The Consett Guardian

AND DERWENT VALLEY ADVERTISER.

An ADVERTISING MEDIUM for Annfield Plain, Blackhill, Consett, Lanchester, Leadgate, Shotley Bridge, &c.

No. 939. {REGISTERED FOR TRANSMISSION ABROAD,} FRIDAY, AUGUST 30TH, 1878. PRICE ONE PENNY.

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

Business Announcements.

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

ROBERT SCOTT,
BELLMAN AND BILLPOSTER,
KELLS HOUSES,
ANNFIELD PLAIN. 784k

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

LEASE 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 46, Dean Street, Newcastle;
103, High Street, Gateshead; 121, Bedford Street, and 13, Union Street, North Shields; Station Road, South Shields; 58, Ormonde Street, Jarrow; 7, South Street, Middlesbrough; and Bridge Street, Morpeth. 32k

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

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

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

JAMES JOHNSON, Family Grocer and Tea Dealer. Teas, Coffees, and Spices of the Choicest quality. Good Useful Teas from 2s. per pound. Coffees, 1s. per pound. Household Soaps from 3d. per pound. All kinds of Dryaltery Goods cheap and of the best quality. Hotels and families supplied at wholesale prices.
TERMS—CASH. 879a

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

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

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

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

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

SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that any Person or Persons entering into the occupation of any House, Shop, or other Building, to which Gas has been supplied to the previous occupant, upon such entry must first obtain the consent of the Secretary of the Company before consuming the Gas supplied by the said Company. In default therefore, upon proof of the use of the Gas, without first obtaining such leave, such Person or Persons 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. do. 22s.
Children's Coffins, covered with Black Cloth, from 6s.
Adults' do. do. do. 40s
Designs on application.
FURNITURE REPAIRED AND REPOLISHED.

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

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

HAS new on hand the largest and best mad, Stock of FURNITURE in the district.
IRON BEDSTEADS for great variety.
MATTRESSES, FEATHERS, FLOCKS, RABBIT DOWN.
Large Stock of New Patterns in PAPER HANGINGS.
PERAMBULATORS, HARDWARE.
Agent for the HOME WASHER and MANGLING MACHINES.
KEBY'S and HARDY'S PATENT PICKS — SHAFTS.
Manufactured and Dealer in SPORTING and BLASTING POWDER. 572

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

Business Announcements.

B. MOODY,
WATCHMAKER, EDCHESTER.

CLYDESDALE CART STALLION, "SIR COLIN," Winner of Glasgow First Prize last year, will Stand at Woodlands, near Knitsley Station, Weekly, from 5 p.m. on Saturdays till 6 p.m. on Mondays. Fee, Two Guineas. For Card, apply to Stud Groom, Woodlands Stud, near Consett. 44m

SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.

ANY Person Removing, Altering, or Tampering with any Meter, Pipe, or other Property of the above Gas Company, without first obtaining the said Company's permission, will be prosecuted according to Law.
By order of the Directors,
M. RICHLEY, Secretary.
August 21st, 1878.

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

HARPERLEY STEAM AND WATER CORN MILLS
(Warehouse, Catchgate),
NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN.
ESTABLISHED, 1817. 228g

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

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

Business Announcements.

THE QUICKEST PASSAGE ON RECORD.

ON May 28th, the celebrated steamers, "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 a the morning she arrived, at eight her hatches were opened, at ten the teas were offered on the market. The importers expected high prices; the dealers prudently refused to buy except in small lots. While the importers halted, five other steamers arrived with fifteen million of new tea. Steamer after steamer followed each other, until not less than thirty million pounds of new tea was thrown on the market. This, with the large stock of last season's teas on hand, produced a panic in the market. Down came the old seasons teas to a price unknown in the history of the tea trade. We, the 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 make 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 92, MOSLEY STREET, NEWCASTLE; 33, HIGH STREET, GATESHEAD; AND CORNER OF FREDERICK ROAD, HIGH STREET, SUNDERLAND.

TEAS! GREAT REDUCTION! TEAS!

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

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

ONE OF the greatest difficulties "dealers" have to contend with in the present day is that tea drinkers attach undue importance to what is termed a pretty looking Tea, regardless of its quality in the pot, and look down upon Tea with brown or ugly leaves, although it may be of the best quality for drinking. Until this false notion is corrected, the Trade will to some extent remain 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	SPIRITS	Per Bottle	Per Dozen
Castle 1A PORT *from Portugal* A good-bodied well-matured Wine	1/9	21/	Castle UP GIN Highly rectified at W. & A. Gilbey's own Distillery, 15 per cent. under proof	2/	24/
Castle B PORT *from Portugal* A fine full-flavored fruity Wine, 8 years old	2/6	28/	Castle PROOF GIN Highly rectified at W. & A. Gilbey's own Distillery, proof	2/10	34/
Castle 1 SPANISH PORT *from Spain* A full-bodied fruity Wine, 5 years old	1/8	18/	Castle UP IRISH WHISKEY Distilled from fine Malt, 15 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle 4 SPANISH PORT *from Spain* The finest Spanish Port produced, 10 years old	1/10	22/	Castle OLD IRISH WHISKEY Finest old Dublin Whiskey, Strength, proof	2/6	30/
Castle 8A *Pale* SHERRY *from Spain* A pure Spanish Sherry, 3 years old	1/6	18/	Castle UP SCOTCH WHISKEY Distilled from fine malt, 15 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle C *Pale* SHERRY *from Spain* A good type of nutty Sherry, 6 years old	2/6	28/	Castle SCOTCH WHISKEY Finest old Scotch Whiskey, Strength, proof	2/6	30/
Castle VP *Pale* MARSALA *from Sicily* A delicate dinner Wine, 3 years old	1/6	16/	Castle UP BRANDY Compound duly exclusively from Foreign Spirits, 15 under proof	2/3	27/
Castle C *Pale* MARSALA *from Sicily* The finest Marsala produced, 7 years old	1/8	20/	Castle PROOF BRANDY Compounded exclusively from Foreign Spirits, Strength, proof	2/	24/
Castle MADEIRA A full-flavored nutty Wine from the Island, 3 years old	2/1	25/	Castle D COGNAC An excellent Cognac Brandy of fine flavor, 25 under proof	2/	24/
Castle GRAND MADEIRA An excellent nutty Wine from the Island, 5 years old	2/6	30/	Castle FO COGNAC The finest old Champagne Brandy, Strength, proof	4/9	57/
Castle A CLARET *from France* A pure sound Wine, Upwards of a year in bottle	1/	12/	Castle UP JAMAICA RUM A well-matured Jamaica Rum, 15 per cent. under proof	2/3	27/
Castle C CLARET *from France* A fine-flavored and well-matured Medoc Wine	1/6	18/	Castle JO JAMAICA RUM The finest old Jamaica Rum, Strength, proof	2/3	29/
Castle 1 CHAMPAGNE A pure Sparkling Wine for ordinary use	Quarts 2/3 / Pints 1/3	26/ / 15/	Castle 1 HOLLANDS A pure Dutch Spirit from Rye Wheat, 15 per cent. under proof	2/6	32/
Castle 2 CHAMPAGNE A high class delicate Champagne	Quarts 3/6 / Pints 1/11	42/ / 23/	HOLLANDS (Schiedam) 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 2/3 / Pints 1/3	25/ / 14/6	Castle SAUMUR *Gold Foil* A fine old Sparkling Wine	Quarts 2/6 / Pints 1/6	30/ / 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, under the brands of Whiskeys quoted above especially worthy of attention at the present time. The stock of old matured Whiskey held by W. & A. Gilbey in their bonded stores is now without doubt, the largest in the world, exceeding as it does 5,000 Butts of Irish and 3,000 Butts of Scotch Whiskey, equal to upwards of a million proof gallons. Their sales of Whiskeys last year exceeded two million bottles.

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

Business Announcements.

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

TELFER AND SONS,
TOBACCO AND SNUFF MANUFACTURERS,
NEWCASTLE. 38m

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

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

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

E. BROOKS,
59, CLAYTON STREET, AND 98, NEW BRIDGE STREET, NEWCASTLE.
Large Arrival of Stock for the Races.

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

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

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

PERFECTION in ARTIFICIAL TEETH AND PAINLESS DENTISTRY AT MODERATE CHARGES.

MR. T. F. WATSON, DENTIST,
36, CLAYTON STREET (Corner of Newgate Street), NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE,
RESPECTFULLY calls attention to the Superiority of his Rugosite Suction Palate and Dental Coral. TEETH STOPPED OR EXTRACTED. 553k

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

BONESETTING.

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

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

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

JOHN JENKINS,
AUCTIONEER,
HOUSE AGENT, AND APPRAISER
TRAFALGAR STREET, CONSETT.
PARTIES leaving the Neighbourhood can have their Furniture, &c., turned into Cash on the shortest notice. 660m

HAYMARKET COACH WHEEL WORKS.

GEORGE HOGG,
COACH BUILDER AND CARTWRIGHT.
ALL kinds of Cabs, Dog Carts, and Spring Carts made to order, repaired, painted, and done-up. Springs and Patent Axles made to order and repaired. Lancewood Shafts and Rent 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 "HAIR BOTANIC MERVEILLEUSE," for restoring the colour of Hair, has reached perfection. Lessons in Hair Dressing. First-class attention at the Counter and in the Saloons.

WHOLESALE HOUSE and MANUFACTORY, TANNER ROW, YORK.

FARM SEEDS.

NOW ON SALE:
FINE NEW SPRING TARES.
FINE POTATO AND TARTARIAN OATS.
FINE MAPLE, PEAS, &c.
CLOVERS AND GRASS SEEDS.
G. H.'S CELEBRATED MIXTURES FOR PERMANENT PASTURES.
TURNIP SEEDS.
GARDEN SEEDS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
Ammonia-fied and Phosphi Peruvian Guano, 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

Deaths.

The simple announcement of Deaths, will be inserted free of charge.

S
13th inst., the wife
Grigor, Esq., of a

ES.
ce, on the 21st inst.,
Miss E. Birkett, of

armella to Miss H.
lists Green.

S
thouse, on the 10th
21st inst., aged 35,
t at Worsley on
ot this intimation.
d 9 months, Joseph,

on the 7th inst., aged
and beloved daughter
eeply respected.

T JACKSON, at the
nt Street, Consett,

LOCAL FLOWER SHOWS.

DURHAM.

The sixth annual exhibition of the Durham Floral and Horticultural Society was held in the Wharton Park, Durham, on Wednesday, and was the most successful yet held by the society. The weather was favourable on the whole, though showery, and many hundreds of people paid for admission. The society offered about £150 in prize money, besides several silver cups given by private gentlemen, and the entries in all the classes greatly exceeded those of previous years, and in some cases nearly doubled those of last year. The quality of the different exhibits was excellent throughout, and the competition keen. In the open class a prize of £2 was offered for the best six stove or greenhouse plants, and also a beautiful silver cup presented by Mr. Richardson Peel, which secured a numerous list of entries from the principal nuserymen and gardeners in the district. Mr. Thomas Wilson, gardener, Normanby Hall, Middlesborough, was awarded first prize; Thomas Ramshaw, Durham, second (£3); and Thomas Rutherford, Durham, third (£2). The silver cup, valued at three guineas, presented by the late Alderman Stevenson, for the best collection of fruit in the open class, and a prize of 30s, offered by the society was awarded to Mr. Bichard Westcott, gardener, Raby Castle; Mr. T. R. Jowsey, Richmond, and Mr. Wm. Laidlaw, Castle Eden, being second and third respectively. The principal prizetakers in the open class were Mr. Rutherford, Durham; Mr. Morgan, Moor House; Messrs. Oliver and Petty, Bishop Auckland; Mr. Sinclair, Gilesgate, Durham; Mr. M. Yare, Croxdale; Mr. Moody, Hart; Mr. Scott, Durham; and Mr. Weatherspoon, Chester-le-Street. In the amateur class Mr. Spoor, Swalwell; Mr. Walker, Low Fell; Mr. Atkinson, Durham; Mr. Brown, Durham; Mr. Slater, Plawsworth; Mr. Renwick, Shadforth; Mr. Galloway, Littletown; Mr. Heslop, Durham; Mr. Stairmand, Darlington; Mr. Elliott, Durham; Mr. Walton, Sherburn; Mr. A. Reed, Durham; and Mr. Moody, Hart. In the cottagers' class Mr. R. Heslop, Durham; Mr. W. Slater, Plawsworth; Mr. W. Atkinson, and Mr. H. Brown, Durham. The band of the Coldstream Guards was in attendance, and played an excellent selection of music during the afternoon. The Durham Union Workhouse Band was also in attendance, and played at intervals. In the evening a concert was given in the New Markets by the Coldstream Guards, and was very successful.

SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

This show took place on Saturday, in the Spa Grounds. Heavy showers fell in the early part of the day, and it was not till late in the afternoon that the weather became more settled. The attendance, in consequence, was not so large as at preceding anniversaries, though at half-past seven o'clock, when the show was closed to the public, several thousand visitors had paid for admission. The show itself was a remarkably good one, there being a large number of exhibits in each class, and the competition keen. Most of the gardeners at the neighbouring mansions set up stove and greenhouse plants in the open class, of which there was a large and really fine collection. Mr. Battensby, Blaydon, obtained the £5 prize for the best six plants in bloom; Mr. John Cant (gardener to A. Town, Esq., Allansford), and Mr. R. Inglis (gardener to Robert Dickinson, Esq., Shotley House) being credited with second and third honours. The fine foliage plants were a fine colleotion. First prize was taken by Mr. John Bullock (gardener to Chas. Wilson, Esq., Shotley Park), Mr. John Thirlwell, Shotley Bridge, being second. Some choice ferns were shown by Mr. Bullock, who got first prize for exotics, the head prize for the British variety going to Mr. Trotter, gardener to James Annandale, Esq., Shotley Grove. Mr. Trotter, was also first for three fuschias, the second prize falling to Mr. Wm. Anderson, gardener to James Annandale, jun., Esq. There was a nice assortment of geraniums, the prize-takers here being Messrs. Inglis, John Thirlwell, Cant, and Anderson. The cut flowers were all that could be desired, Mr. W. Anderson getting first prize for best eight stands; while for the best six bunches (each bunch containing one variety), Mr. John Thirlwell carried off head prize. In the amateurs' class, Mr. Thirlwell was first for three stove or greenhouse plants in bloom, Mr. Moon, Blackhill, taking head honours in the classes for one fine foliage plant and fuschias. The plants in the cottagers' class were also good. Fruit was a capital show. Some nice grapes were shown by Mr. Inglis, who got first prize in each class. There was a large and excellent show of garden produce, the potatoes, cucumbers, and cauliflowers being of good quality and size. The judges were:—For plants, Messrs. Methvin and Bolam, Gateshead; for cut flowers, Mr. Robson, Birtley, and Mr. Clarke, Whitley; and for fruit and vegetables, Mr. Cooke, Holyn Hall, Wylam, and Mr. Storey, Greencroft Park. The band of the 2nd West York Light Infantry and the Saltaire Band were on the ground, and gave a concert of classical and operatic music. Appended are the awards:—

OPEN CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Six stove or greenhouse plants, dissimilar, in bloom—Thos. Battensby, Hagg Hill; 2nd, John Cant, gardener to A. Town, Esq., Allansford; 3rd, R. Inglis, gardener to R. Dickinson, Esq., Shotley House.

Four fine foliage plants, dissimilar—John Bullock, gardener to Charles Wilson Esq., Shotley Park; 2nd, John Thirlwell, Shotley Bridge; 3rd, T. Battensby.

Three fuschias, dissimilar—A. Trotter, gardener to James Annandale, Esq., Shotley Grove; 2nd, William Anderson, gardener to James Annandale, jun., Esq., The Briary; 3rd, R. Inglis.

Two fuschias, dissimilar—John Moon, Blackhill; 2nd, Andrew Trotter; 3rd, R. Inglis.

Two pots of liliums, dissimilar—John Bullock; 2nd, Andrew Trotter; 3rd, John Thirlwell.

Best lilium auratum—J. Stoddart, Ebchester; 2nd, T. Snowdon, Ebchester.

One single and one double petunia—No first prize given; 2nd, Andrew Trotter; 3rd, William Brown, Shotley Bridge.

Three balsams—John Moon; 2nd, Wm. Anderson; 3rd, Wm. Brown.

Three zonal geraniums, in 10-in. pots, dissimilar—R. Inglis; 2nd, John Thirlwell; 3rd, Wm. Anderson.

Three tricolor geraniums, dissimilar—John Cant; 2nd W. Anderson.

Three pots or pans achimenes, dissimilar—John Thirlwell; no second; 3rd, A. Trotter.

Two cockscombs—R. Inglis; 2nd, Wm. Anderson; 3rd, M. Redshaw, Wood Cottage.

Two begonias, dissimilar—John Bullock; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, R. Inglis.

Three plants suitable for table decoration, in 6-in. pots, dissimilar—John Bullock; 2nd, R. Inglis.

Four exotic ferns, distinct genera—J. Bullock; 2nd, A. Trotter; 3rd, John Thirlwell.

Six British ferns, distinct genera—A. Trotter; 2nd, J. Bullock; 3rd, John Thirlwell.

Six gladioli spikes, dissimilar—William Spoor, Swalwell; 2nd, Robert Gardener, Swalwell; 3rd, Robt. Harkness, Swalwell.

Twelve dahlia blooms, dissimilar, show varieties—J. Walker; 2nd, Robert Harkness; 3rd, John Harland, Gateshead.

Six fancy dahlia blooms, dissimilar—R. Harkness; 2nd, John Walker; 3rd, John Harland.

Twelve hollyhock blooms, dissimilar—J. Harland; 2nd, Wm. Spoor; 3rd, Robt. Harkness.

Six cut roses, six varieties—T. Charlton, Ebchester; 2nd, Robert Harkness; 3rd, Mrs. Booth, Summerdale.

Six Penstemons, dissimilar—J. Cawthorn; 2nd, T. Battensby; 3rd, Ralph Kirsop, Pontop Pike.

Twelve French asters—W. Spoor; 2nd, M. Wheatley, Greenside; 3rd, Robert Harkness.

Twelve globe asters—William Spoor; 2nd, Robert Gardener.

Six phloxes, dissimilar—J. Robinson, Spa Grounds; 2nd, John Cant; 3rd, Andrew Trotter.

Six stands of verbenas, six varieties, three trusses in each stand—Wm. Spoor; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Six carnations, dissimilar—John Harland; 2nd, John Cawthorn.

Six picotees, dissimilar—John Harland.

Six herbaceous flowers, dissimilar—J. Robinson; 2nd, Wm. Barron, Cutlers' Hall; 3rd, T. Battensby.

Eight stands of cut flowers—Wm. Anderson; 2nd, John Cant.

Six bunches of cut flowers, each bunch one variety—John Thirlwell; 2nd, John Bullock; 3rd, R. Inglis.

Lady's hand bouquet—John Harland; 2nd, Andrew Trotter; 3rd, John Cant.

FRUIT.

Two bunches of black grapes—Robt. Inglis; 2nd, J. Bullock; 3rd, W. Anderson.

Two bunches of white grapes—R. Inglis.

Best melon—Thomas Charlton; 2nd, William Ames, gardener to Mrs. Surtees, Hamsterley Hall; 3rd, John Bullock.

Six peaches—A. Trotter; 2nd, J. Bullock; 3rd, W. Anderson.

Six apricots—Rev. F. B. Thompson; 2nd, William Anderson; 3rd, J. Bullock.

Six plums—Wm. Anderson; no second; 3rd, John Bullock.

Six pears—S. Armstrong, Broomhill; 2nd, J. Robinson; 3rd, Andrew Trotter.

VEGETABLES.

Four heads of celery (two white and two red—Wm. Hall; 2nd, M. Wheatley; 3rd, John Moon.

Brace of cucumbers—R. Inglis; 2nd, Wm. Hall; 3rd, R. Smailes.

Three roots of beet—M. Wheatley; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, John Thirlwell.

Six kidney potatoes—W. Wilson; 2nd, M. Wheatley; 3rd, T. Battensby.

Six round potatoes—J. Robinson; 2nd, W. Wilson; 3rd, J. Cawthorn.

Two cauliflowers—John Cant; 2nd, R. Kirsop; 3rd, John Ward.

Thirty-six pods of peas—William Ames; 2nd, J. Charlton; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

Twenty-four pods of kidney beans—John Cant; 2nd, Wm. Ames; 3rd, R. Smailes.

Two red cabbages—A. Trotter; 2nd, A. Houliston; 3rd, Joseph Oley.

Twelve summer onions (tripoli excepted)—T. Taylor; 2nd, M. Wheatley; 3rd, R. Inglis.

AMATEURS' CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Three stove or greenhouse plants, in bloom, dissimilar—J. Thirlwell; 2nd, R. Gardener; 3rd, G. Ainsworth, Benfieldside.

One fine foliage plant—J. Moon; 2nd, J. Thirlwell; 3rd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Two fuschias, dissimilar—John Moon; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson; 3rd, G. Ainsworth.

One fuschia—John Moon; 2nd, G. Ainsworth; 3rd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Two balsams—John Moon; 2nd, W. Brown; 3rd, M. Redshaw.

One single petunia—John Moon; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, J. Thirlwell.

One double petunia—J. Moon and J. Thirlwell equal; 3rd, William B.own.

One pot of liliums—Joseph Robinson; 2nd, M. Redshaw.

Two tricolour geraniums, dissimilar—W. Brown; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Two bicolour geraniums, dissimilar—John Thirlwell; 2nd, W. Brown; 3rd, G. Ainsworth.

Two zonal genaniums, dissimilar—W. Brown; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Two coleus, dissimilar—G. Ainsworth; 2nd, John Thirlwell; 3rd, W. Brown.

Three British ferns, dissimilar—John Thirlwell; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson; 3rd, Ralph Hall.

Three exotic ferns, dissimilar—J. Moon; 2nd, John Thirlwell; 3rd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Six dahlia blooms, show varieties, dissimilar—J. Walker; 2nd, J. Harland; 3rd, Robert Harkness.

Four fancy dahlia blooms, dissimilar—R. Harkness; 2nd, J. Harland; 3rd, W. Hall.

Four roses, cut blooms, dissimilar—T. Battensby; 2nd, J. Charlton; 3rd, M. Redshaw.

Six hollyhock blooms, dissimilar—J. Harland; 2nd, R. Harkness; 3rd, R. Gardener.

Three gladioli spikes, dissimilar—R. Gardener.

Twelve French asters—R. Gardener; 2nd, J. Moon; 3rd, J. Harland.

Twelve globe asters—R. Gardener; 2nd, J. Harland.

Twelve French marigolds—M. Redshaw; 2nd, R. Hall; 3rd, R. Harkness.

Six zonal geranium trusses, dissimllar—J. Thirlwell; 2nd, G. Ainsworth; 3rd, M. Redshaw.

Six spikes of phloxes, dissimilar—R. Gardener; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson; 3rd, J. Thirlwell.

Four stocks—John Moon.

Four stands of herbaceous flowers, dissimilar—Rev. F. B. Thompson; 2nd, Thomas Battensby; 3rd, John Thirlwell.

Six stands of cut flowers—J. Thirlwell; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson; 3rd, M. Redshaw.

FRUIT.

Six pears—John Walker; 2nd, A. Houliston; 3rd, M. Redshaw.

Six dessert apples—R. Gardener; 2nd, J. Stoddart; 3rd, M. Redshaw.

Six kitchen apples—R. Gardener; 2nd, R. Smailes; 3rd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

One pint of flavoured gooseberries—M. Redshaw; 2nd, John Thirlwell; 3rd, Thomas Taylor.

One pint of black currants—M. Redshaw; 2nd, T. Battensby.

One pint of red currants—R. Hall; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, Thomas Taylor.

VEGETABLES.

Six kidney potatoes—T. Battensby; 2nd, J. Robinson; 3rd, J. Stoddart.

Six round potatoes—M. Redshaw; 2nd. Rev. F. B. Thompson; 3rd, J. Stoddart.

Two early cabbages—M. Redshaw; 2nd J. Stoddart.

Three early turnips—G. Ainsworth; 2nd, J. Charlton; 3rd, A. Houliston.

Three carrots—J. Stoddart; 2nd, M. Redshaw; 3rd, Thomas Taylor.

Three parsnips—J. Robinson; 2nd, J. Stoddart; 3rd, William Hall.

Thirty-six pods of peas—M. Redshaw; 2nd, A. Houliston; 3rd, Rev. F. B. Thompson.

Twelve pods of beans—T. Taylor; 2nd, J. Robinson; 3rd, G. Ainsworth.

Four leeks—W. Hall; 2nd, J. Stoddart.

Two heads of celery—John Moon; 2nd, Wm. Hall.

Two cauliflowers—R. Hall; 2nd, J. Moon; 3rd, J. Robinson.

Twelve onions (tripoli excepted) spring sown—J. Stoddart; 2nd, J. Robinson; 3rd, Wm. Hall.

Three roots of beet—Joseph Oley; 2nd, Rev. F. B. Thompson; 3rd, Thomas Taylor.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

FLOWERS.

One fine foliage plant—Wm. Wilson; 2nd, William Barron, Cutlers' Hall.

One light fuschia—Wm. Barron; 2nd, J. Thorpe, Cutlers' Hall; 3rd, Wm. Wilson.

One single petunia, in pot—Wm. Barron; 2nd, J. Thorpe; 3rd, Wm. Wilson.

