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10, WOOD STREET,
SHOTLEY BRIDGE. 228c

ROBERT SEWELL,
AUCTIONEER AND APPRAISER,
12, VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT.

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

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

Lessee of all the principal and largest Posting Stations in the district. All orders thankfully received and promptly attended to. 524k

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,
3, SHAKESPEARE STREET, CONSETT;
23 and 14, Nun Street, and 45, Dean Street, Newcastle;
103, High Street, Gateshead; 121, Bedford Street, and 12, 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,
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Patent Medicines of various kinds on hand.
Dealer in Pianofortes, Harmoniums, Violins, and other Musical Instruments.
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91 & 93, BLACKETT STREET,
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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 3d. per pound. All kinds of Drysaltery Goods cheap and of the best quality. Hotels and families supplied at wholesale prices.
TERMS—CASH. 379e

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 2s. 6d.
Adults' do. 5s. do.
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 to Mr. J. A. DURHY, Butcher),
HIGH END OF DIPTON. 341k

JOHN W. DAVISON,
CABINETMAKER, UPHOLSTERER, 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, RABBI DOWN.
A large Stock of New Patterns in PAPER HANGINGS.
PERAMBULATORS, HARDWARE.
Agent for the HOME WASHER and MANGLIN MACHINES.
BURY'S and HARDY'S PATENT PICKS and SHAFTS.
Manager for SPORTING and BLASTING POWDER. 573

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B. MOODY
WATCHMAKER, DERCHESTER.

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 Entering, 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,
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 staff 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 under thorough repair, 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.

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

Business Announcements.

THE QUICKEST PASSAGE ON RECORD.

ON May 28th, the celebrated steamers, "Loudoun Castle" and "Gleneagle," steamed off together with upwards of six million pounds of NEW SEASON'S TEA from the Hankow district. After a desperate race of thirty-eight days, the "Loudoun Castle" arrived in the London Docks one day before the "Gleneagle," this being the quickest passage on record. At six 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 hesitated, 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 the brokers 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 on 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 application 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. 4 years old ..	1/3	15/
Castle 4 SPANISH PORT *from Spain* The finest Spanish Port produced. 10 years old	1/10	22/
Castle 1A *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	2/6	28/
Castle VP *Pale* MARSALA *from Sicily* A delicate dinner Wine. 3 years old	1/6	16/
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. 7 years old	2/1	25/
Castle GRAND MADEIRA An excellent nutty Wine from the Island. 5 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	26/
	Pints 1/3	15/
Castle B CHAMPAGNE A high class delicate Champagne ..	Quarts 3/6	42/
	Pints 1/11	22/

SPIRITS	Per Bottle	Per Dozen
Castle UP GIN Highly rectified at W & A Gilbey's own Distillery. 35 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. 35 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle DO IRISH WHISKEY Finest old Dublin Whiskey. Strength, proof ..	2/3	29/
Castle UP SCOTCH WHISKEY Distilled from fine malt. 35 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle SC SCOTCH WHISKEY Finest old Scotch Whiskey. Strength, proof	2/3	29/
Castle UP BRANDY Compound ded exclusively from Foreign Spirits. 33 under proof	2/3	27/
Castle PROOF BRANDY Compounded exclusively from Foreign Spirits. Strength, pf.	2/	24/
Castle D COGNAC An excellent Cognac Brandy of fine flavor. 33 under proof	2/	26/
Castle PD COGNAC A fine old Champagne Brandy. Strength, proof	2/9	37/
Castle UP JAMAICA RUM A well-matured Jamaica Rum. 35 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle JO JAMAICA RUM The finest old Jamaica Rum. Strength, proof	2/3	29/
Castle 1 HOLLANDS A pure Dutch Spirit from Rye Wheat. 15 per cent. under proof	2/6	29/
HOLLANDS *(Silver Stream)* A fine old Dutch Spirit, bottled abroad. 14 under proof	2/6	32/

SPARKLING SAUMUR CHAMPAGNES

Castle SAUMUR *Silver Foil* A fine dry Sparkling Wine	Quarts 2/1	25/	Castle SAUMUR *Gold Foil* A fine old dry Sparkling Wine	Quarts 2/6	30/
	Pints 1/3	14/6		Pints 1/6	17/

All Bottles (except for Sparkling Wines) 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.

Business Announcements.

LOOK! LOOK!!—For Washing Machines, Poss 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.

PRICKLY COMFREY.—The most productive and permanent Forage Plant known. Can be cut five times a year—120 tons per acre have been produced in one season. Strong Plants and Sets supplied. The present is an excellent time to plant.—FREEMAN, Economic Seedsman, Norwich. 888k

MCCOURTY,
PRACTICAL WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER, JEWELLER, AND OPTICIAN,
NEWMARKET STREET, CONSETT,
HAS on hand 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,
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Newspapers and Periodicals delivered to Order.
Memorial and Address Cards. Pictures Framed.
Use the Eureka 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,
35, CLAYTON STREET (Corner of Newgate Street), NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE,
RESPECTFULLY calls attention to the Superiority of his Rugoate Suction Palate and Dental Coral.
TEETH STOPPED OR EXTRACTED. 55h

BONESETTING.

JOHN ANDERSON,
3, ROSE MOUNT MADOMSLEY 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

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. 660a

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. Rosewood Shafts and Best Timber always on hand. The largest Spring Cart Works in the North of England. All orders punctually attended to. 929h
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:—
PINE NEW SPRING TARES.
FINE POTATO AND TARTARIAN OATS.
PINE MAPLE PEAS, &c.
CLOVERS AND GRASS SEEDS.
G. H.'S CELEBRATED MIXTURES FOR PERMANENT PASTURES.
TURNIP SEEDS.
GARDEN SEEDS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
Ammonia-fixed 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

THE LANCHESTER COMMON ACT with the AWARDED ROADS, QUARRIES, WELLS, WATERING PLACES, &c., set out by the Commissioners by their Award, dated 19th June, 1871; also a note of the various CUSTOMS OF THE COPYHOLD OF MANORS OF THE SEE OF DURHAM.

Edited and Compiled by ROBERT JACKSON, for upwards of thirty years Managing Clerk in the Copyhold Office, Durham, and late Bailiff of the Manor.

The whole of the remaining copies of this useful work, which was published at 3s. 6d., having been purchased by ROBERT JACKSON, *Guardian* Office, Consett, he has determined to reduce the price to *Three Shillings* per copy (post free) in order to effect a speedy clearance.

Also on hand a few copies (being an exact facsimile) of the *Original* LANCHESTER COMMON ACT, recently published by MR. JOHN CALVERT, at the reduced price of *Two Shillings* (post free).

Every owner or occupier of property within the boundary of Lanchester Common should possess a copy of either of these editions.

MR. JACKSON will be glad to forward copies of either of these editions by return of Post. For which Halfpenny Postage Stamps or Post-Office Orders made payable to ROBERT JACKSON, Consett must be received.

Local Police Courts.

CONSETT POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, July 29.—Before J. PRIESTMAN, Esq. (chairman) and JAS. ANNANDALE, Esq.

RETURNING FROM THE MILITIA.

James Hornsby, a young man, was charged with having been drunk and disorderly. P.C. Gibbon said about eight o'clock on Saturday night he was on duty at Mount Pleasant, where he observed defendant and another man drunk. Witness ordered them away, but defendant refused to go, and was locked up. He was shouting, and pushed his mother about the road.—Defendant, in defence, said he had a little sup in him, having just returned from the Militia. His mother, he said, was taking him home when the policeman locked him up.—He was fined 5s. and costs.

DRUNK IN GREEN STREET.

Thomas McGarrity was charged with having been drunk on Saturday night. The evidence of Sergt. Tranmer showed that about eleven o'clock defendant was in Green Street, drunk, and wanting to fight everybody he met.—Defendant admitted the offence, and was fined 5s. and costs.

BRAWLING IN PITT STREET.

Bridget Hinchey, married woman, was summoned by P.C. Gibbon for having been drunk, at Consett, on Saturday night. P.C. Gibbon said about eleven o'clock he was in Pitt Street, and saw defendant knock another married woman down. She was mad drunk, and he was forced to lock her up.—P.C. Simpson gave corroborative evidence.—Defendant (to Simpson): Did you see me drunk?—P.C. Simpson: Yes.—Defendant (holding up her hands in sat mishment): I am sure y u didn't. I had a few shillings of Mrs. Doodles, and she asked me for it. My two boys were at the Militia, and I couldn't give her the money I owed her till they came back on the Saturday night. She came to blackguard me. She shoved me down, and then I got hold of her.—The Chairman (to Simpson): You saw her knock the other woman down?—P.C. Simpson: Yes.—Defendant: Oh, yes I knocked her down.—The Chairman: We consider the case is proved, and shall fine you 5s. and costs.

ASSAULT AT EBCHESTER.

John McNasty, miner, Westwood Colliery, was charged with assaulting John Rainbow. Defendant did not appear. Complainant said on Saturday night, the 20th ult., he was at Ebchester, where the defendant struck him on the cheek.—The Chairman: Was it in a house?—Complainant: It was beside a public-house.—The Chairman: Had you been in the house?—Complainant: I was just coming out.—The Chairman: Had you had any dispute with the defendant?—Complainant: No; I never saw him before.—The Chairman: Was he drunk?—Complainant: Yes. When he struck me he had something in his hand. My cheek was cut. He was on the point of striking me a second time when the policeman got hold of him.—P.C. White said about half-past nine o'clock he heard a disturbance at the "Black Horse." He went to the place, and found that defendant had been put out of the house. He attempted to strike complainant, but when prevented by him. He was told that McNasty had previously assaulted the complainant. —The Chairman: Did you find anything in his hand?—P.C. Simpson: I did.—The Chairman: You cannot explain how Rainbow got the cut on the cheek?—P.C. White: No; his face was bleeding when I went up.—A fine of 20s. and costs was imposed.—The defendant was also charged with having been drunk on the same occasion. Defendant appeared, and in answer to the Chairman, said he had just entered the Court. He had been at work that morning. He was not in the habit of taking drink, and the drop he got took hold of him. —The Chairman said defendant's case was a bad one, fined for assault, and as the other case happened at the same time, it would be dismissed.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.

Waiter Cook was charged with assaulting his wife, Mary, at Consett. Complainant did not appear. Mr. Oliver said on Saturday night defendant was given into custody by his wife, who alleged that he had assaulted her.—The Chairman said as the complainant did not appear to prosecute, defendant would be discharged.—Supt. Oliver (to Cook): Your wife will have 5s. 4d. costs to pay.—Defendant: I had better pay it now, then.—The money was paid, and Cook left the Court.

DRUNK AT REDWELL HILLS.

Bernard McLeary, miner, Redwell Hills, appeared to answer a summons charging him with having been drunk. P.C. Cumming deposed that on the night of the 29th ult., about a quarter to twelve, he was on duty at Redwell Hill, and saw defendant in a yard attached to the public-house at that place. He was knocking, and trying to get more drink. Witness spoke to him, and defendant then followed him up the road and challenged him out to fight. He said he could thrash any policeman in the county. He was drunk, and continued to conduct himself like a mad-man for a quarter of an hour.—Defendant: Where was I standing when you came up?—P.C. Cumming: Near the public-house door. —Defendant: How far is the public-house door from my door?—P.C. Cumming: About five yards. —Defendant: Was I standing close to the publichouse door?—P.C. Cumming: Yes.—Defendant: Did you hear me ask for drink?—P.C. Cumming: You were knocking.—Defendant: I will postpone the case and bring the landlord of the public-house to prove that I was not knocking at his door.—P.C. Cumming: His wife was there and took him away.—Defendant: What did you charge me with when you came into the yard?—P.C. Cumming: I charged you with nothing.—Defendant said on the day in question he only had four glasses of beer. He returned home ten minutes past seven, and as his wife had to go along the street on business he went to the door and awaited her return. While he was standing there Mr. Simpson came, called him a —— rascal, and asked him if he was looking for more beer. He then went to the public-house, and told the landlord that Simpson had ordered more beer. The landlord then told the constable that defendant lived next door. The officer assaulted him, and defendant thought his name as he intended to summons him. The officer then told him that his name was Smith. He also contended that the place where the officer found him was not a public place, as stated in the summons.—P.C. Cumming said the yard was public property. Moreover, defendant followed him along the highway.—Defendant said he followed the officer to get his name.—The Chairman: As you have brought no witnesses to disprove what the officer has said, we shall fine you 5s. and costs for being drunk on a public place.—Defendant: It is not a public place.—Supt. Oliver: You followed the officer along the highway, and that is public.—Defendant: The next time I find Cumming drunk I will report him to Mr. Oliver.—Supt. Oliver: If you find him drunk, that is just what you ought to do.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT AT BLACKHILL.

Elizabeth Brothy, married woman, who appeared with a child in her arms, was summoned for having been disorderly at Blackhill Mill. Defendant, in answer to the charge, said she was not drunk but insensible. P.C. White said on Friday night, the 26th ult., about half-past 10 p.m., he was on duty at Blackhall Mill, and found defendant lying on the road. She was quite incapable. Witness got the assistance of P.C. Smith and several others, and who took her to her own house. Witness had heard that defendant's husband had been ill-using for that night, and he thought it advisable to send for a medical gentleman. On the arrival of the doctor, however, he pronounced the woman dead drunk.—P.C. Smith gave corroborative evidence. —Defendant said her husband kicked her through the hedge into the bushes. The doctor, she said, did not examine her on the Friday night, but on the following morning he found fourteen bruises on her.—The Chairman (to Dr. Smith): Was the woman lying in the bushes when you found her?—P.C. Smith: No, in the street. She was lying on the road.—Defendant: It was close to the Ship Inn. My husband followed me to the "Ship," and kicked me.—The Chairman: Did the woman smell of drink?—P.C. White: I cannot say. I saw her drunk before that.—The Chairman: The same evening?—P.C. White; Yes, about an hour previously.—The Chairman: We have no doubt about your being drunk. We shall make the fine as light as possible, half-a-crown and costs. Don't come here again.—Mrs. Brothy: Will you give me till Friday night?—The Chairman: You must pay it within seven days.

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George Young, ironworker, was summoned for having been drunk at Consett. About eight o'clock on Saturday night, the 20th ult., Sergt. Tranmer found defendant drunk in Middle Street. He was annoying the people who were passing. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined 5s. and costs. —Peter Matthews, miner, Redwell Hills, was charged with a similar offence. Sergt. Tranmer said on Saturday night, the 20th ult., he saw defendant leave Brown's beerhouse in Front Street. He was drunk, and as soon as he got on to the street he commenced to kick a little dog. He afterwards went into Delves Lane, where he was ill.—A fine of 5s. and costs was imposed.——Mary Collins, married woman, was charged with having been drunk in Trafalgar Street. Sergt. Tranmer deposed that about eleven o'clock on Saturday night, the 20th ult., he found defendant drunk with a crowd around her. She was shouting and causing a disturbance. The officer added that defendant was in the habit of getting drunk on the week end.—Mrs. Collins said it was the woman next door that made the noise.—Sergt. Thornton said that he saw defendant between nine and ten o'clock, and she was drunk at that time. As soon as she got intoxicated, she usually left her own house and went to the corner of the street.—Defendant said she was a guest of her own night, but she was not drunk.—She was fined 5s. and costs, and in default of payment was sent to gaol for seven days.

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DRUNK AT CASTLESIDE.

Adam Toward, who did no appear, was summoned by P.C. Phillipson for having been drunk at Castleside. The officer said on Sunday evening, the 21st ult., he found defendant staggering about the street, just as the people were going to Church. He was fined 10s. and costs.—George Bell, for a similar offence on the same occasion, was fined 5s. and costs.

DRUNK AT BLACKHILL.

