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Hoar Alfred, cattle dealer, Glenroy

*Nixey Frank & Sons, farmers, Manor

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Gosset Mrs. Mill house Hicks Edwin Albert, 3 Brightwell Tappin David, farmer, Post office Worthington Alfd. Half Moon P.H DEDDINGTON, the "Town of the Dædings," formerly a market town, is a parish and small town situated at the intersection of the high road from Oxford to Banbury with that from Buckingham to Chipping Norton, separated from Northamptonshire on the by the river Cherwell and bounded on the north by the Swere brook, it is 2 miles west from Aynho Park station on the London and Birmingham section of the Great Western railway and 21 miles south-east from Adder bury station on the Banbury and Cheltenham section of the same system, completed in April, 1887, 6 south from Banbury, 10 north-east from Woodstock, 16 from Oxford and 70 from London, in the Banbury division of the county, hundred of Wootton, petty sessional division of North Wootton, rural district and county court district North Wootton, rural district and county court district of Banbury, rural deanery of Deddington and archdeaconry and diocese of Oxford. The supply of water is from wells. The streets are wide, and there is a spacious market square, the whole being now lined with trees planted in commemoration of the Jubilee of Queen Victoria. The church of SS. Peter and Paul, originally of the Decorated period, is now a building of stone in mixed styles, consisting of chancel with clerestory, clerestoried nave, aisles, north and south porches and a western tower surmounted by pinnacles and containing a clock and 7 bells, 6 of which were and containing a clock and 7 bells, 6 of which were cast in 1791, and the small bell in 1869: on the west front of the tower, within recesses, are life size figures of the patron saints, replaced from the old tower: in the chancel are three sedilia and a piscina, and in a deep arched recess on the south side of the chancel, is a small square-headed low-side window, with a seat a small square-headed low-side window, with a seat below it: an oak screen separates the chancel from the nave, which has arcades of four arches: the aisles are chiefly of the 14th century and in each remain stems formerly leading to the rood lofts of two chantry chapels at the east end of the aisles, and of which the platforms remain: underneath the east end of the south aisle is a small low event with grained area prochastly aisle is a small low crypt, with groined roof, reached by steps from the outside, where also are two recessed stone arches, and on the inside, but in a different part of the wall, two similar arches, in one of which is a mutilated recumbent figure: there are also some remains of a stairway once conducting to a parvise over the south porch: a piscina and statue niche remain in the north aisle, the porch of which, of the 15th century, has fan tracery in the roof: the tower fell in March. 1635, occasioning an estimated damage of £8,250, and letters patent were issued authorizing general collecletters patent were issued authorizing general collections for its restoration: the font, as appears from the registers, was placed in the church in 1663: the vestry, south porch and organ chamber were built and repairs effected in 1865, under the direction of the late G. E. Street esq. R.A.: the stained east window was inserted in 1888. There are brasses in the church to a civilian, with half-effigy, c. 1370; John Higgins, gent. 1641, and a mutilated brass inscription to William Byllyng, merchant of the staple of Calais, 1232, and Elizabeth. merchant of the staple of Calais, 1533, and Elizabeth, his wife, 1522; this inscription, with effigies now lost, belongs to an altar tomb in the north aisle: there are memorials to the families of Appletree, Cary, Churchill, Faulkner, Harris, Walden and many others, including a brass tablet bearing the names of Deddington men who lost their lives in the Great War, 1914-18: the tower and bells were restored in 1893, as also the weather vanes. at a cost of £274: a new organ was erected in 1912 at a cost of £600: there are 800 erected in 1912 at a cost of \$\int_6500\$: there are 800 sittings. The churchyard was enlarged in 1874, and again in 1907. In 1922 a war memorial of Portland stone was erected in the churchyard to the 48 men of the parish who fell in the Great War, 1914-18. The register dates from the year 1631, and contains entries of marriages effected under the \$\Delta\$ct of 1656. The living is a vicarage, net yearly value \$\int_2235\$, with residence, in the gift of the Dean and Canons of Windsor, and held since 1924 by the Rev. Maurice Frost M.A. of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners allow \$\int_{120}\$ for the curate. The Congre-