One double petunia, in pot—Wm. Barron; 2nd, Thos. Snowdon; 3rd, G. Weatherald, Leadgate.

One pot plant, in bloom—Thos. Snowdon; 2nd, Wm. Wilson; 3rd, Wm. Barron.

One dark fuschia—Wm. Barron; 2nd, Wm. Wilson; 3rd, R. Kirsop.

One coleus—J. Thorpe; 2nd, Willian Wilson; 3rd, T. Coulson.

One balsam—Wm. Wilson; 2nd, Wm. Barron.

One zonale geranium, in bloom—R. Kirsop; 2nd, Wm. Wilson; 3rd, J. Thorpe.

Four dahlia blooms, dissimilar, show varieties—John Cawthorne; 2nd, J. Jamieson; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

Six French asters—Wm. Spoor; 2nd, J. Cawthorne; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

Six globe asters—Wm. Spoor; 2nd, J. Cawthorne; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

One fancy dahlia—M. Wheatley; 2nd, Wm. Wilson; 3rd, Thomas Snowdon.

Three spikes gladioli, dissimilar—Wm. Spoor; 2nd, Wm. Wilson; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

Six French marigolds—John Cawthorne; 2nd, R. Kirsop; 3rd, J. Jamieson.

Four stands cut flowers—J. Thorpe; 2nd, Wm. Spoor; 3rd, Wm. Barron.

Four hollyhock blooms, dissimilar—Wm Spoor; 2nd, Wm. Wilson; 3rd, J. Thorpe.

Twelve pansies, six varieties—John Ward; 2nd, R. Kirsop; 3rd, J. Cawthorne.

Three spikes of phloxes, dissimilar—William Wilson; 2nd, W. Spoor; 3rd, W. Barron.

Three stands of herbaceous flowers, dissimilar—Thos. Coulson; 2nd, John Thorpe; 3rd, W. Barron.

Three stocks—G. Weatherald; 2nd, Wm. Surtees.

Six African marigolds—M. Wheatley; 2nd, W. Spoor; 3rd, R. Kirsop.

One fern case—J. Thorpe; 2nd, W. Barron.

Three British ferns, dissimilar—W. Barron; 2nd, J. Thorpe.

Three cut roses, dissimilar—M. Wheatley; 2nd, T. Coulson; 3rd, John Thorpe.

FRUIT.

Six pears—S. Armstrong; 2nd, A. Houliston.

Six dessert apples—S. Armstrong; 2nd, T. Snowdon; 3rd, J. Bulman.

Six kitchen apples—M. Wheatley; 2nd, W. Spoor; 3rd, Thomas Snowdon.

One pint of flavoured gooseberries—W. Wilson; 2nd, Thomas Snowdon; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

One pint black currants—J. Bulman.

One pint red currants—Thomas Snowdon; 2nd, J. Bulman; 3rd, W. Wilson.

VEGETABLES.

Three early turnips—R. Kirsop; 2nd, M. Wheatley; 3rd, J. Ward.

Three carrots—John Ward; 2nd, J. Minto; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

Two early cabbages—T. Coulson; 2nd, M. Wheatley; 2rd, T. Snowdon.

Six onions, spring grown, exhibited as grown, tripoli excepted—M. Wheatley; 2nd, T. Snowdon; 3rd, W. Wilson.

Three parsnips—John Ward; 2nd, J. Jamieson; 3rd, Thomas Snowdon.

Six kidney potatoes—M. Wheatley; 2nd, John Cawthorne; 3rd, W. Wilson.

Six round potatoes—J. Bulman, Ebchester; 2nd, J. Minto; 3rd, M. Wheatley.

Twelve pods of Beans—John Ward; 2nd, G. Hunter; 3rd, Wm. Wilson.

Twenty-four pods of peas—M. Wheatley; 2nd, John Cawthorne; 3rd, J. Minto.

Three Leeks—J. Ward; 2nd, Thomas Snowdon; 8rd, W. Wilson.

Three roots of beet—G. Hunter; 2nd, John Thorpe; 3rd, W. Wheatley.

One Cauliflower—G. Hunter; 2nd, J. Minto; 3rd, R. Kirsop.

Best collection of vegetables, eight varieties, viz., six round and six kidney potatoes, one early cabbages, three early turnips, three carrots, six onions (spring sown), three leeks, three roots of beet, and two heads of celery—J. Bulman; 2nd, W. Wilson; 2rd, M. Wheatley.

EXTRA PRIZES.

Open to all.

For the best six botanical curiosities, 10s., given by Mr. John Thirlwell, Shotley Bridge—J. Bullock.

Open to amateurs only.

For best zonale geranium, fuschia, and balsam, in eight-inch pots—sixty yards of garden hose pipe, given by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Newcastle—Wm. Brown.

Open to Amateurs and Cottagers.

For best six flowering or foliage plants, in six-inch pots, arranged for effect—a hydronette, given by Messrs. Dinning and Cooke, Newcastle—J. Thirlwell; 2nd, a spade and rake, given by Mr. J. Lax, Shotley Bridge—J. Moore; 3rd, a pruning knife, also given by Mr. Lax—G. Ainsworth.

For the best six blooms of hollyhock, dissimilar—six first-class hollyhock plants, given by Mr. John Thompson, nurseryman, Newcastle—Wm. Wilson; 2nd, Wm. Barron.

Open to Cottagers only.

For best tricolour and bicolour geranium, eight gladioli bulbs, given by Mr. W. J. Watson, nurseryman, Newcastle—R. Kirsop.

For the best bunch of cut flowers, a watering pan—W. Wilson; 2nd, 2s. 6d, John Thorpe, both prizes were given by Mr. W. Strachan.

For best six bottles hardy annuals, each bottle one variety; eight gladioli bulbs, given by Mr. H. Dewar, nurseryman, Newcastle—R. Kirsop; 2nd, J. Thorpe.

For the best collection of potatoes; a new spade; 2nd, a new rake, given by Henry Ritson, Esq.—J. Ward; 2nd, G. Hunter.

Open to children under fourteen years of age.

For the best hand bouquet of wild flowers, to be made up in the tent on the morning of show—John Thorpe; 2nd, Joseph Thorpe.

TANFIELD.

The annual exhibition of the Tanfield Floral and Poultry Show was held at Tanfield, on Saturday. The weather was not favourable, but the show itself exceeded the expectations of its most ardent supporters. The judges were—for flowers and vegetables, Mr. Davison, gardener to R. O. Lamb, Esq., Gibside Hall; and for poultry, Mr. David Cheyne, Choppington Lane; the following being their awards:—

FLOWERS.

Six dahlia blooms, dissimilar—William Scott; 2nd, William Coulson.

Three dahlia blooms, dissimilar—William Coulson; 2nd, William Scott.

One dahlia bloom, self—Wm. Coulson; 2nd, Wm. Armstrong.

One dahlia bloom, fancy—William Scott; 2nd, John Coulson.

Six French marigolds, self—J. McQueen; 2nd, Wm. Armstrong.

Six French marigolds, striped—John Graham; 2nd, J. McQueen.

Six African marigolds, lemon coloured—J. McQueen; 2nd, William Scott.

Six African marigolds, orange—J. McQueen; 2nd, John Coulson.

Six asters, rose petalled—William Parkins; 2nd, John Brown.

Six asters, quilled—John Graham; 2nd, W. Gibson.

Six pansies, varieties—N. Story; 2nd, J. McQueen.

Three gladioli blooms, dissimilar—T. Blenkinsop.

One gladiolus bloom—J. Rowell; 2nd, T. Blenkinsop.

Six phloxes, three varieties—W. Milburn; 2nd, J. Rowell.

Six varieties of cut flowers, two of one kind—W. Scott; 2nd, R. Stokel.

Six cut roses, three varieties—J. Rowell.

Six verbenas, three varieties—J. Brewis.

Six German stocks, three varieries—W. Armstrong; 2nd, Willirm Scott.

Six everlastings, three varieties—John Graham; 2nd, J. Rowell.

Two fuschias, dissimilar—William Scott; 2nd, J. Brewis.

Two geraniums, dissimilar—J. Brewis.

Three zonale geraniums, dissimilar—J. Brewis.

Three balsams, dissimilar—William Scott; 2nd, R. Stokel.

One dark fuschia—William Scott; 2nd, J. Brewis.

One light fuschia—William Scott; 2nd, J. Rowell.

One dark geranium—J. Brewis; 2nd, W. Watson.

One light geranium—J. Brewis; 2nd, W. Watson.

One scarlet geranium—J. Rowell; 2nd, J. Brewis.

One balsam—William Scott; 2nd, R. Stokel.

One pot rose—J. Rowell.

One calceolaria—William Armstrong; 2nd, J. Rowell.

One petunia, in pot—William Scott; 2nd, John Coulson.

One antirrhinum, in pot—R. Stokel; 2nd, William Armstrong.

Bouquet of cut flowers—John Coulson.

FRUIT.

Pint of gooseberries, flavoured—William Scott; 2nd, William Armstrong.

Pint of red currants—William Armstrong; 2nd, Wm. Scott.

Six heaviest gooseberries—William Armstrong; 2nd, William Scott.

VEGETABLES.

Six white kidney potatoes—N. Storey; 2nd, J. Rowell

Six white round potatoes—William Scott; 2nd, H. Bartle.

Six red kidney potatoes—W. Milburn; 2nd, William Scott.

Six red round potatoes—William Scott; 2nd, J. McQueen.

Six summer onions—Wm. Scott; 2nd. W. Milburn.

Six winter onions—William Parkins; 2nd, J. Brewis.

Three leeks—J. Brewis; 2nd, G. Robson.

Three carrots—W. Milburn; 2nd, J. Anderson.

Three parsnips—W. Milburn; 2nd, H. Bartle.

Three roots of beet—J. Brown; 2nd, William Armstrong.

Twelve pods of peas—J. Anderson; 2nd W. Vickery.

Six pods of beans—William Parkins; 2nd, R. Martin.

Three white turnips—William Scott; 2nd, J. McQueen.

Three yellow turnips—R. Teasdale; 2nd, R. Stokel.

One cauliflower—G. Robson; 2nd, J. Brewis.

One early cabbage—William Parkins; 2nd, W. Dawson.

One red cabbage—W. Milburn; 2nd, G. Robson.

Three heads of lettuce—W. Milburn; 2nd, G. Robson.

Three stalks of rhubarb—John Coulson; 2nd, H. Bartle.

POULTRY.

Spanish, any breed—R. Shield.

Dorking, any breed—H. Davison; 2nd W. Pyburn.

Cochin China, any breed—G. Tyson; 2nd, G. Sword.

Braham, any breed—Dr. Macrae; 2nd, M. Masterman.

Game, black breasts or other reds—P. Sharp; 2nd, R. Henderson.

Game, any other variety—Ridley and Waggott, 1st and 2nd.

Golden spangled, Hamburg—W. Hunter, 1st and 2nd.

Silver spangled, Hamburg—W. Richardson; 2nd, J. Nicholson.

Golden pencilled, Hamburg—J. Close.

Silver pencilled, Hamburg—J. Hodgshon, 1st and 2nd.

Any variety not named above—Dr. Macrae.

BANTAMS.

Game, black breasts and other reds—W. Wardle; 2nd, Ridley and Waggott.

Any other variety—Ridley and Waggott; 2nd, W. Wardle.

DUCKS.

Drake and duck, any variety, young—W. Watson, 1st and 2nd.

Best cockerel of the following kinds:—

Game, any variety—P. Sharp; 2nd, Ridley and Waggott.

Hamburg, any variety—W. Richardson; 2nd, J. Nicholson.

Any other variety not named above—Dr. Macrae; 2nd, W. Watson.

Bantams, any variety—W. Wardle; 2nd, W. D. Rowell.

Best pullet of the following kinds:—

Game, any variety—P. Sharp; 2nd, — Pallister.

Hamburg, any variety—Stevenson and Robson; 2nd, J. Close.

Any other variety not named above—Dr. Macrae; 2nd, W. Watson.

Bantams, any variety—W. Wardle.

BUTTER.

Best 2lbs of butter—Mrs. Irwin; 2nd, W. Scott.

EGGS.

Best twelve eggs—W. Scott; 2nd, J. Rowell.

Local Police Courts.

LANCHESTER PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, August 29th. — FIRST COURT. — Before M. KEARNEY, Esq. (chairman), E. T. SMITH, Esq., JOHN FAWCETT, Esq., and the Rev. J. P. DE PLEDGE.

ASSAULT AT STANLEY.

