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BENFIELDSIDE FLORAL AND POULTRY SHOW, September 7th, 1878.

Business Announcements.

JOSEPH OLEY,
AUCTIONEER AND APPRAISER,
10, WOOD STREET,
SHOTLEY BRIDGE. 228c

ROBERT SCOTT,
BELLMAN AND BILLPOSTER,
NELL'S HOUSES,
ANNFIELD PLAIN. 784k

JAMES FROSDICK,
12, MOUNT PLEASANT, CONSETT,
BELLMAN AND BILLPOSTER.

Issues of all the principal and largest Posting Stations in the district. All orders thankfully received and promptly attended to.

D. DOVER,

RESPECTFULLY intimates to his Friends and the Public that he has Opened a New Shop, near to Dr. Benson's Surgery, Wesley Terrace, Dipton. Jewellery, Watches, and Clocks sold, cleaned, or repaired. Dealer in Hardware, Books, and Stationery. Agent for "Stokes on Memory."

WEDDING RINGS! WEDDING RINGS!! WEDDING RINGS!!

A PRESENT to each Purchaser of our GUINEA GOLD RING.

F. A. AND E. WELCH,
WATCHMAKERS AND JEWELLERS,
ANNFIELD PLAIN. 318k

BUY SCOTTER'S BOOTS.

ADMITTED by thousands to be the Cheapest and Best Boots ever offered to the Public. To be had only at his own Shops,

8, SHAKESPEARE STREET, CONSETT;
23 and 14, Nun Street, and 46, Dean Street, Newcastle;
103, High Street, Gateshead; 121, Bedford Street, and 13, Union Street, North Shields; Station Road, South Shields; 58, Ormonde Street, Jarrow; 7, South Street, Middlesbrough; and Bridge Street, Morpeth. 32k

JAMES PALLISER,
FAMILY GROCER, AND GENERAL PROVISION MERCHANT,
6, FOUNDRY ROW, BLACKHILL.

Patent Medicines of various kinds on hand.
Dealer in Pianofortes, Harmoniums, Violins, and other Musical Instruments.
Agent for the Royal Life and Fire Assurance Company and the Union Permanent Building Society.

BLACKETT STREET TEA AND GROCERY WAREHOUSE.
91 & 93, BLACKETT STREET,
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

JAMES JOHNSON, Family Grocer and Tea Dealer. Teas, Coffees, and Spices of the Choicest quality. Good Useful Teas from 2s. per pound. Coffees, 1s. per pound. Household Soaps from 8d. per pound. All kinds of Dryaltery Goods cheap and of the best quality. Hotels and families supplied at wholesale prices.
TERMS—CASH. 879a

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

CHARLES D. SCOTT,
PLUMBER AND BRASS FOUNDER,
NEWCASTLE,

HAVING been requested by some of the leading business men of this locality to OPEN A BRANCH ESTABLISHMENT in Consett. He has now much pleasure in stating that he has taken the Shop, 10, NEWMARKET STREET, CONSETT,
Where all orders entrusted to his care will receive his best attention and will be executed by competent workmen. 240k

THE CONSETT, SHOTLEY BRIDGE, AND DISTRICT COMMERCIAL SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF TRADERS.

For the Collection of Debts due to Members.
For Opposing the Passing of Fraudulent Bankrupts on their Examination.
For Keeping a List of Registered Judgments, Warrants of Attorney, and Cognovits entered up against Traders for the Information and Security of its Members, and for Prosecuting Felons.
Terms of Membership, £1 1s. per annum.
Tradesmen at a distance desirous of enrolling themselves as Members of this Society, are requested to send their names to the Solicitor, Mr. T. W. WELFORD, Jun., Middle Street, Consett. 259k

SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that any Person or Persons entering into the occupation of any House, Shop, or other Building, to which Gas has been supplied to the previous occupant, upon such entry must first obtain the consent of the Secretary of the Company before consuming the Gas supplied by the said Company. In default therefore, upon proof of the use of the Gas, without first obtaining such leave, such Person or Person will be Prosecuted as the Law directs. The Secretary can be seen daily at the Company's Office, Shotley Bridge, to whom all applications must be made.

By order of the Directors,
M. RICHLEY, Secretary.
Shotley Bridge, October 9, 1870.

WILLIAM MOSLEY,
JOINER AND UNDERTAKER,
DIPTON.

RESPECTFULLY intimates to the inhabitants of Dipton and surrounding district that he is now prepared to supply COFFINS at little more than half the usual price paid in the district, viz.:—

Children's Coffins, in Deal, from	5s. 6d.	
Adults' do.	do.	22s.
Children's Coffins, covered with Black Cloth, from	6s.	
Adults' do.	do.	40s

Designs on application.
Furniture Repaired and Repolished.

Note the Address—
WILLIAM MOSLEY
(Next Door to Mr. J. A. CURRY, Butcher),
HIGH END OF DIPTON. 341k

JOHN W. DAVISON,
CABINETMAKER, FURNITURE BROKER, IRONMONGER, &c.,
FRONT STREET, CONSETT,
AND CATCHGATE,

HAS now on hand the largest and best made Stock of FURNITURE in the district.
IRON BEDSTEADS in great variety.
MATTRESSES, FEATHERS, FLOCKS, RABBIT DOWN.
Large Stock of New Patterns in PAPER HANGINGS.
PERAMBULATORS. HARDWARE.
Agent for the HOME WASHER and MANGLING MACHINES.
DOWEY'S and HARDY'S PATENT PICKS and SHAFTS.
Licensed dealer in SPORTING and BLASTING POWDER. 673f

GRAND CRICKET MATCH at Benfieldside Floral and Poultry Show, September 7th, 1878.

Business Announcements.

B. MOODY,
WATCHMAKER, EBCHESTER.

CLYDESDALE CART STALLION, "SIR COLIN," Winner of Glasgow First Prize last year, will Stand at Woodlands, near Knitsley Station, Weekly, from 8 p.m. on Saturdays till 6 p.m. on Mondays. Fee, Two Guineas. For Card, apply to Stud Groom, Woodlands Stud, near Consett. 44m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.

ANY Person Removing, Altering, or Tampering with any Meter, Pipe, or other Property of the above Gas Company, without first obtaining the said Company's permission, will be prosecuted according to Law.

By order of the Directors,
27 August 21st, 1878. M. RICHLEY, Secretary.

NOTICE.

WILLIAM KNOX

HAS much pleasure in announcing that he has entered upon his NEW PREMISES, at MOUNT PLEASANT, CONSETT, where he intends carrying on Business as HOUSE CARPENTER, JOINER, &c., and trusts, by strict attention thereto and keeping a stock of good Workmen, to merit a share of Public support.

N.B.—Estimates given for general Repairs, Shop Fronts, &c. 617f

GOOD NEWS
FOR THE
INHABITANTS OF CONSETT AND DISTRICT.

A GREAT WANT SUPPLIED.

OPENING OF A GOOD
FAMILY BOOT AND
SHOE WAREHOUSE
IN MIDDLE STREET,
CONSETT.

R. LONGSTAFF, the PEOPLE'S CHEAP BOOT AND SHOE MANUFACTURER, has OPENED a BRANCH SHOP, in MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT, with the Largest and Handsomest Stock in the neighbourhood of every description of LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S, and CHILDREN'S Fashionable BOOTS and SHOES.

The Inhabitants of Consett and District will now be able to select from a large and well-assorted Stock, and purchase the best quality of BOOTS and SHOES at lower prices than are usually charged for very inferior Goods.

LONGSTAFF'S
FAMILY SHOE WAREHOUSE,
4, MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT,
Next Door to Mr. W. AYNSLEY, the Tea Dealer;
and at
18, NEWGATE STREET, BISHOP AUCKLAND;
22, MARKET PLACE, DURHAM;
CHURCH STREET, CROOK;
And
HIGH STREET, SPENNYMOOR.

NOTICE TO FARMERS AND OTHERS.

GEORGE HOBSON

TAKES this opportunity of thanking his numerous Friends for the very liberal patronage bestowed on him during the many years he has been in business, and begs to inform them that he has now got his Mill thoroughly repaired, and, with the addition of extra CRUSHING and SPLITTING MILLS, he is now in a position to fully meet the requirements of his Friends and the Public. Particular attention will be paid to Grinding, Crushing, or Splitting Grain for Farmers and the Trade.

Try G. H.'s CRUSHED OATS and BEANS for Horses.
Try G. H.'s CRUSHED MIXED HORSE FEED.
Try G. H.'s MIXED COW FEED.
Try G. H.'s MIXED PIG FEED.
Pure BARLEY MEAL, PEA MEAL, INDIAN MEAL, and every other Article in the Trade on the most reasonable terms.

HARPERLEY STEAM AND WATER CORN MILLS
(Warehouse, Catchgate),
NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN.
ESTABLISHED, 1817. 238g

HORSE LEAPING MATCH at Benfieldside Floral Show, September 7th, 1878.

GRAND BALL at Benfieldside Floral and Poultry Show, September 7th, 1878.

Business Announcements.

THE QUICKEST PASSAGE ON RECORD.

ON May 28th, the celebrated steamers, "Londoun Castle" and "Gleneagle," steamed off together with upwards of six millions pounds of NEW SEASON'S TEA from the Hankow district. After a desperate race of thirty-eight days, the "Londoun Castle" arrived in the London Docks one day before the "Gleneagle," this being the quickest passage on record. At six o'clock in the morning she arrived, at eight her hatches were opened, at ten the teas were offered on the market. The importers expected high prices; the dealers prudently refused to buy except in small lots. While the importers halted, five other steamers arrived with fifteen million of new tea. Steamer after steamer followed each other, until not less than thirty million pounds of new tea was thrown on the market. This, with the large stock of last season's teas on hand, produced a panic in the market. Down came the old seasons teas to a price unknown in the history of the tea trade. We, like prudent dealers, have been watching the market, and secured large lots at the lowest point, and hasten to offer you a GOOD USEFUL TEA AT 1s. 8D. PER POUND. Don't doubt its quality on account of the price. We recommend it with the greatest of confidence as the most wonderful tea ever sold at the money.

Another word about INDIAN TEA:—For many years we have directed the attention of our friends to the wonderful power and quality of this new growth of tea. It is a pleasure for us to report that this year the Indian tea planters have far surpassed other years in the perfection of growth. We have to inform you that we have secured, regardless of cost, the early picking of the finest gardens in India. We stake our reputation on our opinion. Finer and more perfect growth of teas have never been offered. You cannot make a mistake if you ask for Indian tea at any of our establishments. WE KEEP ONLY THE FINEST QUALITY! We would like you to test the correctness of our judgment, well knowing you will thank us for our opinion.

WILLIAM STEWART AND SON, THE TEA DEALERS,
33, GRAINGER STREET, AND 32, MOSLEY STREET, NEWCASTLE; 33, HIGH STREET, GATESHEAD; AND CORNER OF FREDERICK ROAD, HIGH STREET, SUNDERLAND.

TEAS! GREAT REDUCTION! TEAS!

ARRIVAL OF A LARGE
CONSIGNMENT OF NEW SEASON'S TEAS.

OUR HALF-CROWN TEA IS PURE, FINE, AND OF IMMENSE STRENGTH.

One of the greatest difficulties "dealers" have to contend with in the present day is that tea-drinkers attach undue importance to what is termed a pretty looking Tea, regardless of its quality in the pot, and look down upon Tea with brown or ugly leaves, although it may be of the best quality for drinking. Until this false notion is corrected, the Trade will to some extent remain as a false basis.

At 2/- Per Pound, we Sell GOOD TEA Both as regards STRENGTH AND FLAVOUR.
A TRIAL Is respectfully solicited.

ALL OUR TEAS Are selected with the greatest possible CARE, Hence our large and increasing TEA TRADE.

OUR 2/- TEA Is FINE, And of SAMSON-LIKE STRENGTH.

OUR 2/8 TEA Is PURE, FINE, And of EXTRAORDINARY STRENGTH.

OUR 3/- TEA Is VERY FINE, PURE, And of MARVELLOUS STRENGTH.

At 1/6 Per Pound, we Sell GOOD TEA, Both as regards STRENGTH AND FLAVOUR.
A TRIAL Is respectfully solicited.

TEA, FINE AND STRONG, And WARRANTED PURE, 1/8 PER POUND, In Quality equal to much that is Sold at a higher Price.

WILLIAM AYNSLEY,
THE TEA DEALER,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT, AND FRONT STREET, LEADGATE.

SELECTED LIST—FOR PRESENT SEASON.

W & A GILBEY'S WINES & SPIRITS—The seals and labels on all WINES AND SPIRITS bottled by W & A GILBEY may be accepted as an absolute guarantee of their purity and genuineness. Under the Act of Parliament 38 & 39 Vic., Cap. 63, the purity of any Wine or Spirit can be verified on applicatio to the Local Government Analyst.

This "SELECTED LIST" of W & A GILBEY'S WINES AND SPIRITS comprises two descriptions only of each class of Wines and Spirits, the first selected on account of its moderate price, and the second for its fine quality combined with greater age.

AGENT—
W. AYNSLEY, *Grocer*, CONSETT & LEADGATE
PRICES THE SAME AS AT HEAD ESTABLISHMENTS

WINES	Per Bottle	Per Dozen
Castle 1A PORT *from Portugal* A good-bodied well-matured Wine. 4 years old	1/9	21/
Castle B PORT *from Portugal* A fine full-flavored fruity Wine. 8 years old	2/6	28/
Castle 1 SPANISH PORT *from Spain* A full-bodied fruity Wine. 3 years old	1/8	18/
Castle 4 SPANISH PORT *from Spain* The finest Spanish Port produced. 10 years old	1/10	22/
Castle WA *Pale* SHERRY *from Spain* A pure Spanish Sherry. 3 years old	1/6	18/
Castle C *Pale* SHERRY *from Spain* A good type of nutty Sherry. 6 years old	2/4	28/
Castle VP *Pale* MARSALA *from Sicily* A delicious Amber Wine. 3 years old	1/6	18/
Castle C *Pale* MARSALA *from Sicily* The finest Marsala produced. 7 years old	1/8	20/
Castle MADEIRA A full-flavored nutty Wine from the Island. 4 years old	2/1	25/
Castle GRAND MADEIRA An excellent nutty Wine from the Island. 6 years old	2/6	30/
Castle A CLARET *from France* A pure sound Wine. Upwards of a year in bottle	1/	12/
Castle C CLARET *from France* A fine flavored and well-matured Medoc Wine	1/6	18/
Castle 1 CHAMPAGNE A pure Sparkling Wine for ordinary use	Quarts 2/3 Pints 1/3	26/ 15/
Castle 2 CHAMPAGNE A high class delicate Champagne	Quarts 2/9 Pints 1/11	32/ 23/

SPIRITS	Per Bottle	Per Dozen
Castle UP GIN Highly rectified at W & A Gilbey's own Distillery. 75 per cent. under proof	2/	24/
Castle PROOF GIN Highly rectified at W & A Gilbey's own Distillery. Strength, proof	2/10	34/
Castle UP IRISH WHISKEY Distilled from fine Malt. 25 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle DO IRISH WHISKEY Finest old Dublin Whiskey. Strength, proof	2/3	33/
Castle UP SCOTCH WHISKEY Distilled from fine malt. 25 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle DO SCOTCH WHISKEY Finest old Scotch Whiskey. Strength proof	2/6	30/
Castle UP BRANDY Cognac distilled exclusively from Foreign Spirits. 25 under proof	2/3	27/
Castle PROOF BRANDY Cognac distilled exclusively from Foreign Spirits. Strength, pf.	2/	24/
Castle D COGNAC An excellent Cognac Brandy of fine flavor. 33 under proof	2/	26/
Castle FO COGNAC The finest old Champagne Brandy. Strength, proof	4/6	67/
Castle UP JAMAICA RUM A well-matured Jamaica Rum. 25 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle JO JAMAICA RUM The finest old Jamaica Rum. Strength, proof	2/3	33/
Castle 1 HOLLANDS A pure Dutch Spirit from Rye Meal. 25 per cent. under proof	2/6	32/
HOLLANDS *(Silver Stream)* A fine old Dutch Spirit, bottled above 6 14 under proof	3/6	42/

SPARKLING SAUMUR CHAMPAGNES

Castle SAUMUR *Silver Foil* A fine dry Sparkling Wine	Quarts	2/3	25/	Castle SAUMUR *Foil* A fine dry Sparkling Wine	Quarts	2/6 20/
	Pints	1/3	14/6		Pints	1/6 17/

All Bottles (except for Sparkling Wine) are charged 1d. each, which is allowed when returned.

IRISH AND SCOTCH WHISKEY

The large increased consumption of, and the reputation obtained for Irish and Scotch Whiskeys by W & A Gilbey during the past few years, render the brands of Whiskeys quoted above especially worthy of attention at the present time. The stock of old matured Whiskey held by W & A Gilbey in their bonded stores is now without doubt, the largest in the world, exceeding as it does 5,000 Butts of Irish and 3,000 Butts of Scotch Whiskey, equal to upwards of a million proof gallons. Their sales of Whiskeys last year exceeded two million bottles.

FIRST-CLASS REFRESHMENTS at Benfieldside Floral and Poultry Show, September 7th, 1878.

Business Announcements.

TELFER'S
SMOKING MIXTURE,
RECOMMENDED for its rich and excellent Flavour. It is prepared and blended, with judicious care and judgment, from the finest Tobaccos the world can produce, making a faultless mixture. Sold only in Packets, 1oz., 2oz., and 4oz., at all Tobacconists, Stores, Shopkeepers, and Innkeepers.

TELFER AND SONS,
TOBACCO AND SNUFF MANUFACTURERS,
NEWCASTLE. 34m

VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SEEDS
POTATOES, CABBAGE PLANTS, Gree house and Bedding-out PLANTS, all of fine quality and reasonable prices, at JOHN CHARLTON'S, Nurserymen and Seedsman, Slades House, Ebchester. 905 k

THOMAS ROWE, BAKER & CONFECTIONER, LEADGATE AND CONSETT.
PIC-NICS AND TEA PARTIES SUPPLIED ON CONTRACTED TERMS.

LOOK! LOOK!!—For Washing Machines, Posa Tubs, Pails, &c., or repairs of every description, go to W. BORROW, Cooper, Front Street, Consett.

E. BROOKS,
59, CLAYTON STREET, AND 98, NEW BRIDGE STREET, NEWCASTLE.

Large Arrival of Stock for the Races.

McCOURTY,
PRACTICAL WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER, JEWELLER, AND OPTICIAN,
NEWMARKET STREET, CONSETT,
HAS onhand a Select Stock of GOLD and SILVER GOODS of the usual Requisites in the Trade to choose from at the Lowest Cash Prices. Goods made to Order, and Repairs in all the various Branches done on the Premises by Practical Workmen. 460k

J. COCKBURN,
PRINTER, STATIONER, NEWSAGENT, BOOKSELLER, BOOKBINDER, AND GENERAL DEALER,
FRONT STREET, CONSETT.

Newspapers and Periodicals delivered to Order.
Memorial and Address Cards. Pictures Framed.
Use the Ansaka Tinted Periscopic Spectacles and Eye Glasses, warranted to preserve the sight.
Agent for Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. 97m

PERFECTION IN ARTIFICIAL TEETH AND PAINLESS DENTISTRY AT MODERATE CHARGES.

MR. T. F. WATSON, DENTIST,
36, CLAYTON STREET (Corner of Newgate Street), NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE,
RESPECTFULLY calls attention to the Superiority of his Ragouite Suction Palate and Dental Cork.
TEETH STOPPED OR EXTRACTED. 55h

ROBERT SEWELL,
AUCTIONEER AND APPRAISER,
14, HAVELOCK STREET, CONSETT.

BONESETTING.

JOHN ANDERSON,
3, ROSE MOUNT MEDOMSLEY ROAD, CONSETT,
BROTHER to the late THOMAS ANDERSON, formerly in Gateshead, Bonesetter, receives Patients at the above Address. In every case where a cure is possible a cure will be made. 46m

A. PHILLIPSON,
AUCTIONEER, FURNITURE DEALER, &c.,
DIPTON.
IS prepared to BUY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., for Cash, or Remove Goods to his Show-rooms, or any other desirable place, to be Sold by Auction.

J. PARKER,
JEWELLER, &c.,
2, FRONT STREET, CONSETT.
CLOCKS and WATCHES Cleaned and Repaired. Country Orders attended to.

JOHN JENKINS,
AUCTIONEER,
HOUSE AGENT, AND APPRAISER
TRAFALGAR STREET, CONSETT.
PARTIES leaving the Neighbourhood can have their Furniture, &c., turned into Cash on the shortest notice.

HAYMARKET COACH WHEEL WORKS.

GEORGE HOGG,
COACHBUILDER AND CARTWRIGHT.
ALL kinds of Cabs, Dog Carts, and Spring Carts made to order, repaired, painted, and done-up. Springs and Patent Axles made to order and repaired. Lancewood Shafts and Bent Timber always on hand. The largest Spring Cart Works in the North of England. All orders punctually attended to. 929m
HAYMARKET, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

V. R.

All orders received at
C. ROUGIER'S,
29, GREY STREET, NEWCASTLE,
Will have prompt attention.

TOILET REQUISITES in great profusion, including Combs, Brushes, Perfumes, Pomades, Hair and Head Ornaments, &c. The "EAU BOTANIC MERVEILLEUSE," for restoring the colour of Hair, has reached perfection. Lessons in Hair Dressing. First-class attention at the Counter and in the Saloons.

WHOLESALE HOUSE and MANUFACTORY, TANNER ROW, YORK.

FARM SEEDS.

NOW ON SALE:
FINE NEW SPRING TARES.
FINE POTATO AND TARTARIAN OATS.
FINE MAPLE PEAS, &c.
CLOVERS AND GRASS SEEDS.
G. H.'S CELEBRATED MIXTURES FOR PERMANENT PASTURES.
TURNIP SEEDS.
GARDEN SEEDS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
Ammonia-fied and Phospho Peruvian Guanos, Turnip and Potato Manures, Crushed and Dissolved Bones and Top Dressings for Field or Garden use, Nitrate of Soda, and Agricultural Salt.

GEORGE HOBSON,
HARPERLEY MILLS, NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN, AND CATCHGATE.
(ESTABLISHED 1817.) 654h

LOCAL FLOWER SHOWS.

EBCHESTER.