Patrick McEnnanie, ironworker, was summoned by P.C. Gant for having been drunk at Blackhill, on the 20th ult. The constable said defendant staggered about the street, and shouted at everyone that passed him. A fine of 5s. and costs was imposed.——Patrick Dawns, ironworker, was charged with a similar offence. On Saturday night, the 20th ult., about half-past eight, P.C. Gant found defendant in Derwent Street. He could hardly stand, and was ultimately taken away by two men. Fined 5s. and costs.—Christopher Leadbitter, who was represented by his mother, was charged by P.C. Gant with a similar offence in Durham Road. Fined 5s. and costs, or seven days.

LANCHESTER PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, August 1.—FIRST COURT.—Before M. KEARNEY, Esq. (chairman), and Rev. J. P. DE PLEDGE.

JEALOUSY AND ITS RESULTS.

Sarah Jubilee, married woman, West Stanley, was charged with assaulting Mary Walker. Complainant said on the 18th ult. she left her own house, and as soon as she got on to the street Mrs. Jubilee struck her. She continued to keep at her all the way to her (complainant's) mother's house, and as she returned she did the same. Defendant's sister-in-law came up and told her to go on, as she would only have to pay once. Complainant had a baby in her arms at the time, and defendant struck it on the forehead.—The Chairman: What provocation did you give her?—Complainant: I did nothing to her. She didn't give me time.—The Chairman: Did you strike her at the time?—Complainant: No.—The Chairman (to defendant): Do you wish to ask her any questions?—Defendant: She is telling lies. She picked up a coal and threw it at me.—Complainant: She picked up the coal her sister-in-law came up and said if I wanted to "rebel" I had to "rebel" with my hands. I then tossed the coal down again.—Defendant: She threw the coal at me, and spat in my face.—The Chairman (to complainant): Have you any witnesses?—Complainant: Yes, three good ones.—Bridget Wilkinson said she lived between the complainant and defendant. On the day in question she heard a noise near her door. On looking outside she saw Mrs. Bolton in the act of striking the complainant. The latter had a child in her arms at the time.—The Chairman: When you looked out you saw Mrs. Bolton striking her?—Witness: Yes.—The Chairman: Did you see Mrs. Walker do anything to her?—Witness: No; she never rebelled.—Defendant: You were not out?—Witness: No; I was in. I said that anybody that treated a woman and child in that way deserved six months.—Hannah Robinson, another neighbour, said she saw defendant striking Mrs. Walker. She doubled up her sleeves, and used bad language. Witness was of opinion she was a "complete blackguard."—The Chairman: Did you see Mrs. Walker do anything?—Witness: She did nothing but "dotther." As she was going down the road, Mrs. Bolton gave her one blow after the other.—The Chairman: Did you see Mrs. Walker throw a coal at Mrs. Bolton?—Witness: No.—The Chairman: Did you see the beginning of it?—Witness: No; I live two or three doors below them.—A man named Armstrong was also called, and said he saw "Sarah strike Mary, but did not see Mary strike Sarah back again.—Mrs. Bolton, in defence, said on the 17th, the day before the alleged assault, she went to complainant's house to confront her about something she had said about her. Mrs. Walker was violent, and threatened to throw boiling water over her. On the following morning, Mrs. Walker came to her, and said she would throw the contents of a coffee pot over her. Complainant then picked up a coal, and defendant took it out of her hand, and pushed her. She denied striking either complainant or the child. Defendant had been ill for the last three years Mrs. Walker had "scandalised" her.—She called Mrs. Baxter, who at the outset said complainant had been the means of parting defendant and her husband. She did not see defendant strike Mrs. Walker.—Defendant: She will be the means of me and my husband parting.—Mrs. Baxter: He has called her down in the papers.—Sarah Oliver said she saw defendant push complainant in the breast, but no blow was struck. She saw complainant pick up a coal, which was taken out of her hand by Mrs. Bolton. Complainant spat in her face before that. —The Chairman (to defendant): Are you living with your husband now?—Defendant: Yes.—The Chairman said they could not help coming to the conclusion, whatever provocation she had previously received, that Mrs. Bolton had been guilty of an assault. However, as the expenses were heavy, they would make the fine as light as possible. Defendant was then fined 1s. and costs, or 14s. 6d.

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THE EXTRAORDINARY CHARGE AGAINST A POLICEMAN.

Michael Bain, a police-constable stationed at Hill Top, was summoned by Hannah Laing to show cause why an order should not be made on him to support her illegitimate child, of which he was the putative father. Mr. Welford appeared for complainant, whilst Mr. Granger defended.—Mr. Welford having briefly opened the case,

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by entering the realm of conjugal felicity, Mr. James actually disqualified himself for the discharge of his ministerial functions in the Leadgate and Consett circuit. This abnormity Mr. James would doubtless think ought not to exist, and he (Mr. Raine) entertained the same opinion. (Laughter.) However, he hoped that ministers of the gospel would soon have social equality in this respect. (Hear, hear.) If Mr. James had to leave the circuit because he was about to obey the first command given to man, how could the friends at

Benfieldside look the future Mrs. James in the face? (Laughter and applause.) They had fortunately discovered a plan by which they could evidence their unswerving attachment to Mr. James. Their method was to present him with a tangible expression of their appreciation of his services during the past year. No sooner was the subject mentioned than the friends spontaneously offered subscriptions in aid of the undertaking. The presentation was in the form of a handsome secretaire, with spring angle lock, and false drawer, being mounted with brass. The following inscription was artistically engraven on a brass plate on the top:—"Presented by the members of the United Free Methodist Church, Benfieldside, to the Rev. W. H. James as a wedding gift. D. Ormerod, circuit steward; W. Davison, circuit secretary; F. Raine, hon. sec." The presentation was from the establishment of Mr. A. Bernasconi, Dean Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Mr. R. J. Jury, Westwood, sent Paley's complete works to be given to Mr. James along with the secretaire. He might say that these gifts were the expression of the sympathy and goodwill of the whole circuit. Personally he had learned to esteem Mr. James very highly. The more he knew of him, the better he respected him. It was truly refreshing to be associated with a minister of the gospel who really believed and practised what he taught and preached in the pulpit. During his stay among them Mr. James had laboured assiduously to advance the Redeemer's kingdom, by seeking to "turn men from darkness to light, and from the power of satan unto God." He wished the rev. gentleman every success in his new sphere of labour, and sincerely trusted that if they were never permitted to meet again on earth that they might meet in the realms of the blest, where partings would be unknown. He had extreme pleasure in making the presentation in the name of the circuit. (Applause.)

The Rev. W. H. JAMES feelingly replied. He said—In accepting these very excellent gifts, allow me to thank you most heartily for them, and to pray that God may reward you a thousand-fold for your kindness. I am sure the presentation is worthy (as one good brother said) of a lord; nay, more, it is worthy of a minister of the United Methodist Free Churches. But the gift, excellent as it is, is not so much valued by me on account of its worth, as on account of what it expresses. The respect such a presentation indicates is everything to me, and I am sure, though respect is not always to be measured by the extent of gift, that there must be some kind feeling in your hearts towards me, or there would not be such a generous expression of it. To me, sir, it is no little thing for a minister to live in the hearts of his people. No doubt, all men have, more or less, a desire to be beloved; but this is especially needful in the case of the minister. A congregation that has but little or no love for their pastor will receive but little good from his ministry, however great a preacher he may be. The religion of the Lord Jesus Christ appeals not only to the intellect but also to the heart, and however much the mind may be convinced by argument, it will be of little or no benefit until the heart be subdued, and the will brought into subjection. A man that has no heart for God's servant will have but little heart for His message. It has been said that love begets love. Though this is not an infallible rule, it is sometimes true. If, during my ministry among you, I should have manifested any such affection—any real ardent desire for your spiritual welfare—I can truthfully say that I have never manifested more than I have felt. Nothing will ever gladden me more than to hear that you are progressing in piety and growing numerically greater. If I could say a word that would tend to this end, that should be my first and last word to-night. My dear friends, be diligent in the cultivation of every spiritual grace, and zealous in the prosecution of every christian duty. My remembrance of you, I trust, is not dependent on any outward gift—though the nature of your gifts are such as to keep me in constant remembrance of you. Your great and uninterrupted kindness since I came among you will ever make your names dear to me. It may be that some have not that amount of interest in me that others feel—some may not have spoken so kindly of me—others may not have manifested that marked attention that has been generally shown me—all may not have profited alike under my ministry—yet, I have not a hard word to say of any individual member of our churches, nor do I remember an act to which I can point that was intended to be unkind. I have endeavoured to preach the truth as it is in Jesus Christ with all simplicity and earnestness, and many times have I been led to thank God, through the testimony of others, for the good it has effected. Now, when I sit to write or read, there will be the desk to remind me of Benfieldside friends and those of the other places of the circuit engraven on the top. Then my mind will be carried to their homes and to their families, in which and with whom I have spent many a happy hour in social chat and christian fellowship. Some of these refreshing times can never die while mind and memory last. I love to think of them, and to allow the mind to dwell upon them. One thought is very comforting to me now, and it is this—that I have not only endeavoured to minister to your spiritual edification while in the pulpit, but in your homes and in our walks together I have endeavoured to make religion the principal subject of discourse, a practice in which, I trust, I shall continue, and which I most strongly recommend you to cultivate among yourselves. Of course, Benfieldside, the place of my residence, will stand first in the vocabulary of names. I have been much cheered with the gradual improvement that I have witnessed in this church and congregation for some months past. Peace reigns in our borders, the tone of piety is deepening, and our members and congregations are increasing. It is also pleasing to find such an improvement in the Sunday-school, the order and attendance of which, I am sure, is quite a credit to those connected with it. My home has been a most pleasant one. The kindness and attention of Mrs. Lamb have been all I could desire. She has done all she could to make me happy. Then comes Leadgate, with its few struggling, yet determined spirits. The energy and self-sacrifice manifested by some of our Leadgate friends are worthy of highest praise. The next to follow is Dipton, almost shipwrecked, yet continuing to weather out the terrible storm. Never do I remember seeing a more prosperous church than Dipton appeared to be. In a few months it doubled and almost trebled itself. Last autumn we had over fifty conversions there. But owing to South Medomsley Colliery being closed, and remaining closed so long, its effects have been most pernicious, and caused the society to go down as fast as it went up. But when the pit is open for work again, as undoubtedly it will be, I have great hopes we shall have a flourishing society. Catchgate is the next on the list. This is our largest church in the circuit. They are a very sensational people, and the good brother that goes there to preach will find no lack of responses. We have some earnest and devout souls here. Westwood stands first in the circuit for punctuality, attendance, and attention. It would do some of the other places good to take a few lessons from our Westwood friends. They are, moreover, a very kind and generous people, and I hope the day is not far distant when I shall hear they have a chapel of their own, and free of debt. Then comes poor Milkwell Burn, that has lately been deprived of its author and poet, and greatest medical adviser—of whom I was told that he was the greatest doctor this side of New York. (Laughter.) As I do not wish to challenge either his great admirers or the medical profession of the neighbourhood, I forbear expressing an opinion. In this den of infamy, I am happy to believe we have some sincere followers of the Lord Jesus Christ. I have briefly glanced over the various places of the circuit, without mentioning any special names of either place. As I could not mention all, I thought it best to mention none. Each individual knows the feeling of his own heart, and God knows the feeling of my heart toward you all. I take this opportunity of thanking the friends of the circuit generally for the great kindness they have shown me while I have been among them, and of specially thanking those friends who have felt in their hearts to take the responsibility of getting up such a worthy presentation for such an unworthy person, and to those who have contributed towards it. I shall ever regard it as the gift of loving hearts, and ever hold it as a rich treasure, while God lends me the power, on your account. And when I am dead and gone, it will remain for those that survive me as a token of your esteem and affection for me while here. And now, dear friends, I rejoice most of all in the thought that one day we may meet in heaven. Times of parting are anything but pleasant times. Friendships are formed which are not easily severed. The bonds which bind sincere hearts are ever growing stronger. The ties of christian love and brotherhood are ever tending to draw us nearer each other. But, thank God, though we are called to part, these friendships, these bonds, and these ties need never to be broken—

"Our bodies may far off remove
We still are one in heart."

Depression may deter willing hearts, circumstances may change our plans and purposes, time may alter our stations and social relationships, but above and beyond these changing scenes we have a home in heaven, where our highest anticipations will be met, every desire will be satisfied, and where kindred souls will be united in eternal joy and felicity. Let us ever remember each other at the throne of heavenly grace. By doing so, we shall tend to raise each other nearer heaven. Let us seek to live the holiest, the purest, and the best of lives. By so doing we shall most please God, secure to ourselves the greatest happiness, and be most powerful for good among men. Let no trial, or difficulty, or temptation, or sorrow in any way interfere with our christian progress; let us be brave and constant for God and goodness. I sincerely hope that my successor will be most useful and happy among you, and that under his ministry the work of the Lord may mightily revive. With the earnest hope that we may meet in heaven I bid you farewell, praying in the words of the apostle—"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit, and soul, and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." (Applause.)

Hearty votes of thanks were given to the Chairman, speakers, and the ladies who presided at the tea tables.

On Sunday, three services were ably conducted by Mr. J. Moorhead, of Seaton Sluice. At each service, the children recited scripture, poetry, and dialogues under the superintendence of Mr. R. Frankland. Mr. W. Davison efficiently conducted the singing, while Master Caygill presided at the harmonium with ability and skill. Mr. John Siddle performed admirably on the bass violin, and Mr. Joseph Siddle rendered good service by his excellent performance on the bombardon. The congregations were large, and liberal collections were taken in aid of the school funds.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

At the Southwark Police Court, London, on Saturday, Joseph Moore, eight years of age, was charged with shooting and mortally wounding his sister, Alice Moore, three years of age, with a six-chambered revolver, at 251, Tabard Street, Borough. Henry Heaney, police-sergeant, 17 M, said that between eight and nine that morning he was called to 251, Tabard Street, when he saw a little girl, named Alice Moore, three years of age, lying on a mattress in the kitchen, apparently lifeless. Blood was flowing from a wound at the back of the head. Witness at once sent for Mr. Alexander, a neighbouring surgeon, who immediately attended, and pronounced the child to be mortally wounded. Witness then found the revolver (produced) on the window sill. It had four charges in it, which Inspector Watson withdrew. There was evidence that the pistol had recently been discharged. On questioning the prisoner, he said, "He found the pistol lying in a basket on the floor of the kitchen when playing with his little sister, and, thinking it was a toy, he pointed it at her whilst she was in the corner. He pulled something, but he did not know what it was, and it went off. He had no intention of shooting her." Witness then took him into custody.—Mr. Benson asked if the parents of the children were in court?—Witness replied that they had none, but had been adopted by a German basket-maker, who lived in the house. The uncle was in court.—Mr. Charles J. Alexander, M.R.C.S., 84, Dover-road, Borough, said that at a little after nine o'clock that morning he examined the injured child, and found a gunshot wound at the back part of the head where a bullet had entered and penetrated the brain.—Mr. Benson asked if the ball had been extracted.—Witness said it would be useless to attempt it at present as death was expected every minute.—William Hannerlin, a German basket-maker, said he adopted both the children, and he kept the pistol loaded over his bed to protect himself. He did not know how it came in the basket in the kitchen. At the time of the occurrence he was removing from the house.—Mr. Benson ordered the prisoner to be given up to his uncle until after the inquest.

Mr. Irving will give a reading at Belfast, on the 16th August, in aid of the Samaritan Hospital there, and subsequently at a metting of the Northampton Shakespeare Society.

The *Scotsman* makes the announcement that Mrs. Richardson, of St. Mary's Cottage, better known by her maiden name of Tibbie Shiels, died the other day, at the age of ninety-six. In her youth she was servant in the house of the Ettrick Shepherd's parents.