Mary Foggon, married woman, was summoned for assaulting Edward Proud. Complainant said on Saturday last he was walking along the footpath at Stanley, and in passing Mr. Ridley's house he met the defendant, who said to him, "now, you old ———, what have you to say to me?" After saying this she "let drive" at him with a market basket. He caught the blow with his hand, which was cut, and bled. Defendant made several other attempts to strike him with the basket, but he retreated, and got into Mr. Ridley's stable-yard, where he washed the blood off his hand. Meanwhile, Mrs. Foggon continued to storm and swear, and say what she would do to him.—In answer to the Bench, complainant said he had on a previous occasion had a dispute with Mrs. Foggon, against whom he had made a charge.—Complainant having called a witness to prove the assault, Mrs. Foggon, in defence, said Proud had charged her with stealing blankets from his house while she was, as he alleged, his housekeeper thirteen years ago. She had letters in her possession which would show that at the time named she was living in Yorkshire. Proud, she said, had "scandalized" her character, and on the evening in question, when she met him, he called her a thief. She admitted striking him with the basket, but it was only after receiving the provocation named.—The Chairman said they had taken into consideration the provocation Mrs. Foggon had received, and would inflict a small fine of 1s. and costs.—Mrs. Foggon said she was not satisfied. What could she do to protect her character?—The Clerk (Mr. Watson) said she had better consult a solicitor.

THEFT OF A COPPER KETTLE AT CONSETT.

John Kean was charged with stealing a copper kettle, the property of William Malane, beer-house-keeper, Consett, on the 20th inst. The wife of the prosecutor stated that on the date named the prisoner went into her house and had two glasses of beer. Witness went to the back door for a few minutes, and on her return she missed the kettle. Prisoner had then left the house, but she went after him, and as soon as he saw her, he cried out that he had got "copped" at last. He had the kettle under his coat, and gave it to her. She gave information to the police, and the same evening prisoner was apprehended by P.C. Cameron.—Prisoner pleaded guilty, and was committed to prison for one month.

EXCISE ACT.

Nicholas Davison, miner, Cornsay Fell, was summoned, at the instance of the Excise authorities, for using a gun without a license. Dr. Carr defended, and said defendant had already been convicted of trespass.—The magistrates imposed a fine of £5, with a strong recommendation that the penalty would be reduced by the Excise authorities to 5s.

SECOND COURT.—Before JOHN CLAVERING, Esq.

DRUNK.

Michael Partland and James Long, of Cornsay Colliery, were summoned by Sergt. Nattress for having been drunk at the above place, on the 24th ult. Fined 5s. each and costs.——Jas. Robinson, quarryman, Greenland Cottages, charged by Sergt. Fraser with a similar offence on the 25th ult., was fined 10s. and costs, defendant not appearing. ——William McKenna, Greencroft Cottages, Thos. Martin, West Kyo, and John Muse, Annfield Plain, miners, were severally charged by P.C. Nicholson with having been drunk at Annfield Plain. Fined 5s. and costs.——James Strong, of West Kyo, labourer, and John Flinn, labourer, Hamsteels Colliery, were charged by P.C.'s Robinson and Reay with a similar offence. A fine of 5s. each and costs was imposed.

WILFUL DAMAGE.

Daniel McPherson and Charles McDermot, of Consett, were summoned for trespassing in a grass field belonging to Mr. Geo. G. Taylor Smith, on the 14th ult., and doing damage to the amount of 6d. each. Ordered to pay a fine of 1s. each and the damage and costs.——Joseph Rowlandson, Chas. McDermot, and John Welsh, all of Consett, were charged by the same complainant with a similar offence on the 18th August. McDermot was fined 1s. 6d., and the others 1s. each and the damage (3d.) and costs.——David Steel and Tubal Cain Jones were charged with trespassing in a field belonging to Messrs. Ferens and Love, at Cornsay Colliery. Steel was ordered to pay the damage and costs. James was fined 1s. and the damage and costs.——William McConville, blacksmith, Cornsay Colliery, for trespassing in a grass field belonging to Mr. William Cummings, on the 17th ult., was also fined 1s. and the damage and expenses.——William Brown and William Barrett, of Shield Row, were summoned by Mrs. Hannah Charlton for a similar offence on the 25th ult. Fined 1s. each, the damage (2d.) and costs.——Henry Wilson, George Smith, Geo. Whitfield, John W. Christie, and John Neilson, of Stanley, were charged with damaging a turnip field belonging to Mr. Edward Wylam, on the 18th inst. Neilson and Wilson were ordered to pay the damage and costs; the other defendants were fined 2s. 6d., in addition to paying the damage and costs.——William Johnson and George Marriett, of Stanley, were fined 1s. and costs for damaging a pea field on the 4th inst.——John Eastlick, of Stanley, pit boy, also charged by Mr. Wylam with a similar offence, on the 18th inst., was ordered to pay 1d. damage and costs.——John Hayhoe, pit boy, and Margaret Ferguson, single woman, Langley Park, were summoned for trespassing in fields belonging to Mr. William Wearmouth, farmer, on the 20th inst. Ordered to pay the damage and costs.——George Galley and Edward Lloyd, miners, Hamsteels Colliery, were charged with trespassing in a turnip field belonging to Mr. Richard Johnson, on the 25th inst. Fined 1s. each and the damage and costs.

GAME TRESPASS.

John Appleby, of Cornsay, was summoned by James Pringle, gamekeeper at Woodlands, for trespassing in pursuit of conies on land belonging to Mr. Van Haansbergen, on the 16th ult. Fined 20s. and costs.

THREATENING LANGUAGE.

John Stubbs, of Langley Park, miner, was summoned for threatening to kill John Clarke, at Langley Park, on the 20th inst. Bound over to keep the peace for three months and ordered to pay costs.

BREACH OF THE PEACE.

John Brown and Thomas Middlemiss, miners, Annfield Plain, were charged by P.C. Nicholson with committing a breach of the peace by fighting at Annfield Plain, on the 17th inst. Bound over to keep the peace for three months, in addition to paying the expenses.

Correspondence.

THE SHOTLEY BRIDGE SWEEP AND THE FLOWER SHOW.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

DEAR SIR,—I take the pleasure once more to try again. I hope you will find it up to point; if so, please put it in. Last week I was commendable, but not up to point. I hope this one will suit your taste; if not, please put it right. For your kind attention I thank you one and all.

When your vent wants sweeping out,
Please on me to call;
Now I'll end my worthy friends,
No more I shall say.
I hope in heaven we'll all be right
Upon a future day.

From your humble servant,
J. H., Shotley Bridge.

Amidst the trees, round the soft flowing river,
I viewed nature's beauty with comfort and ease;
The river's soft murmur and birds' gentle chorus
United my feelings to sooth and to please.
Her silver bright waters were sparkling in sunshine,
Each passing shadow reflecting anew;
Her flowers with rich fragrance the air perfuming,
While many a summit adorns her view.
Oh, Shotley, we hail thee, thou monarch of winter,
We see thee at dawn in the nightcap of snow,
The rain fell in torrents, but on you the sunshine
Had cast forth its rays on the beautiful show.
All praise to you Shotley, and may the bright sunshine
In triumph and grandeur its rays pour on you;
For on Saturday last it broke out in splendour,
Adhorrent (?) the beauties of the matchless view.
Oh, we should be thankful for such a blessing,
The sun shone forth just at noon day;
Flowers were splendid, and all being so pretty,
T'would cheer up your heart to hear the band play.
Oh, frown not on Shotley, but let the bright sunshine
For ever in splendour the rays pour down;
Dissolve into vapour the snow icy turban,
The strength of thy rays our flower show crown.
Round Shotley, and Consett, and Ebchester too,
You'll ever find patriots, noble and true,
Now, I shall fintsh, no more I will say,
The sun broke out pleasant on the flower show day.

JOE HARRISON.

Shotley Bridge, August 26th, 1878.

BIBLICAL.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

Father of all; in every age,
In every clime adored;
By saint, by savage, and by sage,
Jehovah Jove, or Lord.—POPE.

"And God said unto Moses, I am that I am, thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel. I am hath sent me unto you."—EXODUS, 3-14.

MR. EDITOR,—In my last communication, I wrote of a gradual expansion or development of the idea of God among the early Jewish people that development originating in the lower forms of the Elohistic type, and culminating or completing itself in the Jehovistic, or idea of the Infinite, in *time* and in *space*. In the primitive Elohistic faith there are evident traces of immediate contact with the old world idolatries, of the polytheistic form. In fact (as no doubt many of your readers know), the Elohim of the first chapter of Genesis is really a plural form of the noun "El" and in strictness means "Gods" or the great ones. Succeeding this form, we have the Abrahamic concept of God Almighty or El-Schadai in the singular, conveying the idea of unity and omnipotence. This El-Schadai theism prevailing during the patriarchate, from Abraham to the third period of the life of Moses, became then sublimated into the higher form of Jehovism, than which, humanity has been, and is, unable to realise a more sublime conception of the Divinity. This inability of realising a higher theistic conception, reaching, as it does, from the Mosaic period until now, a duration of three thousand four hundred years, under every form of civilzation, Greek-Roman, Saracenic, and Christian, is perhaps of itself an all-sufficing demonstration of the truth of the divine mission of Moses, and of the divinity of the Mosaic scriptures. Allow me here to interject a few words, upon the curious transition from the Abrahamic to the Mosaic theism. When God appeared to Moses in the bush, and Moses requested under what name he should speak of him to the children of Israel, God did not *then* give the name Jehovah. The answer was so unspeakably grand, so profound in its majestic idealism, and all-absorbing infinitude, as even now to strike with awe, and with a dread sense of his own impotence, the mere reader of this narrrtive. That answer was "I am that I am;" "I am" hath sent me unto you. This peculiar transitional name the "Ejeh asher Ejeh" of the Hebrew, has become "I am the Being" of the Greek text, the "Ejeh qui sum" or "I am who I am" of the Latin of Tremellius, "L'Eternal" of the French, the "ich werde seyn der ich werde seyn," or "I will be *who I will be*" of the German, of Luther, the "Jo sono quegli che sono" *I am that which I am*, of Martini's Italian, the "Yo soy El que soy" *I am He who I am*" of the Spanish of Valera, or as Bryant in his dissertation upon Moses puts it the "Ens Entium" or Being of Beings, the Self-Existent; he who in the language of Pope

"Lives through all life, extends through all extent,
Spreads undivided, operates unspent."

Then comes the culminating form "Jehovah" or Yahowh, a name comprehending the Absolute in its infinitude of Being and infinitude of power, and underneath all, *infinitude of Love*. And now here a curious fact comes before us; in the hundred and tenth psalm we have in our English rendering "The Lord said unto my Lord" but should any of your scholarly readers look into a Hebrew text he will find it to be "Jehovah said to Adonai." Again, should any of your readers look into Martini's Italian text he will find that in Exodus 6 2, 3, instead of "my name Jehovah" the reading is "my name Adonai." Now how is this, that Adonai, the evident equivalent, nominally, of the beautiful Adonis of the Greek mythology should become identified with the Jehovah of the scriptures? Here I pause, as the answer involves some very curious matter, which in my next, I shall endeavour to lay before you.—Meanwhile, yours truly,

JON. C. WYLIE.

Grammar School, Blackhill.