The fourth annual exhibition of this Society was held on Saturday, in a field kindly lent for the occasion by Messrs. Fewster. The weather was unsettled, showers falling at intervals during the afternoon, and this circumstance militated to some extent against the attendance. The show was held in a spacious tent, the fruits, flowers, and vegetables being judiciously arranged and the exhibits seen to advantage. We would suggest, however, that at future shows the names of the exhibits be place d on the prize ticket. Especially is this necessary in the classes for plants and flowers. The exhibition of plants was good, but there was a little falling off in the show of cut flowers, only two lots being set up in the open class. Three hand bouquets were shown, Miss Carr, of Ebchester Hall, being deservedly successful. The roses were a poor show. A neatly-arranged decoration for the table was set up by Mr. J. Charlton, which was awarded the prize. A couple of baskets of fruit were shown, that exhibited by Mr. Joseph Robinson taking first prize. Mr. Carr, Ebchester Hall, was first for black grapes, Dr. Bolton, Ebchester Hill, being the first for the white variety. The gooseberries were, as usual, a good show. In the class for heaviest, three lots were disqualified for not being dissimilar. The successful exhibitor was Mr. W. Surtees, who showed the white, yellow, green, and red varieties. The show of vegetables was fully up to the average, there being a very fine collection of cauliflowers, peas, onions, beat, and potatoes, though celery was not a good show. There was an excellent display of currants in the amateurs' class, the honours being divided between Mr. Redshaw and Mr. W. T. Bullerwell. The wild flowers were an interesting feature, the competition in this class being keen. Miss Smith, of Newlands, obtained the first prize, Miss Oley being second. There was an excellent display of butter in the farmers' class. Mr. James Moody was first, and Miss Wilkinson second, while that shown by Mrs. Newton received the commendations of the judges. The eggs were also a fine lot, the first prize, as will be seen, the prize list appended, being secured by Mrs. Thompson. The judges were Mr. Morrison (Bradley Hall), Mr. Marshall (Benton Park), Mr. Marr (Minsteracres), and Mr. Milton (Hexham), who, it is almost unnecessary to add, performed their duties with the most painstaking care. The arrangements were carried out by the secretaries (Mr. Dixon and Mr. Bullerwell) and the gentlemen forming the committee. The Tyne and Derwent Volunteer Band, led by Mr. T. Grundy, played several selections in a very creditable manner during the day. A cricket match was played between Hamsterley and a number of friends from Newlands, Hamsterley being the victors. During the afternoon a handicap foot-race was run off. The first heat was won by J. Malady, second by J. Bakenshaw, third by J. Hume, and fourth by J. Malady. In the final heat Hume was first and Malady second.

OPEN CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Three stove or greenhouse plants, dissimilar, in bloom—J. Thirlwell, Shotley Bridge; 2nd, Thomas Snowdon, Ebchester; 3rd, James Stoddart, Ebchester.

Three fine foliage plants—J. Thirlwell.

Two fuschias—C. Ward, Blackhall Mill; 2nd, W. Brown, Shotley Bridge.

Three exotic ferns, in pots—J. Thirlwell; 2nd, J. Stoddart.

Lilium auratum—J. Stoddart.

One geranium—W. Brown.

Three British ferns, dissimilar, in pots—J. Thirlwell; 2nd, R. Hall, Shotley Bridge.

One balsam—William Brown; 2nd, J. Stoddart.

Two zonale geraniums, dissimilar, in pots—M. Redshaw, West Lawe; 2nd, J. Stoddart.

Two tricolor geraniums, dissimilar, in pots—William Brown; 2nd, C. Ward.

Three pansies, dissimilar—Ebchester; no second second; no first prize awarded.

Six dahlia blooms, dissimilar—Ralph Kirsop, Pentop Pike; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

Six French asters—C. Ward; 2nd, J. Robinson, Shotley Spa.

Bouquet for table—John Charlton.

Lady's hand bouquet—M. M. Carr, Ebchester Hall; 2nd, H. Charlton, Annfield.

Six African marigolds—C. Ward.

Six French marigolds—M. Redshaw; 2nd, R. Kirsop.

Six cut roses, dissimilar—Joseph Robinson and John Charlton equal.

Six phloxes, dissimilar—J. Robinson.

Two cockscombes—R. Charlton; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

Three Coleus, dissimilar—William Brown; 2nd, R. Charlton.

One calceolaria—J. Bulman, Ebchester; 2nd, J. Stoddart.

Six bottles of cut flowers—R. Charlton; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

FRUIT.

One bunch of black grapes—John Carr, Ebchester Hall; 2nd, Dr. Bolton, Ebchester Hill.

One bunch of white grapes—Dr. Bolton.

Basket of fruit, eight varieties—J. Robinson; 2nd, John Charlton.

Six pears, flavoured—George Smith, Newlands; 2nd, M. Brown, Ebchester.

Four heaviest gooseberries, dissimilar—W. Surtees, Newlands.

Six kitchen apples—R. Fewster, Newlands; 2nd, James Stoddart.

VEGETABLES.

Two heads of celery—J. Charlton; 2nd, W. Allen, Hamsterley.

Brace of cucumbers—Joseph Robinson; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

Three roots of beet—John Charlton; 2nd, R. Fewster.

Two cauliflowers—Joseph Robinson; 2nd J. Carr.

Eighteen pods of peas—John Charlton; 2nd, R. Charlton.

One red cabbage—W. McCaslin, Hamsterley; 2nd, T. Wilson, Ebchester.

Six summer onions, tripoli excepted—Jas. Stoddart; 2nd, J. Bulman.

Collection of vegetables, eight varieties—R. Charlton; 2nd, J. Stoddart.

Three stalks of rhubarb—M. Redshaw; 2nd, T. Snowdon.

AMATEURS' CLASS.

FLOWERS.

One balsam—M. Redshaw; 2nd, Wm. Brown.

One petunia, in pot—M. Redshaw: 2nd, William Brown.

One fuschia—C. Ward.

One pot of lilliums—George Smith.

One tricolor geranium, in pot—C. Ward.

One zonale geranium—William Brown; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

Four dahlia blooms, dissimilar—James Stoddart; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, C. Ward.

Six French asters—C. Ward second; no first prize given.

Six globe asters—C. Ward second; no first prize given.

Six French marigolds—M. Redshaw; 2nd, R. Fewster.

Four stands of cut flowers—M. Redshaw; 2nd, Geo. Smith.

Three spikes of phloxes—J. Charlton; 2nd, George Smith.

Four roses, not less than three varieties—M. Redshaw; 2nd, John Charlton.

FRUIT.

Six pears—M. Brown; 2nd, Wm. Charlton.

Six dessert apples—R. Fewster; 2nd, M. Brown.

Six kitchen apples—M. Redshaw; 2nd, Geo. Surtees, Ebchester.

One pint of gooseberries, flavoured—Thomas Wilson; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

One pint of black currants—M. Redshaw.

One pint of red currants—W. T. Bullerwell, Ebchester; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

One pint of white currants—M. Redshaw.

Six kidney potatoes—R. Fewster; 2nd, Thomas Wilson.

Six round potatoes—R. Fewster; 2nd, Geo. Moody, Ebchester.

VEGETABLES.

Two early cabbages—John Charlton; 2nd, Thomas Wilson.

Three carrots—M. Redshaw; 2nd, Wm. Charlton.

Three parsnips—W. Allen; 2nd, John Charlton.

Eighteen pods of peas—R. Redshaw; 2nd, Thomas Wilson.

Twelve pods of beans—George Smith.

Two heads of celery—John Charlton; 2nd, William Allen.

Two cauliflowers—James Stoddart; 2nd, John Charlton.

Twelve onions, spanish excepted—M. Redshaw; 2nd, George Moody.

Three roots of beet—W. T. Bullerwell; 2nd, R. Fewster.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

FLOWERS.

One light fuschia—T. Snowdon.

One petunia, in pot—Thomas Snowdon; 2nd, W. McCaslin.

One pot plant, in bloom—Thomas Snowdon.

One dark fuschia—Thomas Snowdon.

One balsam—Thomas Snowdon.

One zonale geranium, in bloom—Thos. Snowdon.

Three dahlia blooms, dissimilar—John Jamieson, Hamsterley; 2nd, R. Kirsop; 3rd, W. McCaslin.

Six French asters—W. McCaslin; 2nd, John Jamieson.

Six globe asters—W. McCaslin; 2nd, W. Surtees.

Six French marigolds—John Jamieson; 2nd, Wm. Surtees.

Three stands of cut flowers—R. Kirsop; 2nd, Wm. Surtees.

Three hollyhock blooms, dissimilar—Wm. Surtees.

Six cut roses, dissimilar—John Jamieson—W. Surtees; 2nd, A. Shearer, Allendale Cottages.

Three stocks—Wm. Surtees; 2nd, John Bulman.

Six African marigolds—John Jamieson; 2nd, W. McCaslin.

Three roses, dissimilar—R. Kirsop; 2nd, William Surtees.

FRUIT.

Six dessert apples—Wm. Surtees.

Six kitchen apples—R. Stobbart, Milkwell Burn; 2nd, W. Surtees.

One plate of gooseberries, flavoured—Thomas Irving, Westwood; 2nd, Nicholas Oley, Ebchester.

One pint of black currants—John Bulman.

One pint of red currants—Thomas Snowdon; 2nd, John Bulman.

VEGETABLES.

Three early turnips—Ralph Kirsop; 2nd, John Bulman.

Three carrots—Stephen Armstrong, Ebchester; 2nd, W. McCaslin.

Two early cabbages—John Bulman; 2nd, N. Oley.

Six sticks of spring rows, to be exhibited as grown, tripoli excepted—John Bulman; 2nd, T. Snowdon.

Three parsnips—William McCaslin; 2nd, Thomas Snowdon.

Six kidney potatoes—Ralph Kirsop; 2nd, John Bulman.

Six round potatoes—Ralph Kirsop; 2nd, Stephen Armstrong.

Twelve pods of beans—Ralph Kirsop; 2nd, William Surtees.

Twelve pods of peas—William Surtees; 2nd, Thomas Irving.

Three leeks—William McCaslin; 2nd, Thomas Snowdon.

Three roots of beet—John Jamieson; 2nd, Nicholas Oley.

One cauliflower—R. Kirsop; 2nd, R. Stobbart.

Collection of vegetables, eight varieties, viz., six round and six kidney potatoes, one early cabbage, three early turnips, three carrots, six onions (spring sown), three leeks, three roots of beet, and two heads of celery—Wm. McCaslin; 2nd, John Bulman.

JAMMERS' CLASS.

Open to farmers only.

For the best collection of vegetables, viz., nine turnips, three yellow, three white, and three Swedes, twelve round potatoes, twelve heads of wheat, twelve heads of barley, twelve heads of oats, 1st, £1, R. Fewster; 2nd, 10s., E. H. Hunter.

Open to all.

Best three pounds of butter, 1st, a butter cooler, James Moody; 2nd, a couple of butter knives, Miss Wilkinson.

Best twelve eggs, 1st, 5s., Mrs. Thompson; 2nd, 2s. 6d., Mrs. Jane Ann Smith.

EXTRA PRIZES.

Open class.

For the best collection of vegetables, not less than six varieties, a handsome silver cup, given by Mr. A. Turner, Gateshead—Robert Charlton.

For the best collection of vegetables, not less than eight varieties, 10s. 6d., given by Mr. J. Redshaw, Gateshead—Robert Charlton.

For the best collection of wild flowers, 2s. 6d.; 2nd, 1s. 6d.; to be collected by children under twelve years of age, resident within 1½-mile of Ebchester; given by Mr. W. Nelson, Hamsterley—Miss Smith, Newlands; 2nd, Miss Oley.

For the best device or model, floral or otherwise, 10s., given by the Society—J. Charlton.

Cottagers' Class.

For the best collection of vegetables, viz., three leeks, three onions, three kidney potatoes, three round potatoes, one cabbage, and three carrots, a watering can, given by Mr. Ridgeon, Shotley Bridge—Thomas Snowdon.

BURNOPFIELD.

The fifth show of the Burnopfield Floral and Horticultural Society was held in a field kindly placed at the disposal of the Society by Mr. Thompson, on Saturday. The weather was unsettled during the greater part of the day, and the attendance was, therefore, not so large as it would otherwise have been. The show itself was good, the exhibits being numerous. There was a choice collection of plants, the fruit was ripe and well grown, the latter remark applying also to the vegetables. Mr. Robinson, Rowlandsgill, got the special prize given by Mrs. A. Turnbull, The Leazes, for the best collection of vegetables. A poke of potatoes was offered by Mr. Kirsop, of Lintz Hall, for the best six sweke turnips, which was won by Mr. Thompson, Burnopfield. The box of perfume presented by Miss M. Turnbull, for the best hand bouquet, was awarded to Mrs. Ames, of Hamsterley Hall. Mrs. Clark, of the Leazes, offered a leg of mutton for the best six varieties of vegetables, which was gained by Mr. W. Scott, Burnopfield. Mrs. Hood's prize of a copper kettle for the neatest arranged basket of flowers, was carried off by Mrs. Ames, Hamsterley Hall. A special prize of 5s., given by Mr. Watson, Burnopfield, for six carnations, was gained by Mr. Ambler, Dipton. Mr. Thompson's prize for the best pair of cucumbers, was awarded to Mr. Holmer, the Leazes. Mr. Gibbins gained the copper kettle given by the Society for the best four dishes of hardy fruit. Messrs. Stuart and Mein, of Kelso, gave a special prize for four blooms of roses, which was won by Mr. J. Rowell, Clough Dene. The special prize given by Mr. Watson, seedman, Newcastle, for three stands of cut flowers, was awarded to Mr. Scott, Burnopfield. The special prize given by Mr. Robinson, Burnopfield, was won by Mr. Ambler, Dipton. Messrs. Davis and Smith's prize for two red cabbages was won by Mr. Spoors, of Byermoor. Mrs. John Arkless offered a special prize for nine blooms of roses, which was awarded to Mr. L. Handcock. Mr. Appleby's prize for red cabbage and cauliflower was won by Mr. Dawson, Dipton. Mrs. Ames, Hamsterley Hall, took first prize for grapes (white and black) and melon. The Society offered a silver cup to the exhibitor, who took most points, and this was won by Mrs. Ames. In the farmers' class, Mr. Kirkup, of Lintz Hall, was first in butter, Mr. Thompson, Burnopfield, being first for eggs. The other prize-takers were—Mr. Wm. Smith, Rowlands Gill; Mr. Parkins, Rowlands Gill; Mr. Edward Dunn, Friarside; Mr. Hall, Friarside; Mr. Witty, Burnopfield; Mr. Robinson, Burnopfield; Mr. Thirlwell, Dipton; M. Ward, Ravenside; Mr. Morton, Marley Hill; Mr. Hood, Lintz Green; Mr. Armstrong, Clough Dene; Mr. Coulson, Marley Hill; Mr. T. Smith, Burnopfield; Mr. T. Watson, Burnopfield; Mr. S. Blythe, Lintz Colliery; Mr. G. Richardson, Lintz Green; Mr. W. Hindhaugh, Priestfield; Mr. J. McQueen, Felside; Mr. J. Graham, Marley Hill; Mr. R. Maughan, Felside; Mr. R. Reuter, Felside; Mr. Adamson, Burnopfield; and Mr. Charlton, Burnopfield. The judges were—Mr. Moult, Ravensworth; Mr. Storey, Greencroft Park; and Mr. Atkinson, Winlaton. The Marley Hill Brass Band was in attendance. In the evening a ball was held.

Local Police Courts.

CONSETT PETTY SESSIONS.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—FIRST COURT.—Before A. TOWN, Esq. (chairman) and JAS. ANNANDALE, Esq.

AN INEBRIATED HORSEMAN.

Edward Jackson, of Consett, groom, was summoned for having been drunk on the 3rd inst. Sergt. Trimmer said he was on Monday last about ten o'clock at night, and saw defendant riding on a horse. He was drunk, and after getting a few yards past witness, fell off. As defendant did not ap pear, a fine of 10s. and costs was imposed.

HIGHWAY ACT.

William Powell, labourer, Blackfine, who was represented by his wife, was charged by P.C. Gant with allowing a pony to stray on the highway. The offic er said the pony was grazing by the side of the road near Bridge Hill Farm. He had, he said, previously cautioned the defendant about allowing the animal to stray. A fine of 2s. 6d. and costs was inflicted.

OBSTRUCTING THE FOOTPATH.

Bernard McElhone, miner, Leadgate, was summoned for obstructing the footpath at Leadgate, on the 3rd August. P.C. Finn proved the charge. Defendant and others on the footpath about eight o'clock in the evening. He ordered them away, but about a quarter-of-an-hour after defendant was again obstructing the footpath by standing thereon. —Fined 1s. and costs.

REFUSING TO QUIT AT MEDOMSLEY.

Robert Waggett, miner, Leadgate, was summoned for refusing to quit the licensed premises of Mr. Robinson, at Medomsley. The evidence of Police-constable Cumming was to the effect that on the 3rd August defendant was drunk in Robinson's house, and after being ejected, doubled up his shirt sleeves, and wanted to fight the constable. Defendant, who did not appear, was fined 10s. and costs.

PERMITTING DRUNKENNESS AT FLINT HILL.

Richard Charlton, shopkeeper, Flint Hill, was summoned for a contravention of his license by permitting drunkenness on his premises. Mr. John Patrick, jun., Bishop Auckland, defended. P.C. Longstaff said on the night of the 27th of last month, about a quarter to eleven, he was on duty between Mountsett and Flint Hill, and on getting near to defendant's house at the latter place he heard a disturbance. On going into the bar he found a man named Coulson sitting asleep. He called the landlord's attention to him, and Charlton ordered him out, remarking that he (defendant) was not aware that the man was there. He next visited the tap-room, where he found a man named Joseph Hutchinson having with beer in front of him. Hutchinson was creating a disturbance, and was ejected by the landlord. After the house was closed, Charlton asked witness if he would go in and have a glass, but he refused, saying that he was much obliged all the same. Charlton then said he hoped he would hear no more about the case, but witness told him he should report it to the sergeant. Defendant wished to give him a coin, which was, however, refused by witness.—By the bench: There were several men in the tap-room worse for drink. Some one was playing a concertina.—Cross-examined by Mr. Patrick: I had Coulson and Hutchinson summoned here for drunkenness a fortnight ago. I did not on that occasion tell the magistrates that Charlton asked me to have something to drink. I did not tell them that he offered me money. The landlord did not tell me that Coulson was tired and that he had fallen asleep in consequence. There were other people in the bar besides Coulson. A man in the bar asked me to have a glass before the landlord did. Last fortnight, I did not say that Coulson walked quite straight after he left the house.—Mr. Patrick (reading from the *Consett Guardian:)* Did you say "he recled about when he first came out, but after getting on he steadied himself a little, and better"?—P.C. Longstaff: Yes. I did not see Hutchinson go into Charlton's house. I saw him take some drink. Patrick said the defendant did not say a word about that in his examination in chief.—P.C. Longstaff said he did.—Mr. Patrick remarked that he was quite sure the officer did not.—P.C. Longstaff, in answer to Mr. Patrick, said he had been stationed at Tantobie six months, and this was the first complaint he had had to make about Charlton.—Mr. Patrick, for the defence, said the man Coulson was not drunk. He went there, and while waiting for a friend fell asleep. With regard to Hutchinson, he had just gone in before the officer entered, and was not supplied with drink.—Richard Charlton, the defendant, was called. He said he had occupied the house at Flint Hill since last December. On the night in question Coulson came into his house at a quarter of twenty minutes past nine. He sat down in the bar. He said he was tired, and told defendant about going to work at four o'clock that morning. He had, he said, walked to his work from Tanfield to Tanfield Lea, and after working his shift had gone home and dressed himself and walked to Lintz Green, where he took the four o'clock train to Newcastle. He returned by the half-past seven train from Newcastle and called at defendant's house on his way home. He had two half-glasses of whiskey in defendant's house. When the officer entered, Coulson was sitting asleep. Hutchinson entered the kitchen about a quarter to eleven. Defendant was present when he came in. He was drunk, and in attempting to sit down missed the seat and fell on the floor. Defendant got hold of him to put him on a chair, and he fell off by the seat when the officer went in. Hutchinson was turned out immediately afterwards. When the policeman went into the kitchen he told defendant that Coulson was sitting asleep in the bar. Defendant left Hutchinson, and as he went towards the bar he met Coulson, who was in the act of leaving the house. Coulson had a drowsy look, but was not nearly asleep.—Cross-examined by P.C. Longstaff: Coulson told me that night about working hard that day and being tired. I am positive that I told him coming out of the bar. It is true that I went into the bar and shook Coulson by the shoulder and told him the policeman was there. I am not aware that Coulson went to you three days afterwards and wished to make the case up. Hutchinson was not disorderly when you came in. When you entered, I had hold of him. It is true that Hutchinson commenced to abuse you. It is a fact that you told me that Coulson was asleep and I then left Hutchinson, who was abusing you. I cannot say why I left a disorderly man in the kitchen, to go to a man who was asleep. It is not true that I asked you to have a glass. You did not tell me that you would report the case to the sergeant. I did not offer you a coin.—Edward Lamoth, a miner living at Flint Hill, said he was in Charlton's house on the night of the 27th July. He did not see Coulson, but remembered seeing Hutchinson come into the kitchen. He was drunk. Defendant had hold of him by the coat collar, and ordered him to leave. Hutchinson said he would like to sit down a few minutes, but Charlton said he was to go out. Hutchinson sat down near witness. Five minutes afterwards the policeman came in. Hutchinson had no beer before him then, and had not been supplied with any by the landlord. Some beer, belonging to other men, was on an opposite table. While Hutchinson was in the house, before the policeman went in, Charlton was urging him to go out. He had hold of Hutchinson's collar when Longstaff went in. As soon as Longstaff went into the room, he asked the landlord to put Hutchinson out. Witness did not hear the constable say anything about Coulson.—The Chairman: Did you see a man lying down in the house?—Witness: No.—Mr. Patrick: You were not in the bar?—Witness: No.—Cross-examined by P.C. Longstaff: I am not aware that Hutchinson was drunk six hours before that, and that a man gave him 3d. to get rid of his company. I did not see the landlord leave Hutchinson to go and put Coulson out. The landlord put Hutchinson straight out when you came in.—Richard Holmes said he was a miner living at Dipton. On the night in question he was in Charlton's house with the last witness. He remembered Hutchinson entering the kitchen. He was in the act of sitting down when he missed the seat. The landlord then entered the room and told him to leave the house. Witness knew nothing about Coulson.—Cross-examined by P.C. Longstaff: I went into Charlton's between nine and ten o'clock. I had about three gills of ale that night. Hutchinson was quiet when he first came in, but was a little abusive to you. He did not tell you that he would drink what he had called for in spite of your teeth. He did not drink any beer before the landlord came into the room.—This being the whole of the evidence, the Chairman said they had decided to fine defendant 20s. and costs, but the license would not be endorsed.

ASSAULT IN A FIT.

John Dixon, miner, Derwent Cottages, was summoned for an assault on John Coomb, on the 2nd August. The evidence showed that complainant had lately been on the sick-list of a lodge. Defendant, it was alleged, had informed one of the officials that complainant had been going about with a perambulator, and this gave rise to the assault complained of. Complainant now said that on the date named he met defendant in the colliery, and told him he was a "dirty snot" for trying to get this money kept off him. Dixon then struck him a couple of blows with his fist.—A lad named James Bainbridge was called, and bore out complainant's statement as to the assault. In answer to defendant, the lad said it was not true that he had told him (defendant), in the presence of two persons, that complainant had put his hand on him and called him a "snotty ——."—Defendant said a bomb took hold of him and used the expression named. Defendant then gave him a couple of shoves, but did not strike.—He was fined 2s. 6d. and costs.

ALLEGED ASSAULT AT CONSETT.

Margaret Connelly, of Consett, married woman, was charged with assaulting Bridget Clark. Complainant said on the 3rd inst., about six o'clock in the evening, she was passing defendant's door, where defendant, her husband, and another woman and her husband were standing, when Mrs. Connelly and the other woman rushed at her and pulled her hair. She called her daughter, who supported this statement. The defendant, she said, had accused her (complainant) of telling the police about her (defendant) keeping a "spake-aisey."—Defendant called a witness named Daniel Kane, who said he and Mrs. Connelly were standing talking to Mrs. Connelly and her husband when Mrs. Clark came up and walked right between them, throwing up her arms and hitting witness on the breast as she did so. Mrs. Connelly pulled witness and his wife into her house, and Mrs. Clark afterwards began to throw stones at the door.—The Chairman said the case was dismissed.

