CRATHORNE is a parish, township and village, pleasantly seated on the western bank of the river Leven, 2 miles east from the Picton station on the North Yorkshire and Cleveland branch of the North Eastern railway, 4 south-east from Yarm, 6 west from Stokesley and 8 south from Stockton, in the Cleveland division of the Riding, west division of Langbaurgh liberty, petty sessional division of Yarm, union and county court district of Stokesley, rural deanery of Stokesley, archdeaconry of Cleveland and diocese of York. The church of All Saints, which dates from the earlier part of the 14th century, is a building of stone, consisting of chancel, nave, south porch, and a western tower erected in 1888 and containing 4 bells: the chancel contains a recumbent effigy of a knight in armour, supposed to repregent Sir William Crathorne knt. who was slain at the battle of Neville's Cross, 17 Oct. 1346: in a vault on the north side of the chancel are interred the remains of Thomas Crathorne, buried May 16, 1815; George, his brother, buried Sept. 9, 1825; Francis, buried Jan. 29, 1833, and Mary Augusta Rosalia Tasburgh, only child of George, who was buried May 20, 1844—being the last of this ancient family in direct descent: all the windows are stained: the church was restored in 1388, at a cost, including the tower, of over £3,000, mostly defrayed by the widow of John Dugdale esq. and J. L. Dugdale esq. and affords 120 sittings. The register dates from the year 1723. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £280, with residence, in the gift of J. L. Dugdale esq. and held since 1912 by the Rev. William Athill Felton M.A. of Christ Church, Oxford. The Catholic chapel here was founded in 1777, and is served from Stokesley. A reading room

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Barwick John Storey, jun. Cra-| Charlton Thomas & Ralph, farmers, | Dugdale esq thorne grange

Dugdale Jas. Lionel J.P. Crathorne hall Culling Albert Edward, gamekeeper to Kendrew Robert, shoe ma. & post off Felton Rev. William Athill M.A. James L. Dugdale esq (rector), Rectory

Harrison Cuthbert, Chapel house

## COMMERCIAL.

Appleton Charles, gardener to J. L. Hanham David, farmer Dugdale esq Bell James, blacksmith Bolton Marshall, bricklayer

CRAYKE, or Craike, is a parish, township and beautiful village, 2½ miles east-north-east from Easingwold terminal station on a branch from Alne of the North Eastern railway, and 13 north from York, in the Thirsk and Malton division of the Riding, Bulmer wapentake, petty sessional division of Bulmer West, Easingwold union and county court district, rural deanery of Easingwold, archdeaconry of Cleveland and diocese of York. Crayke was formerly in Durham, but was annexed to the North Riding by the Acts 2 & 3 William IV. cap. 64, and 7 and 8 Vict. cap. 61. The village stands on a hill, and is supplied with water of icy coldness by means of old draw-wells, some of which have a depth of 140 feet or more. At the foot of the hill, in different places, are several chalybeate springs. The church of St. Cuthbert, standing on the top of a hill near the eastern extremity of the plateau, was erected about the period of Henry VII. and is an edifice of stone, in the Late Perpendicular style, consisting of chancel, nave, aisle, south porch and an embattled western tower, with pinnacles, containing a clock and 3 bells: the south porch has a sun-dial: the chancel was restored and an aisle added in 1868 by the late Ven. Archdeacon Churton, which is adorned with screens of wood and has a stained east window: the monuments include one with recumbent effigy to Sir John Gibson and his wife, who died in the reign of Queen Elizabeth: the pulpit of carved oak is dated 1637, and has a sounding board on which is the following carved inscription:—"Shew me Thy ways O Lord, and teach me Thy paths": there is also a carved screen of the Tudor period: the seats are mostly Jacobean, and afford about 300 sittings. The register dates from the year 1558. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £460, with residence, in the gift of the Crown, and held since 1901 by the Rev. Arthur Westcott M.A. of Pembroke College, Cambridge. There are Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist chapels. The local charities amount to about £40 yearly. Crayke Castle, the property of Stephen Cliff esq. of Wortley, Leeds, now (1913) unoccupied, stands on a commanding hill to the west of the village, and the view obtained from its lofty summit is one of vast extent and picturesque grandeur.