NINEPENCE A-WEEK.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

DEAR SIR,—You may think my motto a strange one, but it involves a much-debated point among our *savants* of Benfieldside as our schools approach completion. The impression seems to be that the School Board has the power over all Elementary Schools, and as all schools are elementary whose average fee does not exceed nine pence a-week, therefore, we may expect the condemnation of most schools in this neighbourhood. We have no wish to introduce politics into this communication, but we are justified by facts in saying that this assumption is a perfect and complete exponent of the principles of the Government which framed the new code; but not of those now in power. Unquestionably, as soon as ever we have the "desired change," the call for the extinction of "Adventure Schools" will be responded to. As the law now stands, the position of free born Englishmen (now Prussians) is this. If you send your children to a school, not being a national foundation, whose average fee is below ninepence, you are amenable to the School Attendance Officer, the policeman the summons, the bench, and the fine or imprisonment if you don't send them regularly. But if you patronize a school of ten shillings a quarter or ten pence a-week minimum

fee, you are a free born Englishman. "The School Board has no control over you." Really we have made great advances in the impartiality of our laws under a Liberal Government." The great complaint of School Boards is that they cannot get a correct account of the attendance at Adventure Schools. On this account, with some other equally annoying, they (the guardians of Britain's juvenile population) lament the deficiency of a measure which limits their charity. Two cases of "snubbing the Board" suggest themselves as we write. A shoemaker in Cumberland was summoned before the magistrates for not sending his child, a girl of eleven years of age, to school. The man declared himself so prejudiced against national schools, that he had become private tutor to his daughter, and was ready to submit her to the examination of the Bench. This was done, the bench satisfied, and the court glorified. Soon after the establishment of the Board in Newcastle, the plaintive lamentations of the liberal philanthropist, was heard on the terrible case of a cobbler or joiner, or other mechanic, who had turned pedagogue, and had no less than seventy pupils in a cellar-kitchen; but could only seat about one half. This was their "case." The facts, we believe, were somewhat coloured, but substantially correct. The man was a "snug oracle" and therefore devoutly believed in by his patrons, and he continued teaching in spite of the Board. We have forgotten how the sanitary and second attack succeeded. The matter has nothing personal in our case whatever. We have no children to educate, and the shutting up question is out of the question, so to speak, with us. But we have a love for our fellow-countrymen, and a love for freedom; and we distinctly say that no School Board has at present a right to shut up any school without clearly proving some legal deficiency, sanitarily or otherwise. We say also that the present Government, instead of making the law more comprehensive, disapproves of its present stringency, and would yield to public pressure for a change. But as soon as ever the late Government is restored to power then the full and entire control of Elementary Education will, in all probability, be committed to the discretion of School Boards. Choose what politics you like, this will be your educational choice. Mr. Lowe always "struck below the belt." He failed with the matchmakers, and, therefore, the chimney-sweeps escaped. Why did he not propose a standard of qualification for the masters of schools charging above ninepence a-week? Because he was afraid of the constituency and not of the poor man. In no instance is a public guarantee more necessary than in Private Schools of moderate fee, in towns, and in cheap Boarding Schools. The "Do-the-Boys-Hall" of Dickens was a perfect photograph, and no picture of fancy. The patrons of such schools are tradesmen of limited education, whose industrial engagements preclude them from acquiring the knowledge of an intelligent mechanic but who have the commendable wish to have their children better instructed than they are themselves. An instance in which scores of tradespeople were gulled is known to us. In a place farther south than this, and near to a city, we once knew a flourishing school of the "Do-the-Boys" type, in one respect, lent not physically, for a more liberal-minded fellow in meat, drink, and other things, never lived than the proprietor. He served his time for a joiner in the city, and emigrated to America to follow his trade. The acquisition of a few hundreds and a handsome wife enabled him to return home and engage a large Hall as a Boarding School. When I first knew it there were a hundred boarders, a library of choice literature, and an apparatus in the lecture-room, which cost, a friend of his told me, above £1,000. The grand effort was the "Examination Day," and the great attraction of the examination day, was "the recitations," for which the boys' heads were dressed by two or more barbers. It was a regular feast of fat things to the parents. And yet the whole affair was a perfect clap-trap, the books and apparatus little more than toys. The delusion only lasted a few years. The boys were found amusing and entertaining at parties, and very inefficient in the mercantile office. The master lived to see its "decline" but died before its "fall," leaving nothing to his wife and family but his furniture and apparatus. She was applying very lately for a respectable matronship. Had the spirited proprietor sunk his pride and tacitly his quackery, and engaged a graduate of Cambridge with full powers, on such a foundation, his wife would this day have had her carriage and pair. To descend a little lower in the scale, we ourselves knew a man of considerable reading certainly, but who adopted the idea of becoming a linquist. A magnanimous idea certainly, involving long and close attention, intense application, and a complete abandonment of the "Snug." This he could not do, but he did what was far better for his purpose (because he took to teaching also) he bought a few eighteen penny language primers, and being well informed, and possessing a good memory, he was soon distinguished as a linquist. Six months, or weeks even, will do for the snug practitioner or a paragraphist. True judges were amused, but such were not his encouragers Those who paid him believed, and literally fulfilled, that saying of our Saviour (rightly understood), "faith can remove mountains." We knew another person who so successfully imposed on that clever man, the late Mr. Buddell, the great viewer, that he placed him (a pitman) in a large school, which he could not retain many months. No class of men have so much imposed on the public as teachers of all kinds. Yet after all we have no wish to advocate the forced adoption of educational qualification for the masters of the middle classes of Adventure Schools distinctively considered. Empiricism always adjusts itself in the long run in literature. The apathy and ignorance of parents sustain the quacks. But we think it would only be doing justice to men in the profession, and to those who are willing to show themselves fit for qualification on a reasonable standard, to allow them to present themselves at convenient times and places for examination. The time for the reparation of the injustice done to schoolmasters is gone by. The medical practitioner of fifteen years' standing was legally qualified under the New Poor Law Act. The teacher of fifteen or 30 years' standing, however well he had done his duties, was compelled to qualify, under conditions which ultimately proved an effectual barrier, or be turned adrift on the wide world. Talk not of a Tap Government! It was the late Government tapping of justice and impartiality that sealed Gladstone's fate, and will, we hope, seal it for ever; for the new code will never be forgiven by the present generation. Remember we are not spouting politics, but speaking facts. We care not what name a man may assume, if his practice be justice to all. Just let any man who interests himself in public matters, and we are happy to say many do so here, go into a room among farmers in Newcastle, or any market town, on a market day, and ask their opinions on School Boards. There is not a county in England but is dead set against them. So are all the lower orders in our towns, with hundreds of those above them. Only the fact, that of all matters the educational movement and education itself are, or at all events were, the least interesting to the great body of people, has suffered affairs to assume the shape they now have. The country is now becoming alive to the question, and in this locality we have tradesmen awake to public matters, so that there is little danger of illegality being allowed among us. To give an abstract recapitulation, we observe that ninepence a-week places the school beyond the interference of officials; that a less fee renders the parent amenable to compulsion. But if the school be an adventure one, there is no Act as yet to compel the attendance returns, nor can the Board close the school on its merits. Further, there is no standard of qualification for the masters of any except National Schools. This is a great desideratum, as any incompetent person can assume the office of preceptor, and style himself a professor and his seminary a college if he pleases. Surely, if any profession demands a qualification it must be that of a teacher. We are enemies to force in all but criminal cases and public taxation, but it would be a wise step on the part of such as prefer private schools to agitate for some sort of qualification from those who adopt this important calling of teachers—not to prevent those from following the profession who could not, or would not qualify, but to have a public assurance of competency in those who successfully passed the ordeal which need, by no means, be one of expulsive difficulty; quackery would soon explode in this case. There might be one here or there for awhile who could despise the exactions, but as soon as the public began seriously to seek a guarantee, they would see the absurdity of trusting to "snug" fame, and advertising puffs directly and indirectly given, and would know the true value and meaning of surprises and rare gospel readings.

COMMON SENSE.

Aug. 21st, 1878.

A San Francisco paper says that since the 1st of February the city treasury had been enriched at least 13,000 dollars by the arrest of Chinese offenders in that city.

An American paper says that "an inmate of the Hartford Almshouse was trampled to death by a bull, and is not expected to recover."

The *Cape Argus* states that it has been calculated that every Kaffir killed in the recent conflict cost the colony £120.

A FATAL DIVE FROM A BOAT.

An inquest has been held at the Star and Garter, Battersea, on the body of George William Hebden, a bricklayer, aged 18, of North End, Fulham.—George Bryan, a labourer, said that he, deceased, and other companions went out in a boat. They were rowing from Putney to Hammersmith. When nearly opposite Craven Point deceased undressed and dived from the boat, but he sank almost immediately. Deceased was able to swim. Evidence was given as to finding the body of deceased in the paddle-wheel of the Citizen E steamboat, while lying off Battersea. The jury returned a verdict of accidental drowning from a boat.

SERIOUS BOAT ACCIDENT.

Two youths, staying at Harlech, under the care of their tutor, went out in a boat, while the tutor was absent, and were carried by the gale, when blowing from the east, as far as St. Tudwal's Road. The younger one, aged fifteen, jumped out of the boat on to some rocks. The elder, seventeen years old, was carried a mile or two lower down, and also landed, but with a frightful gash on his head. A steamer was sent out on Friday and picked the younger one up at 3 p.m., and the elder at 6 p.m. They were brought on to Pwllheli, where the elder one was left. The elder one has since died. They must have been exposed at least twenty-four hours.

A LUNATIC AT LARGE.

A great commotion was caused in Warrington Road, Prescott, on Saturday, through the mad freaks of an individual who in the town goes by the name of "Crazy Ned." At the outset he appears to have been exasperated by several boys calling him names. He rushed at individuals passing by, threatening them with bricks, and at length vented his rage upon a dog, hitting it behind the head with the missile. He then rushed at the crowd which had gathered round, hurling bricks or whatever he could lay his hands on at them, and scattering them in all directions. His proceedings, however, were soon cut short, for commencing an infuriated attack upon a pedestrian named Travis, that individual promptly seized him by the throat, and he was transferred to the care of a police-officer, who conveyed him to the police station.

A STRUGGLE WITH A BULL.

Mr. Simmons, J.P., a gentleman well known in the lower part of Surrey as an active magistrate, as well as a first-flight man with hounds, was walking round his farm, when he saw a bull attacking a valuable colt. He went to the rescue, and with his spud knocked the bull off. The bull then attacked him. There happened to be a piece of rising ground near to where Mr. Simmons retreated. This gave him an advantage, as the bull could not make the usual rush up the rising ground, and he beat the bull back. It then made another attack on the colt, which was too much injured to get away. A second time Mr. Simmons went to the rescue, and as before beat the bull off, the bull then attacking him, and once more Mr. Simmons retired to the high ground. This was repeated, with attacks and counter attacks, for about half an hour. The farm men being at dinner, no assistance came. At last Mr. Simmons managed to open a gate leading to an adjoining pasture, and so parted the animals.

A ROMANCE OF FORTUNE.

A few days ago, a paragraph went the round of the papers to the effect that a poor woman named Rose, residing in Clarence Street, Bolton, had, owing to the death of her husband, from whom she had been parted for upwards of a quarter of a century, suddenly become possessed of a fortune. Her husband was formerly a mechanic at Swainson's big factory, Preston, but four months after marriage he left his wife, and went to Savannah, United States, to join his brother David. He obtained employment in the locomotive department of the Central Railroad Works, and afterwards the two brothers started business as machine makers. They were very successful, and subsequently William Rose, in conjunction with Mr. Thomas Arkwright, a connection of the famous inventor (Sir Richard Arkwright), opened a rice mill. Rose also received the appointment of chief steamboat inspector for Florida and Georgia, under the United States Government. On his death, last month, he left notes, bonds, &c., of the value of £11,000, and other property worth about £9,000, the whole of which, according to the United States laws, goes to his wife. The latter had not heard from her husband for nearly twenty-five years, and for the last sixteen years she and her sister have lived in Bolton, eking out a livelihood by taking in lodgers. Mr. Arkwright is now in this country in communication with Mrs. Rose, and next week they both take their departure for Savannah, together with a brother of Mrs. Rose, for the purpose of taking possession of the property.

THE EVICTED SHAKERS IN HAMPSHIRE

On Saturday, at Lymington, before the Rev. A. J. Knapp (chairman), Mr. V. Dent, and Mr. H. M. Hammersley, magistrates, Mary Ann Girling, the chief of the community of Shakers, who have been settled in the parish of Hordle, about five miles distant, for some seven years past, appeared to answer, on information sworn against her by the Local Inspector of Hants Constabulary, charging her with obstructing the highway at a place called Vag's Lane, with goods, which were forcibly removed by the sheriff's officer from an adjoining field, which had been in the occupation of the community since their eviction in December, 1874, from New Forest Lodge. The defendant was accompanied by Henry Osborne, one of the elders of the community. Inspector White said that he went to Vag's Lane, and saw the defendant and a number of her people, with a quantity of furniture on each side the roadway for a distance of a hundred yards. A wagon loaded with straw obliged witness to draw his cart up to the gate of a field to enable the wagon to pass. He also saw a man riding a horse which was frightened at the goods, so that the rider had some difficulty in getting it to pass them. Witness spoke to Mrs. Girling, and told her she could not be allowed to remain there, or to leave her goods by the highway, as it was an obstruction and dangerous for horses passing along the road. She said, "Where can I go to? I have no place to go; those who put us here will have to remove us, and to find a place for us." Witness said it was quite clear they could not remain where they were, and that they must seek a place. Defendant replied, "I shall not go. I shall not go for any one." The goods had been there since three p.m. of the previous day. Witness had spoken to her the same afternoon, and she had made the same reply—"We are put out; we have no place to go to." The Chairman asked the defendant whether the police-officer's statement was correct, and whether she had any questions to ask him. Mrs. Girling: He must have misunderstood me when he says that I declared I would not go out of the road for anybody. What I said was that I would not go out of the country. Inspector White: Afterwards I recollect you did say that you would not go out of the country. Mrs. Girling: I told you that I would remove them as quickly as possible out of the road. I admit that the goods are there, as stated, but I have nowhere to put them; they were thrown into the road, and we with them. I assure you I have no wish to be in the road. Our tents are retained in the field, and I have nowhere to put the things. I assure you I don't wish to be in the road; it is not at all comfortable, especially during the wet which we have had, so that all reasonable men will readily come to the conclusion that we would much rather not be in such a position. We have been put there without the slightest justification, as I think. As to the obstruction, I can't say that I think we have been the cause of any actual obstruction, though I won't say it may not have taken place. The Chairman said it was clear from the evidence that there was an obstruction; but it appeared to the Bench that it was somewhat short notice to be summoned on Thursday and have to appear on Saturday, and wishing to give the defendant time—knowing the circumstances under which she had been turned out of her premises—they proposed to adjourn the further hearing for a week. If, in the meantime, the goods were removed, the case would be at an end; but if not they would have no alternative but to proceed and put the law in force. He might remind her that the present offence was against the Highway Act. She was liable also to be proceeded against under the Vagrant Act; persons by the law of this country not being allowed to lie about under hedges in the way defendant and her people were now doing. Was she prepared to remove the goods before next Saturday? The defendant, after another protest against the injustice of being put in such a position, and expressing her doubt whether she should be able to find a place, agreed to do her best to have the goods removed.