ASSAULT AT CONSETT POLICE COURT.

Mary Ann Hobday was charged with assaulting Margaret Lister. Complainant said a fortnight that day she attended the Police Court. About two o'clock she was in the Court-yard when defendant pulled her hat off, broke her comb, pulled her hair, and struck her.—Defendant said complainant pelted stones at her and used bad language before the (defendant) interfered with her. Defendant then struck her, and complainant returned the blow.—P.C. Cumming was called, and deposed to seeing the defendant attack the young woman twice, about ten minutes elapsing between the first and second assault.—Defendant was fined 2s. 6d. and costs, and in default of payment she was sent to prison for seven days.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A CHILD AT DERWENT COTTAGES.

Ellen Edgar, married woman, Derwent Cottages, was charged with an assault on Mary Jane Blair, a little girl, eight years of age, who said Mrs. Edgar threw her down amongst some stones and struck her.—Mrs. Edgar said the girl took a hair-band belonging to her little girl, and on being taxed with it she called defendant an "old ——." She picked the stone up, and defendant simply took it out of her hand, this being all she did.—The case was dismissed.

ASSAULT AT SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

William Rooney, labourer, Shotley Bridge, was summoned by Thomas Lingford for assaulting him. Complainant said, a week past Saturday night defendant met him in Wood Street and struck him a blow on the eye.—Defendant, in defence, said complainant previously used had language to him, and Sunday-school teachers, by a teacher of the church, Thomas Shaw, son of Mr. W. Raw, architect. The address, beautifully framed, read as follows:—"Presented to Mrs. Lock, by the teachers of the Blackhill Wesleyan Sunday-school, on the occasion of her leaving the Shotley Bridge circuit. Kiberg, her husband, the Rev. Samuel Lock, has been labouring for three years), as a token of well-merited love, and in acknowledgment of their services and interest in the welfare of the above school. Our earnest desire and prayer is that the blessing of the Almighty may rest upon her future labours." Mrs. Rukin, senior female teacher, made the presentation, and spoke of Mrs. Lock's providential coming amongst them at a time of pressing need, and how she had constantly devoted herself to the interests of the school, taking the humblest place as cheerfully as the highest, laying the school under lasting obligations to her. Mrs. Rukin was followed by several teachers—Messrs. M. Walton, W. Shimmin, J. Muir, and T. Rukin, who testified to the debt of gratitude which the school owed to Mrs. Lock. Both recipients suitably replied. Mr. James Peck, who had "grown" in the school, was then presented with the Bible and Wesley's hymns, beautifully bound in one volume, as a mark of affection and acknowledgment of services rendered as schoolsecretary. Mr. Pope, junior superintendent, made the presentation on behalf of the teachers, and Mr. Dent, in acknowledging the gift, spoke thankfully of his connection with the school in both the old and new premises. Mr. Shimmin and other teachers spoke of the good their school had accomplished, and referred to several "old" scholars who are now very useful in the church in various places. A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Thomas Raw for so ably and kindly executing the address presented to Mrs. Lock, and a vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.

WEARDALE AND SHILDON WATERWORKS COMPANY.

On Tuesday, in accordance with the repeatedly expressed desire of many of the shareholders of the Weardale and Shildon Waterworks Company, the directors and shareholders had an excursion to the two large reservoirs which practically form the works of the company, at Waskerley and Tunstall. A special train of first-class carriges was arranged for from Crook, and fully one hundred ladies and gentlemen proceeded to Black Cabin, which is a short walk from the Waskerley Reservoir. This huge receptacle covers an area of sixty-three acres, and has been in full working order for a considerable period. Here the party spent a lengthened time in inspecting the reservoir and its charming surroundings, and only one opinion was expressed as to the perfect fitness of every portion of the work. At one o'clock the party re-entered their carriages and train and proceeded to Backstone Bank, where a large marquee was erected and a sumptuous luncheon in readiness. Agreeably to the tastes of all the guests, formal toasts and speech-making was not indulged in.—The Chairman of the company (Mr. Henry Pease) welcomed the guests, and assured them that the directors were pleased to have a re-union of the character they were having, and he hoped enjoying. He made a few allusions to the prosperity of the company, and expressed a fervent hope that prosperous times might return ere long, as the supplying powers of the company were almost unlimited, whilst at present the demands upon them were unfortunately very limited. He invited the guests to walk on to the Tunstall Reservoir, which although less in area, was capable of holding more water. The two reservoirs were able to store one thousand million gallons of water, the quality of which he had never heard anyone presume to question as to purity. The Deputy-Chairman (Mr. David Dale) followed, and made a touching allusion to Mr. Wm. Bouch, who was one of the initiators of the company, and, who died but recently. Mr. Hawksley, the company's engineer-in-chief, was present, and in response to reiterated calls from the guests, congratulated them on their prospects of earning solid and lasting dividends. The members of the party then proceeded to inspect the Tunstall Reservoir, which is almost completed, and for strength and completness was considered most satisfactory. This inspected, the party remounted the hill to the railway station, and returned by ordinary train homewards, very tired, but well pleased and satisfied with a happy and enjoyable day's outing.

PRESENTATIONS AT BLACKHILL.

On Saturday, an interesting meeting, preceded by a coffee supper in the school-room, was held in the Wesleyan Chapel, Blackhill. The teachers of the Sunday-school and the members of the Consett and Blackhill Young Men's Wesleyan Association met to do honour to three friends who are leaving the locality. Mr. W. Hogg, superintendent of the school, ably presided. The Young Men's class presented their president and teacher, the Rev. Samuel Lock, who is removing to Basingwold, with a token of esteem and thankfulness, in the form of Dr. Pope's Compendium of Theology in three volumes. From this Theological class, which has existed only three years, several local preachers have sprung, three of whom have been accepted by the Wesleyan Conference for the work of the ministry—one for English work and two for foreign work. The two latter were present at this interesting gathering, and one of them, Mr. Wm. Goudie, jun., Consett, made the presentation on behalf of the class. He spoke of the esteem in which their teacher was held by the young men, of their thankful appreciation of his services during his three years' residence, and how his admirable method of teaching had secured to the class an amount of valuable knowledge, especially as to the foundations of the faith, which would be of lasting service. Messrs. Mark Noble (secretary of the Association), and Jos. Muir, both local preachers, and Mr. M. J. Elliott, foreign missionary student, of Richmond College, Surrey, confirmed and added to these remarks, testifying to Mr. Lock's self-sacrificing devotion to the interests of those who availed themselves of his valuable aid, and how his thoughtful care over them stimulated attention and thought on their part and consequently resulted in greater benefit. At the same time and place Mrs. Lock was presented with an address, tastefully executed, on behalf of the Sunday-school teachers, by a teacher of the church, Thomas Shaw, son of Mr. W. Raw, architect. The address, beautifully framed, read as follows:—"Presented to Mrs. Lock, by the teachers of the Blackhill Wesleyan Sunday-school, on the occasion of her leaving the Shotley Bridge circuit. Kiberg, her husband, the Rev. Samuel Lock, has been labouring for three years), as a token of well-merited love, and in acknowledgment of their services and interest in the welfare of the above school. Our earnest desire and prayer is that the blessing of the Almighty may rest upon her future labours." Mrs. Rukin, senior female teacher, made the presentation, and spoke of Mrs. Lock's providential coming amongst them at a time of pressing need, and how she had constantly devoted herself to the interests of the school, taking the humblest place as cheerfully as the highest, laying the school under lasting obligations to her. Mrs. Rukin was followed by several teachers—Messrs. M. Walton, W. Shimmin, J. Muir, and T. Rukin, who testified to the debt of gratitude which the school owed to Mrs. Lock. Both recipients suitably replied. Mr. James Peck, who had "grown" in the school, was then presented with the Bible and Wesley's hymns, beautifully bound in one volume, as a mark of affection and acknowledgment of services rendered as schoolsecretary. Mr. Pope, junior superintendent, made the presentation on behalf of the teachers, and Mr. Dent, in acknowledging the gift, spoke thankfully of his connection with the school in both the old and new premises. Mr. Shimmin and other teachers spoke of the good their school had accomplished, and referred to several "old" scholars who are now very useful in the church in various places. A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Thomas Raw for so ably and kindly executing the address presented to Mrs. Lock, and a vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.

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LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

Mrs. Garrett Anderson, M.D., has made so bold a stand on behalf of female medical practitioners and their rights of equal facilities, in the pursuit of an honourable profession, that some of her supporters are arranging to issue, in pamphlet form, the address she delivered before the British Medical Association at Bath.

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It was announced some time ago that Mr. Dixon intended to visit Cyprus. He is going further afield than that. He is off to Asia Minor and is going to report on the work of the Palestine Exploration Society. His idea is that he will have an opportunity of discovering exactly what relations we ought to have with the new protected peoples. I may say that he is one of the few literary Liberals who, with Mr. Swinburne at their head, supported the Government in their recent policy.

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There is much comment in commercial circles upon the decrease of the exports from Great Britain to the United States, and the great increase of the American export trade. The figures of the last fiscal year show an excess of 92½ millions of dollars in the exports from the States, and a diminution of 74½ millions in the imports. It is expected that one result of this will be an early and large demand for gold for America, which may materially affect the rate of discount. Last year the requirements of America were met by means of United States Five-Twenty Bonds, but these, I understand, have all been absorbed, and nothing but our gold will now satisfy Uncle Sam.

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It has been proposed to hold a complimentary banquet in honour of Dr. Erasmus Wilson, who has expended over £10,000 in bring Cleopatra's Needle from Egypt and setting it up on the Thames Embankment. The most eminent representatives of literature, art, and science, and especially of engineering, were to be invited to the banquet, and it was to have had an international character. I am informed this interesting celebration is to be postponed indefinitely, as the munificent gentleman who has given this unique monument to the nation is unwilling to be the object of any public ceremonial. This modesty is eminently honourable to Dr. Wilson, but some of his admirers are unwilling to receive his declinature as final, and the proposal will be revived when the fixing of the monolith is completed.

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The exodus from town has been most complete. While Parliament dragged its weary length along there were some people to be seen in Pall Mall and a few stray carriages might be met in the Park, but even these have departed now. One might almost think oneself in some deserted city of the East, were it not for the country folk and foreigners who for some strange reason always make their presence felt when everybody else goes away. London is emphatically empty, yet to discover the fact you have to walk out of the business thoroughfares or try to meet someone who is likely to know anything of the drift of public affairs. The moment you do one or the other of these you discover how it is that the world of fashion, of letters, and, therefore, of politics, takes its annual rest as well as any other world.

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Roman Catholic priests are fond of poking fun at Cardinal Manning because, they say, he has the advantage over them in having been the recipient of one more Sacrament than themselves. He has gone through matrimony, so that he has benefited by six Sacraments, whilst they stopped short at five, each alike awaiting Extreme Unction. Then the Cardinal will have exhausted the list. Bishop Maclagan seems determined to do even more in the Anglican Communion. He has been well to the front lately, and now he is coming forward again in a much more interesting position—namely, as an episcopal bridegroom. He is to be married to the Hon. Miss Barrington, being now a widower. Sydney Smith laughed when somebody told him a bishop was going to get married. "Nonsense," he said: "how can a bishop get married? How can he flirt? He can only say—I will see you in the vestry after service.

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It was stated the other day, upon what was described as good financial authority, that every parliamentary division cost £300 to the country. This rather startling announcement would probably not have been made had its author known that in the present session of Parliament there were taken no fewer than 278 divisions. This would have made the total for the year £83,500. Had the computation been correct, the Irish Sunday Closing Bill alone would have cost the country £13,000, for there were 43 divisions upon it. On the New Bishops there were nine divisions; on the Factories Bill, 13; on Irish Intermediate Education, 10; seven on the Queen's Universities; and 15 on the Mutiny Bill. Perhaps somebody with a genius for calculation will discover somebody who voted in every division, and calculate exactly how many miles he must have walked in the course of the session.

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It is gratifying to find that the scheme for sending artisan reporters to the Paris Exhibition has not been entirely a dead letter. Two more towns, Bristol and Sheffield, have resolved to send such reporters to represent various trades, and very favourable results may be anticipated from the adoption of such a course. It is highly desirable that English workmen should learn as much as possible respecting the manufactures of the world, and understand in what respects the same classes of goods as those in which they themselves are engaged are superior or inferior to those produced on the Continent. It is a matter for regret that the movement for sending these reporters has not been more generally adopted, but there is still time for towns which have not yet supported the movement to adopt a course which can hardly fail to be attended with good results.

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Preparation is being made at the head-quarters of both political parties for a very ardent autumnal campaign, quite independently of any possibility of a general election. The attacks which were made upon the Ministry in the House of Commons are to be repeated with ten-fold vigour in the country, and as of course attack necessitates defence, an elaborate preparation has to be made of speeches on the Ministerial side. The recess is at present hardly sufficiently advanced for the preparations to have assumed any definite shape, so that I am unable just now to say where, when, or by whom the attack will be opened. It will, I understand, depend a good deal on circumstances whether we shall hear any speeches from the Premier before the Guildhall banquet in November; but Lord Hartington and Mr. Forster are already booked for several engagements, while Sir Stafford Northcote and Mr. Cross will not be long before they make their voices heard.

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Chelsea is foremost in seeking to put an end to the reign of gas. The vestry sent out their surveyor to see the working of the electric light in Paris. After stating clearly the practical difficulties occasioned by the vast space which has to be covered, and comparing the expense of the two systems of lighting, the surveyor clearly says that he thinks the electric light will be the light of the future, but doubts whether the time is yet ripe for its adoption in streets. He thus sums up its advantages:—About one and a half hour's daily consumption is saved in consequence of instantaneous lighting and extinguishing; the light is vastly superior to gas, and is not injurious; there is an absence of noxious smells both in the production and combustion; the heat in a room, so often unbearable in the case of gas, is scarcely felt; the most delicate colours are preserved; air is not consumed as in the case of gas; there is no chance whatever of explosion; and, although the light is so powerful in the streets, no accidents to horses have occurred. "After a careful consideration of the whole question," he adds, "I am of opinion that at present the electric light is not suitable for street lighting in the metropolis; that it is suitable and can be utilised with splendid effect in large squares and places, such as Trafalgar Square and Parliament Square; but although in each of these places at the present time the lamps are numerous, the cost would be greater than gas." There is something appropriate in Sir Charles Dilke's parish being the first to attempt a change in the old-fashioned system of lighting by gas.

The *Rock* says that a revised Book of Common Prayer will probably be ready for publication in a few weeks.

Mr. Moody being about to take a rest from his revival labours, Mr. Sankey will in October next pay another visit to this country on his own account.

Mr. James Martin, one of the senior partners in the banking firm of Martin and Co., Lombard Street, died at his residence at Chislehurst on Saturday night.

The Royal Albert Yacht Club Cup, value £100, has been won by the yawl Florinda, the Aids being second.

The appointment is gazetted of John Douglas, Esq., C.M., the Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements, to be Colonial Secretary and Lieutenant-Governor of Ceylon.

Friday night's *London Gazette* contains an order in Council, dated the 14th inst., rescinding the prohibitions on the exportation of torpedoes, torpedo-boats, and apparatus appertaining thereto.

The number of public Acts passed in the late session, commencing on January 17 and ending on August 16, was 79. In the previous session, which began in February and ended on August 14, the number was 69.

Thomas Carroll, the once famous jockey, who has been twice sent to prison for being drunk and begging in Brighton, has been sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour by the Lowes magistrates for a similar offence.

The Right Rev. Alfred Ollivant, D.D., the Bishop of Llandaff, completed his 80th year on Friday, having been born at Manchester on the 16th August, 1798. Dr. Ollivant was consecrated Bishop of Llandaff in 1849, and is the oldest prelate on the bench.

The other morning, William Plumridge, one of the station inspectors at Farnborough Station, on the South-Western Railway, was knocked down by an express train, while crossing the line, and killed on the spot.

An infant son of a labourer at Potton, in Bedfordshire, named Pebworth, has died, it is alleged, from the administration of a cordial, and the Home Secretary has directed the analysis of the stomach and its contents.

The Education Department has expressed an opinion that the refusal of admittance of pupils to elementary schools should always be conducted by the managers of the school, and it is not a power which should be delegated to a teacher.

The *Athenæum* says that the successor of Mr. Winter Jones at the Museum will not be Mr. Newton. There is, the *Athenæum* believes, no truth whatever in the rumour which has appeared in the daily papers that Lord Acton will accept the post.

In view of the complaints made respecting the alleged unprotected state of the City of London in case of fire, a deputation appointed by the Commissioners of Sewers has visited Manchester and Liverpool, in order to test the action of the hydrants in those cities.

The Treasury have undertaken to conduct the prosecution of John Holt and Elizabeth Ohlsen, who have been committed for trial at Liverpool on a charge of perjury, alleged to have been committed during the hearing of the local "spiritualistic" divorce suit.

The Breithorn, in the Monte Rosa chain, was ascended from the Matterjoch, on August 9, by a party of six, including three ladies and a boy, John Gooch, only twelve years old. The Val Tournanche and Zermatt guides say he is the youngest person who has ever made this ascent.

The Orleans and the Portsmouth coaches have been taken off the roads, and the horses were sold at Tattersall's on Monday, and on Saturday the Windsor coach ran its last journey of the season. The London and Brighton coach will continue upon the road until the middle of next month.

Richard Johnson has been killed, by falling down the shaft of the Burlington Pit, at the Park Mines, near Dalton-in-Furness. A new rope had been affixed to the cage in the morning, and it is supposed had twisted, and the bolt escaping the cage fell with him. He leaves a wife and family.

While there come from the great American cities complaints that many thousands of working men cannot find employment at any price, the farmers of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota, are offering two dollars and a half a day to reapers, and yet cannot procure labourers enough to fill the demand.

The boiler of two steam reaping machines has exploded at Cesson, Cotes du Nord, and six persons were literally cut to pieces, while four others were injured. The accident is attributed to the safety-valve being wedged up, as is frequently done for the sake of saving fuel by preventing the escape of steam.

Frightful mortality reigns at Granada. Whole families are being swept away by fever. The white population is hopeless, and reduced to 200 souls either by flight or death. The fever rages without abatement at New Orleans, and is increasing at Memphis and Vicksburg. The weather is unfavourable.

On Sunday, the Rev. Morris Hughes, rector of Pentraeth, Anglesea, the oldest beneficed clergyman in Wales, and possibly in the United Kingdom, died, aged ninety-six. He was ordained in 1811, and continued in the discharge of his duties until a very short time before his death.

Parisian beggars (says the *Examiner*) have become so audacious since the Exhibition that one of the fraternity, the other day, on receiving from a benevolent stranger a bad half-franc by mistake, threatened to hand the donor over to the police if the coin was not immediately changed.

M. Naudet, the author of a "History of Etienne Marcel, and formerly Professor of Latin at the College de France has just died, aged ninety-one. He is believed to have been the oldest member of the Institute. A French Hebraist, the Abbé Auguste Latouche, has also just died, at the age of ninety-five.

The *Glasgow Herald* says that the term of office of Mr. Forster, M.P., as Lord Rector of the University of Aberdeen, coming to an end at the beginning of next session, a meeting of the students has been held, at which the name of the Earl of Aberdeen was very favourably received. That of Lord Rosebery has also been mentioned.

According to American papers, Mr. W. S. O'Brien, the late California millionaire, seems to have been very solicitous about his posthumous comfort. He built a masoleum for himself thirty-two feet by twenty-two feet, and seventeen feet in height. In the centre is a chapel twelve feet square, and underneath is a vault with tesselated pavements, containing twelve niches. The whole is built of California stone—granite and black marble.

Three months ago a man, named William Fish, was convicted on a charge of stealing thirty-one billiard balls from a tavern in Blackfriars Road, London, and sentenced to six months' imprisonment. A number of working men, who were convinced of Fish's innocence, drew up a memorial setting forth the facts, and having brought the case under the notice of Mr. Cross, he has, after investigation, forwarded her Majesty's pardon to the prisoner.

Mr. Henry Pyatt, the young English basso, who has made his mark at the Monday Popular Concerts and elsewere during the last twelve months, has been engaged by Mr. Mapleson as principal basso of his Italian Opera Company far America, and will return to England next spring to play the principal bass parts at her Majesty's Theatre during the regular Italian Opera season. Her Majesty's Opera Company is fortunate in having obtained so valuable a recruit.

MYSTERIOUS POISONING.

The inquest on the bodies of Robert Whiteside, Gardener and his two children, which has been four times adjourned, was concluded on Tuesday at Longbridge, near Preston. As a relative had purchased rat poison previous to the deaths, suspicions were entertained, and the bodies exhumed. No traces of poison were found, but the jury returned a verdict that Robert Whiteside died from strychnine, how administered there was no evidence to show; that the child Peter died in convulsions, how caused there was no evidence; and that the child John died suddenly, but how caused there was also no evidence.

A SWIM FOR LIBERTY.

On Monday afternoon a policeman on duty near the Priory, Penwortham, near Preston, saw a man named Thomas Johnson stealing fruit from an orchard and stuffing it inside his blouse. On observing the constable he dashed through the hedge and ran down a lane, closely followed by the officer. Running across some fields he came to the bank of the river Ribble, and, being hard pressed, leaped in. Although he was burdened with a quantity of apples and other fruit, wore clogs, and was clothed with heavy materials, he managed to swim across. The police did not follow, but called to a number of people on the other bank, and immediately Johnson gained the other side he was seized. His pursuers then came round by Penwortham Bridge and took him into custody.

CAPTURE OF A SLAVE DHOW.

A private letter received from her Majesty's ship London, dated Zanzibar, July 27, says:—"The only excitement we have had was on Saturday, the 6th. A dowh was suspected of having some slaves on board, so a watch was kept on her, and as soon as she was under weigh the whaleboat of the London went in chase. But a stern chase proved a long one, and our boat experienced it; for, after chasing some time, the dhow gained so much that our boat was obliged to give up and return to the ship. But on the 6th the steam pinnace captured a dhow of 146 tons, with ten female and two boy slaves on board. Everything went against her, for one of the passengers asserted that as soon as our boat was sighted the captain jumped overboard and was drowned. The case was entered in the Consular Court, and the dhow condemned."

INHUMAN TREATMENT OF A LUNATIC.

Last week the Carmarthenshire police visited a farm-house at Cloddie. Upon going upstairs they found the door of a room locked, and on forcing it open they saw lying down in a corner a man in a perfectly nude state. The window was open, and the man was shivering with cold. The unfortunate fellow had been thoroughly neglected, as various parts of his body were covered with filth, to which stuck some of the straw which was sparsely littered over the floor. There was no furniture in the room except a broken-down bedstead, which had been so placed as to lessen the size of the room and prevent the inmate extending his movements. When the officers first entered the room they found the man chewing straw. He was 44 years of age, and had been confined as a lunatic within the room for five years. The case was heard at Llangarran, and an order was made for the removal of the man to Carmarthenshire Asylum.

HEROISM IN MID-OCEAN.