The Secretary for War has appointed the Rev. C. Kirkwood, formerly stationed in London, to be Presbyterian chaplain to the forces in Cyprus. Mr. Kirkwood, who is an ordained minister of the Church of Scotland, served under Sir Garnet Wolseley during the Ashantee war.

A serious accident occurred in Nottingham a few days since, whereby three men, named Attenborough, Dingley, and Smith, sustained very serious injuries by the fall of some chimneys on the scaffolding attached to a new house at which they were at work. They fell a height of forty feet.

The captive balloon in Paris is to begin its public ascents on the 1st of August. A great number of English and Americans have taken places. One of the papers publishes an article from a scientific contributor, who points out the danger this leviathan balloon will run in the event of a storm.

The National Health Society, 44, Berners Street, has kindly offered, for three years, to the female pupils of the London Schools Swimming Club, five prizes of 15s. The prizes will be awarded for good swimming, over definite distances, and within limited time. Other prizes for female swimmers are offered by the club.

The Marchioness of Salisbury while driving through the Broadway, Hammersmith, with her children, had a narrow escape. The victoria in which they were seated was run into by a large wagon belonging to the Duke of Northumberland, and was entirely destroyed, but fortunately its occupants sustained no injury.

A man, named Jukes Greenwell, has been remanded, at the Manchester Police Court, charged with the manslaughter of Samuel Richardson, at Peel Green, near Manchester. The prisoner, it is alleged, without any provocation struck the deceased a violent blow on the head, while in a public-house causing instant death.

Sir Richard Wallace has presented to Lord Beaconsfield the Star and Badge of the Garter in diamonds of extraordinary beauty. But the circumstance that confers a special value upon this graceful act is that the Star and Badge are those which were formerly worn by the Prime Minister's old friend, Lord Hertford.—*Morning Post.*

BANQUET TO THE BRITISH PLENIPOTENTIARIES.

SPEECHES OF LORD BEACONSFIELD AND LORD SALISBURY.

On Saturday evening the Carlton Club gave a grand banquet to celebrate the return of the Earl of Beaconsfield and the Marquis of Salisbury, the British Plenipotentiaries at the recent Congress at Berlin, and the event was made the occasion of a great Conservative gathering. The banquet was given in the Wellington Riding School at Knightsbridge, which had been tastefully fitted up and decorated with flags. On the two guests making their appearance they were vociferously cheered, and the band of the Grenadier Guards, which was in attendance, struck up "See the Conquering Hero Comes." His Grace the Duke of Buccleuch occupied the chair.

Lord Beaconsfield, in responding to the toast of his health, said he attended the great and high assembly at Berlin with much reluctance, but he yielded to the earnest solicitation of his colleague in that great enterprise, who thought his presence might be of use to him in the great difficulties he had to encounter. He shared the conviction of their noble chairman, that the result of their endeavours had been received with satisfaction by our country. (Cheers.) But he was perfectly aware that that satisfaction was not complete or unanimous. By the movement against the British Plenipotentiaries, it would appear that there were two points on which it was hoped that a successful onset might be made upon her Majesty's Government. It was charged against her Majesty's Government that they had particularly deceived and deserted Greece. On this point he said they had given at all times, in public and in private, to the Government of Greece, and to all who might influence its decisions, one advice, that on no account should they be induced to mingle or to interfere in the coming disturbances which two years ago threatened Europe, and which concluded with the devastating war with which we were so well acquainted, Greece had not interfered, and though she had not lavished the blood of her subjects and fellow-countrymen and wasted her treasure, under the settlement of Berlin she had the opportunity of obtaining a greater increase of territory than any of the rebellious tributary principilities that had lavished their blood and treasure and wasted their resources in this contest It had been said that they had misled and deserted Greece, but certainly they were the Power that took steps that Greece should be heard before the Couference. He declared that the proposition of Lord Salisbury for the rectification of the frontiers of Greece really included all a moderate and sensible man could desire, and that was the plan which was ultimately adopted by the Congress, and of which Greece might avail herself with prudence—if there be prudence and moderation in her councils. He remarked, too, that from the first the Sultan of Turkey had expressed his desire to deal with Greece in a spirit of friendliness and conciliation, and notwithstanding the series of catastrophes he had gone through, he had never swerved from the feeling and desire to deal with Greece in this fashion. The Sultan was not a tyrant, he was not a bigot, he was not corrupt, and he believed the Sultan was prepared to consider in the spirit of conciliation, which he had so often repeated, the opinion expressed by the Congress. Another point was with reference to the Convention of Constantinople of the 4th of June. That appeared to him to be the arena on which a grand assault will be made upon the Government. It was said that we had increased, and dangerously increased, our responsibilities as a nation by that convention. In the first place he denied that he had increased our responsibilities by that convention; he maintained that by that convention we had lessened our responsibilities. (Cheers.) If the settlement of Europe had been limited to a mere Treaty of Berlin; in ten, fifteen, or twenty years, the power of Russia having revived, some quarrel would again have occurred, and in all probability the armies of Russia would have assailed the Ottoman dominions both in Europe and Asia, and no one could doubt that ultimately England would have said "This will never do; we must prevent the conquest of Asia Minor, and must interfere in this matter to arrest the course of Russia." (Cheers.) It was, therefore, extremely important that this country should take steps beforehand which should indicate what the policy of England is. He found at Berlin that neither the Crimean war, nor this horrible and devastating war which has just terminated, would have taken place if England had spoken with the necessary firmness. (Loud cheers.) No. Russia had a complaint to make against this country. She had to complain that neither on the occasion of the Crimean war, nor on this late occasion—though he did not shrink himself from his share of the responsibility—was the voice of England so clearly, firmly, and decidedly expressed as to exercise a due share in the guidance of European policy. If they had come back with only a treaty, it would have been said that all they had gained was a peace of a few years; but his friend and himself had thought that the time had come when they should take steps which would produce some order out of that anarchy and chaos which had so long prevailed. He belived that they had laid the foundation of a state of affairs which may open a new continent to the civilisation of Europe. In continuing his speech, Lord Beaconsfield said:—I am sorry to say that though we taxed our brains and our thoughts to establish a policy which we think beneficial to the country, we have not satisfied those who are our critics. (Laughter.) I was astonished to learn that the Convention of the 4th of June has been described as an insane convention. (Laughter.) That is a strong epithet, but I don't pretend to be as competent a judge of insanity as my right hon. friend who used it. (Cheers and laughter.) I won't say to the right hon. gentleman what I had occasion to say in the House of Lords this year. *Naviget Anticyram*; but I would put this issue to an intelligent jury—Which do you believe most likely and capable to enter into an insane convention, a body of English gentlemen, honoured by the favour of their Sovereign and the confidence of their fellow-subjects—hear, hear)—managing your affairs for five years, I hope with prudence and not altogether without success—(cheers)—or a sophistical rhetorician, inebriated with the exuberance of his own verbosity—(cheers)—and gifted with an egotistical imagination that can at all times command an interminable and inconsistent series of arguments to malign his opponents and glorify himself? (Laughter and cheersr.) The Marquis of Salisbury, in responding to the toast of his health, proposed by the Earl of Malmesbury, said that probably no Ministry had ever passed through a difficult crisis of foreign affairs amidst such a storm of abuse as they had encountered. (Hear, hear.) Every calumny, every misconstruction that malignant ingenuity could invent was paraded forth in order to lessen their influence and hinder their efforts; and at the precise moment when it was of vital importance that Europe should understand that that England was in earnest every nerve was strained to make England seem infirm of purpose and impotent in action. (Hear, hear.) They in their diplomacy had to struggle against a loud-mouthed iplomacy, struggling in another direction out of doors But English people, had felt that the Government were striving to pick up the thread of England's old Imperial traditions. Men eminent in public affairs had tried to persuade them that the interest of England was to confine herself solely to her own insular affairs; but he submitted that the commerce of a great commercial country like this will only flourish—history attests it again and again—under the shadow of Empire, and those who give up Empire, in order to make commerce prosper will end by losing both. What they desired was that England should not occupy a position and fulfil a character among the nations of the earth such as we should despise among onr neighbours at home.

Her Majesty has conferred on Lieutenant-General Sir Arnold Burrows Kemball, K.C.S.I., the honour of Knight Commander of the Military Division of the Order of the Bath.

The Bishop of Lincoln has authorised the use of a Collect of Thanksgiving for Peace in the churches of his diocese, and suggests certain special Psalms.

FATAL FALL OVER A PRECIPICE.

On Monday forenoon a sad accident occurred at Den Finella, a romantic spot near Montrose, Forfarshire. Henry Milne, nineteen years of age, while larking with some companions in the Den approached too near the precipice and fell over, a distance of a hundred feet. His body was recovered by means of ropes, and it was discovered that life was extinct from fracture of the skull. A man who attempted the lad's rescue narrowly escaped the same fate. He also fell over, and was caught between two rocks, where he stuck and was rescued by ropes.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

A shocking tragedy resulting in two deaths, has been enacted at Erdington, near Birmingham. The deceased persons are Edward Johnson and his wife. They formerly carried on business in Birmingham, but had retired. They did not live happily, in consequence of jealousy on the part of the husband. Both were heavy drinkers. On Tuesday Johnson threw his wife out of the house in the rain, and knocked her about frightfully. He then threw buckets of water over her and locked her out of doors. She was found lying in a mixture of blood and water, and died on Saturday from the effects of this treatment. Johnson, hearing that she was dead, committed suicide by drowning himself.

ATTACKING A POLICEMAN WITH A STABLE FORK.

At the Preston Police Court, Hugh Wareing, a carter, has been charged with stealing six stones of hay, and ten lbs. of provender, from the stable of Mr. Blundell, coal merchant, Mount Street; and also with violently assaulting Police-constable Lee. At an an early hour on Thursday morning last the constable was on duty near the prosecutor's stables, when he saw a light, and on breaking into the place, found the prisoner with a lighted candle in his hand. Prisoner immediately blew out the light, and escaped into an adjoining stable. Lee followed, and Wareing then made a rush at him with a stable fork, inflicting serious wounds on his head, and also attempted to stab him in the stomach. The magistrates characterised the case as a very serious one, and committed the prisoner to the sessions for trial.

TWENTY-SIX HOURS' WALKING MATCH AT THE AGRICULTURAL HALL.

This was the second competition for the handsome and valuable challenge belt presented by Mr. H. Lewis, and first competed for and won in February last by W. Howes, of Hoxton. In addition to the belt, as each of three competitors has to stake £50, the prize for the winner is something considerable. The holder on this occasion was challenged by H. Vaughan, of Chester, and Arthur Hancock, of London, and they commenced their task at half-past eight on Friday evening, in the presence of about 4,000 spectators. They walked on through the night, and for the first eight hours Howes was in front, having completed 45 miles, soon after which he fell off considerably, and Vaughan took the lead, and at two o'clock on Saturday he was 11 miles before Howes and 18 in front of Hancock. After this the affair was a complete farce, the walkers every now and then coming out and walking a short distance and retiring. Eventually, when Vaughan had been walking 24 hours, he stopped, having completed 113 miles 6 laps; Hancock, 91 miles 1 lap; and Howes, 90 miles 2 laps; the affair being over just before nine o'clock.

A MOUNTAIN OF TIN.

Tasmania is (according to an Australian paper) rapidly becoming a second Cornwall in the quality and extent of its tin supplies. Four years ago the value of tin and tin-ore exported from the colony was barely £7,000, while in 1877 the value of the metal sent out of the country was nearly £270,000, and the industry has received a fresh impetus in the discovery of a new lode-bearing district. Until very lately the principal portion of the tin produced in Tasmania was obtained by the ancient process of "streaming," or washing the sand and earth in water, and allowing the heavier metallic parts to subside; but by the discovery of the lodes at Mount Bischoff the colonial miner was able to compete on equal terms with his fellow-craftsman in Cornwall, and as the tin mines of the old country have fallen off in productiveness, those at the antipodes have been able to make up for their failure. The mining district of Mount Biscoff has now found a rival in the discovery of a tin mountain at Mount Heemskirk, on the West Coast. The "wash-dirt" is some 20ft. thick, and produces about 25 per cent. of tin; but the existence of solid seams of metal, traversing the mountains in veins several feet in depth and width, has thrown even these productive workings into the shade.

AN EXTRAORDINARY VERDICT.

At the Liverpool Police Court, Eliza Mary Ford, a sempstress, was indicted for having, at Southport, on the 20th July, burglariously entered the dwelling-house of John Salthouse. Mr. Shand prosecuted, and the prisoner was defended by Dr. Commins. On the night of the 20th July the prosecutor's daughter heard a noise outside the house, and on going downstairs she found several doors open, and a window broken. On an examination being made it was ascertained that nothing had been stolen, and a woman's veil and umbrella were found outside the back door. A woman, who was stated to be the prisoner, was seen running away from the premises, and in the yard were found marks of blood. The prisoner was arrested the same morning on the beach, at Southport, and in her possession was found a small carpet-bag, which contained a complete set of housebreaking instruments. The veil and umbrella found outside prosecutor's house were identified as belonging to the prisoner, and when she was arrested she had a fresh cut on the hand. The defence was that the prisoner had no felonious intent in entering the premises. The prosecutor and his family were friends, and she had known them for twenty years; but at the time of the occurrence she was suffering from neuralgia. She had taken chloral for the purpose of deadening the pain, and her brain had become affected.—The jury returned a verdict to the effect that the prisoner was guilty of being on the premises, but not with a felonious intent.—His lordship said that after the direct evidence that had been given, he had never heard a verdict in the course of his experience that shocked him so much.—The prisoner was then discharged, and his lordship said he would dispense with the services of the jury.—One of the jurymen: My lord, this is not my verdict.—His Lordship: You have concurred in it; but I am not surprised to hear that you repudiate it now.—The Lord Chief Justice then ordered another jury to be sworn.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERALSHIP OF CANADA.

We publish with great pleasure (says the *Times*) the announcement that the Marquis of Lorne has accepted the office of Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, and will enter upon his duties in immediate succession to the Earl of Dufferin. The announcement will be hailed with enthusiasm by the Canadians, and in this country it will be regarded with the greatest satisfaction. The Ministry were apparently placed in a position of some embarrassment by the fact that Lord Dufferin's term of office, which a wise and wholesome rule of the Colonial service limits to six years, expired a few weeks ago. It was felt that it would be difficult to select any successor for Lord Dufferin who would not find his reputation over-shadowed by the memory of that most popular of Governors. There was, however, one kind of selection which was at once impressive and likely to produce substantial political advantages. A direct connection between the Throne and the representative of the Queen's authority in Canada was certain to be welcomed by the colonists, all the more warmly because their loyalty has of late been stirred by the eloquent and imaginative appeals of the retiring Governor-General. The choice of the husband of one of her Majesty's daughters to represent the sovereignty of the Queen in Canada is an appeal to sentiments and traditions of Imperial unity and historic pride that have recently acquired fresh life and vigour.

DISTURBANCE AT A REFORMATORY.

On Sunday evening a mutiny took place at Mount St. Bernard Roman Catholic Reformatory, Colville, Leicestershire. Fifty-four of the convicts assaulted the officials and made their escape towards Loughborough Police Station, and a number of constables were sent in pursuit of the fugitives, forty-three being recaptured. One of the constables was stabbed in seven places, and his assailant has been brought before the magistrates and remanded.

EXECUTION AT CHELMSFORD.

On Monday morning Charles Joseph Revell was executed at Springfield Gaol for the murder of his wife by cutting her throat in Epping Forest. Since his condemnation at the last assizes, he had been penitent, and admitted the justice of his sentence. He attended the gaol chapel on Sunday, received the Sacrament, and, at his own request, selected a text for the sermon. On Monday morning he was awakened at four o'clock. At six he was visited by the Rev. Mr. Lumley, the Chaplain, and remained some time in prayer. A little before eight the High Sheriff of the county and the officials were present, and Marwood was introduced to the cell. The culprit displayed great firmness, walked to the scaffold, and, when the rope had been adjusted, he said, "Let me shake hands with the chaplain," grasping the hand of the Rev. Mr. Lumley, and adding "Good bye; may the Lord receive my soul." The culprit had a fall of seven feet, and death was instantaneous. He was 25 years old.