An unknown malady has attacked the crawish in the canal and streams near Luneville. They are found dead in the holes serving as their retreat.

A new flying squadron is shortly to be formed under the command of Rear-Admiral Lord Gilford; the present Junior Lord of the Admiralty. Rear-Admiral Commerell is to succeed Rear-Admiral Boys in command of the Channel Squadron.

A statue of M. Thiers is to be erected by subscription at St. Germain.

The death of the Prince Imperial of Japan is announced in a telegram from San Francisco.

A letter in a Cape paper states that a volunteer belonging to that part of the country brought the skin of a Kaffir with him from the frontier.

The Calais-Douvres, on Saturday morning, took over to Calais close upon 600 passengers, the largest number that have ever crossed at one time in her.

A girl, the daughter of a ship captain, has been sent to prison at Whitby for four months for stealing about £20 from a lady whom she was accustomed to visit on friendly terms.

There is a growing conviction in the minds of smokers that a vest pocket should be made deep enough to entirely hide a cigar from the scrutinising gaze of the man who never has any.

Mr. F. Campbell, manager at Messrs. Hunt and Co.'s drug store, in Westland Row, Dublin, deliberately swallowed an ounce of strychnine the other day, and died shortly afterwards in dreadful agony.

Juan Gonsalez has been executed at Valparaiso, Chili, for killing a shopkeer in his shop in broad daylight. Though only twenty-three, he had been twenty times arrested for murder, robbery, and other grave crimes.

The report of a revolution in San Domingo is confirmed by despatches received in New York on Sunday. The insurgent forces are marching on the capital. It is feared that disturbances will also take place in Hayti.

The marriage of the Princess Mary of Prussia to Prince Henry of the Netherlands took place on Saturday, at Potsdam. At the levee and State banquet which followed, the Duke of Connaught was present.

Travellers in Italy will be interested to learn that Signor Corrado Ricci has just brought out a concise description of Ravenna and its monuments, preceded by an historical sketch of that interesting town.

At an inquest held on the body of a diver who died from syncope while engaged in diving practice from the gunnery ship Excellent, in Portsmouth harbour, the medical witness strongly recommended that divers should not descend immediately after meals.

At the Liverpool Police Court, Captain Wardroper, of the schooner Druid, has been fined £5 and costs for having neglected to keep constant watch on his vessel while she lay in the Mersey with forty tons of gunpowder on board.

Among Mr. Lonsdale's unpublished papers were left thirteen glees by William Beale, the composer of "What Ho!" and many other popular madrigals. These are now being edited by Mr. Edward Plater, and are shortly to appear.

A beautiful picture has just been found at Brussels which formerly hung in the Cabinet of Napoleon III. at the Tuileries. The painting was stolen after September 4, and sent abroad to be sold. It was recognised by a former Chamberlain of the Imperial Court.

A memorial has just been placed in Playford Church—by his relatives—to the memory of Thomas Clarkson, the strenuous advocate of the abolition of slavery. It consists of a marble medallion portrait of him in the prime of life, with a suitable inscription.

Experiments have been made with the electric light in two of the forts round Metz to ascertain whether, in case of siege, the nightly operations of the enemy could be watched and counteracted. The experiments are to be continued, and the telephone is also to be tried in field operations.

A City parish possesses a farm at Whitstable, which produces £15 per annum. This farm presents a fine excuse for an "outing." So a number of gentleman go to see it, and also visit a splendid hotel not far away, and enjoy themselves. The annual cost of this recreation is about £40.

Lieutenant Meering Bloomfield Seager, of the Royal Marines Light Infantry, has been appointed Assistant Civil Commissioner in the Island of Cyprus. Mr. Seager is a Barrister-at-law, and was called to the degree of the Upper bar of the Middle Temple in June, 1874.

There were twenty-four British and foreign wrecks reported during the past week, making a total for the present year of 931, or a decrease of 183 as compared with the corresponding period of last year The property lost was approximately valued at £196,000, including British, £110,000.

An accident has occurred on the Bishop's Castle Railway. A train left the rails after passing Stretford Junction. The guard's van, three carriages, and two or three trucks went off the line, and the passengers were bruised and shaken, but not otherwise injured.

A shocking accident has occurred at Brownsover, Warwickshire. George Siddon, farmer, highly respectable, while superintending wheat-cutting by machine in his fields, thought one horse was not working well. Taking up a small stick, he struck the animal, whereupon it kicked him in the region of the heart. He fell among the corn, and died almost immediately.

Several large-sized pontoons, capable of lifting about fifteen tons each, have arrived at Folkstone, for the purpose of recovering, if possible, the anchors, guns, &c., of the Grosser Kurfurst. The contract is under the superintendence of Mr. Pullar. The filling of the pontoons by means of an air-pump, in order to test them, has been witnessed with great interest by the public.

Henry Bacon, aged 34, of 5, George Street, Newington Causeway, a potman, was admitted to Guy's Hospital suffering from dislocation of the vertebræ of the neck. The young man was bathing at the Lambeth Baths, when in taking a header he miscalculated his distance, and striking his head against the bottom of the bath sustained the injury from which he is now suffering.

When Theodore Tilton was in San Francisco he got up one night at the Palace Hotel in great trepidatiyn, and violently rang for a waiter. The servant found the long-haired lecturer standing outside in his nightgown. "I want assistance, immediately. There is a man under my bed!" "Oh, that's all right," replied the man cheerfully, "it's only the *Chronicle* reporter." And so it proved.—*American Paper.*

The Giffard captive balloon at Paris, though its construction involved the outlay of a large sum of money, would appear to be a profitable speculation. On some days as many as seventeen ascents have been made, and the sum taken now reaches a total of nearly £8,000. Twenty francs is the charge made for an ascent, and one franc for admission to the enclosure, when it is desired to witness the operations only.

FEARFUL LEAP FROM AN EXPRESS TRAIN.

On Saturday afternoon, as the 3.10 express train from Manchester to Blackpool was passing through Pendleton station at full speed, a man was seen by the officials and passengers to open a door and deliberately jump from the train, the train at this time being about a hundred yards on the north side of the platform. On being picked up he was found to be severely injured. He was conveyed to the Salford Hospital. No ticket was found upon him, or anything to lead to his identification. He wore an apron, and appears to be a carpenter. One arm was broken and his skull fractured.

THE MONEY VALUE OF A WIFE.

In the case which was reported last week of a Rawtenstall man selling his wife for £5 to a stonemason, the course of true love has not run smoothly. The contract between the mason and the wife was to come into force seven days after it was duly signed, and when the time arrived, in consequence of the affair having got into the papers, the "lady" refused to comply with the terms. The mason, after making inquiries and finding that he had no means of making her abide by the contract, went to the husband and demanded that the £5 should be returned. The husband said he had fulfilled his part of the contract in relinquishing all claims, and would not return one farthing of the money. This dispute is therefore as yet unsettled, and there is no telling how it will end.

TWO BROTHERS DROWNED.

A deplorable accident occurred on Saturday evening at Padfield, Glossop. Two brothers named Thompson, aged respectively eleven and nine years, went to a mill lodge adjacent to their home, in order to sail a little boat they had been making. It appears that, either from the string breaking or some other cause, the boat got loose and drifted out of their reach, and in order to regain it the younger boy waded into the water. At this point the banks of the reservoir are very declivitous, in fact almost perpendicular, the place having formerly been used as a stone quarry, and suddenly the little fellow stepped into a hole and sank. His brother, alarmed by his screams, and seeing his great danger, at once heroically jumped into the water to attempt his rescue, but, sad to relate, he also got out of his depth, and both were drowned.

RAVAGES OF THE YELLOW FEVER.

A telegram from New Orleans, dated Sunday, says:—The United States Surgeon-General reports that 771 cases of yellow fever and 295 deaths occurred at New Orleans during the past week. At Vicksburg there have been 400 cases and 69 deaths since the outbreak of the epidemic, and the number is increasing. At Memphis 144 cases and 53 deaths have occurred during the last six days, and the number is rapidly increasing. Four refugees from infected districts have died at St. Louis. A few cases are also reported from Cincinnati and Louisville. The Surgeon-General adds that it is at present impossible to obtain accurate returns of the number of victims at Granada, the remaining inhabitants being either sick or dying, and abandoned by the panic-stricken negro attendants Horrible cases of desolation and suffering are reported. Ninety deaths from yellow fever have occurred at Havannah during the past week.

ALLEGED WIFE MURDER AT FARNWORTH.

A labourer named Patrick Hayes, aged about fifty, residing in Barber's Row, off King Street, Farnworth, was remanded by the Bolton magistrates on Saturday, on a charge of murdering his wife Annie Hayes, aged thirty-four. The prisoner and his wife had for some time past lived very uncomfortably together on account of the latter's intemperate habits. Deceased was drinking on Thursday, and left the Bowling Green Hotel in Farnworth, at eleven o'clock, in a state of intoxication. When she got home she was heard quarrelling with her husband, and early on Tuesday morning loud cries of "Murder" were heard proceeding from the house. Next morning the deceased was found in the house quite naked, and apparently suffering from internal injuries. She said her husband had torn her clothes all off her, and had been illusing her. Nothing more was seen of prisoner and his wife until after eight o'clock next night, when the prisoner suddenly opened his bedroom window, and called out that his wife was dying. A neighbour ran into the house, and found the prisoner with his wife's head on his arm, but the woman was then dead. A doctor stated that the woman had died from violence. The man was then arrested.

RAID ON A GAMBLING HOUSE IN LONDON.

On Monday at the Worship Street Police Court, London, Girshon Hirschfield, of 4, Boar's Head Yard, Whitechapel, and Mina Hirschfield, his wife, were charged with keeping a house for gambling. Sixteen men, named Fisher, Berlinski, Groosman, Jacobs, Alexander, Green, Lilberger, A. Jacobs, son of the other prisoner of that name, J. Cohen and B. Cohen, Poyser, Lubinski, Levi, Richards, Maskovitz, and Goldberg, were also put into the dock, charged with being found in the said house for the purpose of gaming. Mr. Abbott appeared for Hirschfield, and Mr. Barnard for two of the other prisoners.—Superintendent Arnold, H Division, deposed that, acting under a warrant issued by the Chief Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis, he at one o'clock on Sunday afternoon went with Inspectors Abberline and Older, Sergeant Foster, and a number of constables, to Boar's Head Yard, Whitechapel, and surrounded the house. He tried to enter, but the door was fastened. An officer in plain clothes knocked, and after a moment or two the door was opened by the male prisoner Hirschfield. Witness at once went in, and Hirschfield was taken into custody. Witness, with the other officers, went upstairs to a room on the first floor, and forced their way in. He saw eleven men sitting at two tables, on which were piles of money and cards. There was an instant rush, some of them making for the door, others for the window, some scrambling for the money on the tables. When quiet had been somewhat obtained, and the men told they were all in custody, the room was searched. Large quantities of playing cards were found in the table drawers, 125 were picked up from the floor, and 32 were found in a room below. In all over 18 packs of cards were found. Witness saw J. Fisher, Harris, Berlinski, Henry Groosman, Henry Jacobs, Samuel Alexander, A. Jacobs, the two Cohens, Alfred Poyser, David Maskovitz, and Goldberg among the prisoners in the room. They were at the tables.—Inspector Abberline gave similar evidence, and said that he took Hirschfield to the station. He had £2 18s. upon him, and some lottery tickets and loose playing cards. A disturbance took place at the house some time ago, and witness cautioned Hirschfield about allowing people to meet in his house, and he on the way to the station on this occasion said that if he had taken witness's advice this would not have happened.—Inspector Older deposed that as soon as the street door was opened he, with some other officers, went into a room on the ground floor, and found there seven men, the prisoners Lewis Levi, Samuel Lubinski, Emanuel Liberger, Barnard, Richards, and Morris Green. Mrs. Hirschfield was in the room, and the men were sitting round a table and the woman standing looking on. Green, on seeing witness, rushed to the door, but was stopped. Witness stopped the women and opened her hand, in which he found 1s. 3d. copper money.—Superintendent Arnold here asked that the prisoner Goldberg might be discharged, and made a witness. After hearing the evidence of Detective Foster and Newman, Mr. Bushby consented to this course, and Goldberg was put in the witness-box. He deposed that he had been in the habit of going to the house and playing cards, that the house was used as a gambling house, and he (witness) had lost in three weeks there no less than £25. The place was principally used on the Sunday, but witness had been there every day in the week.—After some further evidence, Mr. Bushby fined Hirschfield £50, discharging his wife. The other prisoners were fined £5 each. Some of the fines were paid, but the majority of the prisoners were locked up.