The *Montreal Star* of August 6 says:—"From passengers who arrived by the Allen steamship Moravian, on her last voyage from Liverpool, we learn of a dreadful catastrophe being averted by the heroism and disregard of their lives on the part of the first officer, Mr. Thompson, and the boatswain, Mr. George Sinclair. The vessel left on Thursday, the 25th ultimo, when all went well until the night of Sunday, 28th, or morning of 29th, when the boatswain referred to and the sailmaker, Robert Morris, discovered smoke issuing from the forehold. The chief officer, being on watch, set to work at once and got the tarpaulins taken off, when a volume of fire and smoke, with a sickening smell presented itself. The hose being got ready, Sincliar was the first to volunteer to go below, regardless of the imminent danger, to direct the water on the burning compartment. He was not long down when he had to be dragged to the top, almost dead from suffocation. His place was immediately taken by Mr. Thompson, the first officer, who gallantly stood his ground until he was overcome also by the gases that had been generated. The engines were kept going, and water was poured down without cessation until the fire was got under control. So admirable was the decipline among the crew that everything was done without confusion or disorder, and the cabin passengers all the time were quietly sleeping in their berths, unconscious of being in such imminent peril of their lives. The steerage and intermediate passengers were aroused, the fire being close to their quarters. The fire was discovered between three and four o'clock a.m., but it is thought it had been smouldering from the time the ship left port the Thursday previous. It originated in one of the compartments in the lower hold among woollen goods. A quantity of the burning bales were thrown overboard, and the forehold was deluged with water. The captain and officers and crew acted throughout in a most praiseworthy manner, and the crew especially are entitled to the very highest reward for their courage and discipline. The passengers passed resolutions of thanks to the captain, and acknowled the brave services of all under him."

A FEARFUL HAILSTORM.

As the account of the enormous size and force of the hailstones that did so much damage at Futegurh on the 13th April last has attracted much attention from men of science (says the *Times of India*), the following extract from a memorandum by the executive engineer of the Agra division on the subject may be interesting. The memorandum is dated June 5, 1878. The executive engineer reports, in reply to enquiries from the superintending engineer, "that the whole of the corrugated iron roofs of buildings at the gun-carriage factory at Futegurh have now been repaired. No new sheets were required, but small pieces of five or six inches square were soldered on to the old sheets with a solution of zinc and muriatic acid. If the superintending engineer still wishes it, two or three pieces will be cut out, as directed, and sent to him. The piece with the large hole reported by the executive engineer as four inches in diameter was taken to England by Captain Mackenzie, R.A., the superintendent of the gun carriage factory, who proceeded on leave just after the occurrence of the storm. He has been written to and asked to return it, but although it looked quite four inches as reported when up in the roof with daylight showing through it, the executive engineer believes when taken down and measured it did not exceed 3 or 3½ in. A piece of sheet has already been sent to the Inspector-General of Military Works, in accordance with his telegram of the 23rd ultimo, with a hole in it of over 2 in., but none of the holes in the building, although daylight was distinctly visible in 25 places, were anything like as large as the one in the sheet taken away. The executive engineer is unable to give any actual proof that the hole was made by a hailstorm beyond the fact that a hailstorm occurred of the most unusual violence, after which the hole was found in the roof of the building A. The iron machinery shop and the sheeting were in a perfect good order before, only having been put up about 18 months ago; and being the highest building in that part of the fort nothing could have fallen on it except the hail. The chief civil and military officers in the station agreed in describing the stones as being as large as a man's two fists put together. A cowherd in the European infantry lines was reported to have been killed, and one of the soldiers received a very bad cut on the back of his head. The nearest building to the iron machinery shop is a foundry, built a short time ago by the factory authorities and roofed with Allahabad-pattern tiles. At least three-fourths of these tiles must have been broken, while in the European infantry lines, where several of the subsidiary buildings are roofted with small country tiles, there was hardly a single tile left.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

A shocking attempted murder occurred late on Friday night at Longsight, Manchester. A labourer named Woodcock attacked a woman named Jones, with whom he lived, in such a savage manner that she now lies in a precarious condition. The weapons he used were an axe, and afterwards a knife, and when the woman was rescued by the police her body was one mass of bruises, and she was covered with blood. The prisoner was brought up on Saturday morning, and remanded until Friday next.

ALARMING FIRE IN CARDIFF.—SIX HOUSES BURNT.

A fire, which ended in the total destruction of six houses, broke out on Sunday afternoon at Dudley Street, Bute Docks, Cardiff. The premises at the corner were occupied by a Mr. William Long, painter and paper-hanger. These premises were closed on Saturday night, but about two o'clock on Sunday afternoon smoke was seen issuing from the shutters, and in a short time flames burst through. There was a large store of oils, paint, turpentine, and paper, and the whole premises were in a few minutes a mass of flames. The fire then extended to the adjoining houses one after the other, the flames running along the roof and extending downwards so rapidly that the occupants had only time to remove small portions of their furniture. In two hours one side of a short street was destroyed, the external walls only of some of the houses remaining. The damage to house property is considerable, and many poor families will also suffer severely. They have all found temporary shelter in the houses of residents in the locality. The orgin of the fire is unknown.

A REPORTER'S ELYSIUM.

An American reporter, who has been staying at the Grand Union Hotel, at Saratoga, sends to his paper a glowing account of the delights of that charming establishment. Among its many charms is the presence of 600 civilised Americans, "some to the manner born and some with manners gleaned," a splendid ball-room, magnificent billiard saloons, and last, but not least, "a free luncheon at all hours," its only drawback being the prevailing style of hair-dressing among the ladies, which goes by the name of the "Saratoga spit twist." As for the reporter, however, he is happy in spite of the spit twists. "If I was rich," he says, "I would go to bed when I pleased and get up when I pleased. Servants, completely trained, should obey my slightest wishes; I would summon them by a touch and dismiss them with a nod. Flowers, trees, and fountains should surround me. Moreover, I would have about me whatever society I desired, or be at liberty any moment to retire into seclusion. I would ride in the most splendid carriages, drive the handsomest horses, and make love to the most charming woman in the world;" and all this he believes he could do at Saratoga if his employers would only raise his salary.

COLONIAL SERVANTGALISM.

Melbourne (says the London correspondent of the *Liverpool Mercury*) ought to be a good place for servant girls, to judge from the latest story of servantgalism that we have thence. A lady in one of its suburbs advertised for domestic aid, was answered by a young and pretty maid with unexceptional reference, a pleasing manner, and a willing disposition. The lady was glad enough to get her. "But I have always had a whole day's leave every fortnight," the young girl remarked, "and an evening a week besides." "You shall not be deprived of them," was the reply. "And this is a very lonely place, ma'am," the girl rejoined, "and I could not come home by myself: would the master mind coming for me?" There was a struggle in the lady's mind, but a good servant is not to be picked up every day, and she consented. And now the wretched master has to refuse all invitations for two nights in one week, and one night in the other, that he may faithfully fulfil the duties which the head of his household has thrust upon him. To this we in the country shall come to at last.

A BURNING DERELICT: TERRIBLE FATE OF THE CREW.

A despatch received at Liverpool from the Mauritius that the British Consul at Tamatave, Madagascar, reports the stranding at Satassifontre (St. Mary), on the north coast of that island, of the burnt-out hull of the iron ship Glenericht. The vessel drove ashore on the night of the 13th May, and upon examination it was found that the hull was still in good condition, and three new anchors, some cable, and an iron mast were intact. A shocking sight presented itself, however, upon further investigation. The cook was found lying in his galley dead, with marks of burning upon his body, while in a cabin lay the body of the captain, and in the forecastle the bodies of a number of the crew. All were dead. The despatch does not give further details, but enquiries at Liverpool show that after the outbreak of the fire on the Glenericht the crew escaped and reached Singapore. It is therefore supposed that the bodies found on board must have been those of a prize crew, which was put on her from a vessel which came across the burning vessel. The Glenericht was laden with coal, and at the time of the fire, which occurred in November last, was bound from Liverpool to an East Indian port. She was abandoned on the 29th of November, and thus was drifting about the ocean for six months before stranding. She was owned in Liverpool by Messrs. L. H. Macintyre and Co.

EXCITING ENCOUNTER WITH BURGLARS.

At the Ilford Petty Sessions on Saturday, Joseph Baker, 30, painter, of Brompton, was charged with being concerned with another man named George Kitchen, in burglariously breaking into the dwelling-house of Marsden, of 1, Barclay Villas, Barclay Road, Legtonstone, and stealing therefrom a quantity of jewellery, and 18s. in money. Kitchen, who had been shot, and was in the hospital, was stated to be too ill to attend.—The evidence went to show that on the previous Sunday evening, about nine o'clock, a neighbour observed lights in prosecutor's house, and knowing that Mr. Marsden and his family were away from home, an alarm was raised by Mr. Castle, who lived opposite, and who with a number of other persons surrounded the house and lay in wait for the burglars, who were plainly heard walking about inside from room to room. Upon being finally heard in the back kitchen some one called out to them that they had better surrender as they were surrounded, and would be fired at if they attempted to escape. Upon making a rush out of the back kitchen window, someone fired at them, and Kitchen was shot, being directly afterwards knocked down and held upon the ground, when he stated that he was running after the thieves. Baker succeeded in getting away at the back, but was subsequently taken into custody, his hat having blown off, and being afterwards found in a back garden. Kitchen, who had been dangerously wounded, was taken to the hospital, where he still remained.—The case was remanded.

Lieutenant Gladstone, of the British navy, son of ex-Premier Gladstone, is at Ottawa, Ontario.

Disease has made its appearance in some of the potato crops in the Doncaster district.

M. Henri van Laun is preparing a history of "Literary Refugees in England."

Oidium has attacked the Rioja vineyards in Spain, and a serious diminution of the crop is feared.

The owner of a flour store in Limerick, named Hefferman, has been crushed to death by the fall of a number of sacks.

The grain crops in Maine are reported to be very promising, but the potato bug is active in some parts of the State.

The new gold coinage in Finland has just been issued. There are two pieces worth 20f. and 10f. The mint is at Helsingfors.

New Haven, Conn., has a telephone company, which has put up over 400 telephones and forty miles of wire during the last six months.

The Swiss Society for the proportionate representation of all electors has offered a prize for the best essay on the advantages and feasibility of the idea.

SHOCKING MURDER IN IRELAND.

A shocking murder has been discovered near Emly, in the county of Limerick. The body of a woman, named Hayes, was found with the head almost severed from the neck. Deceased returned from America a year ago, to take possession of a plot of ground left by her father. To do so she had to evict her sister and brother-in-law, who were in possession. Since then a strange feeling against her has prevailed in the district. It is supposed the woman was murdered on Saturday night. Her brother-in-law, sister, and family have been arrested on suspicion.

THE EXECUTION OF HOEDEL.

Hoedel, who, on May 11, attempted the life of the German Emperor, was on Friday morning executed by decapitation. Berlin is much moved by the event. A correspondent at Berlin says:—On Thursday evening Hoedel was brought to the Moabite Prison, and shortly after his admittance a priest was introduced into to his cell. The minister of religion used every persuasive means to exhort Hoedel to repentance; but the prisoner scarcely heeded the proffered offers of ministrations. The good man continued to exhort until at length Hoedel informed him that he was perfectly resigned to his fate, and determined to play his part out to the end. Soon after the departure of the priest, supper was laid before Hoedel. He ate but sparingly, though with a show of appetite. He filled out a glass of red wine, and filling it to the brim, held it aloft and exclaimed, "Long live the Commune! I remain an infidel even at this hour." At an early hour on Friday morning the priest again visited the prisoner, and redoubled his exhortations; but Hoedel was obdurate. At six o'clock the prisoner was led out of his cell to the place of execution on the Schulhof. Judge Hoelman and about forty officials were present. The Judge read aloud the sentence of death, and added that the Crown Prince had decided that the law and justice must take its course. During the reading of his death warrant, Hoedel was perfectly unmoved. His face wore a deadly ashy paleness, but he retained a perfect *sang froid*. The headsman Windhig conducted the preparations for the decapitation. Hoedel was dressed in the same clothes which he wore on May 11, the day upon which he attempted the assassination of the Emperor. Four assistants conducted him to the block. They divested him first of his coat and vest, and then tore his shirt at the back and turned it downwards in folds in order to bare his neck. Hoedel retained his immobility. He knelt down at the side of the block and, unmoved, allowed the assistant to fix his head firmly down. Then the assistants held his arms and legs tightly. The headsman brought down the axe, and in a moment the head of Hoedel was cleanly severed from the trunk. The body slightly quivered, but Hoedel, even when held by the arms and legs, exhibited no twitching. The body and head were immediately placed in a shell, and were hurried off and buried somewhere within the precincts of the prison.

AN ACTRESS'S "ADVENTURE".

Mdlle. Augusta Sohlke, the danseuse, who made her first appearance in America in *The Devil's Auction*, and was subsequently one of the shining lights of *The Black Crook*, has been having an adventure. She has abandoned the glories of Terpsichore for the more prosaic employment of keeping a boarding-house, and one day last week, having discharged her servant, was engaged in making the bed of one of her boarders. She was alone in the house, but this fact did not make her feel nervous, and she was spreading a sheet as daintily as ever she cut a pirouette when, turning round, she was confronted by two ill-favoured looking men, bearing all the appearance of tramps. They threw her on the bed, stripped her of all her clothing, outraged her, beat her with ropes, stole three diamond rings, fastened a handkerchief around her throat with which to strangle her, plunged her in the bath tub, and then left her more dead than alive. When she recovered consciousness she rushed, as naked as Lady Godiva, to the street door, and, hailing a passing iceman, sent him for a policeman. It is a very thrilling story, but the funny part of it all is that when she was examined by physicians there was not a bruise upon her body, and no evidence of a struggle in the room. The conclusion is that the whole thing was a case of hysterical mania, a complaint which is becoming somewhat common here of late. Only recently a young woman was found in the house of a friend, in one of the small towns on the Hudson River, lying nude upon the hall floor, and she, too, had this same story of tramps having surprised and stripped her, whereas, it has been pretty conclusively proved she was suffering from mania, and did the stripping herself. *La Belle* Sohlke, who has lost much of her old-time airiness, and is now a buxom and substantial beauty, evidently wished to emulate the example of the young woman up the Hudson.—*Era.*

The Marquis of Lorne, who is an old and distinguished student of the University of St. Andrews, has contributed £100 to the fund of the new association for its better endowment and extension.

A slip has occurred in a sandpit on Shoaling Common, near Southampton, burying two labourers, named Stone and Turner. Both were killed.

A farmer, named Leary, was killed on Saturday in a dispute with another man at Clonakilty, having been struck on the head with a stone.

Nothing more has been heard of the comet supposed to have been discovered by Mr. Swift, in America, on July 7, and there would seem to have been some mistake about it.

The Earl of Rosebery has remitted 10 per cent. of the rents due from his tenants last year, in consequence of the succession of recent bad agricultural years.

Colonel Rustoff, a German refugee naturalized in Switzerland, a writer on military questions, and formerly chief of Garibaldi's staff, has shot himself at Berne.

The wife of a labourer, named Holland, employed at the Bicester gasworks, gave birth to three daughters. Both mother and children are doing well.

A farmer's son, near Northallerton, in Yoskshire, was killed by lightning on Friday, while working a reaping machine. Two other persons were injured at the same tine.

Five hundred men of the North British Railway, at Edinburgh, struck work on Saturday, in consequence of the working hours being increased from 51 to 54 hours per week.

Spain and Portugal have established reciprocity in fishery rights.

The contract for the rebuilding of the Eddystone Lighthouse, which, when completed, will be the largest in this country, is not to exceed £67,000, and the work is to be completed in three years.

The grounds adjoining the home of Florence Nightingale, at Lea Hurst, were thrown open to the public on Saturday.

A new and somewhat eccentric sort of aquatic sport has been started upon the river Tyne—namely, paddling about in washtubs.

THERE is a story told of a fine old Cornish squire who only drank brandy on two occasions—when he had had goose for dinner and when he had not. In the same way the political person of eminence is expected to talk politics on two occasions only—when they are suitable and when they are not.

A YOUNG lady being addressed by a gentleman much older than herself, observed that the only objection she had to a union with him was the probability of his dying before her, and leaving her to the sorrows of widowhood. To which he made the apt and delicately complimentary reply: 'Blessed is the man who hath a virtuous wife, for the number of his days shall be doubled.'

A LITTLE fellow at whose home hens have been kept for but a few weeks visited a neighbour's to find a playmate, when he was informed that his young friend was suffering from the chicken-pox. The lady of the house, in tones of curiosity and solicitude, asked the little fellow if they had the chicken-pox over at his house. 'No,' replied the youngster gravely, 'we haven't had our hens long enough yet'

Business Announcements.

ENGLISH AND MILBURN'S
GREAT
SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE
WILL
COMMENCE ON FRIDAY, AUG. 16TH, AND WILL CONTINUE TILL SATURDAY, AUG. 31ST.

The Goods in every Department Reduced during the Sale.

ENGLISH AND MILBURN,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRAPERS,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT, AND FRONT STREET, DIPTON.

CHEAP GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

JAMES LAKE,
13, FRONT STREET, CONSETT,

HAS much pleasure in informing his Customers and the Public generally that he is determined to Sell his GOODS at the lowest possible Cash Prices these Hard Times.

GROCERIES.			
Good Sugar	2½d. per lb.	Currants	3d. to 4d. per lb.
White do.	3d. "	Raisins	4d. to 6d. "
Lump do.	3½d. "	PROVISIONS.	
Fine Tea	1s. 6d. "	Butter	6d. to 1s. 2d. "
Indian Tea (Pure)	2s. "	Pure Lard	6d. "
Finest Imported	3s. 6d. "	Bacon	4d. to 6d. "
Coffees, from	1s. to 1s. 4d. "	Ham	6d. to 7d. "
Soaps (Pale and Mottled)	3d. to 4d. "	Cheese	6d. to 8d. "
Soda	2½d. per quarter st.	Flour, Potatoes, &c., at Lowest Market Prices.	

J. L. will clear out a large quantity of JAMS, &c., at a very Low Price, to make room for the New. He would call the special attention of the Public to the PURE INDIAN TEA at 2s. per lb.

☞ ORDERS WILL RECEIVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

Observe the only Address—
13, FRONT STREET, CONSETT. 162m

ARTIFICIAL TEETH.

IT is FIVE Years since Mr. MARKHAM'S first attendance at Consett, and during that time he has Re-modelled and made to Fit the Mouth 218 Sets and partial Sets of Artificial Teeth, which have been obtained from unskilled pretenders to Dentistry, who seek to give no satisfaction but to get money, not caring whether the Teeth Fit or not. Sufficient testimony can be given by some of those patients, who would not scruple to make answer for the manner in which they have been imposed upon.

ARTIFICIAL TEETH FROM 5s.; OR FULL SETS FROM £2 10s.

Attendance every Monday, from eleven until Three o'clock, at the Surgery, Mount Pleasant, Consett, and at 40, Northumberland Street, Newcastle, where Mr. W. MARKHAM has been established 47 Years. 125k

MARBLE CHIMNEY PIECES. KITCHEN RANGES.
REGISTER, GILL, HALL, AND SHOP STOVES.
GAS COOKERS, HEARTH TILES, &c.

DINNING AND COOKE, HOT WATER ENGINEERS,
91, 93, AND 95, PERCY STREET, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE. 689h

MARTELL'S
Fine Old BROWN BRANDY, Vintage 1856, 22 Years Old, 50 under
without any addition of Water, 33s. per dozen, or 2s. 9d. per Bottle
AT
RICHARD MURRAY'S
Spirit Stores:—Benfieldside, Consett, Leazes, Annfield Plain, Blackhall Mill, and Spennymoor. 142m

JOSEPH MURRAY,
GROCER, TEA DEALER, PROVISION AND FLOUR MERCHANT,
CONSETT.

Is now Selling every Article in the above Trade very low. Note the undermentioned Prices:—

Good Flour, 1s. 10d. per st.; 36s. per sack of 20st.
Best Flour, 2s. per st.; 39s. per sack of 20st.
Best Wheatmeal, 1s. 10d. per st.
Best Boxings, 1s. per st.; 11s. 6d. per sack of 12st.
Horse Corn, 17s. per sack of 12st.
Bran, 6s. 6d. per sack of 8st.
Best Red Potatoes, 9d. per st.
Shoulders of Bacon, about 14lb. weight, 4d. per lb.
Hams, about 14lb. weight, 6½d. per lb.
Bacon, from 4d. per lb.; Best, only 6d. per lb.
Pure Lard, 7d. per lb.
Butter, 10d., 1s., and 1s. 2d. per lb.
American Cheese, 8d. per lb.
Cheshire Cheese, 9d. per lb.
Roast Beef, 2lb. Tins, 1s. per Tin.

Pickles, Sauces, Jams, Jellies, Salmon, and Lobster. Good assortment of Confectionery, Biscuits, and other Goods, suitable for small Shops, supplied at Wholesale Prices.

Teas, best value, at 1s. 6d., 2s., 2s. 6d. and 3s. per lb.
Fine Indian, only 3s. 6d. per lb.
Fine Coffee, 1s. per lb.; best, 1s. 4d. per lb.
Fine Sugar, 2½d. and 3d. per lb.
Loaf Sugar Tablets, 4d. per lb.
Rice, good, 2d. per lb.; best, 3d. per lb.
No advance in Twist Tobaccos.
Soaps, Pale, 3d.; Mottled, 3½d. and 4d. per lb.
Currants, 4d. per lb.
Raisins 4d. per lb.
Sago, Large and Small, 4d per lb.
Pot Barley, 2s. per st.
Teas, Split. White, and Green.
Sinclair's Golden Rod still 3d. per oz.

Brushes, Baskets, Tins, Pans, and Ware of every kind Cheap.

COUNTRY ORDERS PUNCTUALLY ATTENDED TO. GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.

Note the Address—
JOSEPH MURRAY,
16, MIDDLE STREET CONSETT. 51m

MRS. COCKBURN'S
REGISTER OFFICE FOR SERVANTS,
FRONT STREET, CONSETT. 502k

J. BATES,
HOUSE CARPENTER, JOINER, UNDERTAKER, HARDWAREMAN,
HARVEY STREET, CONSETT. 675t

JOSEPH HOWARD,
CONSETT,
AUCTIONEER, VALUER, ARBITRATOR, ACCOUNTANT, SHAREBROKER, AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

ALL kinds of Insurances effected. Immediate Cash payment for General Stocks and Household Furniture. Debts collected. Money advanced on approved security. 323m

PLUMBING AND GASFITTING.

ELIZABETH SMITH,
PLUMBER AND GASFITTER,
SHERBURN TERRACE, CONSETT,

BEGS to inform the Public that she intends carrying on the above Business, and hopes by prompt attention to orders, combined with reasonable charges, to merit a share of public patronage and support.
Consett, July, 26th, 1878.

DONALD BAIN,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
DRESS AND DRAPERY WAREHOUSEMAN
126, WEST GATE ROAD (Opposite Tyne Theatre),
NEWCASTLE.

SHIRT FACTORY: 2, BATH LANE.