A MOTHER KILLING HER CHILDREN.

Ellen Loughlin, a middle aged woman has been charged at the Liverpool Assizes with murdering two infant children. The case was a most melancholy and painful one. The woman's husband was taken to a lunatic asylum, and the woman was left with two children. These she sent to relatives at Manchester, and supported herself by keeping a shop. She took a lodger, and this man seduced her, the result of the connection being two children, with whose murder she was charged. She supported this man for some time, when her means failed, and had to sell up. He then deserted her, and one day as she says, distracted, took the children out and drowned them. She was found guilty, with a strong recommendation to mercy, and sentence of death was passed, the judge stating that the recommendation would be forwarded to the proper quarter. Prisoner seemed to feel her position most acutely, and was in a paroxysm of tears during the trial.

MURDER OF A FAMILY IN RUSSIA.

Five persons were murdered in the early part of last week at Dubin, in the province of Wilna, the local correspondent of which forwards the following particulars to the St. Petersburg papers:—On the 21st inst., the five individuals composing the Weitsman family—Weitsman himself, his wife, his eldest daughter, aged 20, and two children, aged respectively seven and nine years old—were found in the morning smothered in their beds. According to all appearances, the murderers must have been several in number, as the three elder victims were found in their beds in one room with the finger-marks of their assailants imprinted on their throats. One of the little children was found lying smothered under a pillow, and the second lay stretched on the floor near the bed, having been apparently cast there after suffering death in a similar way. The furniture bore no evidence of having been greatly disturbed, and apparently none of the victims' property had been carried away. As Weisman was a quiet respectable man, and was believed to have no enemies, the police at Dubin are at a loss to account for the reason that led to the perpetration of such a crime.

AN IRISH BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.—A TWENTY YEARS' COURTSHIP.

At the County Antrim Assizes, Baron Dowse took up the common jury record of Mawhirk v. Ellis, which was an action for breach of promise of marriage. Damages were laid at £300. Mr. Monroe, Q.C., and Mr. Weir appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. W. H. Dodd for the defendant.—Mr. Weir to the plaintiff: How long have you known the defendant? Twenty-five years (laughter).—When did he commence to court you? Twenty years ago (laughter).—Did he ever promise to marry you? Very often. Five years ago he promised to marry me, and very often before that. It is nearly fifteen years since he made the first promise. He postponed the marriage till the decease of his mother. Every Sunday he was accustomed to come to my father's house. He was kindly received by the family. We went to *soirees* and weddings together.—Do you remember, on the 27th July, 1877, being in your father's house? Plaintiff: Yes. My brother Thomas was present, and defendant was there. He gave me his hand that night and said he would marry me. About a month before his marriage he ceased visiting at my father's house. We never had a quarrel, and there was no reason for his breaking off the marriage.—Cross-examined by Mr. Dodd: Did you get any presents? Yes; I have a Bible which he bought me at half-a-crown, and wrote my name in it.—Did you know he was paying his addresses to another person for years? I did not, and if he was he came very often to our house (laughter).—Mr. Weir: Was there anyone else courting you during that time? No.—His Lordship: What age are you? For once in your life you may tell your age, and you need not tell again (laughter.)—Plaintiff (in a low voice): Forty.—His Lordsoip: Are you no more? Plaintiff: I am that anyway (laughter).—His Lordship: What age is he? Plaintiff: He is that anyway.—William John Ellis, the defendant, deposed that he had married a lady, and if she had any money, he got none of it. He believed there was £150 settled on her. He had known the plaintiff for years, but never promised her marriage, and never intended marrying her. She often asked him to marry her, but he respectfully declined (laughter).—Mr. Weir: How long did you court the plaintiff? I can't say.—Did you ever put your arm round her? I did (laughter).—Did you ever kiss her? I did (laughter).—How often did she ask you to marry her? I can't say.—Did you visit the house again after she asked you to marry her? I did.—Did you kiss her after that? I did (laughter).—His Lordship: What did you kiss her for? Did you intend to marry her? Defendant: Many a one I have kissed in my time (laughter).—His Lordship: Were you courting her? Defendant: Yes.—His Lordship: Did she court you? Defendant: Yes (laughter.)—His Lordship: How long did that last (laughter)? Ten years? Defendant: I suppose so.—His Lordship: And it never amounted to a promise to marry during all those ten years? Defendant: It did not (laughter).—His Lordship: Why, did you not promise to marry her when you put your arms round her waist and kissed her, and hadn't a wife (laughter). Defendant: I did not intend to marry her.—Mr. Weir then addressed the jury, after which his Lordship reviewed the evidence, and in doing so said the whole point was whether the defendant promised to marry the plaintiff. If he did he had broken his promise, for, although he might be fond of courting two persons, the law only allowed him to marry one, and he had taken his allowance in that respect (laughter). A man who could go on courting two people for years without giving a promise to marry must be a natural curiosity (laughter).—The jury retired, and after a short deliberation found for the plaintiff in £75 damages and costs.

The works in connection with the rebuilding of the Elephant and Castle Theatre, London, which were burnt down a few months ago, were commenced last week. The estimated cost of the new building is about £8,000.

A large number of the presents intended by the Duke of Connaught for the Princess of Prussia are being prepared in Paris.

The Chinese embassy arrived at San Francisco on Saturday.

A Berlin correspondent says that Germany alone of the Great Powers has refused to take part in the Monetary Convention in Paris.

The London and Portsmouth coach is to be taken off the road next week, and the fifty horses which have worked it are to be sold at Tattersall's.

Business Announcements.

ENGLISH AND MILBURN,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
DRAPERS, HATTERS, MILLINERS, MERCERS, HOSIERS, GLOVERS, HABERDASHERS, &c.

NOTE.—HAWKERS AND SMALL SHOPS SUPPLIED AT MANUFACTURERS' LIST PRICES.

ENGLISH AND MILBURN,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRAPERS,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT; AND FRONT STREET, DIPTON. 144m

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

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-modell ed and made to Fit the Mouth 218 Sets and partial Sets of Artificial Teeth, which have been obtained fro m unskilled pretenters to Dentistry, who seek to give no satisfaction but to get payment, not caring whether the Teeth Fit or not. Sufficient testimony can be given by some of those patients, who would not scruple to make answ er 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. 126k

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.	Shoulders of Bacon, about 14lb. weight, 5d. per lb.
Best Fines, 2s. per st.; 39s. per sack of 20st.	Hams, about 14lb. weight, 6½d. per lb.
Best Wheatmeal, 1s. 10d. per st.	Bacon, from 4d. per lb.; Best, only 6d. per lb.
Best Boxings, 1s. per st.; 1s. 6d. per sack of 12st.	Pure Lard, 7d. per lb.
Horse Corn, 17s. per sack of 12st.	Butter, 10d., 1s., and 1s. 2d. per lb.
Bran, 6s. 6d. per sack of 8st.	American Cheese, 6d. per lb.
Best Red Potatoes, 9d. per st.	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.	Soaps, Pale, 3d.; Mottled, 3½d. and 4d. per lb.
Fine Indian, only 3s. 6d. per lb.	Currants, 4d. per lb.
Fine Coffee, 1s. per lb.; best, 1s. 4d. per lb.	Raisins 4d. per lb.
Fine Sugar, 2½d. and 3d. per lb.	Sago, Large and Small, 4d per lb.
Loaf Sugar Tablets, 4d. per lb.	Pot Barley, 2s. per st.
Rice, good, 2½. per lb.; best, 3d. per lb.	Peas, Split, White, and Green.
No advance in Twist Tobaccos.	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. COUKBURN'S
REGISTER OFFICE FOR SERVANTS,
FRONT STREET, CONSETT. 502k

BISHOP AUCKLAND EQUITABLE
PERMANENT BUILDING SOCIETY.

ADVANCES to any amount on PROPERTY, Repayable in 1 or 20 Years.—Shares may be taken at any time.
Deposits received at 5 per cent. interest payable half-yearly.—Apply to
WM. V. THOMPSON,
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25, Market Place, Bishop Auckland. 38m

DONALD BAIN,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
DRESS AND DRAPERY WAREHOUSEMAN
126, WESTGATE 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.

NEW HACK ESTABLISHMENT AT CONSETT.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

MRS. CHRISTOPHER,
NORTH-EASTERN HOTEL, BENFIELDSIDE,
IN returning thanks to her Friends for the Liberal Patronage bestowed on her, respectfully intimates that she has OPENED a Brunch Hack Establishment at Delves Lane, Consett, under the management of her Son, R. CHRISTOPHER, and trusts by attention to orders to merit a share of the Patronage of the Public. Horses and Traps on the shortest notice. Pic-nics and Excursion Parties promptly attended to. Hearses and Mourning Coaches supplied. 249m

GRAMMAR SCHOOL, BLACKHILL.
JOS. C. WYLIE, MASTER.
There is now room for Six Quarterly Pupils. First come, first served. 243m

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. 309m

MESSRS. J. FULLAR 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. MATTERS, of Rose Mount. All orders entrusted to her care will receive prompt attention.

BOTTLED ALE AND PORTER STORES AND
LEMONADE AND SODA WATER MANU-
FACTORY,
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 ELLISON, 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.,
33, 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.

THE LONDON TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT.

SHAW AND ATKINSON

HAVE now completed their final arrangements for conducting their Tailoring Depart-ment upon the London principle, viz., to supply a FIRST-CLASS SUIT, Made to Order, at the following low prices—

42/ 50/ 55/ 63/

The above are composed, of the most FASHIONABLE CLOTHS and STYLES for the approaching Season. Upwards of a Hundred Patterns can be seen Daily at their, Establishment,
22, MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT.

SHAW AND ATKINSON
PROPRIETORS. 30m

GREAT SALE
OF THE
BANKRUPT STOCK
OF
M. J. AND E. PEARSON,
FELLING,
AT
JOHN POTTS',
DRAPER,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT,
ON SATURDAY FIRST.

The remainder of the above STOCK will be laid out for Inspection on Saturday First, and the days following.

THE SHOP WILL BE CLOSED EVERY DAY FROM 12 TO 1.

Call early to procure the great Bargains.

JOHN POTTS,
DRAPER, CLOTHIER, &c.,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT. 239m

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

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 £3 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 PAMPHLETS 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.

VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEEDS, POTATOES, CABBAGE PLANTS, Greenhouse and Bedding-out PLANTS, all of fine quality and reasonable prices, at JOHN CHARLTON'S, Nurseryman and Seedsman, Slades House, Ebchester. 805k

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

SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL.

PRINCIPAL, MRS. BURTON. Music, MR. BURTON. Drawing and Painting, MR. A. ROCK JONES. A Resident French Governess. Arrangements may be made for Young Ladies to attend the Drawing Class. The next Quarter commences July 30th. Terms on application. 179m

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

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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, 6, Middle Street, Consett, with a large supply of Fine Dairy-fed PORK, Prime Ox BEEF, genuine SAUSAGE, POLONIES, coloured BRAWNS, and everything else in the Trade. Every Article Guaranteed First-class. A trial solicited. 244m

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.

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

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.

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,
J72g WILLIAM R. DICKINSON.

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 taking fish therein by any other illegal means. By order of the Committee.

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872–1874.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Consside and Knitsley, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, JOHN BROWN, now residing at Consett, in the Township of Consside and Knitsley, in the County of Durham, Beerhouse-keeper, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a Licensee to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, 1828, all intoxicating liquors, to be consumed either on or off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Consett, in the said Township, of which Premises I, JOHN BROWN, of Consett, am the Licensee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 1st day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
360m JOHN BROWN.

THE LICENSING ACT, 1872.
35 and 36 Victoria, cap. 94, sec. 40.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Ebchester, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, THOMAS WATSON DOBSON, now residing at Medomsley Road, Consett, in the Township of Ebchester, in the County of Durham, Beerhouse-keeper, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, 1828, all intoxicating liquors, to be consumed either on or off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Consett, in the said Township, of which Premises JOSEPH JOHNSON, of the City of Durham, is the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 24th day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
255m THOMAS WATSON DOBSON.

Public Notices.

NOTICE! NOTICE!!
ANY Person found Trespassing in pursuit of Game, gathering Mushrooms, Brambles, &c., on Middle Heads, Oliverford, Middles, Knitsley Grange, Allen Heads Lyerdeen, Rowley, Dean Head, and Healeyfield Farms will be Prosecuted as the Law directs.
July, 1875. 7132

A LINNET SINGING.

GEORGE PATTINSON,
SHIP INN, BLACKHALL MILL,
WILL give a Copper Kettle to be sung for on Saturday, August 3rd, 1878. 262m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE
FLOWER SHOW.
SPA GROUNDS, AUGUST 24TH, 1878.
THE SALTAIRE CHAMPION BAND
and the Band of the
2ND WEST YORK LIGHT INFANTRY.
One to Four, One Shilling; after Four, Sixpence.

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.

PARISH OF CONSIDE AND KNITSLEY.

MEETING FOR MAKING REQUISITION FOR BYE-LAWS AS TO ATTENDANCES OF CHILDREN AT SCHOOL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I, the undersigned, have received a Requisition of Ratepayers of the above-named Parish, requiring me, as Summoning Officer, to call a Meeting of the Ratepayers for the purpose of passing a resolution requesting the School Attendance Committee of the Lanchester Union to make Bye-laws respecting the Attendance of Children at School, under Section 74 of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, for the said Parish; and that a Meeting of the Ratepayers of the said Parish will accordingly be held at the Local Board-room, Consett, on Tuesday, the 6th day of August, 1878, at Seven o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of considering such Resolution.
Dated this 25th day of July, 1878
(Signed) WM. HENRY RITSON,
Clerk to the Guardians of the Union which comprises the said Parish. 263m

THE LICENSING ACT, 1872.
35 and 36 Victoria, cap. 94, sec. 40.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the We-t Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, DANIEL KNOX, now residing at Cornsay Colliery, in the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, 1828, all intoxicating liquors, to be consumed, either on or off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Cornsay Colliery, in the said Township, of which Premises JOSEPH JOHNSON, of the City of Durham, is the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 24th day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
258m DANIEL KNOX.

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, GEORGE WELLS, now residing at Langley Park, in the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, General Dealer, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, in pursuance of the Act 11 Geo. 4 and 1 William 4, c. 64, and Acts amending the same, Beer, to be consumed off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Langley Park, in the said Township, of which Premises GEO. SOAMES, of North Farm, is the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 30th day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
277m GEORGE WELLS.

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872–1874.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, THOMAS IRVING, now residing at Langley Park, in the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, Retailer of Beer, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, in pursuance of the Act 11, Geo. 4 and 1 William 4, c. 64, and Acts amending the same, Beer to be consumed off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Langley Park, in the said Township, of which Premises I, THOMAS IRVING, of Langley Park, am the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 29th day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
278m THOMAS IRVING.

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872–1874.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor in the Township of Kyo, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, JOHN QUINN, now residing at Catchgate, in the Township of Kyo, in the County of Durham, Retailer of Beer and Spirits to be consumed off the Premises, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, 1828, all intoxicating liquors, to be consumed either on or off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Catchgate, in the said Township, of which Premises I, JOHN QUINN, of Catchgate, am the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 29th day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Eight.
272m JOHN QUINN.

Public Notices.

LOOK OUT for LEADGATE CO-OPERATIVE STORE TEA PARTY, in Brooms Dene, on Saturday, August 10th, 1878. 292m

NUMBERS 68 and 46 are the WINNING TICKETS of the COUCH and BOOKCASE belonging to GEORGE STOKEL. 299m

I, THOMAS SEYMOUR, of Consett, will not be answerable for any Debt or Debts that my wife, JANE SEYMOUR, Contracts after this Date, July 29th, 1878.
282m THOMAS SEYMOUR.