THE NEW LAW ON WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The important act to consolidate the law relating to weights and measures has been issued. On the act coming into force on the 1st January there is to be a uniformity of weight and measure in the United Kingdom. The statute extends to 86 sections and several schedules, and repeals a number of acts and portions of other statutes. The act is divided into five parts, and the latter two relate to Scotland and Ireland. The imperial standards of weights and measures deposited in the Standards Department of the Board of Trade are to continue to be the standards, and all articles, with special exceptions, to be sold according to the same, offenders as to unjust weights and measures to be liable to a penalty not exceeding £5 for a first offence and £10 for a second offence. "Every weight, except where the small size of the weight renders it impracticable, shall have the denomination of such weight stamped on the top or side thereof in legible figures and letters." The Board of Trade are to have all powers and perform all duties as to weights and measures, the "local authorities" in every county and borough to provide local standards, and each "local authority" to appoint inspectors of weights and measures, and all expenses to be paid out of the local rates. Orders in council may be made to carry out the act. In a table the metric equivalents of imperial weights and measures are given. Penalties are set forth for infringements of the provisions, and the act with the schedules will require consideration before the time of its operation. As it is a consolidation of the law the other acts specified will be repealed.

An absent-minded doctor, on calling upon a gentleman who had been some time ailing, put a fee into the patient's hand and took the medicine himself which he had prepared for the sick man. The medical man was not sensible of his error until he found himself getting ill and the patient getting better.

The Knickerbocker Ice Company of Philadelphia shipped from their house on the Kennebec River, Me., in one week, with one crew, over 2,400 tons of ice. This is said to be the largest shipment in the length of time ever before made in that section of the country. About 100,000 tons of ice still remain in the Kennebec to be sold.

An Englishman, named George Roskell Crowly, who gave as his address Wren Road, Camberwell Green, London, has been apprehended at Glasgow on a charge of having committed various frauds in London. While in Glasgow he had engaged a number of young men to fill situations in South Africa, and had received deposits from each of £3.

At Bagshot, a few days ago, an inquest was held on Mary Page, aged eight. The child had been stealing gooseberries in a garden, and as the occupier went towards her she fell to the ground, became black in the face, and died in a few minutes. It was found that a gooseberry had lodged in her throat, causing suffocation. The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

A pulpit of Caen stone is placed in Bangor cathedral as a memorial to the late Rev. Morris Williams, rector of Llanrtyddlad, Anglesey, a clergyman well known in Welsh literary circles. The design was supplied by the late Sir Gilbert Scott. Miss Bonham, an amateur sculptress, executed the stone carving in the panels.

A Select Balloon Committee has been appointed, with instructions to report the result of experiments being made at Woolwich to the War Department. If the report of the Select Committee be satisfactory war balloons will be, it is understood, introduced into the service, balloon trains established, and officers of the Engineers instructed in their use.

When "Eliza loves the black man" in Virginia the course of true love does not run smooth. A negro man and a white woman in that State are now awaiting their trial on a charge of having married each other, while the officiating clergyman is out on bail. The penalty incurred by the offending pair is two years' imprisonment, and by the minister a fine of 200 dollars.

IF there is one thing ninety-nine and a half per cent. more mortifying than another, it is to sit square and plump down on your new spring style of hat—instead of another fellow's wife's.

A CRITIC as is a critic:—A recent visitor to an art gallery said he preferred the statues to the pictures because 'you kin go all round the statoos, but you can't see only one side of the picters.'

'IF you want to sleep well, lay your feet to the South,' says a medical journal. If you have big feet, we suppose you have a right to lay them to something, but hasn't the South had enough laid to it?

'No man,' said a wealthy but weak-headed barrister, 'should be admitted to the bar who hadn't an independent landed property.'—'May I ask, sir,' said Curran, 'how many acres make a wiseacre?'

'SUSAN,' said the mistress of a boarding-school, 'you say your young mistress wishes to absent herself from the class-room this afternoon. Is the reason for her staying away very urgent?'—'Yes mum; it is 'er young man.'

AN ELEGANT FUNERAL.—'The funeral was elegant,' wrote the waiting-maid of a lady, whose husband had just been buried, to her sweetheart; 'I was dressed in black silk, the flowers were lovely, and mistress wept just like a born angel.'

STOP in front of a shop window where no one has stopped for hours, and a crowd will soon come and elbow you away. Men are a good deal like hens in this regard—provided, of course, that hens have elbows.

THERE has been a remarkable case of constancy in England. A man who separated from his wife thirty-five years ago has just returned and offered to 'kiss and make up.' A few days prior to the offer the wife had inherited a large estate.

WHIST PROVERB.—For want of leading a trump the trick was lost, and for want of a trick the game was lost, and for want of the game the rubber was lost, and for want of the rubber the temper was lost, and for want of the temper the friend was lost.

'THE sentence of the court is,' said Judge Porter, a popular Irish magistrate, to a notorious drunkard, 'that you be confined in gaol for the longest period the law allows; and I hope you will spend your time in cursing whisky.'—'I will, sir; and porter, too.'

A LADY addicted to novel-reading was so forcibly struck by a passage which alluded to the neglect of children and the sad consequences, that she exclaimed, without lifting her eyes from her book, 'Henrietta, where is your little sister?'—'Down stairs, mother.'—'Well, my dear, run right down, see what she is doing, and tell her to stop immediately.' The maternal mind was relieved.

A MOTHER, whose daughter had made her *debut* at a large ball the night before, meeting a gentleman who, although a little aged, was considered one of the arbiters of a *debutant's* fate, said, 'What did you think of my daughter at the ball last night?'—'Excuse me, madam,' he replied, 'but I am not a good judge of painting.'—'Yes,' replied the lady, 'but you never saw an angel that was not painted.'

AN ANTHONY.—In a recent trial the judge having asked a witness, 'What is an 'Anthony?' he replied, 'The littlest pig, your honour. The little pig is always 'Anthony.' On an inquiry why the little pig was so called, the attorney replied, 'I believe, your honour, it is associated with the saint of that name, from the fact that in his unhappy time the smallest and least valuable pig was usually picked for the Church.'

A QUAKER was negotiating with an insurance company as to effecting a policy on a vessel overdue. At this juncture he heard of the vessel's loss, and at once wrote to the company, 'Friend, if thee hasn't filled up the policy, thee needn't, for I've heard of the ship.'—'Oh,' said the officers, 'cunning fellow, he wants to do us out of the premium.' So they wrote the Quaker, 'Thou art too late by half an hour—thy policy is filled up.'

Business Announcements.

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

The Goods in every Department Reduced during the Sale.

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

A WELL KNOWN FACT!
CASH BUYERS GET BEST VALUE
IN
GROCERIES
AND
PROVISIONS
AT
JAMES LAKE'S,
13, FRONT STREET, CONSETT. 408m

ARTIFICIAL TEETH.

IT is FIVE Years since Mr. MARKHAM's first attendance at Consett, and during that time he has Re-modelled and made to Fit the Mouth 218 Sets and partial Sets of Artificial Teeth, which have been obtained from unskilled pretenders to Dentistry, who seek to give no satisfaction but to get 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 anavr or 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

THE NEW GOODS
HAVE ARRIVED AT THE
NOTED CHEAP DRAPERY ESTABLISHMENT.

THE variety is everything that could be desired, consisting principally of the undermentioned—

MEN'S FANCY DRESS GOODS.
CLOTH JACKETS AND ULSTERS.
MILLINERY.
DAMASKS.
SHAWLS AND WOOL HANDKERCHIEFS.
RAILWAY RUGS.
QUILTS AND COUNTERPANES.
SHIRTS AND SHIRTINGS.
CASHMERE AND SILK HOODS.
VELVET TEA COSIES.
UMBRELLAS AND CORSETS.
SKIRTS AND SKIRTINGS.
BLACK SILKS AT 2s. 9D.; WORTH 3s. 9D.
BOYS' AND GIRLS' VELVET TUNICS.
COSTUME TWEED DO.
HEARTHRUGS AND MATS.
DRESS TRIMMINGS.
GLOVES AND HOSIERY.
FUR BOAS.
WINCEYS AND PRINTS.

A LOT OF REMNANTS TO BE DISPOSED OF CHEAP.

SHAW AND ATKINSON,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT. 402m

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

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

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

ALL kinds of Insurances effected. Immediate Cash payment for General Stocks and Household Furniture. Debts collected. Money advanced on approved security. 325m

---

PLUMBING AND GASFITTING.

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

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

DONALD BAIN,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,
DRESS AND DRAPERY WAREHOUSEMAN
128, 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. 299m

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

RESPECTFULLY intimate to the Public of Consett and Neighbourhood that they have OPENED the SHOP, 4, Front Street, Consett, as MILLINERS and DRESSMAKERS. 309m

---

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

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

THE Trade and Public of Consett and District are informed that the Old Established Business, heretofore conducted by GEORGE YOUNG, will, on and after May 13th, be carried on under the style or firm of YOUNG and ELLDON, by whom all Orders will be punctually attended to.
All Bottled Waters will be sent out in Codd's Patent Globe Stoppered Bottles. 21m

---

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

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

Business Announcements.

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

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

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

Call early to procure the great Bargains.

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

GEORGE ATKINSON,
BOOKSELLER, STATIONER, NEWSAGENT,
BOOKBINDER, AND GENERAL DEALER,
SHAREBRARE 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 Readers kept in Stock. 830k

---

MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT.

M. TUCKER,
PORK BUTCHER,

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

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

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

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

BENSON'S 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, "Ting and Tinsetllers," 2s. 6d.

Public Notices.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1875.

DISTRICT OF BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

DISTRICT AUDITOR'S SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 25TH MARCH, 1878.

1877.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance in hands of Surveyor		15 0 0
RECEIPTS.		
March 21—District rate made this day, houses, £12,162, at 1s. 4d.	810 16 0	
Land, £2,911, at 4d. ..	48 10 4	
Arrears of previous rates ..	24 5 0½	
	883 11 4½	
Less void, allowed on appeal, &c. ..	£22 1 11	
Less recoverable arrears ..	14 18 7	
Less allowance to owners ..	71 11 0	
	118 11 6	
Amount collected		764 19 10½
Private improvements		86 3 3½
Drainage Account, Consett Local Board		63 4 0
October 17—District rate made this day, houses, £11,715, at 1s. ..	585 15 0	
Land, £2,765, at 3d. ..	34 11 4½	
Arrears of previous rates ..	14 18 7	
	635 4 11½	
Less void, and allowed on appeal to N. E. Railway Co.. ..	£14 9 0½	
Less recoverable arrears ..	4 11 4½	
Less allowance to owners ..	54 1 1½	
	73 1 6½	
Amount collected	562 3 5	
Private improvements	32 2 7	
1878.		
Balance due to Treasurer	109 5 7	
	£1,632 18 9	

1877.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance due to Treasurer ..		24 5 5
Do. do. Collector ..		6 9 10
PAYMENTS.		
Highways	221 6 10	
Breaking stones	137 1 2	
Cartage	173 9 4	
Stone account	289 13 2	
Public lighting	258 6 4	
Lamp repairs	11 0 9	
Sewerage account, making sewers, &c., ...	144 12 1	
Election expenses	19 9 0	
Tradesmen's bills	2 17 9	
Establishment charges.		
Rent £15 0 0		
Salaries .. 172 7 6		
Printing, &c. 10 17 3		
Advertising 7 13 6		
	206 3 3	
Miscellaneous expenses.		
Water to trough, &c. £2 5 0		
Derwent Road, two years ..	30 0 0	
Law expenses 7 5 6		
Fire brigade.. 3 2 6		
Plans .. 9 11 7		
Copies of rates 4 16 0		
Sundries .. 3 0 0		
	60 0 7	
Private improvements £32 12 6		
Private improvements not recoverable.. .. 30 4 9		
	62 17 3	
		1,586 17 6
1878.		
Balance in hands of Collector		0 6 0
Do. do. Surveyor		15 0 0
		£1,632 18 9

July 24th, 1878.

JAS. RADFORD, DISTRICT AUDITOR.

7, Collingwood Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 30th July, 1878.

GENTLEMEN,—I have Audited the Accounts of your Board for the year ended 25th March last, and signed Financial Statement, which had been carefully prepared by your Clerk in sufficient detail.