BEGINNERS in the trade supplied with any length or quantity at Glasgow and Manchester prices. Tailors, Dressmakers, Clothing Clubs, Dorcas Societies, and Charitable Institutions, supplied at Glasgow and Manchester prices.
Retail Buyers will always find Bain's the best establishment for cheap purchases.
Suits made to order cheap. 299m

A. AND E. WALTON,
FRONT STREET, CONSETT,

RESPECTFULLY intimate to the Public of Consett and Neighbourhood that they have OPENED the SHOP, 4, Front Street, Consett, as MILLINERS and DRESSMAKERS.

MESSRS. J. PULLAR and SONS (Dyers to the Queen), Perth, beg to inform the Public of Consett and District that Messrs. ENGLISH and MILBURN having resigned their agency for Consett, they have appointed Mrs. SUTTERS, of Rose Mount. All orders entrusted to her care will receive prompt attention.

BOTTLED ALE AND PORTER STORES AND LEMONADE AND SODA WATER MANUFACTORY,
DELVES LANE, CONSETT.

THE Trade and Public of Consett and District are informed that the Old Established Business, heretofore conducted by GEORGE YOUNG, will, on and after May 13th, be carried on under the style or firm of YOUNG and ELEDON, by whom all Orders will be punctually attended to.

All Aerated Waters will be sent out in Codd's Patent Globe Stoppered Bottles. 21m

IMPROVED
CONCRETE FLOORING.
JOHN DOVE & CO.,
35, CLOSE, NEWCASTLE.
ESTABLISHED 1854.

BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, and others supplied with any quantity of PORTLAND and other CEMENTS, PLASTER, HAIR, LATHS, LATH NAILS, &c.
CONCRETE FLOORING executed in all its Branches. Cement ridging.
OFFICE AND WAREHOUSE, 35, CLOSE.

Business Announcements.

CROWDED OUT DAILY
AT
JOHN POTTS',
DRAPER,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT.

J. P. begs to inform his numerous Customers that his DRAPERY STOCK, which amounts to upwards of £5,000, will be Sold equally as Cheap as the Bankrupt Stock of Messrs. M. J. and E. PEARSON, of the Felling, to carry on the Great Sale which has given so much satisfaction to the Public since it commenced.

The remainder of the BANKRUPT STOCK will be Cleared Out at the same time.

The Shop will be Opened for business every Morning at 9:30; Close punctually at 12 a.m.; and be Re-opened at 1 o'clock.

Call early to procure the great Bargains.

JOHN POTTS,
DRAPER, CLOTHIER, &c.,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT. 364m

GEORGE ATKINSON,
BOOKSELLER, STATIONER, NEWSAGENT, BOOKBINDER, AND GENERAL DEALER,
SHAKESPEARE STREET, CONSETT (NEAR TOWN HALL).

DAILY and Weekly Newspapers Delivered to Order. Pictures Framed. Scraps for Screens. *Belfast Examiner and Weekly News* every Friday and Saturday. Walker and Sons' Sunday-school, Temperance, and other Reciters kept in Stock. 830k

MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT.

M. TUCKER,
PORK BUTCHER,

RESPECTFULLY intimates to the Public of Consett and Neighbourhood that he has OPENED the Shop next door to Mr. WHITTAKER'S, Middle Street, Consett, with a large supply of Fine Dairy-fed PORK, SAVLOYS, genuine SAUSAGE, POLONIES, coloured BRAWNS, and everything else in the Trade. Every Article Guaranteed First-class.
A trial solicited. 244m

BENSON'S WATCHES. Watch and Clock Maker to the Queen and Royal Family, and by special appointment to the Prince of Wales and Emperor of Russia. Old Bond Street and (Steam Factory) Ludgate Hill, London.

BENSON'S WATCHES of every description, suitable for all climates, from £2 to 200 guineas. Chronographs, Chronometers, Keyless, Levers, Presentation, Repeaters, Railway Guards, Soldiers, and Workmen's Watches of extra strength.

BENSON'S ARTISTIC ENGLISH CLOCKS, decorated with Wedgwood and other wares, designed to suit any style of architecture or furniture; also, as novelties for presents. Made solely by Benson. From £5 5s.

BENSON'S PAMPHLET ON TURRET CLOCKS, Watches, Clocks, Plate, and Jewellery, Illustrated, sent post free each for two stamps. Watches sent safe by post. Benson's new work, "Time and Timetellers," 2s. 6d.

Public Notices.

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!! for the LEADGATE FLOWER SHOW on the 14th of September next. 371m

LOOK OUT for DIPTON FLOWER SHOW, on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Prizes for Cricketing, Footracing, and Quoit Playing. A Grand BALL in the Evening. POULTRY SHOW on October 12th, 1878. For Particulars, see Bills. 348m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

GRAND BALL in the Town Hall, in the Evening after the Flower Show, August 24th, 1878, commencing at Half-past Seven.
Mr. TELFORD, M.C. 351m

DERWENT ANGLING ASSOCIATION.

A REWARD OF FIVE POUNDS will be paid to any Person who shall give information to lead to the Conviction of any Person Liming or Poisoning the waters deputed to the Association, or any Part thereof, by any other illegal means. By order of the Committee.

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

AFTERNOON EXCURSION TO TYNEMOUTH.

ON Saturday, the 24th August, 1878, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Benfieldside for Tynemouth at 1·40 p.m.

Third Class.

Fare there and back ..... 1s. 6d.

The Return Train will leave Tynemouth at 8·15 p.m. the same day.

For further particulars, see Special Bills.
Newcastle, August, 1878. 360m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Half-yearly General Meeting of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Green Street, Shotley Bridge, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of September, 1878, at Twelve o'clock at Noon.

The Report and Accounts for the past Half-year will be submitted to the Meeting, and a Dividend declared out of the Profits.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed Fourteen Days preceding the above date.—By order.

R. DICKINSON, Chairman.
M. RICHLEY, Secretary.
August 16th, 1878. 367m

CONSETT FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE Committee have much pleasure in informing their Patrons and the Public that their ANNUAL EXHIBITION of Plants, Flowers, Fruits, and Vegetables, will be held in the Reservoir Field, Consett (kindly granted at their disposal by Mr. J. ARMSTRONG), on Wednesday, September 4th, and, in making this announcement, they feel confident, offering as they do, many Valuable Prizes, the Show will surpass that of any former occasion.

As a Special Attraction this year, arrangements have been made for a Grand BAND CONTEST, which will take place in the Afternoon, commencing at Half-past Two o'clock. Prizes, amounting to about £20, will be awarded the successful Competitors.

There will be a BALL in the Evening, to begin at Nine o'clock. Mr. LOWTHER'S QUADRILLE BAND (Leader, Professor Woon), will be in attendance.

Admission—To Field and Show, from Two till Four, 1s.; after Four, 6d. Ball, 2s. 6d. per Couple; Single Tickets, Gentlemen, 1s. 6d.; Ladies, 1s.

Schedules of Prizes or any other information may be had on application to the Secretaries, J. MOON, Consetty Lane, Blackhill, and C. LUMLEY, Sherburn Terrace, Consett.

Public Notices.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Game on Lintz Hall Estate and Priestfield Lodge is strictly Preserved. Any Person Trespassing or Killing Game on these Estates will be Prosecuted according to Law.

NOTICE.

ANY Person or Persons found TRESPASSING or KILLING GAME upon Derwent Grange Farm, near Castleside, will be Prosecuted according to Law.
By order,
WILLIAM R. DICKINSON.
372g

NOTICE! NOTICE!!

ANY Person found Trespassing in pursuit of Game, gathering Mushrooms, Brambles, &c., on Middle Fields, Oliverford, Middles, Knitsley Grange, Allen Heads Lyerdeen, Rowley, Dean Houl, and Healeyfield Farms will be Prosecuted as the Law directs.
July, 1875. 713l

NOTICE.

ANY Person or Persons found Trespassing, or Killing Game on the Newlands Estate, or gathering Brambles, will be Prosecuted as the Law directs.—By order,
R. DICKINSON, Shotley Bridge.
374m

MEDOMSLEY FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE SIXTH EXHIBITION of PLANTS, FLOWERS, FRUITS, and VEGETABLES, will be held on Saturday, August 31st, 1878, in the Grounds of Medomsley Hall, Medomsley.

The LEADGATE SAX-HORN BAND will be in attendance.

A CONCERT will be held in the Templar's Hall in the Evening.

For particulars, see small Bills.
R. VEITCH, Secretary.
379m

CUT THIS OUT

And send it at once with 1s. 7d. in Stamps, and Directed Wrapper, to the MANAGER,

COURANT OFFICE,
HEXHAM,
NORTHUMBERLAND,

And in return you will receive an Oleograph Picture, the lowest worth at least

TWICE THE MONEY,
(or your money returned),

and presented with a Ticket entitling you to a chance in the Great Northern Fine Arts Distribution, to take place shortly, particulars of which will be enclosed with Ticket.

LANCHESTER FLOWER SHOW, BAND CONTEST, CRICKET MATCH, BALL, &c.

THE Twenty-eighth Annual EXHIBITION of the Lanchester Floral and Horticultural Society will be held at Lanchester, on Friday, August 30th, 1878.

EXTRA PRIZES.—Open to all—For the Best Six Stove or Greenhouse Plants, 25s.; for the Second do., 15s.; for the Third do., 7s 6d. Open to Children under Fifteen years—For the Best Basket or Collection of Wild Fruit and Wild Flowers, 5s.; for the Second do., 2s. 6d.

A BAND CONTEST will also take place in connection with the Flower Show, commencing at Two o'clock. First Prize (in Money), £7; Second do., £2; Third do., £1; Fourth do., 10s.

Mr. LOWTHER'S celebrated QUADRILLE BAND has been engaged for the Ball at Night. Dancing to commence at Half-past Eight o'clock.

Admission—Open to Holders of Subscribers' Tickets at One o'clock; to Non-subscribers, from Half-past One till Four, One Shilling; from Four till Half-past Six, Sixpence; Children under Twelve, Half-price. To Ball—Gentlemen, One Shilling and Sixpence; Ladies, One Shilling.

For Schedules of Prizes, Regulations of Contest, and other Particulars, apply to Messrs. T. DUNN and R. WALTON, Hon. Secs., Lanchester. 341m

THOMAS SKELTON, DECEASED.

PURSUANT to the Act of Parliament made and passed in the 22nd and 23rd Years of the Reign of her present Majesty, Chapter 35, intituled, "An Act to further amend the law of property, and to relieve Trustees," Notice is Hereby Given that all Creditors and other Persons having any Claims upon or against the Estate of THOMAS SKELTON, late of Front Street, Consett, in the Parish of Consett and Knitsley, in the County of Durham, Beerhouse-keeper and Tinner, deceased (who died at Front Street, Consett, aforesaid, on the Twentieth day of April, 1878), are hereby requested to send the particulars of their Debts or Claims upon or against the said Estate, with the nature of their Securities (if any), to JOHN WILKINSON DAVISON and GEORGE WADE, the Executors of the said Estate, at the Offices of WILLIAM DICKINSON, 9, Middle Street, Consett, aforesaid, on or before the 28th day of October, 1878, and Notice is Hereby also Given, that after the said 28th day of October, 1878, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said deceased among the Parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Debts and Claims of which the said Executors shall have notice. And that the said Executors will not be liable for the Assets, or any part thereof, so distributed, to any Person, or whose Debt or Claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

And Notice is Hereby also Given, that all Persons indebted to the Estate of the said THOMAS SKELTON, are required to pay the amount of their Debts to the said JOHN WILKINSON DAVISON and GEORGE WADE, the said Executors, without delay.

Dated this 9th day of August, 1878.
WILLIAM DICKINSON,
9, Middle Street, Consett,
Solicitor to the said Executors.
321m

Public Notices.

LOOK OUT for BEAMISH RED ROW FLOWER and VEGETABLE SHOW, to be held September 14th, 1878. 373m

LOOK OUT for Primitive Methodist GALA at Victoria Garesfield, One Mile from Lintz Green Station (beautiful neighbourhood), on Saturday, August 31st, 1878. 381m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE Committee of the above Society beg to announce that their TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL FLORAL and MUSICAL FESTIVAL will be held in the Shotley Spa Grounds, so redowned for their Romantic and Picturesque Beauty, on Saturday, August 24th, 1878.

☞ The Schedule of Prizes has again been considerably augmented, and it is expected that the display will equal if not exceed any previous year.

A GRAND MORNING CONCERT of Classical and Operatic Music, commencing at One o'clock, will be given by the Splendid Band of the 2ND WEST YORK LIGHT INFANTRY, under the direction of Mr. J. A. FENDER, and the celebrated SALTAIRE CHAMPION CONTEST BAND, winners of Ten First Prizes last year, viz., at Leeds, Carlisle, Bingley, Brighouse, Cleckheaton, Mirfield, Lofthouse, Windermere, Murton, and Chesterfield. Conductor, Mr. J. PALEY.

In the Evening, these Bands will perform a selection of the most popular Dance Music of the day.

RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.—Third-class Return Tickets will be issued from Newcastle, Durham, and intermediate Stations by the Trains leaving Newcastle at 5·45 a.m.; 7·10 a.m.; 9·40 a.m.; 12·20 p.m.; 2·30 p.m.; and 4·5 p.m.; and leaving Durham at 7·25 a.m.; 11·45 a.m.; and 3.45 p.m. The North-Eastern Railway Company have promised to provide additional accommodation by the ordinary Trains, and to run a Special Train from Shotley Bridge to Newcastle, leaving at 6·45 p.m.

☞ The Grounds and Exhibition will be Open to the Public at One o'clock. The Exhibition will close at Seven o'clock and the Grounds at Nine o'clock.

Admission—From One to Four o'clock, 1s. each; after Four o'clock, 6d. each. Children under Twelve Half-price.

First-class Refreshments will be provided on the Grounds by Messrs. WILSON BROS., Shotley Bridge.
366m R. HALL, Secretary.

Contracts.

TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are wanted for ADDITIONS and ALTERATIONS required at the King's Head Hotel, Lanchester.

Plans and Specifications may be seen, and other information obtained at Mr. J. MUSGROVE'S, King's Head Hotel, Lanchester, where Tenders must be sent not later than the 9th day of September, 1878.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

For Sale.

FOR SALE, a LITTER of YOUNG PIGS.—Apply to F. RAINE, Cutlers' Hall, Blackhill. 347m

FOR SALE, New and Second-hand CONVEYANCES of every description.—Apply to Mr. ADAM BRODIE, Auctioneer, Consett, or to JOHN BRODIE, Jun., Shotley Bridge. 811k

A MOOR CART, a PONY CAR, a DOG CART, PHETON, and a WAGGONETTE, very suitable for the Moors, for SALE, at Messrs. ATKINSON and PHILIPSON'S Northumberland Carriage Manufactory, 15, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. 332m

CARRIAGES FOR SALE.—A fashionable One-horse Landau, a light Brougham, and a Waggonette, with moveable seats at the back. Sent in for Sale, as the owner is leaving the neighbourhood.—May be seen at Messrs. ATKINSON and PHILIPSON'S, Northern Counties' Carriage Repository, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 259m

CANCELLED ORDER.—An elaborately carved Hearse, with angels, cherubs, &c., and three Mourning Coaches, for Sale. The whole are of modern design, and will be sold cheap.—Particulars sent on applying to ATKINSON and PHILIPSON, Carriage and Harness Manufacturers, 15, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 259m

Sales by Auction.

By Mr. J. Oley.

Derwent Hill House, Shotley Bridge.

MR. JOSEPH OLEY has been honoured with instructions from E. O. TREGELLES, Esq., who is leaving the above residence, to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the above place, on Monday, September 2nd, 1878, all his Valuable FARMING STOCK, SHEEP, FARM IMPLEMENTS, STEAM ENGINE, a Lot of BUILDING MATERIALS, &c., comprising 2 excellent Milk Cows, 1 newly Calved, and 1 in Calve; fine young Heifer, in Calf; 2 steer Stirks; 1 Heifer Calf; 14 Leicester Ewes; 20 Leicester Lambs; 11 Pat Leicester Gimmers; Horse Hay Rake; Horse Hay Tedder; Hay Sweep; Patent Corn and Bean Crusher; Hay Cutter; Sheep Rack and Trough; 4 Long and Short Ladders; Corn Bin; Half-bushel Measure; Cart Lift; Plough Gears; Stretcher and Chairs; Hay Rakes and Forks; Spades and Shovels; number of Bee Skeps; excellent Grindstone; small Steam Engine, 3-horse Power; Pair of Ridge stones for Mortar Mill and Shaft; large number of 6, 4, and 3in. Draining Pipes; lot of Glazed 4 and 6in. Draining Pipes; 90ft. of 2in. Metal Pipes; several Cwts. of Old Metal and Iron; lot of Strong Wire. The Building Materials comprise 2 Red-wood Planks, 13in. by 9in. by 4in., new; 400ft. of Coupling Joists; 50 Spars of different Lengths; 700ft. of Flooring Deals, 400ft. of Half-inch Deals; miscellaneous lot of Timber; small Fireplace of Dressed Stone; number of Flags; upwards of 300 House Red Pantiles; Joiners' Bench; 4 Window Sashes, with Glass; with numerous other Articles. Also, 30 Leicester Tup and Gimmer Lambs; 2 Stacks of Well-won Old Land Hay.

Sale to commence at One o'clock.

Derwent Hill House is situate about midway between Shotley Bridge and Ebchester Stations on the Derwent Valley Line.

N.B.—A Sale of the Furniture will take place in a few weeks. Due notice will be given. 363m

By Mr. A. Brodie.

Rowley Farm, near Castleside.

MR. ADAM BRODIE is instructed to LET BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, at Rowley Farm, near Castleside, on Wednesday, August 28th, 1878, at Three o'clock in the afternoon exactly, the Eatage of 20 Acres, or thereabouts, of Rich Old Grass Land Fog. 370m

8, Shambles-are Street, Consett.

Important Sale of Superior Men's, Women's, and Children's, Boots and Shoes.

MR. ADAM BRODIE, is instructed by Messrs SMITH AND BROWN, Boot and Shoe Manufacturers who are declining business, to SELL BY AUCTION, on the Premises, 8, Shakespeare Street, on Monday, August 26th, 1878, the whole of the Superior STOCK of Men's, Boys, and Children's BOOTS AND SHOES.

Sale at One o'clock in the Afternoon.

Particulars in bills. 370m

In Liquidation.

Victoria Sale-rooms, Consett.

Re W. J. STOCKER, 34, Dunnigate, Bolton, Lancashire, Draper.

MR. ADAM BRODIE is specially instructed by the Trustee to remove and SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION at the Victoria Sale-rooms, Consett, on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday Aug. 31, and Sept. 2 and 3, 1878, the first portion of the superior Stock of LINEN and WOOLLEN DRAPERY, amounting at cost or book-book prices to £1,900 or thereabouts, the whole of which will be sold without reserve.

Particulars of Sale in posters and handbills.

TO FARMERS, GRAZIERS, AND OWNERS OF LIVE STOCK.

MESSRS. HEDLEY and BRODIE, Agricultural Auctioneers and Live Stock Salesmen, Iveta Hall, Consett, are prepared to undertake the Sale by Auction, or otherwise of every description of Live Stock and Agricultural produce, and trust, by careful attention to all commissions with which they may be favoured, to merit the confidence of the Agriculturists of the District. Valuations for pro-bate. Insurances on Farming Stock effected through the London Insurance Corporation (Established 1720). 744h

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TO LET, at Sherburn Terrace, a HOUSE.—Apply to G. WADE, Butcher, Front Street, Consett.

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WM. HENRY RITSON.
Lanchester, August 22nd, 1878. 382m

COLLIERLEY SCHOOL BOARD, COUNTY OF DURHAM.
WANTED, for the above School Board, a Certificated MASTER. Salary, £100 per annum, with one-fourth of the Government grant. Master's house in course of erection. Also a Certificated MISTRESS. Salary, £80 per annum.
Candidates for the above to send applications, stating age, class of certificate, with recent testimonials, to me not later than Tuesday, the 3rd day of September next.
W. W. THOMPSON,
Clerk to the Board.
Lanchester, August 10th, 1878. 341m

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

NINEPENCE A WEEK.—Next week.

JOE HARRISON.—Commendable, but not up to publication point. Try again.

Local and District News.

LANCHESTER SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.—The usual monthly meeting of this committee was held at Lanchester on Tuesday sen. There were present—Rev. Canon Kearney (chairman), W. Jenkins, Esq., Revs. J. P. De Pledge, and F. Steggall, and Messrs. R. W. Shaw, G. G. T. Smith, and Thos. Siddell. The requisition of the ratepayers of Conside and Knitsley requesting the committee to form bye-laws respecting the attendance of children at school having been considered, it was decided to adopt bye-laws similar to those in force for the parish of Iveston, saving that the distance of a school from the residence of a child has to be two and-a-half miles before it is considered a reasonable excuse for non-attendance. It was ordered that the corresponding managers of all certified efficient schools in this district be informed that they have been deputed to fill in the first page of the child's school book when the registrar's certificate of birth is not forthcoming, and of the nature of the evidence of age that may be considered sufficient; a supply of forms for the managers to use when the declaration of the parent or guardian as to a child's age has to be taken was ordered to be provided. The attendance officer reported that he had visited 508 absentees since the last meeting, and thirty of the cases were returned for the consideration of the committee.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT WHITE-LE-HEAD COLLIERY.—On Monday, a coke drawer, named George Brown, was crushed by a fall of stone at this colliery, and lingered in great agony until Wednesday, when he died. The deceased leaves a widow and two children.

GREENCROFT SCHOOL BOARD.—The triennial election of the Greencroft School Board took place on Monday last; five members were required, and there were seven candidates. The following is the result of the voting:—R. Mitchinson, Catchgate, colliery manager, 386; H. Greener, South Pontop Colliery, colliery manager, 305; William Robson Dickinson, Priestfield Lodge, coal owner, 268; Vincent Ritson, Annfield Plain, candle manufacturer, 86; John Buckham, Lanchester, timber merchant, 55; David C. Balleny, Little Greencroft, gentleman, 19, and Edmund W. Balleny, Little Greencroft, landowner 11. The first five gentlemen were elected. Messrs. Buckham and Ritson are new members.

CONSETT PRIMITIVE METHODIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL.—On Saturday afternoon last, the children of the above school marched to a field, adjoining Carribees Farm, kindly placed at their disposal by the owner, where an excellent tea had been gratuitously provided for them by their teachers and few friends. A public tea, presided over by Misses Shell, Bowe, Harrison, and Hall, was also held on the green beneath the shade of the lovely trees which skirt the field. Slight showers of rain fell early in the afternoon, but later on the weather cleared up. A foot-ball was provided for the amusement of the boys, while the girls were provided with swings. The children returned to Consett at dusk, having thoroughly enjoyed their outing. On Sunday afternoon, a children's service was held in the Chapel, on which occasion select pieces were recited by several of the scholars. During the service, an address was delivered by the Rev. George Parkin, M.A., of Glasgow. In the evening, Mr. Parkin (who also conducted the morning service) delivered a sermon to a large congregation. The reverend gentleman preached from the words—"He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." (Proverbs xxviii, v. 13.) The preacher referred to the personal nature of sin, and after pointing out the impossibility of a sinful man being really happy, said the only way to obtain prosperity was by confessing and forsaking that which was wrong. At each service a number of sweet hymns were sung, Mr. Jones presiding at the harmonium.—On Monday evening, Mr. Parkin again preached in the Chapel, after which a coffee supper was held in the School-room. The services throughout were very successful.

