

IN LATER TIMES.

THERE are now two means of approach open to the modern visitor to Gosberton: the one on the Great Northern and Great Eastern Joint Railway, from Gosberton Station some four and a half miles north east of Spalding, and nearly two miles from the village, the other from Surfleet Station on the Spalding and Boston line lying three miles from the former and some ten from the latter and three miles from Gosberton.

The village is in the Spalding Parliamentary Division and is now represented by H. F. Pollock, Esq. M.P. (Unionist). It lies also in the Wapentake of Kirton and parts of Holland, the parish extending over 7,720 acres.

Educational matters were receiving attention at Gosberton at any rate as far back as 1750, for in that year Henry Eustace Johnson then "at school at Gosberton" writes to his mother in Spalding to inform her of "a very sensible shock of an earthquake on Sunday 30 Sept. about half-an-hour after twelve, so great as to crack a strong house." The Rysegate school, endowed in 1682, was rebuilt during the present century at a cost of £350. The present master is Mr. N. Cooke. In 1856 the National School was built, and in twenty-one years was handed over to the School Board at a nominal rent of 5s. Since 1877 it has been super-

intended by Mr. J. Collins. The infant school was added in 1878, and Cape's Entry school was built at the same time. Sunday schools are carried on in connection with the Parish Church and the Baptist Chapel.

A handsome Public Hall was erected some twenty years ago upon a site given by Lord Brownlow, the principal subscribers to the building fund being Major Casswell and the late Mr. C. Boyer. Gas Works were built in 1872.

Certain members of the Baptist community in Spalding visited Gosberton in 1646 holding meetings either in the open air or in a cottage, and in twenty years was founded a small branch church of sixteen baptized members, which continued to be dependent upon its Spalding neighbours until 1762 when owing to increasing membership, it acquired a resident minister. During this period the Baptists suffered severely for their opinions, and one, Thomas Grantham, who often occupied the pulpit in the little chapel at Gosberton, was imprisoned no fewer than ten times, while another, John Kelsey of Kirton-in-Lindsey lay in Nottingham Gaol for seventeen years, for preaching without a bishop's licence. Happily in our day, charity and respect for the rights of conscience have taken the place of such bitter intolerance. In 1866 the present chapel was built, the original one now forming a school-room and vestry. The Baptists were the pioneers of the Sunday School movement at Gos-

berton. Until recently the resident minister was the Rev. Frederic Todd. The Wesleyans and Free Methodists have each obtained a following here. The former, largely owing to the generosity of the late Mr. C Boyer, who did much good work among the poor in the village, erected in 1879 a spacious chapel, which contains a fine organ. Two ministers from Spalding preach here monthly while the congregation in the interval is content with the ministrations of "local preachers." Some of the latter in past times have been known as "characters." One such informed his hearers on one occasion that the Pharisees of old time were a most wicked class of men and that the people followed in their footsteps "because they hadn't no nice Wesleyan Chapel to go to of a Sunday morning."

Some of the inn signs are worthy of note. "The Bell" and "Five Bells" owe their origin to the church, and the "Wheel" also — in allusion to St. Catharine, to whom one of the chapels is alleged to have been dedicated. Ale-houses dedicated to the Dukes of York and Cambridge are ubiquitous, and Gosberton is not wanting in such, but the "Green Man" is somewhat unusual; it bears reference to the morris-dancers who doubtless frequented Gosberton fair in early times, and whose favourite dress was of green. This inn bears the date 1690 and has a distinctly Flemish appearance.

With these words we must conclude. Other topics might be broached had we not already far exceeded our original intentions.

T H E E N D .

PEDIGREE I.

AUTHORITIES: *Visitations of Yorkshire*, 1583-4 and 1612, ed. by J. Foster; Whitaker, *Craven*, ed. by Morant (p. 130); *Collection of Documents of Rye Family*, per Mrs. Tempest, of Coleby Hall, &c. (Per J. Edwin-Cole, Esq.)

Sir Edmund de Rye, knt. = Elizabeth
 Man-at-Arms, 1324, b. Living 1384. See Inq. p.m. 7 Ric. II.
 in Gosberton Church.

Sir Nicholas de Rye, = Juliana, Beatrice, sister and = William de
 knt. Ob. s. p. 11 widow of John Wyhum,
 Sept. 1362. Goband. coheir to her broo. m. before
 at Trinity Ch., in 1365/6.
 Lincoln. Ob. ante Roll No. 2
 1390. Buried in 26/27, m.
 Gosberton Church 60 dora. 39
 Ed. III.)

Catherine de Wyhum, heir to her = Sir Nicholas Hebden, knt.
 father and mother, 1300, and His will proved at Lincoln
 to her cousin George Darcy.— 22 Sept. 1416. Buried in
 According to her tomb died 1427 Church of Howell, w. Lin-
 (Harl. m. 1 6829, f. 218.) coln.

William Hebden, Ob. 1368, Grace, * dau. = Sir Peter [Piers] Elizabeth,
 s. p. Buried and co-heir; Tempest, knt., dau. and co-
 at Howell. had manor of Sir Richard Feb. 1452)
 Beaurepaire, in Gosberton. Tempest, of was wife of
 * Not Dorothy as was generally supposed Bracewell, co. Sir Thomas
 York. Dymoke, knt.
 and from
 them des-
 cends J. Ed-
 win-Cole.