gational chapel, in New street, opened May, 1881, is a building of simple Early Gothic character, with a gabled central doorway and an octagonal turret above it, rising to a height of 60 feet: there are sittings for about 280. There is also a Methodist chapel, built in 1849. Sir Thomas Pope kt. founder of Trinity College, Oxford, was born here in 1508, and Sir William Scroggs kt. Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench (1678-81), in 1623: Ethelmar or Audomar de Valence, half-brother to Henry III. was instituted vicar of Deddington in 1247; in 1260 he became Bishop of Winchester, but dying in the following year at Paris, his body was there buried in the church of Ste. Genevieve, but his heart, at his own request, was immured at Winchester Cathedral on the north side of the choir, where there heart, at his own request, was immured at Winchester Cathedral on the north side of the choir, where there is an inscription with the date 1261. The old Town hall, standing on the west side of the square, is a gabled structure of brick, originally on open arches, but these are now built up. A fair is held on the 22nd of November. There are almshouses for four men und four women, with an endowment of £72 yearly, derived from the feoffees' lands of 30 acres, which produce about £85 yearly. Cartwright's charity of £6 yearly is for bread. This place and Hempton are mentioned in the Domesday Survey of 1086, as amongst the possessions of Odo. Bishop of Bayeux, under the names of "Dadintone." and "Hantone." The ancient rectory house (or great house) was built in the 16th century. An old house, formerly the Plough Inn, in New street, together with a house on the Clifton road, bearing the date 1647, and the Hermitage, situated in Market square, and now the residence of Warwick Linnington Ching esq. have each some interesting por-Linnington Ching esq. have each some interesting por-tions of old work, the former retaining a vaulted cellar. tions of old work, the former retaining a vaulted cellar. The site of the ancient castle is indicated by a series of ramparts of earth to the east of the town: the fosse, which can also be traced, is the boundary of the present enclosure commonly known as "the Castle Ground," which is used as a parochial recreation ground and managed by a syndicate. The Dean and Canons of Windsor, Christ Church, Oxford, and Richard Cartwright esq. are lords of the manors. The principal landowners are Christ Church, Oxford, and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. The land is arable and pasture; soil, light red land. The area is 4,246 acres of land and inland water; the population in 1931 was 1,234.

CLIFTON is a chapelry and hamlet of Deddington, on the road from Ayaho station to Deddington, and about a mile and a half east on the Northants border, skirted by the river Cherwell, the Oxford and Birmingham canal and the Great Western railway. The church of St. James, consecrated June 10th, 1853, is a plain building of stone, consisting of nave, with south porch building of stone, consisting of nave, with south porch and a western turret containing 2 bells, and was built chiefly at the expense of the late Rev. W. C. Risley M.A. vicar of Deddington, 1836-48; the clergy of Deddington officiate. There is a Methodist chapel, built in 1869. The White House is the property and residence of the Earl and Countess of Denbigh. The principal landowners are Christ Church, Oxford, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Richard Cartwright esq.

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HEMPTON is a small hamlet in the parish of Deddington, a mile and a quarter west from the village, on the road to Chipping Norton. The church of St. John the Evangelist, built at the cost of the late Rev. William Wilson D.D. of Over Worton, consists of nave with north aisle (formerly used as a school) and a bell-cote containing one bell: the font was once in the old church at Over Worton: the building is the property of trustees, and is licensed, but unconsecrated: it is served from Deddington: there are 100 sittings. There is a Congregational Mission Hall, erected in 1525, seating 80 persons. The poor's land of 7 acres. awarded in 1808, produces £8 yearly for fuel. HEMPTON is a small hamlet in the parish of Ded-

OFFICIAL ESTABLISHMENTS, LOCAL INSTITUTIONS &c.

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PETTY SESSIONAL DIVISION. (For addresses of magistrates see complete list at front of the book.)

Randolph George Boscawen
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Baker Leonard Ballard Col. John Arthur Cottrell - Dormer Capt. Charles Walter D.L Cottrell-Dormer Thomas Dashwood Capt. Sir Rt. Henry Seymour bt. D.L

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Clerk to the Magistrates, E. Claude Fortescue
Petty Sessions are held at Deddington on alternate fridays. The following places are in the petty sessional
division:—North Aston, Steeple Aston, Middle Aston,
Steeple Barton, Westcote Barton, Barford St. John &
St. Michael, Deddington, Duns Tew, Rousham, Sandford Saint Martin, South Newington & Worton

PUBLIC ESTABLISHMENTS.

Fire Brigade Ministry of Labour Employment Exchange, High street Police Station

PUBLIC OFFICERS.