LANCHESTER UNION.—The ordinary fortnightly meeting of the Guardians of the Lanchester Union was held at Lanchester, yesterday. There were present—Messrs. John Calvert (chairman), J. Collinson, G. Fletcher, John Annandale, W. H. Hedley, G. Hobson, N. Moffitt, E. Leybourne, Geo. G. Taylor Smith, H. Ritson, J. Wilkinson, T. Siddell, G. Walker, the Revs. Canon Kearney and J. P. DePledge, and W. Jenkins, Esq. From the treasurer's statement it appeared that he had a balance in hand of £2,808 2s. 1½d., and that the parishes of Billingside and Satley were in arrears with their payments. Mr. Proud, the vaccination officer for the Lanchester district, reported that the thirteen defaulters mentioned in his half-yearly statement had all promised to have their children vaccinated as soon as practicable, with the exception of two, who refused to do so. It was decided to apply for summonses against them. Designs for the proposed enlargement of the Workhouse have been submitted by Mr. W. L. Newcombe, Newcastle, Messrs. J. Smith and Son, Shotley Bridge, and Messrs. Ross and Lamb, Darlington. After considering the plans and estimates it was decided to invite Mr. Culley, the Local Government Inspector, to meet the Board a month hence, further consideration to be given to the matter in the meantime. The Clerk was ordered to advertise for a superior domestic servant to assist the matron and make herself generally useful, the wage to be £16 per annum. The Visiting Committee reported that they had gone over the Workhouse and had found all in good order. They recommended that a new fumigating stove be obtained, as the present one is too bad for repairing. Ordered that prices be obtained from two or three makers.

TANTOBIE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.—The anniversary of this society was celebrated on Saturday last, in the society's large room, over their place of business. The proceedings commenced with a public tea in the afternoon. The weather being fine there was a large number of members and friends to partake of the good things provided. The bread, which gave every satisfaction, was supplied by Mr. Luccock, of Chester-le-Street. The tables were attended to by Misses Hindmarch, Simpson, Davidson, Gedaland, Jackson, Reay, Taylor, Ryle, and Gay. The cloths having been removed, preparation was at once commenced for the holding of a public meeting. The room, capable of accommodating over 400 people, was crowded. The chair was occupied by the Rev. F. Archdall, Vicar of Tanfield, who, after briefly addressing the meeting on the purpose for which they were assembled, introduced Mr. Wm. Armstrong, secretary, to read the report, which showed that the gross profits for the year had been £1,501 14s. 11d., of which sum £1,417 0s. 8d. had been paid in dividends. Mr. Wm. Robinson, Shotley Bridge, next addressed the meeting. He congratulated the members on their position as one of the best, financially, in the North, and urged the members to buy all at their own store, and pointed out the advantages of allowing their dividends to accumulate. Mr. McKendrick, president of the Newcastle Society, then addressed the meeting. On rising he was accorded a most hearty reception, having attended their meetings for some years. He said man was made for higher purposes than to become a hoarder of wealth. He was possessed of a two-fold nature—the physical and the intellectual. The latter was infinitely more important than the former, and ought to receive more of his attention. At present there was in this country, in the midst of abundance of wealth, a perpetual struggle for subsistence going on, as some say, on account of the depression in trade. He contended this would never occur were it not for the terrible waste that takes place on account of the drinking customs of the country. It was computed that no less a sum than about £130,000,000 was spent in the purchase of intoxicating liquors per annum. If the grain used for manufacturing liquors was converted into bread, and the money wasted over drink used in the production of clothing, boots, shoes, furniture and better house accommodation, the struggle for existence would be diminished, and more time and attention would be devoted to the nobler objects of life. The speaker then went on to show that co-operators meet together for the purpose of making money, which had been accomplished by becoming their own shopkeepers, distributing their own goods, receiving their own profits, and thus accumulating wealth, and if wisely used in production, he could not see why we should not produce all our own requirements for the comforts and necessaries of life. Messrs. Parker and Company attended, and at intervals gave selections of both vocal and instrumental music. The usual votes of thanks brought the proceedings to a close.

FATAL FIGHT NEAR BURNHOPE.

Late on Friday night last, a fatal encounter took place between two men named Robert McCormick and John Tumilty, miners at Burnhope Colliery. The men, who are cousins, went to Try-'em-All public-house about eight o'clock, and sat drinking till ten, by which time both were considerably the worse for liquor. On their road home angry words passed between them as to which was the best man. They proceeded to settle the question with their fists, and after a few rounds Tumilty was knocked down by his opponent. As he made no attempt to rise, Tumilty was lifted up by a man named Laven, who had accompanied the men to the public-house at Try-'em-All, but he was unable to stand. Two men named Holt and Knowles shortly afterwards went up, and as Tumilty had the appearance of a dead man, one of them proceeded to Burnhope for the assistance of the police. P.C. Hawley subsequently had Tumilty removed to Burnopfield in a cart, where it was found he was dead, McCormick in the meantime being removed in custody to Lanchester.

THE INQUEST.—VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER.

On Monday afternoon, Mr. Coroner Graham held an inquest on the body of the deceased at the house of Mr. Lumley, Burnhope Colliery. The following evidence was adduced:—

James Laven, a miner at Burnhope Colliery, said on Friday evening, about eight o'clock, he and the prisoner and deceased went to the Try-'em-All public-house, about a mile from Burnhope Colliery. They were all sober at that time. Witness was not related to either party. They remained in the house till closing time (ten o'clock), and had about two quarts of beer each. When they left, McCormick had a pint of whiskey in a three-gill bottle and a gill of the same liquor in a pint bottle. None of the spirit was drunk on the road home. On getting to the White House Farm, on their way home, witness being at that time a little behind deceased and the prisoner, he heard them talking. McCormick said he was a better man than Tumilty, and the latter remarked that he was the better man. They took their coats and vests off, and began to square at each other. Before any blows were struck, witness went in between them and said to the prisoner "Jack, don't fight with your cousin." McCormick then said, "stand by, or I will hit you." Witness got out of the way, and the men began to fight. They fought with their fists for about five minutes, but he could not say where they hit each other. Tumilty fell down and McCormick fell on to the top of him. Witness went up, and McCormick got off the deceased. Witness tried to get deceased up, but could not. Tumilty never spoke, and seemed unable to move. McCormick then assisted witness to get deceased up, but they found he could not stand—he seemed to be insensible. A man named Henry Knowles then came up and they lifted deceased up and placed him near a wall, putting his shirt and vest on. P.C. Hawley afterwards came up and apprehended McCormick.

John Holt said he was a miner and lived at Burnhope Colliery. About half-past ten o'clock on the night in question witness and Henry Knowles were going on business to Try-'em-All. On reaching White House Farm he saw three men on the green. Tumilty was lying down, with his coat, vest, and shirt off. Laven was sitting beside him, McCormick standing up. Laven told McCormick that he (McCormick) had used the deceased shamefully. Laven was at that time trying to get deceased up, but he seemed to be insensible. Knowles also tried to get the deceased on to his feet. Both prisoner and deceased had their clothes off. Witness and Knowles proceeded to Try-'em-All, and on their return witness went and informed P.C. Hawley. He went back to White House Farm with the policeman, and found that deceased had been removed to a wall, but was in other respects in the same condition as he was in before witness went to Burnhope for the constable. McCormick and Laven were still there, and were under the influence of drink. When witness and Knowles first went up, they heard somebody quarrelling, but could not hear what was said. As they went towards the men, witness heard Tumilty give a loud moan.

Henry Knowles, greengrocer, Burnhope Colliery, said he knew Laven, McCormick, and the deceased. On the night in question witness was going towards Try-'em-All with the last witness, and on getting near White House Farm they heard two men quarrelling. On getting up to them they found Tumilty lying on the grass. He gave a groan or two. McCormick was stripped to his skin. Laven said to McCormick "You have behaved badly to Tumilty." Prisoner replied he was sorry if he had done so. McCormick wanted to fight Laven, but the latter would not. Holt and witness then went to Mr. Ridley's at Try-'em-All, and returned to White House Farm in ten or fifteen minutes. Laven was then sitting on the grass with Tumilty's head on his knees. Holt went for the police, and witness remained until P.C. Hawley arrived.

Police-constable Hawley, of Burnhope Colliery, said when he arrived at White House Farm deceased was lying on the ground. Laven and the prisoner were standing beside him. Witness asked them what was the matter with the deceased. Prisoner replied, "he is drunk; he has laid down." Witness tried to get deceased up, but could not, as he had no use of his legs. Witness proposed to get a cart to take deceased home, whereupon prisoner said "what is the use of bringing a cart; he will walk home himself, for he has spoken to me ten minutes since." Witness then charged prisoner with assaulting Tumilty, and said he would have to take him into custody. Prisoner replied, "he (deceased) struck me three times. I then gave him a shove, and he fell down." He also said, "what's the use of taking me? If I'm drunk you can summon me." Witness then took hold of prisoner for the purpose of putting the handcuffs on him, when he said he would not allow a —— like witness to do so. As he began to resist, witness asked a man named John Hepplewhite to assist him. On the way to Lanchester lock-up, prisoner made a bolt and ran away. Witness, however, again got hold of him, after running about 80yds. Further down the road, prisoner attempted to trip witness up. At two o'clock the following morning witness saw prisoner in the Police Station at Lanchester, and charged him with killing and slaying Tumilty by striking him. He replied, "God forbid killing and slaying. I never did. He was all right when you came up. It is just a case you have made up out of nowt."

Dr. Wilson, Lanchester, said about half-past one o'clock on Sunday afternoon he made a *post-mortem* on the body of the deceased, being assisted by Dr. Kirkland, of Hamsteels. He found no external marks whatever on the body. He examined the brain, which was perfectly healthy. The chest, heart, and bronchial tubes were also healthy, but the lower lobes of both lungs were slightly congested, not, however, from inflammation, but, as witness thought, from *post-mortem* changes. The bowels were healthy. The stomach contained a quantity of fluid. The liver, bladder, and kidneys were healthy. He found blood in the left side of the heart. There was no dislocation of the bone in the neck or fracture of bones of any kind. In the absence of any positive signs or appearances upon which to found a reliable opinion, he had some difficulty in making his mind up as to the cause of death, but taking into consideration that the right side of the heart was empty and the left side full, he believed deceased died from asthenia, or the want of contracting power in the muscular fibres of the heart to expel the blood from the heart, producing syncope. A blow on the chest would intensify the asthenia.

This being the whole of the evidence, the jury returned a verdict of manslaughter.

Prisoner was brought before the Lanchester magistrates on Wednesday, and remanded till Thursday next.

Cricket.

[The results of matches played on a Saturday ought to be posted in time to reach this office not later than Tuesday morning. Care ought to be taken to write both the christian and surnames of the players, and these should be written as legibly as possible.] Correspondents will please to write on one side of the paper only.

TANFIELD LEA v. MEDOMSLEY.

The return match between the above clubs was played at Tanfield on Monday, and resulted in a victory for the home team by one run. Appended is the score:—

MEDOMSLEY.	
G. E. Milburn, b Temple	3
S. Nattras, b Temple	0
J. Bell, b Temple	0
Wm. Bell, run out	1
J. Greener, b Temple	0
J. Noble, c Reay, b Temple	14
R. Beattie, c & b Temple	0
H. Williams, b Temple	17
P. Millburn, b Temple	7
J. Cockson, b Temple	3
T. Cookson, not out	0
Extras	9
Total	54

TANFIELD.	
G. Horner, c Milburn b Beattie	0
S. W. Smith, c and b Beattie	15
J. Laidler, b Beattie	7
E. Reay, c Milburn b Beattie	14
R. Atkinson, b Beattie	1
A. Temple, c and b Beattie	3
J. Dixon, b Williams	0
W. Taylor, b Beattie	2
D. Temple, c Cookson b Williams	1
T. Jewitt, run out	2
J. Curry, not out	2
Extras	8
Total	55

LANCHESTER JUNIORS v. IVESTON JUNIORS.

The above match was played on the ground of the former, and resulted in an easy victory for the home team by an inning and twenty-four runs. The batting of Messrs. Bell and Garthwaite for the Lanchester team, and Kirkup for Iveston, was excellent. Appended is the score:—

IVESTON.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
T. Suddis, c T. Gee	1	b T. Gee	1
J. Suddis, c J. R. Gee	1	run out	0
T. Simpson, b R. Gee	1	not out	3
J. Parker, b R. Gee	0	b T. Gee	6
J. W. Kirkup, b Garthwaite	0	c Bell	12
J. Hall, b Garthwaite	2	run out	1
R. Stokoe, b Garthwaite	0	c T. Gee	0
J. Stokoe, b Garthwaite	0	c Suddis	2
T. Hall, b R. Gee	2	b T. Gee	1
J. Moon, not out	1	c R. H. Gee	0
J. Hall, b R. Gee	0	b T. Gee	1
Extras	1		
Total	9	Total	27

LANCHESTER.	
A. Bone, b Parker	4
H. Hunter, b Parker	1
A. Brown, run out	4
R. H. Gee, b Parker	1
G. Garthwaite, b Parker	14
W. Henderson, b Parker	4
T. Gee, c Stokoe	3
J. R. Gee, c Stokoe	4
G. Bell, c Stokoe	15
R. Lovett, b Stokoe	6
J. Wilkinson, not out	4
Total	60

HAMSTERLEY v. FRIENDS (NEWCASTLE).

The return match of these clubs was played at Ebchester Flower Show, on Saturday. The Hamsterley team were the first to bat, and they sent in Messrs. Fenwick and Chaytor, who made a strong defence, and succeeded in running the score up to twenty-six before the first wicket fell. Billcliffe then took the bat, and the score had reached sixty-three when he was disposed of. A change of bowlers then took place, and the wickets fell more rapidly. Fenwick was cleverly caught and bowled by Anthony, after playing a splendid inning for thirty. The total had reached eighty-eight when the last wicket fell. The visitors then took the bat, but, owing to the destructive bowling of Messrs. Horrocks and Waters, they were all disposed of for seventeen. The fielding of the home team was excellent, not so much as one extra being obtained by the visitors. Appended is the score:—

HAMSTERLEY.	
J. Fenwick, c and b W. Anthony	30
R. Chaytor, b Anthony	8
T. Billcliffe c Anthony, b Dalby	7
J. Holdon, b Dalby	0
G. Emmerson, thrn out Kennedy	2
Rev. J. Horrocks, b Dalby	0
A. Henderson, c Thompson, b Scott	7
T. Anderson, run out	0
A. Waters, c Kennedy, b Scott	0
W. Waters, c and b Scott	0
M. Goodwin, not out	0
Extras	34
Total	88

FRIENDS.	
C. Dalby, c and b Horrocks	0
S. Kennedy, b Waters	2
W. Scott, b Waters	6
W. Anthony, b Horrocks	0
J. Hunter, b Horrocks	1
J. Snaith, run out	1
J. Anthony, c Billcliffe, b Horrocks	0
W. Thompson, b Waters	5
A. Elliott, run out	0
J. Stewart, c Holdon, b Horrocks	2
W. Dodd, not out	0
Total	17

TANFIELD LEA v. SHIELD ROW.

This match was played on Saturday, on the ground of the latter, and resulted in an easy victory for the Shield Row team. Appended is the score:—

TANFIELD LEA.	
J. Estle, b Frazer	0
W. T. Brown, run out	5
J. Robson, c Richardson	1
J. Nicholson, run out	0
M. Snowdon, b Frazer	5
R. Fawcett, run out	6
J. McDonald, run out	1
J. Taylor, run out	0
H. Rocket, b Frazer	0
T. Harvey, b Richardson	4
T. Robson, not out	2
Extras	4
Total	28

SHIELD ROW.	
Mackey, c McDonald, b Fawcett	1
J. Richardson, not out	16
W. Hughes, c Brown, b Fawcett	1
G. Hoggarth, c and b Robson	1
G. Armstrong, not out	9
E. Hughes, to bat	
A. Frazer „	
T. Adamson „	
W. Anderson „	
H. Wilson „	
T. Williamson „	
Extras	5
Total	33

BURNOPFIELD v. BRUNSWICK.

A match was played on Saturday last at Burnopfield flower show between the above clubs, for a cricket bat, which was given by the flower show committee. The weather, which was showery during the early part of the afternoon, afterwards cleared up, and play was proceeded with. The fielding on both sides was excellent. The batting was only moderate, owing, in a great measure, no doubt, to the excellent bowling which was displayed by both sides. The home team took the bat first, but had to give way before the bowling of Mr. Watson, Messrs. Cuthbertson and Potts being the only ones who could make a stand, and the game looked very promising for the visitors. When the home team were disposed of the score stood at 43. The visitors then took the "willow" against the bowling of Messrs. Stobbs and Cuthbertson, who were quite up to their usual good form, none of their opponents being able to make either a score or a stand against them, and almost every over either a wicket was taken, or it was a maiden over, and the visitors were quickly disposed of, after making their score up to 15, thus leaving the Burnopfield team the victors by 28 runs. Appended is the score:—

BURNOPFIELD.	
R. Nevin, c Poulton	2
G. Stobbs, b Watson	2
G. Cooper, b Watson	4
A. Dewar, b Watson	0
R. Davis, c Muir, b Watson	0
R. Armstrong, b Hall	2
G. Davis, run out	1
J. Nevin, run out	1
J. H. Cuthbertson	14
J. Potts, l b w	5
R. Minto, not out	1
Extras	11
Total	43

BRUNSWICK.	
S. Watson, c and b Cuthbertson	1
A. Poulton, b Stobbs	1
G. Hall, b Cuthbertson	1
G. Rutherford, b Cuthbertson	1
J. Thompson, c Potts, b Cuthbertson	6
C. Fenwick, b Stobbs	1
J. Rutherford, not out	2
J. W. Muir, b Stobbs	0
J. Luan, h w, b Stobbs	0
J. Snaith, b Cuthbertson	0
J. Oliver, b Stobbs	0
Extras	2
Total	15

CONSETT v. PONTOP PIKE.

The return game between the above clubs was played on Saturday last, on the ground of the latter, and resulted in an easy victory for the home team. Appended is the score:—

PONTOP PIKE.	
R. Tindle, run out	9
Wm. C. Murray, b Kirkup	14
Jas. Storey, b Routledge	0
Rev. R. Tuson, b Routledge	0
F. G. Hooper, not out	25
R. Armstrong, c Brears	0
R. Turnbull, b Kirkup	1
M. Stobbs, run out	4
F. Broom, run out	3
W. Johnson, c Harris	1
R. Arthur, run out	2
Extras	14
Total	73

CONSETT.	
J. Power, b Tuson	0
J. Surtees, run out	2
W. Brears, b Stobbs	23
C. Davison, c Stobbs	0
Dr. Renton, b Stobbs	1
T. W. Welford, b Stobbs	0
J. S. Kirkup, b Stobbs	0
J. T. Routledge, b Brown	9
E. Harris, c and b Brown	0
W. Coates, not out	0
Geo. Gascoek, c Johnson	4
Extras	4
Total	43

STARS v. MEDOMSLEY.

The return match between the above clubs was played at Medomsley on Saturday last, and resulted in an easy victory for the Stars. T. Barron played a splendid inning for thirty-one, while W. Turnbull batted in good style. The bowling of J. R. Siddle was, at usual, excellent. The very fine inning of T. Barron included one 4, one 3, and five 2's. Appended is the score:—

MEDOMSLEY.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
M. Milburn, run out	1	c Ridley b Gibson	3
G. Graham, b Siddle	0	b Siddle	2
A. Little, c and b Siddle	11	b Siddle	0
J. Cant, b Wood	5	b Siddle	2
F. B. Robinson, c Turnbull, b Siddle	3	b Gibson	2
W. E. Charlton, b Tucker	2	c Lowes, b Gibson	0
T. Graham, c Ridley, b Tucker	8	c Ridley, b Siddle	0
G. W. Beadling, run out	1	b Gibson	0
J. Lax, b Siddle	3	b Siddle	1
M. Wheatley, not out	0	not out	0
W. T. Milburn, b Wood	0	b Siddle	0
Extras	5	Extras	1
Total	39	Total	11

STARS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
R. Wood, b Milburn	0	c and b Little	2
J. Tucker, c and b Milburn	1	not out	10
W. Turnbull, c Beadling, b Milburn	11	not out	2
T. Barron, c and b Milburn	31		
J. R. Siddle, c and b Milburn	1		
J. W. Ridley, c and b Milburn	0		
H. Boag, run out	1		
B. Gibson, b Little	1		
R. Lowes, l b w	2		
W. Gilbertson, c and b Milburn	3		
J. Robinson, not out	1		
Extras	1	Extras	5
Total	53	Total	19

Correspondence.

BENFIELDSIDE FLOWER SHOW AND SLANDER.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—A report having reached one of our Committee (Mr. Harris) that I have been asking the sum of one penny for the schedules entrusted to my care, I beg leave, on the part of the Society, to give it the most complete denial. Personally, I shall deal with the case as it merits.—Yours truly,

J. TAIT, Hon. Sec.

August 23rd, 1878.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY AT SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

DEAR SIR,—I had the good fortune to be present at the Shotley Bridge Primitive Methodist Sunday-school anniversary, which was held in the Town Hall, on Sunday evening last. I went, sir, with the full hope of hearing some really soul-stirring singing by Mr. Wm. Urwin's excellent choir, which on this occasion was swelled to 180 voices, including, of course, many of the younger and elder scholars associated with the Primitive Sunday-school. This hope was fully realised, but the pleasure laid up for the audience, in recitation, was what I did not expect, and hence it was the more enjoyable. You know, sir, as well as anyone else who has visited the gatherings at Sunday-school anniversaries, the tiresome "sing-song" in the rendering of the various pieces by the children, with occasional ones, who, by dint of talent, have surpassed their brothers and sisters in the art of reciting. This latter class, I am happy to say, was unusually large on the above occasion. You will not, I am sure, expect me giving you full details of every piece—how it was given and received—when all did fairly well, but I would be lacking in duty were I not to say something of the most successful. "The leper," by R. Willis, an American poet of considerable distinction, was rendered in a most happy, commanding, and effective style, showing good articulation and appreciation, by Miss Ellen Milburn, whilst "I'm far too young to die," by Hannah Muse, "The child's question," by Annie Ramsey, the 24th Psalm, by Robert Dickinson (a very little fellow), "He doeth all things well," by Polly Wilson, "An aged scholar," by Sarah Telford, "The redeemed in heaven," by four senior scholars, and an exercise, by seven senior scholars, were performed in a most creditable manner, displaying very careful training, taste, and perseverance on the part of their teachers, and particularly their unassuming and respected superintendent, Mr. William Campbell, whose labours in this school and elsewhere for good cannot be computed. W. Edwards, Emily Sinton, John W. Leadbitter, Elizabeth Urwin, Ada Gilbertson, Margt. Jane Dickinson, W. Urwin, W. Ridley, and R. Milburn all did exceeding well in their recitations, considering their extreme youth. Indeed, I never heard so many recitations where so little prompting was needed. I have made a visit or two to the Primitive Sunday-school in Wood Street, and was struck at the amount of energy shown on the part of the teachers, the large number of scholars present, and the inadequate capacity of the school to the requirements. I hear, sir, that the worshippers in the chapel connected with this school intend, as soon as an opportunity presents itself, to build a new chapel and schools, which all, who know the facts, will acknowledge are very much needed, and, personally, in common with many others, I wish the enterprise great success. The whole of the above programme was interspersed with beautiful hymns, selected for the occasion, and performed with excellent effect by Mr. Urwin's choir, for the efficiency of which their leader deserves every credit. Mr. T. Huddlestone conducted the service in an able and praiseworthy manner, as indeed he had done in the afternoon, when a programme similar in length and character to the one above alluded to, was, I am told, performed in an equally satisfactory manner.—I am, yours, &c.,

A VISITOR.