Sir John Tempest, knt., of = Alice, dau. of Sir
 Bracewell, Sheriff of Robert Sherburne,
 Yorkshire, 18 & 37, Hen. of Stonyhurst, co.
 VI. Will, 28 Nov. 1463; Lancaster, knt.
 proved 8 Feb. 1463/4.

Sir Nicholas T. knt. Isabel, = Laurence Hamerton, of Hamerton
 and other issue. 5th dau. and Wigglesworth. Had license
 to fortify his manor house at
 Hellfield, 19 Hen. VI, and erect-
 ed Hellfield Peel. Buried in
 choir of South Preston Church.

Sir Richard Hamerton, knt., = Elizabeth, relict of Sir Ralph
 founded a chauntry in church Harrington, knt., and dau. of
 of Long Preston, dedicated Sir John Assheton, knt. of Ash-
 to Our Lady & St. Anne. ton-under-Lyne, co. Lancaster.
 Ob. 1480.

Sir Stephen Hamerton, made = Isabel, dau. of Jane, wife of Brian
 a knt. banneret in Scotland Sir William Roucliffe, of Cow-
 by Richard, Duke of Glou- Plumptre, co. York,
 ceater, 20 Ed. IV. Ob. 16 Baron of the Ex-
 Henry VII. of Plumptre, chequer, and had
 knt. issue—Brass in Cow-
 thorpe Church

John Hamerton, 3 other sons Margaret = William Middleton, of
 of Hamerton, &c., and a dau. Stockeld, co. York,
 Ob. 6 Hen. VIII, Margaret, wife son of Sir John Mid-
 (1516). = of Sir Ralph dleton by Alice, dau.
 Babthorpe. and coh of Sir Peter
 Maleverer, of Beth-
 mesley.

Sir John Middleton, knt., = Matilda, dau. of John Thwaites,
 of Stockeld. of Lofthouse, "a Justice,"

Sir Peter Midelton, knt., = Anne, dau. of Sir Henry Vavasour, knt.
 of Haslewood.

Sir William M., knt., Sheriff = 1. Jane, dau. of Lord Dudley.
 of Yorkshire, 1527. Will. She died 1500.
 dated 2 Aug. 1549, proved 11 = 2. Isabella, dau. of — Digh-
 March 1552-3. "To be buried ton, of Stockeld. Mar. Dec.
 at Spofforth." He married dated 13 Nov. 1508.
 thirdly Joane Robinson, liv-
 ing in 1559.

Thomas Midelton = Margaret, d. of 4 other Jane = Marmaduke
 Sir William sons & Vavasour,
 Gascoigne, of 4 other dau. of Weston.
 Gawthorpe.

Continued by Alice, dau. = William = Elizabeth,
 Whitaker & of Richard Vavasour, of dau. and
 Morant, down Paver, of West, liv- heir of Sir
 to 1878. Braham, or 1585. Mar. thirdly Leonard
 Bream. Margaret, d. Beckwith,
 (1st. wife). of Walter knt. (2nd
 Walsh, of wife).
 Shelsdon, co. Warwick. =

Frances = Sir Henry Slingsby, Knt., son and heir of Francis
 Slingsby, of Scriven, co. York, by Mary, dau. to
 Sir Thomas Percy, 2nd brother and heir to Henry,
 Earl of Northumberland.

William Slingsby, Mary, = Sir Walter Bethell, Knt., of Alne,
 a 1618. 2nd d. co. York.

Sir Hugh Bethell, Knt., of Frances = Sir George Marwood, of
 Ellerton; ob. Jan. 1662. Buskby, Baronet; mt.
 64 ann. 13 Sept. 1665.

Barbara, 1st dau. = Sir Thomas Heblethwaite, Knt., of Norton,
 co. York.

Barbara, 2nd dau. = Thomas Gatacre, Rector of Hoggston, co.
 Bucks. Ob. 1761.

Edward Gatacre (or Gataker), Rector = Elizabeth, dau. of
 of Mursley-cum-Salden, co. Bucks. Ob. Sept. 1729 [? 1728].

Elizabeth, ob. at St. = Edward Bouchier, Rector of Bramfield,
 Albans, 4 July, 1790, and Vicar of All Saints and St. John's
 wt. 75. Hertford, born 7 April, 1707; ob. 17
 Nov. 1775.

Other John Bouchier, Capt. R.N. = Charlotte, 2nd dau. of Thomas
 issue. Lt. Govr. of Greenwich Corbett, of Lincoln's Inn,
 Hospital; born 26 Sept. Barrister-at-Law, and of
 1747; ob. at Greenwich Darnhall, co. Chester; and
 30 Dec. 1808 (4th son). of Elsham, co. Lincoln (2nd
 wife).

Nine other Susannah, 4th dau., born = John Cole, of Easthorpe
 children. 18 April 1800; buried at Court in Wigtoft, co.
 Boulogne-sur-Mer, and Lincoln. Born 1793,
 and died there, 9 Nov., 1875. ob. 1855.

John Charles Cole, James Edwin-Cole, of Inner Mary Anne
 eldest surviving Temple, B-at-L. F.R.Hist. widow of
 son, born 4 Aug. Socy., of Swineshead Hall, Hugh Wil-
 1832. Adhuc J. P. for Lincolnshire. liams, of co.
 s. p. = Adhuc s.p. = Anglesey.
 V = V s. p. = V