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WALSOKEN is a parish adjoining Wisbech, from which it is separated by a small stream; the part adjacent to Wisbech is called NEW WALSOKEN, and has extended very much during the last few years; it is in the North Western division of the county, hundred and petty seasonal division of Freebridge Marshland, union and county court district of Wisbech, rural deanery of Lynn, and archdeaconry and diocese of Norwich, and is governed by a Local Western, distant about a quarter of a mile, and Midland, about three-quarters of a mile); the Emneth station is in this parish, and is about 3 miles from the church. The Church of All Saints, situated a little off the high road, is a large and ancient building in the Norman style, consisting of a chancel and nave and an embattled western tower with spire containing 6 bells: the tower and west doorway are Decorated with Geometrical work; the fifteenth century screens between the aisles and chancel aisles are remarkably and retain traces of colour and gilding, which is also found on the nave roof: in the chancel is a memorial window to Richard Young esq. formerly M. P. for North Cambridgeshire: one acre of glebe land was added to the churchyard in 1883, and the whole placed under the control of a Burial Board of 6 members. The register dates from the year 1558. The living is a rectory, gross yearly value arising from tithe rent-charge £1,224, net yearly. £1,040 including 26½ acres of glebe and residence, in the gift of trustees, and held since 1871 by the Rev. John Young who is also a surrogate for the diocese.