Assistant Inspector of Schools to the County Education Committee, George Horatio Jones M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond. Ilbury house, High street

Clerk to the Parish Council & Registrar of Marriages for the Banbury District, William J. French, Council st Clerk to Deddington Sub-Committee of Oxfordshire

Local Pension Committee, E. Claude Fortescue Coroner for Northern District of Oxfordshire, E. Claude

Fortescue; deputy coroner, S. G. Farrant, I High street, Chipping Norton

Clerk & Receiver to the Town Lands Charity, Thomas Smith, The Mount

Collector of Income, Land & Assessed Taxes, William Joseph French, Council street

High Bailiff, William Page, New street

Medical Officers & Public Vaccinators, Banbury Area Guardians Committee: Deddington No. 2 district, G. H. Jones M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., L.M.S.S.A. Ilbury house; Deddington No. 6 district, F. K. Boston M.B., B.Ch.Camb., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond

Road Surveyor to the Oxfordshire County Council (Northern Division), R. S. Rule, Clifton road, Ded-

Steward to the Duchy Manor of Deddington, A. Stockton

Conveyance .- A motor omnibus runs to & from Banbury four times daily, & another passes through from Oxford to Banbury (return) twice daily

Carriers to Banbury.—Thomas H. Deeley, 'Angel,' thurs. & sat.; Robert Callow, mon. thurs. & sat. to 'Catherine Wheel;' Price, from Steeple Aston, passes through, thurs. & Jarvis passes through from Steeple Barton, thurs

DEDDINGTON.

PRIVATE RESIDENTS. (For T N's see general list of Private Residents at end of book.)
Berridge Mrs. Pretoria house Boston Francis Kenneth M.B., B.Ch. Bradley Rev. John James Fovargue (Congregational), The Manse Ching Warwick Linnington, Hermitage, Market square Dyke Mrs. New street
Pletcher Mrs. Roseleigh, New street
Fortescue Alexander J. Church st
French William Joseph, The Orchards

Hands Miss, High street
Harmsworth Harold Jn., The Laurels
Hodges George Montague Williams
M.B. The Blocks Hopcraft Mrs. Council street
Jones George Horatio, Ilbury house,
Vane-Turner Mrs. Beeches High street

Frost Rev. Maurice M.A. (vicar),
Vicarage
Gardner Alfred James, Weston house
Girdwood Brig.-Gen. Austin Claude
C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. The Castle
house
Hands Miss, High street
Harmsworth Harold Jn., The Laurels
Hodges George Montague Williams

Millington Bryan Worsley, New street
Page Charles Wood, New street
Roberts Maj. Reginald Geoffrey
M.C. Manor house
Rule Robert Sidney, Clifton road
Simpson Thomas William, Eastleigh,
New street New street Smith Thomas, The Mount

COMMERCIAL COMMERCIAL.

Early closing day, Tuesday.

Marked thus * farm 150 acres or over.

Ancient Order of Foresters (Court Robin Hood, 5490)
(Leonard Jn. Compton, sec)

Baker John, builder, contractor & house decorator, Chapel square. TN 11
Banbury Co-operative Industrial Society Ltd. (branch), Market place

Barclays Bank Ltd. (sub-branch to Banbury); open fri. 1.30 to 3.30 p.m. Market pl.; head office, 54 Lombard st. London EC 3

*Bletsoe Jn. Guy Dawes, farmer, New st. TN 5 T N 5

Bliss Charles, jun. & David, farmers, Philcot street
Bolton Frederick Thomas, butcher, High street
Boone Fredk. Wm. grocer, Market pl. TN 15
Boston Francis Kenneth M.B., B.Ch.Camb., M.R.C.S.
Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond. physician & surgeon & medical
officer & public vaccinator, Deddington No. 6 district.
TN 10

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Callow Robert, carrier, Earl's lane
Chapman Albt. Owen, Unicorn P.H
*Clarke Jsph. Hy. farmer, Grove farm, High st
*Cole Norman, farmer, Manor farm, High st
Compton Leonard Jn. fishmngr. New st. TN 28
Course Wm. Jas. baker, New st
Deddington Beeches Bowling Club (W. J. French, sec)
Deddington Castle Bowling Club (Bertram Weaver, sec.), Chapel sq
Deddington Football Club (Geo. Busby, sec)
Deeley Jn. Edwin, coal mer. Castle st
Deeley Thos. H. carrier, High st
Dedwell Richard, baker, Market place
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Fortescue Alex. J. solctr. & commissioner for oaths for
England & the province of Alberta, Canada
Fortescue E. Claude (firm, Stockton, Sons & Fortescue),
solicitor & commissioner for oaths, coroner for
Northern district of Oxfordshire, clerk to the justices
of the North Wootton division & to Deddington SubCommittee of Oxfordshire Local Pension Committee

Fowler Ruth Florence (Miss), grocer, New st Franklin Percy A. carpntr

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French Jn. Maurice, farmer, Castle End farm