and library were erected by J. L. Dugdale esq. J.P. in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, and opened October 24th, 1898. A flour mill here is worked by the Leven. At High Foxton, adjoining Rudby parish on the south, is a farm belonging to Turner's Hospital at Kirkleatham. The Old Hall or mansion house of the lord of the manor, pleasantly situated on the eastern extremity of the village, upon the bank of the river, was converted into cottages by the last resident of the Crathorne family, in 1808. James Lionel Dugdale esq. J.P. of Crathorne Hall, who is lord of the manor, is the owner of the whole parish, except High Foxton farm. The soil is of a clayey nature, and produces good crops of wheat, oats, beans and turnips; subsoil, clay. The area is 2,588 acres of land and 12 of water; rateable value, £2,833; the population in 1911 was 267.

Sexton, Harry Kendrew.

Post, M. O. & T. Office.—Robert Kendrew, sub-postmaster. Letters by mail cart, from Yarm, received at 7.30 a.m. Box cleared at 5.10 p.m.; no sunday post, but letters are delivered to callers

Public Elementary School, under the management of a committee of six members, who are under the control of the North Riding County Council, erected in 1874, for 70 children; average attendance, 54; Miss Emily Mountain, mistress. There is an endowment for the education of children of the poor of the parish of Crathorne, of £2 12s. 6d. a year, left in 1769 by Thomas Baxter, schoolmaster of Crathorne, which is given in prizes to the school

High Foxton farm Dobson Thomas, miller (water) Dodds John, farmer, Foxton (letters) keeper to J. L. Dugdale esq through Hutton Rudby) Durham Robert, cowkeeper

Harrison John, farmer, West moor Harrison William, farmer

Dugdale esq

Brown William, farmer, Glebe house Jackson George, gamekeeper to J. L. Kell Isaac, farmer, Town end

> Metcalfe James, shopkeeper Scarborough Ernest William, game-

> Shepherd Christopher (Mrs.), farmer Sickling John, cowkeeper

> Taylor Benj. joiner & wheelwright Towers William, farm bailiff to J. L. Dugdale esq

Bolton George, Crathorne Arms P.H | Hart George, stud groom to J. L. | Welford James, boot & shoe maker & assistant overseer

> It is stated that a castle existed here in the Saxon times, and that Egfrid, King of Northumbria, in the year 685, granted it to St. Cuthbert, that he might have a resting place on his journeys to and from the city of York; and it is also on record that the Saxon Prince Ella held it in the 9th century as a hunting seat: the ruins indicate a fortress of considerable extent and immense strength, most probably erected by Hugh Pudsey, sixth of the Norman Bishops of Durham, to which see Crayke formerly belonged, and whose successive prelates were the occupiers at various periods prior to the Reformation: in the year 1317 King Edward II. lodged here, and on the 19th of October issued a charter, dated from Crayke, granting permission to the prior and convent of Durham to elect a successor to the deceased Bishop Kellaw; in 1587 Queen Elizabeth leased the castle of the Diocesan and granted it to Sir Francis Walsingham; but it was dismantled during the Civil Wars, and remained in that state, with but little alteration, until the time of its present owner, who has effectively restored a portion of the fortress, and adapted it to the requirements of a modern residence. Stephen Cliff esq. who is lord of the manor, is chief landowner. The soil is sandstone formation, on the hill; and in the valley, very strong light sandy, but varying throughout the parish. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats, beans and seeds. The acreage is 2,875; rateable value, £3,741; the population in 1911 was 412.

Parish Clerk, John Hogg.

Post, T. & Public Telephonic Express Delivery Office.— Thomas Bilton, sub-postmaster. Letters received from Easingwold at 7 a.m. & 4.45 p.m.; box closes 6.30 p.m. & sundays 9.40 a.m.; dispatched at 10.5 a.m. & 6.45 p.m.; sundays 9.40 a.m. Easingwold is the nearest money order office, 23 miles distant

Public Elementary School (mixed), erected in 1845, for 80 children; average attendance, 60; Charles Watson, master

Carrier to York.—Edwin Johnson, to 'White Horse,' Coppergate, alternate sats

Cliff Stephen, Crayke manor PRIVATE RESIDENTS. M.A., Knowles Miss Chadwick Charles Montague Matthews Mrs. The Hall M.D. Crayke cottage

Matthews Miss, The Hall Westcott Rev. Arthur M.A. (rector), Rectory