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NEWBOLD-DE-VERDUN (corrupted into NEWBOLD VERDON) is a large village, 3 miles east-by-north from Market Bosworth, 8 north-north-east from Hinckley, 3 west from Desford station, 115 from London and 10 west from Leicester, in the Southern division of the county, Sparkenhoe hundred, Market Bosworth union and county court district, rural deanery of Sparkenhoe, first portion, archdeaconry of Leicester and diocese of Peterborough. The church of St. James consists of chancel, nave, and aisle, with a square western tower, and 2 bells; one of the bells bears the date 1663, and this inscription, "God save this church;" the other 1754, and this inscription, "The churchis prais, we sound allways:" there is a brass to the Montagu family: the church plate bears the arms of Lord Crewe, who was Bishop of Durham in 1720: the church was repaired and enlarged in 1832 by the late rector, the Rev. William Whitmore Greenway. The register dates from the year 1542. The living is a rectory, with 316 acres of glebe, of the yearly value of about £550, in the gift of Trinity College, Oxford, and held by the Rev. William Gordon Cole M.A. late fellow of that college. The General Baptists and Primitive Methodists have each a small chapel here. Coal has been discovered near the village. The ancient Hall or Manor House was formerly the residence of Lord Crewe, Bishop of Durham, and was last occupied by Lady Mary Wortley Montagu; it still bears some traces of its former grandeur. Sir John C. Hartopp bart. who is lord of the manor, the Rector, and Mrs. Thomas Arnold are the chief landowners. The soil is for the most part light; subsoil, gravel; but the land is heavier in the northern part of the parish. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats, roots, and there is some land in pasture. The area of the parish, which comprises the hamlet of Brascote, about a mile south of the village, with 70 people, is 1,750 acres: rateable value, £3,587 19s.; the population in 1871 was 716.

Parish Clerk, John Brown.

Letters through Leicester. The nearest money order office is at Desford. LETTER BOX cleared at 5 p.m

There is a *School*, endowed with £20, bequeathed by Lord Crewe, Bishop of Durham, in 1720, which will probably be increased by about £40 from surplus funds of his estate: the sum to be added will be given in exhibitions: a school-house was built in 1876, Charles Deane, master

CARRIERS TO & FROM LEICESTER.—Mrs. Elizabeth Cave, to the 'Golden Lion,' High Cross street, wednesday & saturday; James Ross, to the 'Crown & Thistle,' Loseby lane, every wednesday; William Wood, to the 'Red Lion,' wednesday & saturday

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Cole Rev. William Gordon M.A. [rector]
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COMMERCIAL.

Archer Arthur, farmer
Archer Frederick, wheelwright
Arnold Thomas, farmer, Brascote
Bacon Joseph, cowkeeper
Bailey Samuel, draper
Ball William, butcher
Barrs John, miller & beer retailer
Beck Mary (Mrs.), shopkeeper
Bromhead John, grazier
Brown John, grocer
Brown John, shoe maker
Cave Elizabeth (Mrs.), carrier
Cobley Thomas, farmer
Cope John, shoe maker
Freeman Robert, farmer
Gilbert William, farmer
Gilliver Francis, carpenter
Gilliver John, wheelwright
Gilliver Maria (Miss), day school
Heggs Henry, farmer, Heath
Hill John, farmer
Howgill Thomas, *George & Dragon*
Jordan Benjamin, *Old Swan*
Lakin William Henry, grazier
Lord Edward, bricklayer
Lord George, bricklayer
Marriott John, shoe maker
Osborn John, farmer
Raven John, beer retailer
Riley Thomas, shoe maker
Ross James, carrier
Ross Richard, farmer
Smith James, plumber & glazier
Smith Thomas, baker & grocer
Smith Thomas, hair dresser
Starbuck Walter, butcher
Statham David, thrashing machine owner
Statham Joseph, blacksmith
Statham William, *The Engine*
Trotter Thomas, farmer, Charterhouse
Upton John, stocking maker
Wildman William, farmer
Wood James, farmer, Hall farm
Wood William, carrier
Wrask Richard, farmer

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Cole Rev. William Gordon M.A. (rector & rural dean)
Robinson Thos. Lindridge Hall farm
Wall Miss

COMMERCIAL.

Archer Frederick, wheelwright
Arnold Thomas, farmer, Brascote
Bacon Elizh. (Miss), cowkpr. Brascote
Bailey Jessie (Mrs.), draper
Ball Mary (Mrs.), carrier
Barratt John, grocer & baker
Beck William, builder
Bell & Son, grocers & bakers
Brown John, farmer
Cobley Thomas, farmer
Dronfield John, Old Swan P.H
Emery William, beer retailer
Freeman Edward, cowkeeper
Freeman Robt. sen. miller (steam)
Freeman Robert, jun. farmer
Godfrey Frank, cowkeeper, Brascote
Gilliver Francis, sen. carpenter
Gilliver Francis, jun. beer retailer
Gilliver John, wheelwright
Hargrave Thos. George & Dragon P.H
Heggs Sarah (Miss), farmer, Heath
Hill John, farmer
Horton Lemon, farmer
Horton Walter, farmer
Orton John, farmer
Osborn Joseph, farmer
Pickering Henry, farmer
Poole Joseph, miller (wind)
Smith James, plumber & glazier
Smith William, carrier
Statham David, cowkeeper
Statham William, The Engine P.H
Stoneley Jacob, shoe maker
Thompson William, farmer, Hall frm
Trotter Sarah Isabella (Mrs.), farmer, Charterhouse
Wardle James, cowkeeper
West Marston, blacksmith