moseley Joseph, farmer
Price John, hosier
Price Rosetta (Mrs.), beer retailer
Priestley Jn. Edwd. King's Arms P.H
Randon Geo. grocer & hosier, Post office
Russell James, blacksmith

Russell Frederick, farmer
Sharpe William, farmer
Simpkin Henry, assistant overseer
Smith George, frame work knitter
Smith Sidney, joiner
Swift Harry, curled hair manufactr
Thompson John, hosier
Vickers Isaac, butcher
Vickers Thomas, butcher & grocer
Ward William, nail maker
Wells George, Three Crowns P.H
Widdowson William, framesmith
Wilde Edward, grazier