THE LATE ACCIDENT AT THORNABY IRON WORKS.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—Referring to the recent sad accident at Thornaby Iron Works and consequent death of Messrs. Thomas Whitwell and John Thompson, foreman fitter, it has been thought very necessary and advisable to open a subscription list at once in aid of the poor widow of the latter, who has been suddenly left with six children, three of whom are young and helpless, and unfortunately unprovided for. The undersigned have consented to act as honorary treasurers of the benevolent movement, and any help rendered will be administered in a careful and prudent manner.—Respectfully soliciting the earnest and practical sympathy of the charitable and humane, we are, &c.,

MARK ROBINSON, Tees Steam Saw Mills, South Stockton;
J. WATSON, Cashier, Thornaby Iron Works, South Stockton.

South Stockton, August 14.

P.S.—Mr. C. P. Douglas, of the Consett Iron Co.'s Works, and Mr. T. L. Gledstone, The Bank, Consett, have kindly agreed to receive subscriptions for that district.

WIT AND HUMOUR.

Effectual destruction of weeds—Marrying a widow.

Discoursing sweet music—Blowing your own trumpet.

Whom did the pastry cook marry?—His Sweet-tart, of course.

Women never truly command until they have promised to obey.

Many young ladies make fools of themselves by aid of the looking-glass.

Milliners' bills are the tax on the male sex for the beauty of the female.

When a wise man plays the fool, a woman is generally at the bottom of it.

A song heard by a hive—'Bee it ever so humble, there's no place like comb.'

'And what makes my little Johnny so cross this morning?'—'Dot up s' urly.'

It is difficult for a woman only four-foot-three to marry 'beneath her,' let her try ever so hard.

It is not necessarily true that a woman is a thief because she hooks her sister's dress behind her back.

If a lady marries a man against your advice, take ours, and don't call on her till the honeymoon is over.

It is not a misfortune for a young lady to lose her good name if a young man gives her a better one.

'Only marry me, dear lady, and you will have seen the end of trouble.'—'Yes, sir; but which end?'

Wasn't Cleopatra's Needle intended to thread the river Nile; Answer that, an' Nile give you a harder one.

A lady once remarked that 'carelessness was little better than a half-way house between accident and design.'

A young lady in Kent refused an offer of marriage on the ground that her father was not able to support a large family.

If you wish to cure a scolding wife, never fail to laugh at her with all your might until she ceases—then kiss her. Sure cure.

A contemporary speaks of a 'lady' being detected in shoplifting. We shall next hear of a 'gentleman' picking pockets.

'Marriage is the graveyard of love!' an unfortunate man said.—'Yes, and you men are grave-diggers,' retorted the wife.

'I am astonished at your sentiments, my dear young lady; you make me start——.'—'Well, I've wanted you to start this last hour.'

'Shall I have your hand?' said an exquisite to a belle as the dance was about to begin.—'With all my heart!' was the soft response.

A woman is being reduced to her last dress because silk is so high that she can't wear it, and calico is so cheap that she won't wear it.

A person being asked why he had given his daughter in marriage to a man with whom he was at enmity, replied that he did it out of revenge.

Darwin Notwithstanding.—Our ancestors the monkeys could not have been so ignorant, after all. They were all educated in the higher branches.

Don't be in too great a hurry, girls, to fall in love with young men. It often happens that your hearts are no sooner theirs than theirs are no longer yours.

Dear Laura, when we were courting, you were very dear to me; but now you are my wife, and I am paying your bills, you seem to get dearer and dearer.'

A young lady, just from boarding-school, on being told by the servant that they had no gooseberries, exclaimed, 'Why, what has happened to the goose?'

An experienced old stager says, if you make love to a widow who has a daughter twenty years younger than herself, begin by declaring that you thought they were sisters.

Laura (with a novel): 'Oh, if this tale were only true, and I were the heroine!' Kate: 'What! with all her persecutions and miseries?'—Laura: 'Ah! but then she's got a husband!'

In the convict choir at Auburn State Prison (U.S.) the tenor and baritone are murderers. In many a choir, outside of prison, the principal performers are also murderers—of the music.

Young man: 'The moon is always just the same, and yet I always find some new beauty in it.' Young woman: 'It's just so with the circus.' (He bought tickets for two, at once.)

The following despatch went through by telegraph recently:—'Charley and Julia met at St. Louis yesterday—quarrelled and parted for ever—met again to-day, and married.'

'Have you dined?' said a lounger to his friend.—'I have, upon my honour,' replied he.—'Then,' rejoined the first, 'I fear you have made but a slight repast.'

Bald-headed gentleman in the pit to young lady in dress circle during an affecting passage in the play: 'I respect your emotions, miss, but you are shedding tears on my head.'

Whenever you see a fashionably dressed lady afraid to make the acquaintance of the wife of a respectable mechanic, it is a sign her father or grandfather hoed potatoes or made shoes.

A train the other day passed a man on horseback, and there was a great hurrahing among the passengers until they discovered that the animal was tied to the fence.

'Brilliant and impulsive people,' said a lecturer on physiognomy, 'have black eyes, or if they don't have 'em they're apt to get 'm, if they're too impulsive.'

An Aberdeen papa bent on instructing his son, said, 'If you had three apples and should give me one, how many would you have left?' 'I wouldn't do it, pa,' was the prompt reply.

In what two cases are precisely the same means used for directly opposite purposes? Why, bars, to be sure. They are put on bank windows to keep thieves out, and on gaol windows to keep them in.

The following is an alarming evidence of the progress of the photographic art:—A lady, last week, had her likeness taken by a photographist; and he executed it so well that her husband prefers it to the original.

We have come to the conclusion, since last February, that the most difficult act to perform with a good spirit is to pick up a chalk mark on the door-step on a dark night, under the impression that it's a letter.

A conscientious huckster was vending his wares, calling out, 'Here's your fresh green cowcumbers.' But in order to appease his conscience, and not injure trade, he added in a low tone, 'Some of them yaller.'

An asthmatic patient, rather deficient in his spelling, wrote to his physician lately stating that his 'coffin' had returned, and desired to know what he should do; to which the doctor replied, 'By all means send it back to the undertaker.'

'Marriage ceremonies performed free of charge' is the sign displayed by an Ohio justice. He keeps a tavern and is satisfied with the profit on what the bridal parties eat and drink. The repast is not however thrown in with the ceremony.

'Well, Mrs. Grumblin, what's the matter with your grandson?'—'Why, doctor, his throat's very bad. Mr. Parson's, the druggist, says as how there's something wrong with the *borax*; but you can see for yourself that he has three or four big *ulsters* in his throat.'

'A crown will not cure the headache, nor a golden slipper the gout.' Very true; but a crowned head when it aches doesn't have to keep right on devising ways and means to procure bread and butter; and just as he turned the corner he actually lifted his hat and bowed!'

Railway Time Table.

CONSETT BRANCH

TRAINS.—WEEK DAYS.

Stations.		1,2,G. A.M.	1,2,G. A.M.	1,2,G P.M.	1,2,G. P.M.	2,G P.M.
Newcastle	dep.	5·45	9·40	12·30	2·30	5·35
Scotswood	„	5·52	9·47	12·37	2·37	5·42
Swalwell	„	5·59	9·54	12·43	2·43	5·49
Rowland's Gill	„	6·9	10·4	12·53	2·53	5·59
Lintz Green	„	6·15	10·10	12·59	2·59	6·5
Ebchester	„	6·28	10·23	1·12	3·12	6·18
Shotley Bridge	„	6·34	10·29	1·18	3·18	6·24
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill)	arr.			1·25	3·25	
	dep	6·42	10·37		4·45	6·35
Knitsley	„	6·54	10·49		4·57	6·47
Lanchester	„	7·3	10·58		5·6	6·56
Witton Gilbert	„	7·14	11·9		5·10	7·7
Durham	arr.	7·25	11.20		5·25	7·20

DOWN TRAINS—WEEK DAYS.

Stations		1,2,G. A.M.	1,2 G. A.M.	1,2,G. P.M.	1,2,G P.M.	1,2,G P.M
Durham	dep.	7·25		11·45	3·45	8·0
Witton Gilbert	„	7·37		11·57	3·57	8·12
Lanchester	„	7·50		12·10	4·10	8·25
Knitsley	„	8·2		12·22	4·20	8·37
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill)	arr.				4·30	
	dep	8·15	9·10	12·35	3·35	8·50
Shotley Bridge	„	8·20	9·15	12.40	3·40	8·55
Ebchester	„	8·24	9·19	12·44	3·44	8·59
Lintz Green	„	8·34	9·29	12·54	3·54	9·9
Rowland's Gill	„	8·39	9·34	12·59	4·0	9·14
Swalwell	„	8·47	9·42	1·7	4·7	9·22
Scotswood	„	8·54	9·49	1·14	4·14	9·29
Newcastle	arr.	9·5	10·0	1·25	4·25	9·40

SUNDAYS.

Leave	a.m.	p.m.	Leave	a.m.	p.m
Newcastle	7·30	7·15	Benfieldside	8·35	8·20
Scotswood	7·37	7·22	Shotley Bridge	8·40	8·25
Swalwell	7·44	7·29	Ebchester	8·44	8·29
Rowland's Gill	7·54	7·39	Lintz Green	8·54	8·39
Lintz Green	8·0	7·45	Rowland's Gill	8·59	8·4
Ebchester	8·13	7·58	Swalwell	9·8	8·5
Shotley Bridge	8·19	8·4	Scotswood	9·14	8·5
Benfieldside (arr)	8·25	8·10	Newcastle (arr)	9·25	9·1

MARKET TRAINS ON SATURDAYS.

First, second, and third class return tickets will be issued on Saturdays by the following trains—

Stations.		A.M.	P.M.		P.M.
Newcastle	dep.	7·10	4·5	....	7·30
Scotswood	„	7·17	4·12	....	7·37
Swalwell	„	7·24	4·20	....	7·44
Rowland's Gill	„	7·34	4·40	....	7·54
Lintz Green	„	7·40	4·36	....	8·0
Ebchester	„	7·53	4·49	....	8·13
Shotley Bridge	„	7·59	4·55	....	8·19
Benfieldside (for Consett and Blackhill)	arr.	8·5	5·2	....	8·25
	dep.	8·20	....		....
Knitsley		9·32	....		....
Lanchester		9·41	....		....
Witton Gilbert		9.52	....		....
Durham	arr.	10·5	....		....
Stations.		A.M.			P.M.
Durham	dep.	7·55	......		....
Witton Gilbert	„	8·7	......		....
Lanchester	„	8·20	......		....
Knitsley	„	8·32	......		....
Benfieldside (for Consett and Blackhill)	arr.	8·46	......		....
	dep.	8·50	......		5·30
Shotley Bridge	„	8·55	......		5·35
Ebchester	„	8·59	......		5·39
Lintz Green	„	9·9	......		5·49
Rowland's Gill		9·15	......		5·55
Swalwell	„	9·22	......		6·2
Scotswood	„	9·29	......		6·9
Newcastle	arr.	9·40	......		6·20

STOCKTON AND DARLINGTON RAILWAY

GOING EAST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

Stations.		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Newcastle	dep.	5·45	12·30	2·30
Benfieldside	„	6·50	1·30	4·30
Rowley	„	7·0	1·40	4·40
Burnhill Junction	„	7·10	1·50	4·50
Tow Law	„	7·23	2·3	5·3
Crook	arr.	7·35	2·15	5.15
	dep.	7.38	2·25	5·25
Bishop Auckland	„	8·7	2·53	5·56
Darlington		8·35	3·20	6·25
Stockton	„	9·25	4·8	7·18
Middlesbro'	„	9·38	4·20	7·33
Saltburn	„	10·15	4·55	8·10

GOING WEST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

Stations.		A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Saltburn	dep.	5·45	11·10	4·30
Middlesbro'	„	6·23	11·45	5·5
Stockton	„	6·34	11·55	5·15
Darlington	„	7·10	12·30	5·50
Bishop Auckland	„	7·45	1·15	6·30
Crook	arr.	8·12	1·40	6·55
	dep.	8·15	2·20	7·0
Tow Law	„	8·27	2·32	7·15
Burnhill Junction	„	8·42	2·45	7·30
Rowley	„	8·52	2·55	7·40
Benfieldside	arr.	9·5	3·5	7·50
Newcastle	arr.	10·0	4·25	9·40

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London, Nov. 15th, 1877.

Dear Sir,—I am requested by my friend, Capt. Henry Bird, who is now travelling in Siberia, to write that your Antilactic has completely cured him of a most violent attack of Lumbago, brought on by exposure during severe weather in crossing the mountains, and that one of his followers, who was found suffering from extreme prostration, cramps, and greatly impeded respiration, to a degree causing his comrades to look upon his cure as helpless, has wholly recovered from the same remedy. Capt. Bird adds that during all his travels he never possessed a more valuable medicine chest than now. It is with pleasure I make this communication, and you are at liberty to use the testimony in what way you think proper.

I am, dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
F. R. Francis, F.S.A., M.T.E., S.L.

Mr. Vickers, Custom House Chambers,
Lower Thames Street.

18, Downs Park Road,
Dalston, Nov. 9th, 1877.

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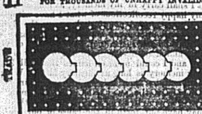
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LANCHESTER BREWSTER SESSIONS.

The annual licensing meeting for the Lanchester division was held in the Justice Room, Lanchester, on Wednesday. The magistrates on the bench were Mr. Town (chairman), Mr. E. T. Smith, Mr. Clavering, Rev. J. P. De Pledge, and Mr. James Annandale, jun.

THE "BLACK LIST."

Supt. Oliver presented the following list, showing the number of publicans, beerhouse-keepers, and beersellers convicted from August 24th, 1877, to 20th August, 1878.

Thomas Brown, Consett, beerhouse-keeper, permitting drunkenness, convicted 6th September, 1877, fined 10s. and costs.

Richard Hodgson, Annfield Plain, beerhouse-keeper, permitting drunkenness, 13th September, 1877, fined 10s. and costs.

Catherine Dodds, Annfield Plain, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 25th October, 1877, fined 40s. and costs.

Joseph Lumley, Leadgate, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 15th November, 1877, fined £3 and costs.

Robert Lowes, Leadgate, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 15th November, 1877, fined 40s and costs.

William Smith, Dipton, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 7th Feb., 1878, fined 40s. and costs.

Ralph Clark, Burnopfield, innkeeper, selling during prohibited hours, 7th Feb., 1878, fined 20s. and costs.

Ralph S. Wilson, Kyo, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 14th Feb., 1878, fined 20s. and costs.

Laurence Clark, Consett, beerhouse-keeper, permitting gaming, 7th March, 1878, fined 20s. and costs.

Daniel Ludkin, Burnopfield, beerhouse-keeper, permitting gaming, 21st March, 1878, fined £3 and costs.

Daniel Ludkin, Burnopfield, beerhouse-keeper, permitting drunkenness, 21st March, 1878, fined £3 and costs.

William Murray, Burnopfield, retailer of beer off the premises, selling beer to be consumed on the premises, 21st March, 1878, fined 10s. and costs.

John Appleby Jobson, South Moor, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 25th April, 1878, fined £5 and costs.

John McGrath, Blackhill, innkeeper, keeping his house open for the sale of spirituous liquors during prohibited hours, 10th June, 1878, fined £5 and costs, and the license endorsed.

Richard Charlton, Flint Hill, innkeeper, permitting drunkenness, 19th August, 1878, fined 20s. and costs.

The Chairman said they had decided to grant the whole of the old licenses, with two exceptions, namely, those of John Appleby Jobson, and Daniel Ludkin, whose licenses would be withheld for consideration until the adjourned licensing meeting on the 26th September. The black-list, he regretted to find, was longer than usual. It contained the names of fourteen publicans and beerhouse-keepers who had had convictions recorded against them during the year, and ten of these were for permitting drunkenness. He hoped the holders of licenses would be more careful in future.

Mr. H. J. Marshall, Durham, said with regard to Jobson, he was instructed to say that he was leaving the house altogether.

APPLICATIONS FOR FULL LICENSES.

Mr. Granger, of Durham, said he appeared on behalf of Mr. Thomas Dunne to apply for a license to a house occupied by him at Consett. Mr. Dunne, he said, already possessed a license to retail spirits, wine, and beer off the premises. Their worships would see, from the plan he should present before them, that there could be no possible objection to the house in a structural capacity. It contained sixteen rooms, cellar, stable, coach-house, and harness-room, and there could be doubt, if the license was granted, it would make a first-class hotel. Mr. Dunne's house, he proceeded to say, was situated at the top of the road leading from Blackhill to Consett. This road had been opened out a few years, and had contributed to the development of trade, and there was now a considerable traffic on it. No new license, he was informed, had been granted in Consett since 1869, since which time the population and rateable value had almost doubled. Mr. Dunne, as they would be aware, had previously applied for a license in respect of his house, but the magistrates refused it on the ground that there was already a sufficiency of public-house accommodation in the place. The view taken by the magistrates in dealing with applications of this nature seemed to have been that an increase of public-houses meant an increase of drunkenness, but this was in direct opposition to the evidence collected by the Committee of the House of Lords that had lately inquired into the prevalence of intemperance. In the southern towns, for instance, the average drunkenness was forty-four per cent., and the number of public-houses was sixty-nine for the same rate of population. In the northern counties, however, the drunkenness was seventy-two per cent., and the average number of public-houses fifty-five per 10,000. The percentage of drunkenness in the southern counties was twenty-three, and the average of public-houses to every 10,000 inhabitants sixty. It would thus be seen that while the northern counties were more intemperate than those in the south, there were fewer public-houses, so that the number of public-houses did not, as was supposed, affect the amount of intemperance. The fact was that where men were crowded together, it induced them to drink more than they would do if they were more spread about. The object of the licensing laws, he submitted, was to provide better accommodation for the public, and unless they had rivalry among the publicans this could not be obtained. For instance, where the keeper of an old public-house knew that he had a practical monopoly, the public suffered, because the publican was careless about improving his house in any way.—Thomas Dunne, the applicant, was then examined. He produced a plan of the house. The latter, he said, had cost him from £1,900 to £2,006. Its rateable value was £35.—The Chairman: How many horses can you put up?—Applicant: There are three stalls and a loose box.—The Chairman: What is the nearest public-house?—Applicant: The nearest is in Newmarket Street, about seventy yards off. There is not another for some distance.—In answer to questions put by Mr. Granger, the applicant said Pasture Drift Road was the main thoroughfare between Consett and Blackhill, and the road was extensively used. The last license, he believed, was granted for Consett in 1869. At that time, according to enquiries he had made, the population of Consett was 5,900. As near as he could ascertain, the population was now 9,700. The rateable value of the place had increased at about the same rate.—The Chairman: How far is it from your place to Murray's new house?—Applicant: Four or five hundred yards.—The Chairman said, although not exactly in Consett, the license to Murray's house was granted within the last two or three years. The magistrates would consider the application along with the others.

John Brown applied for a general license to his beerhouse, the Black Horse, in Front Street, Consett. The applicant was represented by Mr. Granger, who said the house was at the opposite end of the town to Mr. Dunne's, and he had every confidence in making the application, as the house was a most excellent one in every respect. It was formerly a full-licensed house, being about the second that was licensed in Consett, but owing to a dispute between the people who at that time owned it, the license was lost. He need not repeat what he had said in the last application with regard to the percentage of houses and the prevalence of drunkenness, but would ask them to bear in mind that no license had been granted in the town for nearly ten years. He produced a plan of the house occupied by Brown, and remarked that its stable accommodation was unequalled by any house in the place. Mr. Brown was called, and said the

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house contained eight rooms. Since last licensing day a new coach-house and harness-room had been built. The coach-house would hold four ordinary traps and a couple of carriages. Adjoining the coach-house were a three-stalled stable and a loose box. There was a yard 47ft. by 14ft., and a second yard sixteen yards square, with a three-stalled stable. The rateable value of the house was £45.—In answer to the bench, the applicant said the nearest public-house was the Commercial Hotel, about 100 yards off.

The next application on the list was by Thomas McElhone, beerhouse-keeper, Blackhill. Dr. Carr supported the application, and remarked that Mr. McElhone had been employed at the Iron Works for twenty-eight years, and but for the fact that he was totally unable to work he would not have been living in a beerhouse. He (Dr. Carr) had seen Mr. McElhone's house, and he might say that it was almost a pity for such a house not to have the license, so excellent was it. The learned doctor was about to hand to the bench a doctor's certificate and a memorial showing that the applicant was esteemed by his neighbours, when Mr. Watson (the clerk) said the Lord Chief Justice had recommended magistrates not to accept memorials of this kind.—The applicant was then called. He said he had kept a public-house five years. Formerly he occupied one at Tow Law. He was the owner of the beerhouse in respect of which he now applied for a license. The nearest house on that side of the road was Mrs. Christopher's, about 200 yards off, and Mr. Turner's was the next. The house was rated at £25. If he had been able to work he would not have applied for a license.

John Quinn, who lives at Catchgate, and holds a license to retail spirits and beer off the premises, applied for a general license. Mr. Granger appeared for the applicant, and said the house cost £1,200, and was at present rated at £25. There were only two public-houses at Catchgate, and he believed there was a population of something like 3,000 in the immediate district. The bench would see from the plan produced that the house contained eleven rooms, a bar, cellar, and a three-stalled stable and loose box. It was situated on the main turnpike, and was not far from East Pontop Colliery. He held in his hand a memorial signed by some of the principal inhabitants thereabouts, but on account of what Mr. Watson had said in the last case he should not put it in. He might mention, however, that it was signed by Mr. Fenwick, manager of East Pontop Colliery. Quinn's house was within eighty yards of the colliery, and the next was half-a-mile off, so that at present no house was within a convenient distance in case of one of those unfortunate colliery disasters happening. The memorial was also signed by Mr. Robert Mitchison, viewer for three collieries, and a considerable number of the principal farmers and inhabitants of the district, who approved of the present application.—The applicant was called, and, after describing the house, stated, in answer to the bench, that there were in Catchgate alone 180 houses. There were 555 houses in the immediate locality. The next house was about 500 yards from the colliery.

James Toner, beerhouse-keeper, Consett, also applied for a full license. Mr. T. W. Welford, jun., appeared for the applicant, and remarked that the latter occupied the Imperial Hotel in Harvey Street. The house contained ten rooms, five upstairs, and four and a bar downstairs. There was a large yard, and also a two-stalled stable, and the premises were in every respect adapted to hold a full license. The Imperial had been a beerhouse thirteen years, and he (Mr. Welford) should call a witness to speak to Mr. Toner's character. If the license was granted he might say that it was the owner's intention to add other four rooms to the house.—James Quigley, beerhouse-keeper, Middle Street, said he formerly occupied the Imperial beerhouse. Witness knew Mr. Toner, who, in his opinion, was a fit and proper person to hold a full license.

