

**MARKFIELD** is a parish and large scattered village on the road from Leicester to Ashby-de-la-Zouch, 3 miles south-east from Bardon Hill station on the Leicester and Burton branch of the Midland railway, 7½ north-west from Leicester and 10 south-east from Ashby-de-la-Zouch, in the Mid division of the county, hundred of Sparkenhoe, Market Bosworth union, Leicester petty sessional division and county court district, rural deanery of Akeley (southern division), arch-deaconry of Leicester and diocese of Peterborough. In 1885, by Local Government Board Order, a detached part of Markfield was transferred to Charley, and a detached part of Newton Lindford, in Loughborough union, added to Markfield. The church of St. Michael is a building of stone, in the Early English and Decorated styles, consisting of chancel, nave, aisles, south porch and an embattled western tower, with spire, containing 5 bells: in 1865 the church was restored and enlarged, and a chancel added, at a total cost of £1,600: there are 327 sittings. The registers date from the year 1573, but are imperfect. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £300, including 170 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of Alderman W. Tidd, of Loughborough, and held since 1899 by the Rev. Henry Chambers M.A. of Oxford University. There is a church mission room in Shaw lane, erected at a cost of £300; a Congregational chapel, built in 1852 to seat 170, also Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist chapels. Markfield cemetery, a quarter of a mile from the village, and opened in 1887, covers an area of one acre, with one mortuary chapel, and is under the management of a burial board of nine members. In the village is a temperance hall. The charities are of about £15 annual

value, left by Thomas Jarvis in 1853, John Spencer in 1686 and Jane Avery in 1723; Elizabeth Smith, who, in 1875, left the interest of £100 to be given away in bread to the poor of the parish, and George Ferry esq. who left the interest of £50 to be given away in coals. Mrs. Katherine H. V. Grey, of Sutton Hall, Easingwold, Yorks, who is lady of the manor, and Mrs. Dalley-Burchnall are the principal landowners. The soil is gravel and loam; subsoil, principally stone. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and beans. The acreage is 2,303; rateable value, £5,625; the population in 1911 was 1,760, and in the ecclesiastical parish, 1,200.

Shaw Lane is a place in the parish, and part of Copt Oak is also in the parish.

Parish Clerk, Thomas Billson.

Post, M. O. & T. Office.—Miss Elizabeth Sprigg, sub-postmistress. Letters arrive from Leicester by mail cart at 6.10 a.m.; dispatched at 7.30 p.m.

Public Elementary School (mixed & infants), erected in 1862, with master's residence, at a cost of £850, on ground given by the Rev. A. S. Butler, rector (1860-99), for 175 boys & girls; a new class room was built in 1908, at a cost of £550, for 60 more boys & girls; average attendance, 156; the infants' department was enlarged in 1895, at a cost of £200, for 90 children; & in 1899, for 122 children; present average attendance, 118 infants; Arthur Charles Prevett, master; Mrs. Prevett, infants' mistress

Carriers to Leicester.—George Hull, mon. wed. & sat.; Abraham Chaplin, mon. wed. fri. & sat.; Joseph Gibbard, mon. wed. & sat

Bros Rev. Harold Kemmis (vicar of Copt Oak), Hammercliffe farm  
Chambers Rev. Henry M.A. Rectory  
Dalley-Burchnall Mrs. Edith  
Fletcher A. Cudden  
Haynes Horace Guy Lankester  
Heward Rowland G. The Cottage  
Hitchcock Mrs. Alma cottage  
Spence Matthew Edward  
Wright Misses

**COMMERCIAL.**

Allcock James, grazier  
Alldread William, beer retailer  
Anderson James, butcher  
Barrass Jas. wheelwright & grazier  
Barrass Spencer, blacksmith  
Barsby William, hair dresser  
Biggs Charles & Frank, farmers  
Biggs Frank, miller  
Bott John, shoe maker  
Bott Samuel Thomas, George inn  
Bott William, shoe maker

Bowley Edwin, blacksmith, Shaw Lane  
Bradley William, draper  
Brown & Sons, boot & shoe makers & dealers  
Cemetery (William Bradley, clerk to burial board)  
Chaplin Samuel, grazier, Shaw Lane  
Chapman Henry, builder & contractor  
Clay Joseph, Flying Horse P.H.  
Cooper Charles, farmer, Shaw Lane  
Cooper John, carter, Horsepool lane  
Cooper Joseph, grazier, Billa Barrow  
Cumberland Prudence (Mrs.), grazier, Shaw Lane  
Dilks Albert, baker  
Ennis James, grazier, Shaw Lane  
Geary Wm. Geo. painter & plumber  
Gibbard Joseph, coal dealer & carrier to Leicester  
Gibbings William, butcher  
Gibson Arthur, beer retailer  
Gill William, grazier

Gimbert John, chimney sweeper  
Gowdrige Josph. Coach & Horses P.H.  
Haynes & Fletcher, physicians & surgeons  
Haynes Horace Guy Lankester M.R.C.S.Eng., L.B.C.P.Lond. physician & surgeon (firm, Haynes & Fletcher) & medical officer & public vaccinator Markfield district, Market Bosworth union & certifying factory surgeon  
Hinckley & Country Permanent Benefit Building Society (H. Chapman, mgr)  
Hinks Geo. R. Waggon & Horses P.H.  
Hinks John William, beer retailer  
Hough Mary Ann (Mrs.), grazier  
Hull George, Red Lion P.H.  
Industrial Co-operative Stores Ltd. (George Brotherhood, manager)  
Jaques Oliver, grazier, Shaw Lane  
Jordan Thomas, grazier & carter  
Joyner Thomas, greengrocer

Key George, farmer	Scott William, farmer & grazier	Walton Henry, farmer, White hill
Lockwood Ann (Mrs.), grocer	Seal Horace, carter	Walton John W. farmer
Marriott William, grazier, Shaw Lane	Siddons Walter, farmer	Walton Samuel, butcher
Massey George Jas. grocer, Shaw La	Smith Henry, tailor	Wardle Wm. & Son, bakers & grocers
Massey James, wheelwright	Spence Herbert Edward, grocer	Wardle William, butcher
Matts George Shipley, beer retailer	Spence John, baker	Warner Thomas, tailor
Matts Samuel, grazier	Spiby John, farmer, The Grange	Weston William & Co. cycle makers,
Mitchell Wm. coal dealer & carrier	Sprigg Elizh. (Miss), grocer, Post off	Shaw Lane
Parker Samuel, farmer	Thorneycroft Levi, shpkpr. Shaw Lane	Widdowson Ellis, saddlr. & asst. ovrsr
Pell William, farmer, Rise Rock	Thorpe Tom, farmer	Widdowson William, grocer
Pepper Walter A. shopkeeper	Tookey Martha (Mrs.), grazier, Shaw	Wood Edward John, Bull's Head P.H
Reynolds John, grazier	Lane	Wormleighton Wm. carpnt. Shaw La
Sanders Ephraim, farmer	Toon John Albert, farmer	Worth Samuel, farmer Shaw Lane