

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 M.L.D. 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-a-Sear, Nottinghamshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the village. The church of St. Peter is an ancient structure, of freestone and granite from Charwood 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 1628, 1629, 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 1698 by Mary, widow of Sir Ambrose Phillipps kt. of Garendon: the church was thoroughly restored in 1854 at a cost of about £1,000, and affords 354 sittings. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £396, with residence and 265 acres of glebe, in the gift of the trustees of the Rev. E. Smithies, 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 (1899) realising about £60 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 Heathcoat, the inventor of the bobbin-net machine, born at Duffield (or as others say, at Long Whetton), 7 Aug. 1783, and also resident at Kegworth and Loughborough. Two-thirds of the inhabitants are framework knitters. Evesard March-Phillips-de Lisle esq. J.P. of Grace Dieu, Whitwick, who is lord of the manor, Wyggeston's Hospital, Leicester,

Christ's College, Cambridge, the rector and the Rev. R. Deyer are the principal landowners. 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 1,328 acres of land and 11 of water; rateable value, £3,951; the population in 1891 was 2,133.

Post, M. O. & T. O., T. M. O., Express Delivery, Parcel Post, S. B. & Annuity & Insurance Office.—George Chapman, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Loughborough at 7 a.m. & 6.30 p.m. (callers only); dispatched at 6.15 p.m. There is no dispatch or delivery on Sundays.

Wall Letter Box, near the 'Anchor,' cleared 6.20 p.m.

National Church School (mixed), & managed by a committee of 5 members, erected in 1892, for 100 children; average attendance, 172; James Hy. Lamma, master; Mrs. Lamma, mistress.

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Barrows Arthur, Narrow lane
Cotton Miss E
Foston Rev. Tom (Baptist)
Fuller Benjamin
Gregory Edward
Kestley Mrs
Lawrence Rev. Japh. Glenn (rector),
Rectory
Wilde Miss

COMMERCIAL.

Adams William, farmer
Bradbury John, framework knitter
Bray Thomas, farmer
Brooks John, beer retailer
Burrow Lucy (Miss), dress maker
Burrows Henry Thomas, timber dealer & saw mills
Burrows Jn. wheelwright & joiner
Chapman Emily (Miss), dress maker
Chapman George, joiner, Post office
Cheerington Wm. joiner & wheelwright
Cooper Albert, Anchor F.H. & milkstr
Cooper William, farmer

Co-operative Stores (By Mitchell, mgr)
Crofts John, farmer
Davenport Samuel, hosier
Dutton Harry, commercial traveller
Exon John, grazier
Fuller Fred, hosiery manufacturer
Fuller Wm. frame work knitter
Groves Charles, nurseryman
Groves Silas, grazier
Hallam John, grazier
Haily Mary Ann (Mrs.), frame work knitter
Harriman Henry, framesmith
Harriman Sarah Ann (Miss), farmer, May farm
Harris Thomas, farmer
Hathern Liberal Club (Elijah Sison, manager)
Haiton Henry George Laban, grazier
Haiton William, cattle dealer
Keightley Frederick, farmer, Glebe frm
Miller Thomas, framework knitter
Mitchell Harry, hosier
Monk Jn. framework knitter, Fernaligh

Moody Charles, hosier
Oxley John, farmer
Pollard William, carrier
Price John, hosier
Randon George, grocer & hosier
Randon William, framework knitter, Gladstone house
Roper Jn. framework knitter, Narrow la
Russell James, blacksmith
Russell Frederick, farmer
Sharpe William, farmer
Shepherd W. M. (Mrs.), butcher
Simpkin Henry, assistant overseer
Smith Catherine (Mrs.), dress maker
Smith George, framework knitter
Smith Harry, curled hair manufacturer
Vickers Isaac, butcher
Vickers Thomas, butcher & grocer
Ward William, mill maker
Warren Ann (Mrs.), tobacconist
Wells George, Three Crowns F.H
Widdowson William, framesmith
Wilde Edward, grazier