TANFIELD FLOWER and POULTRY SHOW will be held at Tanfield, on Saturday, August 24th, 1878. All Entries for Poultry close on August 17th, 1278. Forms will be supplied by Mr. JOHN BREWIS, Secretary, Tanfield Lea Colliery, Lintz Green Station. 291m

LOOK OUT for DIPTON PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY on August 11th, 1878. Preachers—the Revs. R. CLEMITSON, South Shields, and J. G. BINNEY, White-le-Head.

TEA on Saturday, August 10th, at South Medomsly Colliery, kindly provided by Mr. and Mrs. SHIPLEY.

A large Field will be Open for Harmless Amusements.

V. R.

GRAND MILITARY TEA, CONCERT, and BALL (in connection with the 10th Durham Rifle Volunteer's Prize Fund) will be held on August 22nd, 1878, at Pit Hill, in a spacious Marquee, erected in a Field kindly granted for the occasion by Mr. JOSEPH YOUNG.

The following Artistes have been engaged:—

MISS MARION VALLANCE,
The Eminent Scottish Vocalist, from City Hall Concerts, Glasgow;

MR. ROBERT SMITH,
The Favourite Tenor;

MR. ROWLAND HARRISON,
The Popular Comique; and

Mr. J. H. AMERS' celebrated BAND, from the Art Gallery, Newcastle.

Tea on the Tables at Four o'clock; Concert at Six; Ball at Nine.

Admission:—Tea, 1s. Concert—Reserved Seats, 2s.; Front Seats, 1s.; Back Seats, 6d. Ball—Ladies, 1s.; Gentlemen, 2s.

Refreshments will be provided on Reasonable Terms.

THE LICENSING ACT, 1872—1874.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Tanfield, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, MATTHEW HETHERINGTON, now residing at Burnopfield, in the Township of Tanfield, in the County of Durham, Beerhousekeeper, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 21st day of August next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, 1828, all intoxicating liquors, to be consumed either on or off the House and Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Burnopfield, in the said Township, of which Premises I, MATTHEW HETHERINGTON, of Burnopfield, am the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.

Given under my hand this 30th day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
296m MATTHEW HETHERINGTON.

BEAMISH, PONTOP, AND CONSETT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE above Society will hold their TENTH ANNUAL SHOW of HORSES, CATTLE, SHEEP, PIGS, DOGS, POULTRY, DAIRY PRODUCE, and IMPLEMENTS, at Chester-le-Street, on Wednesday, August 14th, 1878, when prizes amounting to nearly

£450

Will be offered for competition.

The following of which, including the Dog, Poultry, and prizes for Dairy Produce, are open to the United Kingdom:—

Bulls above 2 years of age	£10	10	0
Agricultural Brood Mares	10	10	0
Pairs of Draught Mares or Geldings	10	10	0
Brood Mares for the Field	5	5	0
Hunters uqual to carry 12st.	10	10	0
Hackneys suitable for Ladies	7	7	0
Hackney Mare or Gelding	10	10	0
Cobs or Ponies not exceeding 14 hands	5	5	0
Single Harness Horses	5	0	0
Leapers	10	10	0
Colts or Fillies for the Field, of any age under 4 years	3	3	0
Ponies suitable for Pit purposes, not exceeding 12 hands high, and not under 4 years old	5	5	0

Prize Lists and Certificates of Entry may be had on application to the Secretaries.

Entries close on Saturday, August 3rd, 1878.

JOHN RICHARDS, GEORGE RIDLEY, } Secs.

Beamish, Chester-le-Street, July 18th, 1878. 253m

EBCHESTER FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION of PLANTS, FLOWERS, FRUITS, and VEGETABLES, of this Society will be held on Saturday, August 17th, 1878.

The Committee, in announcing their Fourth Annual Exhibition to their Patrons and Friends, beg to state that the same is expected to be well supported. The place selected on which to erect the Marquee is in a Field near Ebchester, kindly granted by the Messrs. FEWSTER. The Show Ground is surrounded by a fine amphitheatre of hills, whose banks are gayly decked with gorgeous tinted flowers, while the Elysian dells in the vicinity are fitting abodes for a poet to con his earliest sonnets, or a hermit to muse on the pilgrimage of life. The show ground is skirted by the river Derwent, and on its placid breast AQUATIC SPORTS will be held, and ATHLETIC and other SPORTS on the Green Sward.

The Tyne and Derwent RIFLE VOLUNTEER BAND, under the leadership of Mr. T. GRUNDY, will be in attendance.

A CRICKET MATCH will be played during the Afternoon between the Friends, Newcastle, and the Hamsterley Clubs.

First-class Refreshments will be provided on the Ground.

The Exhibition will be Open to the Public at One and Close at Half-past Seven.

Admission:—From One to Four, One Shilling; from Four to Seven, Sixpence; Children under Twelve, Half-price.

A BALL will be held at the Close of the Exhibition.

E. DIXON, W. T. BULLERWELL, } Hon. Secs.
284m

Contracts.

TO CONTRACTORS.

THE Directors of the Shotley Bridge and Consett District Gas Company invite Tenders for the BUILDING of a New WALL round their premises, at Leadgate Gas Holder.

Specification may be seen at the Company's Office, Shotley Bridge, on and after the 6th inst.

Tenders to be sent in not later than the 17th inst. to the Secretary. M. RICHLEY, Secretary. 305m

Lost.

LOST, in the neighbourhood of Consett, a small Brass OIL CUP. The finder will be rewarded on returning it to WM. TODD, 41, Front Street. 298m

Found.

FOUND, at Consett, a DONKEY.—Apply at the *Guardian* Office.

To Lend.

TO LEND, on Private Mortgage, £1,000, £600, or £300.—Apply to T. W. WELFORD, Jun., Solicitor, Middle Street, Consett. 666k

MONEY TO LEND on Private Mortgage.—Apply to WM. HALCRO, Solicitor, 2, Mount Pleasant. Consett. 599k

Sales by Auction.

By Mr. J. Jenkins.

Trafalgar Street Sale-rooms.

MR. JOHN JENKINS will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday, August 5th, 1878, a quantity of Valuable HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, belonging to JAMES STONE and another, who are leaving the neighbourhood, consisting of Mahogany Lobby Drawers; Mahogany Press; Mahogany Drawers and Bookcase; Cheffioneer; Centre Table; 6 Mahogany Hair-seated Chairs; 6 Birch Chairs; Cane and Windsor Chairs; 2 Mahogany Sofas, in Hair-seating; Brass and Iron Bedsteads; Feather Bed; Down and Flock Beds; 3 Pairs of Mattresses; 2 Swing Glasses; Mantlepiece Mirror; Washstand and Dressing Table, with Toilet Ware; 2 Cornice Poles; about 25yds. of Druggeting, nearly new; 2 Sets of Stair Rods; Clock; Timepiece; Counter; a number of Pictures; Kitchen and Round Tables; Parlour and Kitchen Fenders; together with a large quantity of Kitchen Utensils.

Sale to commence at One o'clock. 304m

By Mr. A. Brodie.

In Liquidation.
Victoria Sale-rooms, Consett.
Re R. THACKER, 34, Deansgate, 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, the first portion of the superior Stock of LINEN and WOOLLEN DRAPERY, amounting at cost or stock-book prices to £1,960 or thereabouts, the whole of which will be sold without reserve.

Particulars and dates of Sale in future advertisements and posters. 306m

Blackhill Saw Mills.
To Cartwrights, Joiners, Farmers, and others.
Sale of Cartwrights, Cut Timber, Posts, Rails, &c.

MR. A. BRODIE is instructed by Mr. CHRISTOPHER WATSON, to SELL BY AUCTION, at the Saw Mills, Blackhill, on Wednesday, August 7th, 1878, a large quantity of Cartwrights' and other CUT TIMBER, comprising—1,000 Larch Rails; 800 Larch Posts; 500 feet of Larch Deals; 200 feet of Scotch Deals; 1,000 Larch Palings; 20 Larch Ladder Poles; 200 Oak Ladder Rungs; 200 Larch Gate Selms; 50 Larch Gate Ends; 12 Pairs of Cart Limmers; 12 Pairs of Cart Cods; 60 Cart Sheaths; 24 Cart Overns; 12 Axle Blocks; 2 Gang of Cart Spokes; 4 Garg of Cart Felloes; 40 Barrow Sides; 40 Barrow Feet; 40 Barrow Lugs; 40 Barrow Sheaths; together with a quantity of other Timber of various kinds, and a large lot of Firewood.

Sale to commence at One o'clock exactly.

The attention of Cartwrights, Joiners, Farmers, and others is specially directed to this sale, which includes a large quantity of useful stuff, which will be sold without Reserve. Terms—Cash. 283m

TO FARMERS, GRAZIERS, AND OWNERS OF LIVE STOCK.

MESSRS. HEDLEY and BRODIE, Agricultural Auctioneers and Live Stock Salesmen, Town 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 probate. Insurances on Farming Stock effected through the London Insurance Corporation (Established 1720). 744h

For Sale.

FOR SALE, a handsome Dark Grey DONKEY, quiet with children.—Apply, Brooms Cottage, Leadgate. 288m

TO LET, the EATAGE of 10 Acres of good GRASS FOG, well watered by running stream of pure water, at Maiden Law. Will carry a few head of cattle.—Apply to G. F. COOKE, Annfield Plain. 286m

FOR SALE, a strong COUP CART, with Shelvings, suitable for a Farmer or for Stone Leading. Price, for Cart, 50s.; for Shelving, 10s. Also, a DOG CART.—Apply to C. F. COOKE, Annfield Plain. 287m

FOR SALE, a strong Wood STABLE, 9ft. by 12ft., suitable for a Cow Byre.—Apply to JOHN GRANT, Templetown. 242m

THATCHING STRAW.—Long, Straight, Hand-thrashed, in Press Packed Bales, 85s. per ton, free to any Station on the Consett, or Carlisle Line below Hexham.—JOHN G. EAST, 7, Side, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

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

TO BE SOLD BY PRIVATE CONTRACT, Two FREEHOLD HOUSES, of Five Rooms each, being 7 and 8, Mount Pleasant, Consett. Each House contains Front Parlour, Kitchen, Scullery, Pantry, &c., and Three good Bed-rooms. The Property is nearly new, substantially built, and well finished.—For particulars, apply to WILLIAM RAW, Auctioneer, Durham Road, Blackhill. 252m

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

NOTICE.

TO BE SOLD BY TENDER, all the OUTSTANDING DEBTS belonging to the Estate of the late JOHN MILLBURN, Medomsley, Co. Durham, deceased.

A statement will be ready on the 12th day of August, 1878, at ROBERT HEDLEY'S, 20, Middle Street, Consett, and Tenders will be received up to the 26th of August, 1878, by the Executors, ROBERT HEDLEY, Consett, and JOHN E. SIMPSON, High Bradley.

Consett, July 24th, 1878. 291m

To Let.

TO LET, a Three-roomed HOUSE.—Apply to X, *Guardian* Office, Consett. 294m

TO LET, a HOUSE containing Four Rooms and other Conveniences, being 24, Eltringham Street, Blackhill.—Apply to J. P. MOFFATT, Shotley Bridge.

TENTS TO LET, 120ft. by 30ft., 60ft. by 30ft., at Reasonable Terms.—Apply to E. LOVAT, Medomsley, by Lintz Green Station. 902k

TO LET or SELL, a HOUSE, containing Seven Rooms situate in Harvey Street, Consett.—Apply to J. BATES. 434k

TO LET, a pleasantly-situated HOUSE, near Castleside. Five Rooms, Pantry, Outoffices, and good Garden.—Apply to the VICAR, Castleside. 266m

TO BE LET, and can be entered upon immediately, a HOUSE and SHOP, together with Two-stalled Stable, situate at Dipton.—Apply to Mr. M. STOBBS, 19, South Medomsley Cottages, Dipton, Lintz Green.

TO LET, a HOUSE containing Five Rooms, with Workshop and Garden, suitable for a Shoemaker or Tailor, situated at Lanchester.—Apply to THOS. WARD, Joiner, &c. 259m

TO LET, TENTS of the following sizes—12 feet diameter, 60 feet by 30 feet, and 90 feet by 30 feet. Price for each time out—15s., 30s., and 40s. Horses and Conveyances kept for their removal.—Apply to D. LOGAN, Hat and Feather Inn, Derwent Lane Ends, near Consett, or by letter, *via* Lintz Green. 25m

TO LET, Town and Country SPIRIT VAULTS, in the thriving towns of Shields, Newcastle, Sunderland, &c. Positions near Markets, Docks, Collieries, &c. Ingoings from £30 upwards. Rents from £20 upwards, all doing good trades.—Apply, with stamped envelope, ATKINSON, Licensed Valuer, 114, Newgate Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. 728k

SOUTH TANFIELD LITERARY INSTITUTE.

THE SPACIOUS MARQUEE belonging to the above Institute, along with the Partition or Refreshment Bar, Tables, Seats, &c. complete, is open for engagements at Galas, &c., during the season.—For terms, &c., apply to GEORGE WHITFIELD, Secretary, Oxhill. 67m

To Let.

TO BE LET, with immediate possession, a Cartwright's SHOP, with Four-roomed House and large Garden attached, at Caterwayheads, in the Parish of Shotley, and about three miles from Shotley Bridge. This is a rare opportunity for an industrious young Man commencing business, as there is already a good business and wide district.—For particulars, apply to Mr. WM. RAW, Auctioneer, Blackhill, Co. Durham 285m

TO LET.

ANNFIELD PLAIN AND DISTRICT MARQUEE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Members of the above Company will LET their Marquees on the most reasonable Terms, in sizes from 30ft. by 30; 48 by 30; 84 by 30; or 100 by 30. Also, they have a small Refreshment Tent, which can be LET on favourable Terms.—For particulars, apply to ROBT. HENDERSON, Catchgate, *via* Lintz Green. 57m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE, COUNTY DURHAM.

TO BE LET or SOLD, all that COPYHOLD HOUSE, situate at The Terrace, Shotley Bridge, and lately occupied by Mrs. SNAITH, deceased, containing on the Ground Floor, Dining-room, Kitchen, Pantry, Washhouse (with Fire-place, Boiler, Oven, and Sink, Water laid in) and Larder. On the Second Floor, Two Bed-rooms, Work-room (which can be used as a Bed-room), W.C., together with the Garden behind the same and the Outoffices attached.

The above commands a magnificent view of the Valley of the Derwent, and its situation renders it a most desirable investment.

Immediate possession can be given, if required.

For particulars, apply to WM. DICKINSON, Solicitor, 9, Middle Street, Consett, County Durham. 75m

Wanted.

WANTED, a respectable Servant GIRL.—Apply at the Turf Hotel, Front Street, Consett. 251m

WANTED, an Active GIRL for Farm Work. Must be able to milk.—Apply at the *Guardian* Office. 217m

LADIES requiring SERVANTS will do well by applying at Mrs. COCKBURN'S Register Office, Front Street, Consett. 503k

YOUNG WOMEN of Good Character, who require situations, should call at Mrs. COCKBURN'S Register Office, Front Street, Consett. 504k

WANTED, a DAIRY MAID, at Greencroft Park. Apply at the Hall. Personal reference required.

WANTED, Two SHARES in the Second Derwent Benefit Building Society. Offers, in writing, stating price, to be sent to X, *Guardian* Office, Consett.