French Lydia (Miss), confetnr. Market pl

French Wm. Jsph. clerk to the Parish Council & registrar of marriages for the Banbury district & collector of income land & assessed taxes. Council street trar of marriages for the Banbury district & collector of income, land & assessed taxes, Council street *Fuller Chas. Fredk. farmer, Earls farm. TN 43 *Gardner Chas. Ernest, farmer, Home farm, Clifton rd Gardner Wm. Jas. saddler, Market sq Goundrey Jn. Gee, wireless dlr. High st. TN 24 Green J. Red Lion P.H. Market sq Hall Rd. Stanley, King's Arms inn, Horsefair. TN 16 Hall Rd. Stanley, motor garage proprietor. TN 16 Hayward Jas. Levi, greengro. Market sq Heeps Regnld. Bazeley, farmer, New st Hiorns Wm. & Sons, shopkprs. Castle st Hodges George Montague Williams M.B., B.S.Lond., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond. physician & surgeon, The Blocks. TN 2 Hodges George Mont M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R The Blocks. TN 2

Holiday J. A. & Sons, ironmongers & agricultural implement agents; also motor, cycle & wireless agents, High street. T N 26

Hopcraft A. & Son, builders, sanitary engineers, monumental masons & brick, tile & pipe manufacturers.

TN 8
Hopcraft Spencer Jsph. butcher, Chapel sq. TN 4
Hore Theodore, farmer, New street
Jenner Frank, beer retlr. New st
Jolly Fredk. Jas. tailor, Hudson st
Jones George Horatio M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond..
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High st. 1 N 2
Key Edith (Miss), midwife & district nurse, Market sq
Lewis Emma (Mrs.), grocer, High street
Mason Spencer, cars for hire, district bill poster &
auctioneer's porter, New street

Midland Bank fri. 1.30 to 3. London E C 2 *Millington Bry

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TN 19 Oddfellows (No. 7,474) (Manchester Unity, Banbury district) (Horace Tibbetts, sec)

DIRECTORY.

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Paginton Boyce Kibblewhite, cabnt. mkr. New st
*Painter Mary (Mrs.), farmer, Clifton rd
Reid Fredk. Treeby, watch mkr. Castle st
Richardson Charlotte (Miss) & West Gertrude Ethel
(Mrs.), drapers, Chapel sq
Rule Rt. Sidney, road surveyor to the Oxfordshire
County Council (Northern division), Clifton rd. TN 18
Runicles Chas. Hy. hardware dlr. New st
Sanders Walt. Geo. confetnr. Council st
Savage Wm. Thos. Crown & Tuns P.H. New st

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Denbigh Earl of G.C.V.O., T.D. &

Countess of, The White house; &

50 Farm avenue, Hampstead

NW 2 & Carlton club, London

Peachey George Henry, Duke of Cum-berland P.H Spencer Jeremiah W. farmer, Manor

Smith George, antique furniture dealer Smith Thomas, clerk & receiver to the Town Lands Charity, The Mount Stockdale Harry, chemist, New st. TN 21 Stockton, Sons & Fortescue, solicitors & commissioners

Stockton Arthur (firm, Stockton, Sons & Fortescue), solicitor & commissioner for oaths, & steward to the

Duchy manor of Deddington
Tibbetts Horace, blacksmith, New st
Vincent John Henry, cycle agent, Chapel square
Watson Harry Chas. R. G. dentist (attends fri. 6 to 7
p.m.), High st
Weaver Bertrand, grocer, Chapel sq
Wells & Son, drapers, Market pl. TN 6
West Wn. Chas. statnr. Market sq
Yerbury Alfd. & Son, chimney sweepers, Castle st

farm
Welford W. J. & Sons, poultry
farmers, Ashley ho. Deddington 30
Welford William & Sons, coal & coke
merchants & factors, Aynho merchants & factors, Aynho station. Deddington 3 Wright Thos. farmer, St. James farm

HEMPTON.

PRIVATE RESIDENT.

COMMERCIAL.
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Rogers James, shopkeeper
Tew Hiram, farmer, Lodge farm †Warland Fredk. Geo. & Ern farmers, College farm Harrison Rev. Wilfred Baker B.A. Rogers James, shopkeeper *Shepard Wm. Geo. frmr. Ilbury frm

DELLY END, see Hailey.

DENTON, see Cuddesdon.

DITCHLEY, see Spelsbury.