Thomas Watson Dobson was the next applicant. He was represented by Mr. H. J. Marshall, Durham, who said Dobson occupied the Fountain Hotel, in Medomsley Road, Consett. The house contained cellar, kitchen, tap-room, bar, front and back parlours, commercial room, and six bed-rooms, and there were also a three-stalled stable, coach-house, and yard. The premises belonged to Mr. Johnson, of Durham, who was willing, if the bench granted a full license, to close the beerhouse in the same street known as the "Crown and Thistle."—The Chairman: How far are these two houses apart?—Mr. Marshall: A hundred and fifty yards. They are both in the same street. He thought it was preferable to have one house with a full license than two beerhouses.—The applicant, in answer to a question, said the Fountain Hotel was rated at £25.

The next on the list was Charles Bartlett, labourer, Langley Park, who had given notice of his intention to apply for a full license to a house at Langley Park, but the application was not proceeded with.

Daniel Knox, viewer, applied for a full license to a house at Cornsay Colliery. Mr. Marshall, in supporting the application, said there were 2,000 inhabitants at Cornsay Colliery, and there were only two houses, one a full licensed house and the other (occupied by applicant) which was licensed to sell off the premises.—Mr. De Pledge: Is this a larger house than the other one?—Mr. Marshall: Yes.—Mr. De Pledge: They belong to the same owner, don't they?—Mr. Marshall: Yes.—The Chairman: What distance is the other house from it?—Mr. Marshall: About a hundred yards.—The applicant was then called, and said he was formerly a colliery viewer. The population of Cornsay Colliery was over 2,000. He already held a license to sell off the premises. The Royal Oak, occupied by Mr. Potter, was over a hundred yards from his house.—The Chairman: What is the nearest after that?—Applicant: It is something over half-a-mile.—Mr. De Pledge: Which is that?—Applicant: At the road ends near the Church.—In answer to further inquiries, applicant said the house contained eleven rooms, six being bed-rooms. There was a five-stalled stable, and also a large yard and coach-house. He thought there was trade for two houses at Cornsay. Two houses would divide the customers more, and there would be more order.

Thomas Foster, who holds a license as a retailer of spirits and beer off the premises, at Three Lane Ends, Hedley Hope, applied for a full license. The applicant said the house contained twelve rooms, six upstairs and six down, a large cellar, six-stalled stable, and wash-house.—In cross-examination by Mr. Oliver, Durham, who opposed the application on behalf of the owners of Cornsay Colliery, Mr. Foster said the house was 1,100 yards from Cornsay Colliery. The road leading to it was not a very dark one. It was a fact that men occasionally bought liquor in his house and drank it in an adjoining wood, but this, he added, would be prevented if he got a full license. (Laughter.)—The Chairman: Are there any public-houses about?—Applicant: None nearer than Cornsay Colliery.

The last on the list was Matthew Hetherington, who applied for a full license to his beerhouse at Burnopfield. The house, he said, contained nine rooms, and was rated at £36.—The Chairman: How many houses are there in Burnopfield?—Applicant: Four. Mine is not exactly in Burnopfield. It is on the bank, coming towards Rowlands Gill Station.—Mr. De Pledge: Is there a public-house near the Station?—Applicant: Yes.—Mr. De Pledge: What is the distance from the station to Burnopfield?—Applicant: It is a mile from the station to my house.

The magistrates then retired for a few minutes. On their return, the Chairman said the application

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of Thomas Watson Dobson was granted, on the understanding that the license for the Crown and Thistle beerhouse was given up. All the other applications were refused.

ALLEGED FORGERY AT CASTLESIDE.

On Monday, at Consett Petty Sessions, George Ward, a young man, was charged with forging certain cheques for £48, with intent to defraud Thomas John Muse, Elliott Leybourne, and Matthew Lee, members of the Healeyfield and Rowley School Board. The magistrates on the bench were Mr. Town (chairman), Mr. Jenkins, and Mr. Annandale. Mr. T. W. Welford, jun., prosecuted on behalf of the Board. The following evidence was given:—

Thomas John Muse, of Castleside, merchant, said: I am chairman to the Healeyfield and Rowley School Board. It consists of five members. Ralph Ward, of Watergate, near Castleside, is clerk to the Board. The cheque-book is kept in the office of the School Board, at Castleside. All cheques for payment of accounts are signed by myself and two members of the Board, and countersigned by the Clerk. The three cheques dated respectively the 25th and 25th of March, and 15th July, 1878, on Messrs. Hodgkin and Co., payable to Thomas Westgarth, Tow Law, or bearer, and endorsed Thomas Westgarth, were not drawn by the Healeyfield and Rowley School Board. The signature, "T. J. Muse," to the three cheques now produced were not signed by me, nor did I authorise anyone to sign them for me. The prisoner, George Ward, is a surgeon, and is son of the clerk to the Board. I have seen the prisoner write, and to the best of my belief the three cheques produced have been filled in by him, and my own name and the three other signatures to the cheques are in prisoner's handwriting.—By the Bench: Thomas Westgarth is a builder, and lives at Tow Law. He built the schools.

Elliott Leybourne, of Healeyfield, deposed: I am a farmer, and a member of the Healeyfield and Rowley School Board. The signature, Elliott Leybourne, to the three cheques produced by Sergt. Thornton is not my handwriting. I never authorised anyone to sign my name to the cheques.

Matthew Lee, of Castleside, farmer, said: I am a member of the Healeyfield and Rowley School Board. I did not sign the cheques. My signature is a forgery. I never authorised the prisoner or any other person to sign my name to the cheques.

Ralph Ward, of Watergate, clerk to the School Board, said: The prisoner, George Ward, is my son. He is twenty-nine years of age, and by profession a surgeon's assistant. He has been out of a situation upwards of a year, and has lived with me during that time. The cheque book was kept by me as clerk, in a tin box, which was locked, in the Board Room. The key of the box and of the office door were kept at my house. My son knew where they were kept, and had access to them. The signature to the three cheques (Ralph Ward) is not my handwriting. To the best of my belief the body of the cheques and the signatures thereto are in my son's handwriting. I did not discover until the 3rd of Aug., 1873, that the cheque-book had been tampered with. I then discovered that three cheques had been taken out. I last saw the cheque book before the 3rd of August on the 15th July last. William John Scott, of Consett, merchant, and Robert Walton, of Stanhope House, Stanhope, are also members of the School Board.

Thomas Westgarth, of Tow Law, deposed: I am a builder. I built the Healeyfield and Rowley Schools, and frequently got cheques from the School Board on account of the contract. The signature, Thomas Westgarth, on the three cheques produced is not in my handwriting. I did not authorise the prisoner or any other person to sign my name. I never received the sums mentioned in the cheques.

Ann Ripley said: I am the wife of John Ripley, and live at Castleside. The School Board office is in my house. In the latter part of March, about eight o'clock in the evening, I saw the prisoner at the Board Room Office. He said he wanter a paper out of the office, which his father had left. He said it was lying on the table. He went into the office and was in about five minues. When in the office I heard him strike a match. I saw him on another occasion at the office, about the same hour (eight o'clock in the evening). I answered the door, and he said he was going into the Board Room, as he had forgotten his snuff box.

Henry Richard Bradley, cashier to Messrs. Finlay and Scott, of Newcastle, wine and spirit merchants, deposed: I know the prisoner. On the 22nd May, 1878, I received a letter (marked A) from him, which I produce. On the 24th May, 1878, I received another letter (marked B) which I produce. On the 19th July, 1878, another letter (marked C), and on the 28th July, 1878, another latter (marked D). After receiving the letter of the 22nd May, I sent prisoner a cheque for £12 1s., being a balance of the £20 cheque which was given to us on the 16th of April last. The cheque produced dated 25th March, for £20, I received from William Smith, one of our clerks, on the 10th of April last. I paid the cheque to our account at Messrs. Lambton and Co.'s Bank on the 17th April last. I produce a cheque for £8, which I received in the letter of the 27th July. In consequence of the letter of the 27th July I sent prisoner £5 and a bottle of brandy. It was folded in a brown paper parcel, which I gave to the clerk, William Smith. On the 27th of July I paid the cheque into Lambton and Co.'s Bank, to our account. On the 31st July last the prisoner called at our office, and I then paid him £1 7s., being the balance due to him after deducting the account of £1 13s.

William Smith said: I am in the employment of Messrs. Finlay and Scott, as one of their clerks. On the 16th of April last the prisoner came to our place, and ordered two dozen pints of beer and half-a-gallon of whiskey. He presented a cheque for £20 (cheque produced), and told me to deduct the account and give him the balance. I gave him £7 on account, as I had not sufficient to give him the proper amount. The prisoner promised to call again for the order he had given and the balance, as he was staying at the Neville Hotel. He didn't call. The cheque for £20, dated 25th March, I handed to Mr. Bradley, the cashier. On the 27th of July I sent a parcel, which was given to me by the cashier, and contained a bottle of brandy and £5 note to Rowley Station. I know the prisoner, but don't know his handwriting.

Supt. Oliver deposed: I have seen the prisoner, George Ward, write, and know his handwriting. The four letters marked A, B, C, and D are in the prisoner's handwriting. I have known him two or three years. He was formerly an assistant to Dr. Bolton, and resided at Consett.

William Dawson said: I am a clerk in Messrs. Hodgkin and Co.'s Bank, Newcastle. On the 3rd of April last, the cheque dated 25th March, for £20, was presented to me by a young man. I asked him his name and address, and he then endorsed the cheque in my presence, "Thomas Westgarth, Tow Law, Darlington." I paid him £20 in gold. I cannot identify the prisoner as the man who presented the cheque. I have since had Mr. Westgarth pointed out to me, and he is not the man that presented the cheque.

Robert Grenfell Barclay, of Shotley Bridge, bank agent, said: I am treasurer to the Healeyfield and Rowley School Board. I received the two cheques for £20 on the 4th and 18th of April last from the head office of Hodgkin and Co., Newcastle. On the 30th July I received from the head office the cheque for £8. The three cheques I handed to Sergt. Thornton on Wednesday, the 14th August.

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Sergt. Thornton deposed: I produce three cheques which I received from Mr. Barclay, on the 14th inst. On the 9th August I apprehended the prisoner at his father's house at Watergate. I charged him with having forged three cheques, two for £20 each and one cheque for £8 during the months of March and April last, with intent to defraud Thomas John Muse, Elliott Leybourne, and Matthew Lee. The prisoner said—"I am guilty; I did it through drinking."

This was the whole of the evidence. The charge was then read over in the usual way, and the prisoner, in reply, remarked that he had nothing to say. He was committed to take his trial at the Assizes.

Prisoner asked the bench to liberate him on bail.

The Chairman said they were willing to accept two sureties in £150 each.

Mr. Calvert and Mr. Routledge, of Consett, offered themselves as security for the sum named, and the accused was then liberated.

PRESENTATION TO THE REV. T. HENWOOD.

The above gentleman, who has laboured as second minister in the Shotley Bridge circuit for three years, having been removed to Morpeth, the Wesleyan friends entertained him to supper in the Day-school attached to the Chapel, at Consett, on the evening of Tuesday last. An excellent repast had been provided by several ladies of the congregation, to which ample justice was done by a large company. Mrs. Henwood, who has worked incessantly among the sick during her husband's stay in Consett, was present, as were also the Rev. Mr. Fielding, Mr. Henwood's successor, and Mrs. Fielding. After supper, a valedictory meeting took place in the Chapel, when a handsome Bible was presented to Mr. Henwood, while a copy of Wesley's hymns was given to Mrs. Henwood.

Mr. David Imrie presented the Bible, which bore the following inscription:—"Presented to the Rev. Thos. Henwood by the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Consett, as a token of respect and appreciation of his services on the termination of three years' labours in the Shotley Bridge circuit. Aug. 19th, 1878." In handing the holy book to Mr. Henwood, Mr. Imrie remarked that they had had three years of pleasant intercourse with their late minister. Perhaps he might never know in this world how much good he had done during his stay amongst them, but when he went to heaven he would doubtless find that he had been the means of bringing many souls to Jesus. The members of Mr. Henwood's congregation had come to the conclusion that they could not do better than present him with a copy of the holy scriptures, and, though he would doubtless have many editions of the same blessed book, they hoped that copy would be handed down to future generations of his family as a token of their love and respect. Mr. Henwood was leaving with their kindest wishes for his future welfare, and with the hope that he would be the means of drawing many more souls to Christ. (Applause.)

Mr. Davison said it was gratifying to him to find that ministers and congregation could assemble together on such friendly terms as they had met that night. He was sure that they all felt sorry to part with Mr. Henwood and his wife, who had been in the circuit three years, but who had been more intimately connected with Consett during the past eighteen months. The friends at Consett could not allow Mrs. Henwood to leave them without carrying with her some mark of their esteem, and he had been requested to present to her a copy of Wesley's hymns. The intrinsic value of the gifts was not great, but, when they were looked at, he hoped they would bring pleasure and satisfaction to the mind. (Applause.)

Rev. T. Henwood feelingly replied. He said—My dear friends and brethren, I am certainly taken by surprise, but at the same time I am very full of gratitude. I am surprised at what you have just done. I had no idea, until half-an-hour ago, that you intended doing what you have now done. Two or three days ago, Mr. Davison came to me and said he would like my wife and myself to come and take supper with you to-night in the School-room, and see each other once more before we separated. I enquired of him if he meant a public meeting or anything of that kind, as I thought there possibly might be an address or two given, and he replied he thought there would be no public meeting, strictly speaking—that we should meet and take a little supper together and have an opportunity of saying good-bye. I am surprised that you should have thought of making a present either to myself or my good wife. I have not been my three years with you. I have only, as Mr. Davison has told you, been with you a year-and-a-half. Of course, I have been three years in the circuit, having, as you know, to leave Shotley Bridge and come to Consett. Mr. Davison has alluded to the intrinsic value of the presents you have given us. I do not know what he may think about the intrinsic value of this precious book, but I know what I think of its value. As Mr. Imrie supposes, I have a great many copies of the Bible, but this copy of God's holy word I shall value much more than any other I possess, because it is, I am sure, an expression of your love. I know I have not merited that love, and hence I am taken by surprise. Mr. Davison has said he doubted not when I read the book I shall think of you. I do assure you I shall not forget you. Our dear friends at Consett have won two hearts. They have won my heart and the heart of my wife, and I am not jealous of that. I do not think she cares the less for me because she loves you. Often, when she has been out spending her time with the sick and afflicted, she has said to me "how I feel my heart attached to these dear friends at Consett." We shall go away with our hearts full of love to God's people in this place. You have won our love by your kindness and sympathy, and by your treatment toward us in general. As to my good wife, I am afraid she won't be able to respond for herself. If she would, I should be glad to sit down and hear what she had to say. (Applause.) But most of you know that my good wife has not enjoyed robust health since coming to this circuit, so that it would not do to make her nervous. I should not like to take her away trembling and excited. I assure you she is thankful for that beautiful hymn-book. She has read Wesley's hymns over and over again, and can repeat a great many of them by memory, but when she reads the book you have just given her, the remembrance of the kind feelings and the love which have been manifested will give the reading additional pleasure. Mr. Davison has mentioned my successor's name, and I am glad to see him here before I go. If there had been time, possibly I might have found a little fault with my present or rather my past sphere of Christian toil. I have said that I have been here eighteen months, but how little one has been able to do in that time. The reason is simply this—we have, as you know, scattered up and down this wide district a teeming population, a population of thousands, and, I believe, within this circuit, tens of thousands. Our labours, as you know, are divided amongst the villages in the circuit, and your ministers residing with you have few opportunities for preaching in his own place. There is scope enough for one Methodist prreacher in Consett, and I do believe if one man were appointed to labour in this place alone, the town would be all the better for it. (Applause.) I regret that I have been unable to do more pastoral work in Consett, but the little I have done has been very pleasing to me. My labours have been devoted chiefly to the afflicted and dying. I have felt it to be my bounden duty to attend to the claims of those who are

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afflicted and those who God has called to Himself, and I shall carry in my memory, as long as I live, many happy recollections of what I have witnessed of the grace of God manifested among the dying. I might call up a great many names. I have sat and knelt by the bedside of a great many of your dying, and stood by the grave side of many of your dead, and I could mention names that will linger in my memory as long as memory lasts. When I have knelt by their side and heard their dying testimonies to the love of God in life and in death, I have been amply recompensed for any little effort I may have put forth in the cause of our blessed Saviour. (Applause.) I shall leave you with many regrets, and shall remember you as long as I live. I am not leaving you with the idea that I shall never see you again. I am only going thirty miles away, and if God spares our lives I hope we shall see each other again. Wherever our lot is cast, I trust we shall, with God's blessing, live useful lives, lives that shall proclaim God's power, and bring forth the glory of His name, and by-and-bye may we meet in heaven, where we shall be for ever with our great Master. (Applause.)

After a few remarks from the Rev. Mr. Fielding, the Benediction was pronounced, and the interesting proceedings terminated.

Markets.

Newcastle Corn Market, Tuesday.—At this day's market farmers brought little wheat; coastwise also the supply is moderate, whilst the only foreign arrival is a large steamer cargo, principally of the new crop, from New York, and trade ruled quiet at unaltered rates. In barley scarcely anything doing. Oats met a limited inquiry at late prices. Other grain and flour without change.

Hexham Corn Market, Tuesday.—At our market to-day we had a thin show of all kinds of grain, which sold at about last weeks rates. Old oats, 20s. to 22s per Hexham boll.

Newcastle Cattle Market, Tuesday.—The show of stock presented for sale exhibited a decline of 328 beasts, but an increase of 245 sheep and lambs as compared with that of last week. Respecting quality, that of cattle, was fully an average for the time of year, while both sheep and lambs were middling. The supply of beef comprised 1,318 head. The number of sheep and lambs was 9,3.0. Pigs: 583 were shown. Beasts, prime heifers, per stone, 9s 6d to 9s 9d; secondary sorts, 7s 3d to 8s 3d; good oxen, 9s 3d to 9s 6d; middling, 6s 6d to 7s 9d; cows and inferior, 5s 9d to 6s 9d; pork, large, 4s 6d to 5s 9d; do. small, 7s 0d to 8s 0d; sheep, good vendable wedders, per lb. 9d to 9½d; middling, 7½d to 8d; ewes and inferior, 6½d to 7d.

Newcastle Hay and Straw, Tuesday.—Old land hay, 80s to 100s; this year's growth, 57s to 85s; new land hay, 86s to 110s; this year's growth, 60s to 95s; wheat straw, 2s 0d to 2s 10d; barley straw, 1s 9d to 2s 0d; oat straw, 2s 0d to 2s 8d per thrave.

Durham Provision, Saturday.—Oats, 6s 0d to 8s 9d; barley, 7s 6d to 9s 0d; Indian corn, 7s 3d; beans, 10s to 11s 0d; peas, 9s 3d to 10s 0d per boll. Beef, 8d to 10½d; mutton, 8d to 10½d; veal, 9d to 10d; bacon, 4d to 6½d; hams, 5d to 6d; cheese, 7d to 8d per lb. Chickens, 1s 6d to 2s 6d; ducks, 2s 0d to 3s 0d; hens, 1s 0d to 2s 0d each; butter, 1s 4d to 1s 5d per lb.; eggs, 10 to 11 for 1s; pigeons, 1s 3d to 1s 6d per couple. Apples, 2s 0d to 3s 0d; onions, 1s to 1s 4d per stone; Grapes, 1s to 2s per lb.

Durham Potato, Saturday.—Potatoes, 10d to 1s per stone.

Newcastle Potato, Saturday.—Scotch potatoes, 14s per load.

Holloway's Pills.—Stomach, Liver and Bowels.—In all painful affections of the stomach and disordered actions of the liver and bowels, one single trial of these Pills will demonstrate that they possess regulating and renovating powers in a high degree. They speedily restore the appetite, lessen the unpleasant distention of the abdomen, and so prevent inflammation of the bowels and other serious abdominal ailments. Holloway's Pills afford the greatest comfort to the dyspeptic invalid without harassing or weakening the most sensitive constitution, or interfering materially with the ordinary studies, pleasures, or pursuits. The simplicity and efficacy of this treatment has evoked the gratitude of all classes in both hemispheres, and commanded a sale for these purifying Pills unprecented in medical history.

Boat Racing on the Derwent.—The annual boat handicap held in connection with the Ebchester Floral and Horticultural Society took place on a stretch of water a little above the village, on Saturday. The stream is somewhat narrow for contests of this kind, but this fact, while it did not give scope for a display of oarsmanship, contributed largely to the amusement of the visitors. Appended are the results:—First heat—T. Miligan (2 lengths start) beat M. Graham (7½ lengths) easily. Second heat—T. Wilson (scratch) rowed over. Third heat—T. Crisp (7½) beat T. Smith (7) easily. Fourth heat—H. Smith (12) beat J. Charlton (7) on a foul. Fifth heat—W. Hardy (2) beat T. Simpson (12). Simpson's boat upset, causing a good deal of amusement among the spectators. Sixth heat—J. Jackson (16) rowed over. Seventh heat—J. Potts (scratch) beat T. Hume (1) by a length. Eighth heat—J. Nichol (4) beat J. Charlton (4½) easily. Ninth heat—J. Lumley (4½) beat T. Milburn (6½) easily. Tenth heat—G. McClen (½) beat W. Milburne (6½) easily. Eleventh heat—Wm. Miligan (scratch) beat J. Simpson (12) easily. Twelfth heat—J. Wardle (7) beat W. Vasey (9) easily. First ties—first heat—T. Crisp beat H. Smith easily. Second heat—M. Graham beat T. Wilson easily. Third heat—Wm. Hardy rowed over. Fourth heat—W. Nichol beat J. Potts easily. Fifth heat—J. Lumley beat G. McClen easily. Sixth heat—W. Miligan beat J. Wardle easily. Second ties—first heat—T. Crisp beat M. Graham, after a good race. Second heat—Wm. Hardy beat J. Nichol by half-a-length. Third heat—J. Lumley beat Wm. Miligan easily. Third ties—first heat—This race resulted in a foul between Crisp and Hardy, both men being to blame. On racing over Hardy won easily. Final heat—Lumley beat Hardy easily. Mr. Wm. Vasey officiated as starter and referee, whilst Mr. J. Potts discharged the duties of distance judge.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

The insertion of anything beyond the simple announcement of Births, Marriages, or Deaths, will be charged as Advertisements.

BIRTHS.

Consett—At Raglan Street, on the 13th inst., the wife of Mr. C. Almond, of a daughter.

Stanley, the wife of Macadum Grigor, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

Lanchester—At the Register Office, on the 21st inst., Mr. J. Jones, of Kyo, to Miss E. Birkett, of Leadgate.

On the 22nd inst., Mr. R. Parmella to Miss H. Fawkes, both of Loft House, Lintz Green.

DEATHS

Lanchester—At the Union Workhouse, on the 10th inst., aged 50, Barbara Thompson.

Bantling Castle —Killed on the 21st inst., aged 35, Thomas Bellerby. Interment at Harelaw on Saturday. Friends please accept this intimation.

Tantobie—On the 15th inst., aged 9 months, Joseph, son of John Gardner.

Durham—At 7, Fowler's Terrace, on the 7th inst., aged 16 years, Elizabeth, youngest and beloved daughter of James and Ann Trenholm, much respected.

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