WANTED, a Strong GIRL, as Servant. One that can Milk.—Apply to Mrs. SMITH, Hollingside Hall, near Lanchester. 289m

COUNTY OF DURHAM.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

WANTED, a SITE of not less than 50, and not more than 100 Acres of Freehold or Copyhold Land, in a Central part of the County of Durham—within easy access of a Railway—and having a good Water Supply.—Apply, with terms, to JOHN WATSON, Esq., Deputy Clerk of the Peace, Exchequer Office, Durham. 280m

The Consett Guardian.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND, 1878.

THE TURKS AND THE PROTECTORATE.

THE Treaty of Berlin and the Anglo-Turkish Treaty are topics which are now engrossing public attention in this country to an extent which casts all others into the shade. Yet each of these topics has a side—and a most important one—on which the Press seems to us to have bestowed only a very cursory glance. Whilst everything appears to have been said that can be said with regard to both of them in their direct relation to British interests, little has been said upon the question, how are these treaties generally regarded by the Turkish nation! Yet this is a question, the answer to which must go far to determine the alternative of the success or failure of the momentous steps that have been taken by our Government for the settlement of the Eastern difficulty. If we can find reason to believe that the relation between England and the Porte established by the two treaties referred to, meets with anything like cordial acceptance by the Turkish people, then there may be fair reason to hope that at least some good results may be obtained, and that the vast responsibilites assumed by England may not really involve those dangers and difficulties which now seem to cast their shadows before. If, on the other hand, their new situation is received by the Turks with general discontent, then it will hardly be in the power of Turkish rulers, even assuming that their will is good, to give our hazardous experiment fair play. They will be forced to be recalcitrant even in their own despite. Our so-called protectorate will then be wholly impotent for good; it will tend to confirm abuses rather than to promote reforms. That the Treaty of Berlin has excited a feeling of profound discontent throughout the Turkish Empire is a point on which there is no room for doubt. The Turkish Press has been pouring out its wrath upon the European Powers lately in Congress for the sacrifice they have made of Turkish interests, and England, as might have been expected, comes in for the largest and heaviest of their bitter vituperation. The other Powers, it is said, have treated Turkey with gross injustice, but England has betrayed her. What has been the meaning, it is asked, of all the declarations of England, of her promises of support, of the repeated assertions of friendship by SIR AUSTIN LAYARD, when the result is only to terms such as Russia would probably have granted immediately after the signing of the treaty of San Stefano, and would certainly have granted a year ago after the passage of the Danube? The expectation, so prevalent a few weeks ago in England, that this country was on the eve of a declaration of war with Russia, amounted, with the Turks, to a settled conviction. England, they felt assured, had made up her mind to fight; Parliament had voted the money; troops had been sent for from India; the English fleet was within four hours of the Bosphorous. Under the influence of this belief, the Turks have strained every nerve to enable them to re-commence the war with Russia on the best possible terms. Their disappointment is now intense. Their complaints that the English Government has misled them loud and deep; and whilst we can hardly admit that such complaints are justifiable, we can hardly affirm that they are destitute of all colour of reason. And we fear that the ill-feeling towards this country which undoubtedly now prevails among the Turks bodes ill for the success of our Anglo-Turkish treaty. Without presuming absolutely to condemn this arrangement, we cannot withhold our assent to the terms in which it is characterized in LORD HARTINGTON'S resolutions, as imposing responsibilities upon the State that are altogether out of proportion to the means at our command for securing their fulfilment. And it is clear that our power to fulfil them must necessarily depend in a great measure on the feeling of the protected nation towards its protectors. The establishment of our semi-protectorate over Asiatic Turkey—at best a hazardous experiment—is rendered still more hazardous by being accepted under feelings of irritation and distrust which few will affirm to be entirely groundless.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

What was expected has to come to pass, and even such skirmishes as that with Earl Granville on Friday night, followed as it was by Lord Rosebery's effective attack, lose interest in the eyes of the multitude before the solid fact that Lord Beaconsfield has been duly installed a Knight of the "Most Noble Order of the Garter." He is entitled to wear the garter and the mantle of dark-blue velvet, the hood and surcoat of crimson velvet, the hat of black velvet with ostrich and heron plumes and diamond buckle, the golden and blue enamelled collar with the greater George appended, the lesser George hanging by a dark-blue ribbon over the left shoulder, and the eight-pointed star encircling the cross of the dragon-slayer on his breast. How we should like to see the histrionic Premier dressed up to take part in some anachronism of State ceremonials! What a novelty it will be to see the escutcheon of the first Hebrew Knight of the Garter hung up in St. George's Chapel, Windsor! The fact of Lord Salisbury obtaining the same distinction as his superior is scarcely spoken of. To the descendant of a long line of Cecils and the owner of Hatfield ribbons and stars are a natural incident of life. If he had not obtained the Garter now, the honour would only have been reserved for him until some future occasion. And, then it is understood that Her Majesty's recognition of the services of the junior Plenipotentiary was not entirely spontaneous. The Premier is thought to have insisted at Osborne as he did at Dover, with real or affected humility, on the equal claims of his colleague to distinction. Nevertheless, Lord Salisbury's career may well be considered remarkable, in spite of his adventitious rank of wealth. He married on an income of £400 a-year, and since he acceeded to unexpected honours it has been the energy and force of character acquired in days of poverty which have placed him in the first rank of his party. Only two Commoners have ever been decorated with the garter since the insititution of the order, Lord Castlereagh and Lord Palmerston, the former of whom was made a K.C., before he succeeded to the Marquisate of Londonderry, and the latter never enjoyed any but an Irish title. Both, however, came of blue-blooded ancestors. Castlereagh was decended from countless Stewarts and Vanes, whilst Palmerston bore on his shield the arms of the Saxon Earls of Mercia. For such a "*novus homo*" as Lord Beaconsfield to be made a Knight of the Garter within a year of his obtaining a peerage, and that after once refusing the dignity, is certainly a novelty in the history of the most exclusive order in the world.

Sir Charles Dilke is an older and a wiser man than he was when he stumped the country in favour of the Republic; but he takes care to show that it is not because he is afraid of receiving the cold shoulder in society circles that he has learned to keep his jacobinism in abeyance. A more ungracious task than that of questioning the allowance of an extra grant to a popular Royal Prince upon the occasion of his marriage could scarcely be undertaken, and Sir Charles is well aware of it. However much the vast majority of the country disapprove of his opinions, he deserves full credit for his honesty and courage in expressing them whenever he thinks there is a danger of extravagance in that particular department of the expenditure which he deems it his special function to watch over. There is every reason to believe that the Duke's marriage will prove, next to that of the Prince of Wales, the most popular of the Royal marriages. The German consorts of the Queen's daughters have never been looked on with a very kindly eye by the nation at large. The Marquis of Lorne is looked upon as a poetical dreamer. The Russian match of the Duke of Edinburgh was never thoroughly popular, and has become much less so. Londoners generally believe the Sailor-Prince by no means so free with his money as "Jack ashore" has the reputation of being, and think his Russian Princess more jealous and proud than agreeable. The Duke of Connaught has never done anything to give offence either to West-End Society or to the masses. Scandal, which, goodness knows, is busy enough, leaves the name of Prince Arthur alone. He is an ardent soldier; but, although bred in the camp, he has not contracted its vices. He is looked upon as the future Commander-in-Chief, and he is determined, by arduous application to the details of his profession, to qualify himself for the post. His bride is already beloved. Her simplicity and naturalness have been remarked as her distinguishing features by others besides Lord Beaconsfield. The Metropolis will make a pet of her, and in a few weeks' time everything, from a hairpin to an hospital, will be named after the Duchess of Connaught.

Which of the Emperors was it who said *non olet* to some one who asked how he liked a tribute on refuse? Vespasian, I think. It is a question now whether anything is redolent of the source from which it is taken. "*Non olet*" might be written over some of the costliest mansions and most elegantly appointed equipages in Town. I was going round one of our Northern suburbs the other day, and was struck with a palatial residence, from the drive of which there swept out a high-stepping pair of carriage-horses. "It's all dye works," said my cynical friend. "Nothing like coal-tar for writing dyes. This is the road to fortune." So it seems; but it may also be the way to lose a fortune, as I heard the other day of some rivals who had started in the trade, had got a joint-stock company, and are now in liquidation. There may be something in refuse dye-works, but I should not always apply to it Vespasian's word, *non olet*.

An extraordinary display of intolerant bigotry appears in the current number of the *Rock*. It mentions that it is requested by the Archbishop of York to contradict its statement as to the engagement of his daughter to the Vicar of Kensington, and adds, "We should be glad if the most rev. prelate would authorise us to contradict another statement which has appeared in the newspapers, namely that he assisted at Lady Holland's garden-party on Saturday last. His Grace has probably forgotten that Lady Holland left the Church of England and joined the Church of Rome some years ago." To expect even an Archbishop of the Church of England to decline to attend a garden-party because the hostess is a Roman Catholic is rather too much. It surely cannot be insinuated that Lady Holland had any proselytising intentions in giving this garden-party. What next shall we have? Perhaps the *Rock* would have every Protestant young lady, armed with her pretty little engagement card at a dance, ask any young gentleman who invites her to dance, "What are your views on Ritualism?"

"*Mon métier est d'être roi.*" (My trade is that of a king.) This was Joseph II.'s answer to some philosophers of the Voltairean school who were pressing him to go too far in the direction of the rights of man and other sentimentalities in fashion on the eve of the French Revolution. This trade of Kingship, as distinct from mere kingcraft, is nowhere better understood than in Italy at present. A friend of mine writes, "I was passing through Turin the other day. The July sun was so hot that no one but a mad dog, a lizard, or an Englishman would have ventured out if he could have helped it; but King Humbert and his charming wife Margharita were not going to give in to the heat, but were out with their suite in a blazing sun making calls and holding receptions. 'Soon as the evening shades prevailed' there was more for Royalty to do. They had to drive up and down the *place d'armes*, listen to the music, and show themselves to their lieges." We are a loyal people, and do not expect as much of our royal family; but when we are told how hard-worked the Prince of Wales is, I should like to know what King Humbert gets through.

Local and District News.

The County Court Office, Shotley Bridge, will be closed on Monday, the 5th day of August.

BEAMISH, PONTOP, AND CONSETT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—We beg to remind our readers that the entries for this show close on the 3rd August.

FITS.—EPILEPTIC FITS OR FALLING SICKNESS.—A certain method of cure has been discovered for this distressing complaint by a physician, who is desirous that all sufferers may benefit from this providential discovery. It is never known to fail, and will cure the most hopeless case after all other means have been tried. Full particulars will be sent by post to any person free of charge.—Address: Mr. WILLIAMS, 10, Oxford Terrace, Hyde Park, London. 307m

SUDDEN DEATH AT LINTZ GREEN.—On Sunday night, a man named Blythe, about sixty-one years of age, belonging to Blaydon, was returning from a visit to some friends at Clough Dean, about two miles from Lintz Green Station, and not having over much time for the train commenced to run. He was observed by some persons behind to stop and lean against a post, and on being asked what was the matter, he complained that he was very ill. Leaving the post he was leaning against, he walked to the other side of the road and fell down. A doctor was sent for, but when he arrived the man was dead. The body was taken to the house of a man named Clarke to await the coroner's inquest. Heart disease is the cause of death.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Stomach, Liver, and Bowels.—There is nothing hurtful in the composition of these purifying Pills—nothing that can injure the most delicate constitutions. They improve the appetite, quicken the energies of the stomach and liver, and regulate the bowels. They thus become the surest safeguards against indigestion, and the safest promoters of the body's growth and the mind's development. Holloway's Pills exert a wholesome alterative and tonic action on every internal organ, and they regulate every disordered or debilitated function. They are natural, and, therefore, efficient purifiers and correctives. Few unhealthy conditions of the stomach or digestive apparatus can withstand the accumulative healthy influence obtained over the whole frame when these Pills are judiciously and perseveringly taken by invalids.

KNITSLEY PRIMITIVE METHODIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL.—The anniversary services of the above school were celebrated during the past week. On Saturday afternoon, the children were regaled with tea and fruit-cake, after which a public tea was held, when a large number of persons partook of the good things provided. A meeting afterwards was held, presided over by Mr. M. Spencer, Knitsley Grange. The Rev. B. Moody, Messrs. C. Jameson (Spennymoor), D. Wheatley, I. Unsworth, and J. Wilkins delivered addresses. On Sunday, services were conducted by Mr. C. Jameson. The children recited poetry, dialogues, and portions of scripture on each occasion. Mr. N. Fawell presided at the harmonium. Great credit is due to the superintendent (Mr. W. Hall) for the efficient state of the school. The proceeds of the anniversary will be appropriated to the school fund.

SUDDEN DEATH AT A BALL.—An inquest was held on Tuesday night, at the Durham Ox Inn, Cattle Market, before the Corner (Mr. J. T. Hoyle), on the body of Annie Tindall, thirty-five years of age, who died suddenly at the Northumberland Hussars' Ball, in the Town Hall, on Tuesday morning. Deceased was a native of Beverley, Yorkshire, but latterly had resided in a house of ill-fame in Peel Street, Westgate Road. About three o'clock in the morning she was dancing with one of the persons at the ball when she suddenly fell. At the time it was thought she had only fainted, and restoratives were applied; but P.C. Lowes, who was on duty at the ball, gave it as his opinion, at the inquest, that she had then died. The body was removed into the cloak room, and it lay there until after the inquest. The coroner said he had not thought it worth while to summon medical evidence; and the jury returned a verdict that death arose from natural causes.

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		4·47	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	8·44
Ebchester	8·13	7·58	Swalwell	9·8	8·53
Shotley Bridge ..	8·19	8·4	Scotswood	9·14	8·59
Benfieldside (arr)	8·25	8·10	Newcastle (arr)	9·25	9·10

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	4·30	....	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.	9·20	....		
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.	8·45	......	....
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
Crook 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.		P.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
Crook 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

A PIG IN HOT WATER.—'Mother, what's in the pot?' 'A pig's head and turnips, dear.' Little Mary, being of an inquisitive turn of mind, got peeping into the pot, when she saw one of the turnips in the pig's mouth. 'Mother, mother!' she cried. 'What's the matter?' called her mother. 'Oh, mother, if you don't come quick, the pig will eat all the turnips!'

SOMETHING FOR THE LONDON VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.—The morality of waiters at some of the West-End clubs is certainly putting that of the members into the shade. At one noted emporium of benighted youth a member lately lost a 'fiver.' One of the servants found it and returned it with great anxiety, remarking at the same time, 'It is lucky, sir, none of the gentlemen found it.'

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DR.	£	s.	d.
To Trade Expenses, including Law Costs, Salaries, Postages, Rent, Stationery and general Office Disbursements	3,228	7	5
„ Advertisements	2,200	6	7
„ Rebate allowed on Loans paid off before the allotted time	1,391	10	2
„ Sundry Losses	4,622	17	7
„ Interest paid on Deposits	805	1	10
„ Balance carried down, being the Net Profit	13,567	10	10
	£25,815	14	5

CR.	£	s.	d.
By Interest and Bonuses received upon Loans completed, after allowing for Government Stamps and Commission paid to Solicitors, Auctioneers, Agents and others, for introducing Business	25,815	14	5
	£25,815	14	5

By Balance, being Net Profit brought down £13,567 10s. 10d

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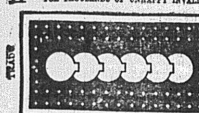
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SHOTLEY BRIDGE PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.

LECTURE BY DR. ANTLIFF.

The anniversary services of the Shotley Bridge Primitive Methodist Chapel were celebrated on Sunday. Dr. Antliff, of London, was the preacher, and in the afternoon and evening gave two excellent discourses in the Town Hall. The services were continued on Monday evening, when the reverend Doctor delivered an interesting lecture on the Salt Lake City. The Rev. A. Latimer occupied the chair.

