WALESBY is a considerable parish, including the hamlets of Walesby and Willoughby, and extending northward from Kirton to Bevercotes, under the abrupt declivity which divides this from the South Clay division, and westward to the river Idle. The parish contains 1,429a. 1r. 24p. of land, all of which is a fertile sand, except the eastern side about Willoughby, which is a strong clay. In 1861, here were 84 houses and 327 inhabitants; rateable value, £1,761 17s. 0d. The chief landowners are the Duke of Newcastle, Sir Wm. Fitzherbert, Bart., Rev. Roger Pocklington, and Henry Savile, Esq.; the latter is also lord of the manor. The open fields were enclosed in 1821, when 152a. 3r. 27p. were awarded to the rector in lieu of the tithes of the whole parish.

WALESBY is a pleasant village, half way betwixt Tuxford and Ollerton, 3½ miles W. of the former, the same distance N.E. of the latter. After the Conquest, the parish was of several fees. Reginald Ursell gave to the monks of Rufford, "in pure alms, the service which Robert de Lexington was wont to do him, for one boyate that

he held of him in Walesby, viz., a pair of spurs of iron, or 2d. yearly, with all reliefs' wards, escheats, &c." Several other parcels of land were subsequently given to the same monastery, and after the dissolution passed to the Earl of Shrewsbury. The church, dedicated to St. Edmund, is a neat edifice, with a chancel, tower, and three The living is a rectory, valued in the King's books at £6 1s. 2d., now bells. £158, in the patronage of Henry Savile, Esq., and incumbency of the Rev. Roger Pocklington. The vicarage, which stands a little north of the church, was enlarged in 1835; it is a neat commodious residence. The school was endowed in 1760 with a rent charge of 40s. by the Rev. Richard Jackson, rector of this parish. This devise was void by the mortmain act; but the donor's niece, Elizabeth Hall, gave in lieu thereof two acres of land in Normanton, which, at the enclosure in 1800, was exchanged for 1a. 19p., now let for £3 12s. per year. The poor's land consists of two roods, let for 15s., and was exchanged at the enclosure of Walesby for other land, at Yard-ends Field and Outgang Side. The sheep-clipping or feast is on the nearest Wednesday to June 25th.

WILLOUGHBY is a small hamlet, containing two farm-houses, a quarter of a mile N.E. of Walesby.

Post Office at Richard Robbin's. Letters arrive at 9.30 a.m., and are despatched at 3.25 p.m.

Cowlishaw Joseph, pig killer Gale Cornelius, wheelwright, Willoughby Hoggard Wm., blacksmith Jackson Mary, schoolmistress Kirkland Elizabeth, school Kirkland Joseph, farm bailiff Marshall George, corn miller Mellows Robert, police officer Mettam Richard, grocer Moore Job, shopkeeper Pocklington Rev. Roger, M.A., vicar Ratcliff Richard, blacksmith Raynor George, blacksmith Whitworth Richard, wheelwright, Willoughby.

INNS.

Carpenters' Arms, Wm. Lacey Red Lion, Mary Ratcliff

FARMERS, Marked * are Hop. + Woombill Ann Growers. + Cot. * Woombill John tagers. Camm George, Willoughby Camm Jonathan *Camm Joseph *Clark George, Willoughby Hardwick Thomas Justice George Kirkland Elizabeth Manu Edward *Ratcliff Marv +Raynor George +Rawson Wm. Ryalls Thos. Smith John, and shopkeeper Stubbins Charles

+Ulyeat Thomas

SHOEMAKERS.

Raynor George Robbins Richard, and shorkeeper Woodward James

TAILORS.

Ratcliff Wm. Searson Joseph Tissington John, and parish clerk

CARRIER.

Thos. Robbins. Newark, Wednes.; Mansfield, Thurs.; and Retford, Sat.