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NEW BY-PASS OPENED.

Another Great North Road bottle-neck has been uncorked with the completion of the Stamford By-Pass. Four and a half miles long, it will ease the heavy traffic burden from the narrow streets of Lincolnshire town and bring the total length of dual carriage road open to traffic on the route between London and Newcastle-on-Tyne to nearly 90 miles. This was the Stamford scene before the new road was opened.

And there to open the By-Pass, three months ahead of schedule, was Mr. Marples, Minister of Transport.

The By-Pass cost over one and a half million pounds and is part of the £50-million Great North Road modernisation scheme, Mr. Marples was the first to try it out. Then came the lorries, which used to block the streets of Stamford.

Eight bridges of reinforced concrete carry the By-Pass over roads, a railway and a river.

Stamford was one of the most congested towns on the whole of the Great North Road. Now, thankfully, peace has returned.