The CHAIRMAN said, when public lectures were announced, there were two or three things that they should never lose sight of—first, the subject of the lecture, second, the lecturer, and, third, the purpose or purposes of the lecture. Now, they could not but feel somewhat gratified that evening if they looked at these three things. In all public lectures they ought to seek to enrich the stores of their information, and the lecture that evening would be fully adapted to accomplish that purpose. The subject of the lecture was "The Salt Lake City, its Inhabitants, and their Religion." A few evenings ago they listened to a very interesting and highly-instructive lecture from Mr. Bee, whose subject was "Canada," and he was certain that they did not leave their Chapel without feeling that the stores of their knowledge concerning that wild and interesting country had been very much extended. (Hear, hear.) The lecturer that night would also take them across the Atlantic, but to another field. The country he would speak of was not such a widely-spreading area, but it was one of the most interesting spots in America.

Dr. ANTLIFF said the subject of his lecture, as they had already heard from the Chairman, was "Salt Lake City, its inhabitants, and their religion." The city derived its name from the great Salt Lake, in the valley of which it is built. Salt Lake City was in the territory of Utah, which, though larger than England, had not yet risen to the dignity of a State. The distinguishing peculiarity of the Great Salt Lake was the saltness of its waters. Another peculiar feature was that it received the waters of several rivers, and had no visible outlet. The city, which had a population of 20,000, was laid out on the American plan, the streets intersecting each other at right angles. In every street, between the carriage-way and the footpath, was a stream of pure water and rows of trees, which added greatly to the beauty and healthfulness of the city. The most remarkable building in the city was the Tabernacle—oblong and unsightly, but a very remarkable structure. It was 250ft. long and 150ft. wide. The walls were low, and one vast dome, forming the roof, rested on forty-six buttresses of out sand-stone. The building would accommodate 12,000 persons. It was only used during summer, there being no means of heating it in winter. During the latter season, the inhabitants used the ward-houses, which answered the double purpose of a school and place of worship. After describing the educational establishments of the city, the lecturer said a witty writer had written that "Brigham Young was the most married man that he had ever known." At the time he (Dr. Antliff) visited the city, Brigham Young was alive, and had gone to the South for the good of his health. He was then over seventy years of age, and had nineteen wives, though one of them had just left him and was lecturing about the country to his advantage. His favourite wife was named Amelia, who had a little house built for her own accommodation. He took the trouble to look at this place, and from its external appearance it seemed comfortable enough for a lady who had but an eighteenth share in her husband. (Laughter.) It was seldom that one man's death caused so much widowhood as did the death of Brigham Young. He regarded Brigham Young as an extraordinary man. He was a native of America. He became a Latter-day-Saint somewhat early in the history of Mormonism. On being appointed leader among the Mormons, he prevailed on his followers to leave the State of Illionois, in search of some quiet spot where they could live without interruption from the Gentiles. He set out for the west, and succeeded in crossing the Rocky Mountains, to the Great Salt Lake. The man, he thought, that could cross the Rocky Mountains before a road was made, and convert a sterile tract into a garden, was no ordinary character. The religion of the Mormons was next described. The records of their religion, he said, were rather conflicting. The "Book of Mormon" related that the records of their religion were engraven in Egyptian characters on plates, which had been translated by Brigham Young's predecessor by means of two transparent stones. (Laughter.) The records were said to have been written by a Jewish prophet, and to contain a history of ancient America. The latter country was said to have been inhabited by two distinct races of people, one called Jeredites, from the Tower of Babel, and the second from the City of Jerusalem, about 600 years before Christ. These were principally Israelites, of the descendants of Joseph. The Jeredites were destroyed about the time that the Israelites came from Jerusalem, who succeeded them in the inheritance of the country. There was another story, however, of the authorship, namely, that the volume was founded upon a romance written by Solomon Spaulding, which by some means was supposed to have come into the hands of Smith or an associate. The religion of the Mormons was that, to be saved a man must be immersed in water, and that when death takes place the soul does not go to heaven or hell, but to some middle place. They professed to be able to perform miracles, but, though they had drowned several of their followers while baptising them, they had never been able to raise the dead, and the only authenticated cure on record was an old cripple, who once told him that the elders had cured him of the belly-ache. (Laughter.)

Mr. CAMPBELL moved a vote of thanks to Dr. Antliff, and expressed a hope that he would be spared to visit them again next year. (Applause.)

The proposition was seconded by Mr. WARDHAUGH, and carried by acclamation.

Votes of thanks to the Chairman and choir brought the anniversary to a close.

Mr. Rodwell, M.P., speaking at an agricultural gathering at Cambridge, on Thursday, expressed his satisfaction at the peaceful turn in the Eastern question. It was a blessing which all Englishmen would acknowledge with thankfulness. The responsibilities we had undertaken were in the interest of humanity and justice, and were worthy of England.

The annual meeting of the proprietors of the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, was held in the saloon of the building on Thursday, when a statement of accounts was submitted, and a resolution to accept Mr. Chatterton's offer to lease the theatre for another five years, at an annual rental of £6,000, was agreed to. The rent is £500 less than hitherto paid.

At Rotherham, on Thursday, Charles Johnson was committed for trial for striking a woman, with whom he cohabited, on the side of the head and knocking her senseless to the ground. While she was down he kicked her three times, breaking her jaw. She recovered, and was going to the infirmary, when prisoner struck her a violent blow and knocked her down.

Much excitement prevails at Falmouth in consequence of the Admiralty having ordered the Ganges training ship for boys to be removed to Portland. If this step is carried out the loss to various tradesmen will be considerable, as between £14,000 and £15,000 are expended locally for provisions, &c. Petitions to the Admiralty, asking that the order may be cancelled, have been adopted.

THE CONSETT NOODLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Headquarters, Newcastle, August 1st, 1878.

SIR,—To-morrow is anxiously looked forward to by "The Noodles." Most of the Consett section are on the sick list, and another week's drill would have put the whole regiment *hors de combat*. As Private Bradshaw remarked to me this morning, six and seven hours a-day would kill any man's pig. Private Crawley and several other heavy-weights were on Thursday afternoon fastened to an upright post, to go through the dumb-bell exercise, but this treatment was found to be unnecessary after the second application. Seven hours' drill in the saddle on Friday made several of the men look as though they had been chasing red Indians for a fortnight on short rations. Private Pull, who had his beard trimmed before leaving Consett, is getting so thin that Lieut. Cuthberts finds it necessary, when looking at him, to use a strong pair of glasses. The best man among us is Private (now Corporal) Coal, who is likely to become a great military hero. For the first two or three days the antics of Nimrod were a source of annoyance to the whole regiment. The sword exercise puzzled the noble brute. He always fancied, when swords were drawn, that these weapons were intended for himself, and would dart forward and put the whole column into confusion. He had not forgotten his old trick, of getting the bit between his teeth, and in this way at one drill actually ran a mile before being pulled up. Unfortunately his rider had his sword drawn at the time, and his attempts to get it into the scabbard only increased the pace of his steed, Nimrod doubtlessly taking the bone-picker for a new kind of whip. However, he soon got the better of this, and Nimrod is now the most popular charger in the whole regiment. Private White and his brothers have had new uniforms served out to them—a better fit than those they appeared in at Consett. They have either obtained new chargers, or the latter have changed colour, as the leopard is said to change its spots—when it moves from one place to another. The animals have neatly-docked tails, and altogether both horses and riders look smart and military like. There is nothing like plenty of exercise for making men active, and quickening the digestive organs. So our men think, but at the same time they say that there is a wide difference between scratching your head and pulling the skin off. As I said at the beginning of my letter, to-morrow is anxiously looked forward to. The Consett section has distinguished itself this year, but it is no secret that the men are not desirous of further distingushing themselves. PRIVATE SQUASH.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

Friday Morning.

I have been privately informed that Private Crawley will be promoted to the rank of full corporal, with the promise of a sergeancy if he comes up next year, which is very doubtful. His henchman (who, by-the-bye, is one of the smartest-looking young fellows in the regiment) is to receive promotion under similar conditions. Several other promotions are spoken of. The names of Corporal Rawlings and Private Hammond stand among the first on the list; Private Todd is also placed amongst the favoured ones. It is not known what rank Private Bradshaw will take. He was first in the betting two or three days ago, but his *penchant* for bloodshed will militate against his chance. Last night he went out on a foraging expedition, and next morning a valuable and favourite mastiff, belonging to one of the officers, was found lying outside its master's tent with its head cut off. There is no direct proof that Private Bradshaw is the culprit, but as his sword bore marks of blood this morning, and as the duck encounter had gained currency, suspicion was at once directed to him. Just before sending this off, a bevy of women were seen approaching the Moor. Several of them hailed from Consett, and as I passed them I heard one lady remark that if she "caught that sergeant again at Consett, she would get the lads to tar and feather him." PRIVATE SQUASH.

BRUTAL ASSAULT UPON A WOMAN AT HEDLEY HILL.—At the Durham County Police Court on Saturday, before Mr. A. Wilkinson (chairman), and the Rev. H. Barratt, Patrick and John Fairley, uncle and nephew, were brought up in custody on a charge of unlawfully wounding Jane Fairley, the wife of the prisoner, Patrick. The parties reside at Hedley Hill, and it appears that on the night of the 19th ult., the two prisoners returned home late in the evening and the worse for drink. Mrs. Fairley commenced to upraid them, and a row ensued. Mrs. Fairley was knocked down, and very badly kicked and abused by her husband; and John Fairley struck her several times over the head with a coal rake, rendering her insensible. The evidence of Dr. Norman showed that the prosecutrix had been brutally used, and that she was bruised in several parts of the body. In defence it was alleged that Mrs. Fairley commenced the row by first striking her husband with a coal rake.—The Bench considered the case a serious one, and sent the prisoners for trial at the Sessions.

PIT HILL WESLEYAN CHAPEL.—On Monday afternoon last, the Rev. Peter McKenzie, of Leeds, preached an excellent and exhaustive sermon in the above chapel, to a crowded congregation. A jubilee was afterwards held in a large marquee erected in a field, kindly lent for the occasion by Mr. Joseph Young, of Pit Hill. The tea, with its usual concomitants, was given by the following ladies, who also presided at tne tables:—Mrs. Young, Mrs. Kirkup, Mrs. and Miss Howden, Mrs. and Miss Nicholson, Mrs. and Miss Kay, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Simpson, and Mrs. Hepplewhite. The tea was well patronised, upwards of 500 partaking of the "cup which cheers but not inebriates." In the evening a public meeting was held in the chapel, under the presidency of Mr. Silas Kent, Gateshead, when the Rev. Peter McKenzie delivered an instructive, entertaining and profitable lecture on "Queen Esther." The lecture was listened to throughout with marked attention, and frequently applauded by a crowded audience. At the close the usual votes of thanks to the lecturer and chairman were given, and a similar compliment was carried by acclamation to the ladies for providing the tea and presiding at the tables.

THE "COUNTESS OF DARWENTWATER."—The lady claiming to be the "Countess of Darwentwater" on Tuesday afternoon appeared before the Master of the Rolls with a petition, which she handed up to his Lordship to read, instead of applying verbally to the Court. His Lordship, after carefully reading the paper, said he had nothing whatever to do with the matter. He stated to the applicant most correctly the other day that the order of the Court which she produced referred to Helen Blake's estate. If she had any claim against the estate she must bring an action.—The lady thanked his Lordship and retired; after which, addressing the bar, his Lordship said it was very hard upon judges that they could not be saved from these applications.—Mr. Chitty, Q.C., said they would come to this Court in preference to others.—His Lordship remarked that this unfortunatunate woman had the notion that she was the "Countess of Darwentwater," and that she was entitled to all sorts of estates in Cumberland, Westmorland, and Durham. Lately, a Mrs. Helen Blake, who had large estates, died, and he believed without an heir, and the lady who had just applied to him said she was entitled to those estates, and she presented a petition to him on the matter.—Mr. Chitty said the application was not made in other courts. The applicants always preferred to come to the Master of the Rolls.—The subject then dropped.

BRUTAL ATTACK ON A WIFE AT DONLER FORD.

At Lanchester Petty Sessions, yesterday, Frank Murphy, a labourer, was placed in the dock to answer a charge of having assaulted his wife, Alice. Complainant, who was a mass of cuts and bruises, said she lived at Donler Ford, and worked for Mr. Haansbergen. She had two children, and on Wednesday told her husband that she wished to take one of them to Newcastle, but to this he objected. He was drinking all day on Wednesday, and in the afternoon asked her to go down to Lanchester with him and two other men. She consented, and they went to the village, where they remained till late at night. On their way to Donler Ford, her husband commenced to talk about her brother, and struck her with his fist. He had a stick, with which he also struck her. He broke the stick over her, and then began to kick her.

Defendant said his wife provoked him by staying behind on the road with the other two men.

Inspector Scott said the complainant called at the Police Station at an early hour that morning. She had been out all night, and appeared to be in an exhausted condition. She was bleeding very much about the head and face.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Kearney) said he happened to know that defendant was constantly in the habit of ill-treating his wife, who was a very industrious woman, and had to work for her children. The magistrates considered it one of the most brutal cases of assault that had come before them for some time, and to show that they viewed it in that light, they would send defendant to prison for six months.

Complainant, in answer to the bench, said she believed her children were in Mr. Gibson's garden during the night. The defendant had taken a stick to them.

The CHAIRMAN said complainant and her two children had better go to the Workhouse till the next meeting of the Guardians.

THE CONSETT BENCH AND THE LEG BREAKING CASE.

Several of the metropolitan and provincial newspapers have made adverse comments on the decision of the magistrates in the charge of assault preferred by the police against Mr. Storey, which was heard at Consett Petty Sessions on Monday week. The *London Figaro* says:—"Magisterial ways are inscrutable. At Consett petty sessions recently, Elizabeth Ann Storey was charged with assaulting her daughter, a child only three years old. The mother, it appeared in evidence, took the child by its leg and arm, and threw it a distance of some three yards on to some gravel in front of the house. The woman returned to the house, leaving the little girl on the ground screaming. Neighbours interfered, and it was subsequently discovered that the child had sustained a fracture of the thigh, beside scratches on the knee from the gravel. The magistrates on the bench (Mr. Town, chairman, and Mr. Jenkins) found the woman guilty of the assault, but thought (so the Chairman said) it might have been done in a passion, and that she did not intend to inflict the grievous bodily injury the child had sustained. They therefore fined the defendant 10s. and costs. We suppose the facts are as stated. It is not often that county magistrates err on the side of leniency, and we are curious to see a few more of the decisions of the Consett bench. Gentlemen who can consider 10s. and costs a sufficient punishment for breaking a child's leg, must, we fancy, give at times decisions that it would be interesting to review. It is true that the Consett bench thought the woman did the mischief in a passion, and that she had no distinct intention of breaking the child's leg. But the fact of taking the poor little creature by the arm and leg, and throwing it a distance of some three yards, showed that this female tiger had a distinct and settled intention of hurting the child, and the decision of the magistrates is as miserably inadequate and as devoid of common sense, as the conduct of the woman was miserably brutal and devoid of common humanity."

CONSETT IRON COMPANY, LIMITED.—The directors have resolved to recommend to the ordinary general meeting, to be held on the 7th inst., the payment of a dividend of 15s. 9d. per share, and a dividend of 13s. 5d. per share on the Consett Spanish Ore Company's shares.

POLICE CHANGES.—On Tuesday, Sergt. Cruickshanks, who has been stationed at Hebburn for many years, arrived at Blackhill to take the place of Sergt. Reed, the latter officer having removed to Hebburn. Sergt. Cruickshanks is an intelligent officer, and is highly esteemed by the people of Hebburn.

Letters have been received in Holland from Vardo reporting that every one on board the Willem Barendsz, the schooner of the Dutch Arctic Expedition, was in excellent health, and that hitherto the vessel had behaved admirably.