DORCHESTER is a parish and village which gives name to a hundred, and is 4 miles east-by-south from Culham station on the Great Western railway, 9 south-Culham station on the Great Western railway, 9 southeast-by-south from Oxford, 7 south-east from Abingdon and 49 from London by road, in the Henley
division of the county, petty sessional division and rural
district of Bullingdon, county court district of Wallingford, rural deanery of Cuddesdon and archdeaconry and
diocese of Oxford. The village is on the western bank
of the Thame, over which there is here a handsome
stone bridge of three arches, built in 1813; a few hundred yards below the bridge the rivers Thame and Isis
unite and form the Thames, which separates this
county from Berkshire; the nearest bridge up the
river is at Clifton Hampden, 2½ miles distant, and
down at Shillingford, 2 miles. S. Birinus, the apostle
of the West Saxons, here baptized Cynegils, king of
the West Saxons, A.D. 634, to whom St. Oswald, king
of Northumbria, was godfather; these two kings gave
the bishop this city in order that it might become the
head of an episcopal see, and he built and consecrated
in the immediate neighbourhood various churches, and
subsequently baptized king Cuthred and king Cwichelm, in the immediate neighbourhood various churches, and subsequently baptized king Cuthred and king Cwichelm, the son of Cynegils: S. Birinus died A.D. 650, and was buried at Dorchester. This see was transferred to Winchester in 664, but was reconstituted in 679 by Theodore, Archbishop of Canterbury, but the diocese appears to have been absorbed into that of Leicester until the 9th century, when Dorchester again became the seat of the Midlands Bishopric. It was translated to Lincoln by Remigins, 22rd hishop, 1067-1002, and to Lincoln by Remigius, 23rd bishop, 1067-1092, and according to Tanner (Notitia Monastica), c. 1086, at according to Tanner (Notitia Monastica), c. 1086, at which time, says William of Malmesbury (who flourished in that age), "Dorchester was a small and unfrequented town; yet the beauty and state of its churches were very remarkable, as well for the ancient work as the present care taken of them." The great road to London, which lay through this place, being turned in another direction, so weakened and impoverished the town that from the niddle of the 12th century it began rapidly to decay, and from its former grandeur it is now reduced to a humble agricultural village. It derives its name from the Welsh "dwr." water, and was called by the Romans "Durocina:" Bede terms it "Civitas Dorcinia;" and Leland named it "Hydropolis," the town of water. The village has of late years grown into favour as a summer village has of late years grown into favour as a summer resort on account of its rural attractiveness, splendid abbey church and the delightful scenery about the river.

which also affords good boating and fishing.

About 1140 A.D. Alexander, Bishop of Lincoln founded an Abbey of Canons of the Augustinian Order. Of the

cloisters, chapter house and domestic buildings which stood to the north of the church there are now no remains. To the west, a building known as the guest house was preserved to provide a grammar school for the parish. At the Suppression the revenues of the abbey were estimated at £190.

The Abbey church of SS. Peter and Paul was purchased at the Dissolution for £190 by Richard Bewforest and was left by him in his will to the parish. Its total length is 200 feet, and it presents a number of interesting and irregular features, due to the many alterations and additions made to the original church.

alterations and additions made to the original church. The original Norman building, begun about the year 1180, was a narrow cruciform building without aisles. The north wall of the nave (save for the insertion of two later windows) and the chancel arch remain. To two later windows) and the chancel arch remain. To this first church was added between 1225 and 1300 the north choir aisle and chapel (the latter is no longer standing), partly in the Early English, partly in Early Decorated style. Early in the 14th century the south choir aisle was added, of great width, with a double east end. The groining over the two altars was built by Sir G. G. Scott in 1874. About the same time the south aisle of the nave was added to provide a church for the use of the parishioners. The altar in this aisle is raised on a number of steps quite unusual in mediæval churches, in order to allow for a small groined chamber beneath, known as the "Bone Hole." Above this altar is a restored mediæval painting of the "Crucifixion." About 1340 the sanctuary was added in elaborate Decorated style. In Tudor times the south porch was added: the tower was rebuilt about 1602. The following features are particularly to be noted: The following features are particularly to be noted: In the nave aisle there is a font with a lead bowl of the 12th century with figures representing the Apostles: a fine carved bracket, intended to hold a statue, is attached to a pillar just east of the font. The carving pictures some monks asleep, while the devil blows a horn. In the south choir aisle are four recumbent efficies of an unknown hisher (vith century); of one of horn. In the south choir aisle are four recumbent effi-gies, of an unknown bishop (14th century); of one of the Segrave family in plate-armour (c. 1400); of an unknown knight in chain armour (c. 1270) and by the south wall of John de Stonore, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas about 1329, and with some interruption until his death in 1354. At the head of this tomb is a small brass said to be that of Richard Bewforest and his wife Alice. On the floor are the remains of a fine brass to the memory of Sir John Drayton, who died in 1411, and his wife Isabella: there are several slabs with good floriated crosses on them: under the wire case are preserved the remains of the 14th century