A fine of £20, with costs, has been inflicted, at the Guildhall Police Court, London, on the proprietor of the *Sporting Opinion* for publishing advertisements offering to give information and advice relating to horseracing and other contingencies.

John Hanley has been charged with causing the death of his daughter, eight years old, by starvation, at Queen's Place, Whitechapel. The mother has absconded. The body of the child is mere skin and bones. The prisoner was remanded.

Mr. Richard Belt has just completed a bust of the late Earl Russell, which is considered to be a faithful likeness by his lordship's family and friends. The mask which Mr. Belt took of the deceased earl's features has been of considerable assistance to him in his work.

At Antrim Assizes, a young man named John Smyth, jun., son of a large farmer, and an elderly commercial traveller named John Thompson, have been sentenced to four months' imprisonment, the former for the abduction of a young lady from Ballymena to Glasgow, and the latter for aiding in the outrage. It was alleged by the prisoner Smyth that he was married to the lady in Glasgow.

Mr. Denis Moylen, Deputy-Lieutenant of the City of Dublin, late Collector-General of rates, ex-Lord Mayor, and ex-High Sheriff, died on Thursday, in his 76th year. He had been ill since the commission appointed to enquire into the irregularities in his office of Collector-General, which reported that a want of system prevailed, and that there was an annual failure to collect about £25,000 of rates.

Two little boys, one aged 13 and the other 11 years, have been struck by lightning while standing at the door of their house at Stonehall, near Adare, county Limerick. The youngest child was killed on the spot, and the life of the other is despaired of. A carpenter who was working in the house was struck, but it is hoped not fatally. A girl, aged 11, and a man named Ryan have been killed by lightning at Belmont, Tuam.

John Hutton, a centenarian, died at Mayfield, near Manchester, a few days ago, within a month of completing his 101st year. He was born in Glasgow, in 1777, came to Manchester in 1798, and entered the employ of Thomas Hoyle and Sons, calico printers, from whom he was in receipt of pay down to the time of his death, a period of nearly eighty years. At the celebration of his 100th birthday five generations of the family were represented.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Denman, at Cornwall Assizes, on Friday, sentenced to seven years' penal servitude Samuel Rowe, who for some years had been employed at Falmouth Post Office, and had been accustomed, as it now appears, to abstract letters, chiefly those addressed to sailors, on the chance of their containing valuables, and destroying them if they proved worthless. His lordship commented on the extreme heartlessness of the theft.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

THE "GLASGOW BAILLIE" AND BLACKHILL "CREATIONS."

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—It is a matter of no less surprise than regret, that some other affair than the indignation meetings, "a pure creation of the brain," should not have suggested itself, so that the reading public of the locality might have had the perusal of another "first-rate literary production." How ungrateful, O Amateurs! Has that clever detective, who fancied those literary prodigies pick pockets, put their pipes out and cowed the furor of their genius? Was he aided in his exploration by the Baillie? He may have been; for at one time, and that not long ago, various copies of that journal were floating about Blackhill. We know perfectly the man who introduced them and how, but as we don't give our own name, we withhold his and all unnecessary reference to what might point him out. We will not make any illegitimate or dishonourable use of our incognito. When we disclose it, it will be to his face, with a Baillie in our hand, and before the public. We mean business. Then, if ever that should happen, we won't say "you and your associates wrote the indignation meetings, Mr. Tourist," but we shall show that those productions were almost literal transcripts from the Baillie, which originally belonged to you. Such changes only as altered circumstances required are perceptible in your work. We are not so foolish as to judge from the writing merely, who the writers were. Every colliery village even, can produce one or more writers (far beyond our "amateurs") at this day. But no two men ever adopted a perfect similarity of mode without a model. The model for the "Indignation Reports" was the Glasgow Baillie beyond the shadow of a doubt. The Baillie is especially devoted to criticism of local topics, the acts of corporate bodies, &c. Truth distorted and told in a tone to suit the tastes of its readers is the end and essence of the said journal. "Creation" would ruin it. If a change in the name of a street is proposed, say from Blackhill to Benfieldside, its truths are these. It lampoons all who takes part in the agitation, with perhaps (it is only perhaps to us) one or two absentees introduced to help the drama. It "creates" Mr. Robinson into "Cock Robin." It names an old schoolmaster "Lankey Speed," and points out his political and professional distinguishments, and talks of his "neat speeches" so maliciously, that we should like to see one of theirs. But it laughs at all this. It lives by the act and knows better than our apes to subject itself to legal proceedings. If challenged to show its head or its tail it exhibits a "stuffed cur" in its next issue. It has no reason to cover its real character under the cloak of respectability, either morally or intellectually. It dare not pretend in the one case or aspire beyond mediocrity in the other. Its literary standing exceeds the Blackhill re-issue only in the knack which practice gives in any engagement. It has no master's ears to dread if the tale should be unfolded. We really think that the public is indebted much to the press in affording us an opportunity to know that we have "creators" among us, and more so still to the clever detection and "execution" of an infant Paul Pry. Poor little Paul. Depend upon it we shall have no more "creations." We have got abundance already. If ever the public had a doubt about the staff of "our Baillie," the "Tourist" of last week has "created" a defence that sets all doubts at rest, even if he had dared to append his name as a "stuffed cur." But "that cock won't fight," says the old pitman. He's a thorough out-and-out "crawden." He carn't even crow in daylight out of doors, but "cock-a-doodle" away at no little rate with the door locked and the trap-hole closed. We pass over various "creations" which "Tourist" effects, and which dwindle into insignificance before his great one. It surpasses all the wonders we ever heard of and beats creation itself. Miss Martineau saw an animal in America, "half a horse, half an alligator, with a touch of the 'earthquake' in it." But in Blackhill we have whole curs and half cut-throats with the nature of "gentlemen" in them. Gentlemen! Italian banditti are "nobles" now. Seriously speaking, we leave it to the public to decide, whether the defunct Paul Pry, and its most injudicious defenders and praisers, have been most successful in showing up industrious, steady and respectable men as toys, or themselves are insignificant worthless? We have made no reference beyond facts to the individual who, from first to last, has been the peculiar object of their dislike. We dare say he must be highly amused. He has been too long known here to be hurt by a recent import of the Black Brigade. Let them, like their kindred curs, "bay the moon." It will avail just as much.

ENQUIRER.

July 20th, 1878.

Cricket.

MEDOMSLEY v. BLAYDON.

The return match between the above clubs was played at Medomsley on Saturday, and resulted in an easy victory for the home team by fifty-four runs. The batting of Messrs. R. Beattie, J. Noble, and H. Williams, for the home team, was excellent. Appended is the score:—

BLAYDON.		MEDOMSLEY.	
T. Douglas, b Williams	2	J. Bell, l b w	1
J. Sutton, b Williams	0	G. E. Milburn, c Sutton, b Reed	0
J. Reed, b Cawthorn	10	W. T. Milburn, run out	5
F. Oliver, run out	0	J. Cookson, b Reed	0
R. Peel, c Beattie, b Williams	4	J. Noble, c and b Douglas	22
J. Brown, run out	2	R. Beattie, not out	28
		H. Williams, b Reed	14
		R. Cawthorn, M. Gibson, R. Armstrong, T. Cookson	to bat
Extras	6	Extras	8
Total	24	Total	78

STARS v. EXCELSIORS.

A match was played on Saturday last, at Blackhill, between the above clubs, which resulted in a most decided victory for the Stars. The batting of J. R. Siddle, J. W. Ridley, and the bowling of W. Wilson for the victors was excellent, while the bowling of W. Foggon for the other team was very creditable. Appended is the score:—

STARS.

	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
R. Wood, run out		2	b Gradon	2
L. Tucker, c Foggan b Christopher		0	run out	2
W. Turnbull, b Foggon		0	b Gradon	8
G. W. Richardson, b Foggon		3	b Foggon	1
J. R. Siddle, b Gradon		13	b Foggon	3
W. Wilson, c Kirkup b Gradon		6	b Gradon	4
T. Barron, b Foggon		4	b Davidson	0
H. Boag, b Foggon		1	b Davidson	1
J. W. Ridley, c Christopher b Gradon		3	c and b Gradon	10
R. Lowes, not out		5	c Foggon b Davidson	3
J. Robson, b Foggon		2	not out	0
Extras		9	Extras	1
Total		48	Total	3[illegible]

EXCELSIORS.

	1st Innings		2nd Innings	
D. Gradon, b Wilson		1	run out	2
W. Stoker, c Wood, b Siddle		1	c Wilson b Richardson	8
T. Jameson, b Wilson		1	c and b Richardson	0
J. Turnbull, run out		2	c Wilson b Siddle	8
W. Davidson, b Siddle		2	c Boag b Wilson	0
W. Christopher, b Wilson		2	b Wilson	6
W. Foggon, run out		0	b Wilson	3
S. Gradon, b Siddle		1	b Siddle	6
J. Sheffield, not out		0	not out	2
W. Snare, b Richardson		2	c Richardson b Siddle	0
T. Kirkup, st Richardson		0	c Wilson b Siddle	2
Extras		3	Extras	0
Total		15	Total	32

HAMSTERLEY v. LIZZIE.

A very pleasant game was played on Saturday last, on the Hamsterley grounds, between eleven of Hamsterley C.C., and eleven of the Lizzie C.C., which resulted in a victory for the home team by twelve runs. The bowling and fielding on both sides were excellent. Appended is the score:—

HAMSTERLEY.		LIZZIE.	
J. Fenwick, run out	2	H. Bell, c Billcliffe b Fenwick	7
J. Chaytor, b Bell	1	L. Lindsey, b Waters	1
T. Billcliffe, b Carrol	7	E. Watson, c and b Waters	0
J. Holdon, b Bell	7	H. Olds, b Fenwick	4
J. Emmerson, b Carrol	3	E. Carrol, b Fenwick	3
A. Henderson, b Bell	4	R. Greenfield, b Fenwick	0
T. Anderson, l b w	0	C. Heslop, b Fenwick	2
P. Quigley, c & b Bell	5	J. Rollinson, b Waters	0
A. Waters, c Watson b Bell	0	J. Chanley, b Waters	0
T. Kennedy, not out	1	J. Bell, not out	1
M. Goodwin, c & b Bell	0	W. Simpson, b Fenwick	0
Extras	4	Extras	4
Total	34	Total	22

BENFIELDSIDE v. TANFIELD.

The return match between the above clubs was played at Tanfield on Saturday last, and resulted in a victory for Benfieldside by seventeen runs. Appended is the score:—

TANFIELD.		BENFIELDSIDE.	
G. Horan, run out	2	T. Hood, run out	6
J. Laidler, b Waugh	0	J. Muir, b White	0
J. White, b Renton	10	M. Richley, b White	13
J. Dixon, b Waugh	0	J. Dixon, b Laidler	4
S. W. Smith, b Renton	0	Dr. Geo. Renton, run out	8
E. Reay, b Renton	10	R. Smith, c White b D. Temple	10
A. Temple, b Waugh	2	T. Waugh, c Smith b White	5
D. Temple, c Richley b Waugh	0	H. R. Foggon, not out	11
J. Curry, c Hood b Waugh	0	J. Stevenson, c A. Temple, b White	0
R. Atkinson, not out	28	J. Harkness, b White	4
T. Snowdon, c Waugh b Dixon	5	M. Lister, c & b White	2
Extras	5	Extras	
Total	55	Total	72

LEADGATE v. PONTOP PIKE.

The return match between the above clubs was played at Pontop Pike, on Saturday last, and resulted in a victory for the home team by sixty-two runs. Appended is the score:—

PONTOP PIKE.		LEADGATE.	
F. Hooper, b Brown	1	J. Power, b Nixon	1
W. Murray, l b w	10	S. Nattrass, b Stobbs	7
J. Storey, b Brown	0	J. Greener, b F. Brown	45
R. Turnbull, run out	2	T. Brown, b Stobbs	7
R. Arthur, b Brown	10	J. Murphy, run out	0
W. Ridley, b Brown	0	J. Maughan, run out	0
F. Brown, b Greener	10	J. Burnip, l b w	0
J. Nixon, c Power b Brown	0	J. Bennison, c Arthur b Stobbs	6
W. Johnson, c Power b Brown	8	M. Carr, c Storey	0
J. Robinson, not out	0	J. Costella, b Stobbs	6
M. Stobbs, b Brown	0	N. Fenwick, not out	10
Extras	14	Extras	35
Total	55	Total	117

Markets.

NEWCASTLE CORN MARKET, Tuesday.—At this day's market there was a small supply of English wheat, but a fair arrival from abroad. The trade was exceedingly quiet and the little business done was at about the rates of this day week. Barley, malt, beans, and peas unchanged. Maize firm. Oats slow, with little change in value. Flour dull at late rates.

HEXHAM CORN MARKET, Tuesday.—At our market this morning wheat was in better demand than has been the case for some weeks, and there was a marked improvement in the supply. Prices ranged from 48s to 54s per qr. Barley: Fair supply, but sales were checked by the prices asked by holders; 23s per Hexham boll was asked in some cases.

NEWCASTLE CATTLE MARKET, Tuesday.—The show of stock presented for sale exhibited an increase of 484 beasts, but, a decline of 658 sheep and lambs as compared with that of last week. Respecting quality, that of cattle, with the exception of a pen or two of finished heifers from the north of Scotland, was only indifferent, even time of year considered; while both sheep and lambs were middling, especially the latter. The supply of beef comprised 1,704 head. The number of sheep and lambs was 9,662. Pigs: 450 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 105s; this year's growth, 60s to 80s; new land hay, 80s to 110s; this year's growth, 60s to 85s; wheat straw, 2s 10d to 3s 4d; barley straw, 2s 0d to 2s 3d; oat straw, 2s 5d to 3s 0d per thrave.

DURHAM PROVISION, Saturday.—Oats, 7s 6d to 8s 6d; barley, 7s 0d to 8s 6d; Indian corn, 7s 3d beans, 10s to 11s 0d; peas, 9s 3d to 10s 0d per boll. Beef, 8d to 11d; mutton, 8d to 11d; veal, 9d to 10½d; bacon, 4d to 6½d; hams, 5d to 6d; chees., 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 6d 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 2s 0d per stone. Grapes, 2s per lb.

DURHAM POTATO, Saturday.—Potatoes, 1s to 1s 2d per stone.

NEWCASTLE POTATO, Saturday.—Potatoes, baskets, 1s 3d; kidneys, 6s per cwt.

Mr. Forbes has gone to Cyprus for the *Daily News*, and will probably remain in the island for some time.

The harvesting has already commenced in various parts of Kent, and in a few days it will become pretty general. The crop is said to be very good, and is larger than it has been for many years.

Sarah Thomas, formerly employed as schoolmistress by the London School Board, has been sentenced at the Middlesex Sessions to nine months' hard labour for embezzling school fees amounting to £8.

The Rev. Charles Bullock has published a biographical sketch of Mr. Thomas Cooper, accompanied by a suggestion that his works on the evidences of Christianity should be widely circulated in a cheap form.

Mr. Edward Sutton, chief clerk in the office of the Local Government Board, has been appointed assistant-secretary in place of Mr. Francis Fletcher, resigned, and Mr. John Bellamy has been appointed to succeed Mr. Sutton.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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

BIRTHS

LEADGATE.—At Quarry Street, on the 26th ult., the wife of Mr. W. Iley, of a daughter.

At 201, Watling Street, on the 25th ult., the wife of Wm. Tailford, of a daughter.

DEATHS

CONSETT.—In Delves Terrace, on the 1st inst., aged 38 years, Rebecca, the beloved wife of George Walker. Interment at Benfieldside Cemetery, on Saturday, at Two o'clock. Friends will please accept this intimation. 301m

LEADGATE.—At Bradley Square, on the 29th ult., aged 34, Elizabeth, wife of T. Fleming, jun.

BURNOPFIELD.—On the 23th ult., aged 77, Geo. Todd.

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