His Books, Accounts, Vouchers, and Official Papers were in the usual good order, as were also the Surveyor's.

A special account is kept by the latter of each man's work in each particular locality.

The rate collection showed a very satisfactory result in these depressed times.

I was glad to find you had been so fortunate in your important suit as to the undermining of roads.

I am, Gentlemen, very faithfully yours,

JAS. RADFORD, District Auditor.

The Chairman, Vice-chairman, and Members of the Benfieldside Local Board.

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

---

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

---

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

---

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.
SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Half-yearly General Meeting of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Green Street, Shotley Bridge, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of September, 1878, at Twelve o'clock at Noon.
The Report and Accounts for the past Half-year will be submitted to the Meeting, and a Dividend declared out of the Profits.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed Fourteen Days preceding the above date.—By order.
R. DICKINSON, Chairman.
M. RICHLEY, Secretary.
August 16th, 1878. 367m

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

---

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.
CONSETT FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

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

As a Special Attraction this year, arrangements have been made for a Grand BAND CONTEST, which will Two o'clock. Prizes, amounting to about £20, will be awarded to successful Competitors.

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

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

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

Public Notices.

NOTICE.

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

NOTICE! NOTICE!!

ANY Person found Trespassing in pursuit of Game, gathering Mushrooms, Brambles, &c., on Middle Heads, Oliverford, Middles, Knitsley Grange, Allen Heads Lyorleen, Bowley, Dean Head, and Healeyfield Farms will be Prosecuted as the Law directs.
July, 1876. 7132

NOTICE.

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

CONSETT
WESLEYAN CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 1878,
MR. G. PARKINSON,
Of Sherburn, will preach in the Morning at Half-past Ten and Evening at Six.
Collections in behalf of the Trust Funds. 390m

MEDOMSLEY FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE SIXTH EXHIBITION of PLANTS, FLOWERS, FRUITS, and VEGETABLES, will be held on Saturday, August 31st, 1878, in the Grounds of Medomsley Hall, Medomsley.
The LEADGATE SAX-HORN BAND will be in attendance.
A CONCERT will be held in the Templar's Hall in the Evening.
For particulars, see small Bills.
379m R. VEITCH, Secretary.

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.

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, GEORGE SOAMES, now residing at North Farm, is in the Township of Esh, in the County of Durham, Farmer, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden by adjournment, at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 20th day of September next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, in pursuance of the Act of Geo. 4 and 1 William 4, cap. 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, GEORGE SOAMES, 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 August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.
393m GEORGE SOAMES.

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872—1874.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Medomsley, 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, EDWARD LOVAT, now residing at Medomsley, in the Township of Medomsley, in the County of Durham, Innkeeper, do Hereby Give Notice, that it is my intention to apply at the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden by adjournment, at the Justice-room, in Lanchester, on the 20th day of September next, for a License to hold any Excise License or Licenses, to Sell by Retail, under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Act, 1872, all Intoxicating Liquors, to be consumed either on or off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Medomsley, in the said Township, of which Premises WILLIAM MOORE, of Benfieldside, is the Owner or Lessee, and which said Premises are now in my occupation.
Given under my hand this 26th day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and seventy-eight.
EDWARD LOVATT.

NOTICE.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE FOR THE PARISH OF CONSIDE-CUM-KNITSLEY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in reference to the above District, that—

1. The above School Attendance Committee have (subject to the approval of the Education Department) made certain Bye-laws, in pursuance of the powers given to the School Attendance Committee by s. 74 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, as amended by the Elementary Education Act, 1876.

2. A printed copy of the proposed Bye-laws will continue deposited for inspection by any Ratepayer, at the Board-room, Lanchester, the Office of the School Attendance Committee, for one month from the date of the publication of this notice.

3. At the expiration of the said month, the said proposed Bye-laws will be submitted to the Education Department for approval.

4. The School Attendance Committee will supply a printed copy of the said proposed Bye-laws, gratis, to any Ratepayer.
386m WM. HENRY RITSON, Clerk.

THOMAS SKELTON, DECEASED.

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

And Notice is Hereby also Given, that all Persons indebted to the Estate of the said THOMAS SKELTON, are required to pay the amount of their Debts to the said JOHN WILKINSON DAVISON and GEORGE WADE, the said Executors, without delay.
Dated this 8th day of August, 1878.
WILLIAM DICKINSON,
9, Middle Street, Consett,
321m Solicitor to the said Executors.

Public Notices.

BLACKHILL WESLEYAN CHAPEL RECEPTION TEA AND ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

ON Sunday, September 1st, 1878, the Rev. JOSEPH H. CADMAN, of Settle, will preach at 10·30, 2, and 6.

On Monday, September 2nd, the Rev. JOSHUA FIELDEN, of Morpeth, will preach at 2·30. A RECEPTION TEA MEETING will be held at 4. There will be a PUBLIC MEETING in the Evening, to be addressed by the Revs. JOSHUA FIELDEN and JOSEPH H. CADMAN (newly appointed Ministers to the Circuit), and other Friends. Chair to be taken at 7·30 by the Rev. W. H. MILWARD.

Collections in aid of the Trust Fund. 405m

RE JOHN BARRON, DECEASED.

ALL Persons having any Claims against the Estate of JOHN BARRON, late of Number One, near Consett, in the County of Durham, Farmer and Innkeeper, deceased, are requested to send the particulars thereof to me, the undersigned, as the Solicitor for Messieurs MICHAEL and MILES BARRON, both of Leadgate and Consett, the Executors of the Will of the said JOHN BARRON, deceased.

Dated 27th August, 1878.

CHARLES J. GARBUTT,
Solicitor, 2, Collingwood Street,
387m Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

For Sale.

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

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

A MOOR CART, a PONY CAR, a DOG CART, PHÆTON, and a WAGGONETTE, very suitable for the Moors, for SALE, at Messrs. ATKINSON and PHILIPSON'S Northumberland Carriage Manufactory, 15, Pilgrim Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. 382m

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

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

Sales by Auction.

By Messrs. Hedley and Brodie.

Rowley Farm, near Castleside.
Crop of Corn for unreserved Sale.

MESSRS. HEDLEY and BRODIE are instructed by Mr. J. W. DOW to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises at Rowley Farm, near Castleside, on Monday, September 9th, 1878, without Reserve, the Crop of CORN, comprising the following:—

15 Acres of BARLEY.
3 ,, OATS, or thereabouts.
After which the STRAW will be Sold.

Sale to commence at Two o'clock in the Afternoon.

TERMS.—Approved Bills at three months, if desired; or the usual discount for cash. 395m

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

By Mr. A. Brodie.

2, Mount Pleasant, Consett.
Sale of Superior and nearly New Household Furniture, best Feather and Down Beds and Bedding, handsome Vienna Regulator, in beautiful Ebony Case, First-class Half Tester Iron Bedsteads, Mattresses, and Hangings, and Miscellaneous Effects.

MR. ADAM BRODIE is instructed by Mr. MONTAGUE STEPHENS, who is about to Emigrate, to SELL BY AUCTION, on the Premises, 2, Mount Pleasant, Consett, on Monday, September 2nd, 1878, the whole of the Superior HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Miscellaneous Effects. Particulars in Bills and no Reserve.

☞ Sale to commence at One o'clock exactly. 388m

In Liquidation.
Victoria Sale-rooms, Consett.
Re W. J. STOCKER, 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, on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday Aug. 31, and Sept. 2 and 3, 1878, the first portion of the superior Stock of LINEN and WOOLLEN DRAPERY, amounting at cost or stock-book prices to £1,960 or thereabouts, the whole o which will be sold without reserve.

Particulars of Sale in posters and handbills.

By Mr. T. Wetherell.

Freehold Property for Sale at Consett.

MR. T. WETHERELL will SELL BY AUCTION, at the house of Mr. JOHN SEYMOUR, Innkeeper, Consett, on Monday, the 16th day of September, 1878, at Four o'clock in the Afternoon precisely (subject to such Conditions of Sale as will be then and there produced), all that FREEHOLD MESSUAGE, formerly used as a Police Station, and which is divided into Two distinct Dwelling Houses; One lately used as Superintendent's House and Station, and containing Seven Rooms and Three Cells, the latter capable of being made into Two Rooms; and the other House lately occupied by Sergt. THORNTON, containing Five Rooms. There is a large Yard behind the Two Houses, with the necessary conveniences, and in which is a Coach House and Two-stalled Stable. The Yard could be easily divided between the Two Houses. The whole area of the Property is about 500 Square Yards, and occupies a corner site with wide roads to north and east of same.

Further particulars may be obtained on application to WILLIAM CROZIER, Esq., C.E., County Architect, Assize Courts, Durham; Superintendent OLIVER, Consett; or JOHN WATSON, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, Durham.

22nd August, 1878. 394m

By Mr. J. Jenkins.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, at the house of Mr. RICHARDSON, Railway Inn, Blackhill, on Wednesday, September 4th, 1878,

Mr. JOHN JENKINS, Auctioneer.

A Stack of Well-won Old-land HAY, covered, about 10 Tons; also, the Eatage of a splendid FOG, up to November 13th, belonging to Mr. S. SKELTON, who is leaving the Neighbourhood.

Sale to commence at Six p.m. 400m

Trafalgar Street Sale-rooms, Consett.

TO BE SOLD, in the above Sale-rooms, on Monday, September 2nd, 1878, a large quantity of Valuable HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Mr. JOHN JENKINS, Auctioneer,

Comprising—Mahogany Lobby Drawers; Mahogany Drawers and Bookcase; Birch Press; Painted Dressing Drawers; Mahogany Centre Table; 2 Sofas, in Hair-seating; 6 Mahogany Balloon-backed Chairs, in Hair-seating; Easy Chair; Rocking Chair, in Hair-seating; Windsor and Cane Chairs; excellent Brass Tester Bedstead; Iron Tester and French Bedsteads; Feather Bed; Down Bed; Flock Bed; Parlour and Kitchen Table; Parlour and Kitchen Fenders; 3 Cornice Poles, complete; 2 Long Forms, suitable for a Taproom; together with a large quantity of other useful Articles. 399m

Sale to commence at One o'clock.

Sales by Auction.

In dispute.—Leadgate, Co. Durham.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION (if not claimed), to defray expense of keep, &c., at the Black Bull Inn, Leadgate, on Wednesday, the 2nd day of October, 1878, a Powerful Bay HORSE, left at the above Inn on the 3rd July last.

Sale at One o'clock. 398m

By Mr. J. Oley.

Derwent Hill House, Shotley Bridge.

MR. JOSEPH OLEY has been honoured with instructions from E. O. TREGELLES, Esq., who is leaving the above residence, to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the above place, on Monday, September 2nd, 1878, all his Valuable FARMING STOCK, SHEEP, FARM IMPLEMENTS, STEAM ENGINE, a Lot of BUILDING MATERIALS, &c., comprising 2 excellent Milk Cows, 1 newly Calved, and 1 to Calve; fine young Heifer, in Calf; 2 Steer Stirks; Heifer Calf; 14 Leicester Ewes; 35 do. Tup and Gimmer Lambs; 11 Fat do. Gimmers; Horse Hay Rake; Horse Hay Tedder; Hay Sweep; Patent Corn and Bean Crusher; Hay Cutter; Sheep Rack and Trough; 4 Long and Short Ladders; Corn Bin; Half-bushel Measure; Cart Lift; Plough Gears; Stretcher and Chairs; Hay Rakes and Forks; Spades and Shovels; number of Bee Skeps; excellent Grindstone; small Steam Engine, 3-horse Power; Pair of Edge Stones for Mortar Mill and Shaft; large number of 6, 4, and 3in. Draining Pipes; lot of Glazed 4 and 6in. Draining Pipes; 95ft. of 2in. Metal Pipes; several Cwts. of Old Metal and Iron; lot of Strong Wire. The Building Materials comprise 2 Red-wood Planks, 13ft. by 9in. by 4in., new; 400ft. of Coupling Joists; 50 Spars of different Lengths; 700ft. of Flooring Deals, 540ft. of Half-Inch Deals; miscellaneous lot of Timber; small Fireplace of Dressed Stone; number of Flags; upwards of 300 House Red Pantiles; Joiners' Bench; 4 Window Sashes, with Glass; with numerous other Articles. Also, 2 Stacks of Well-won Old Land Hay.

Sale to commence at One o'clock.

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

N.B.—A Sale of the Furniture will take place in a few weeks. Due notice will be given. 368m

Lintzford.

MR. JOSEPH OLEY is instructed by the Executors of the late Mr. JACOB ATKINSON to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at Lintzford, on Tuesday, September 3rd, 1878, the whole of his Valuable HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, FEATHER BEDS, BED and TABLE LINEN, &c., comprising Mahogany High Chest of Drawers; Mahogany ¾-Chest of Drawers; Mahogany Folding Tea Table; 6 Mahogany Chairs, in Hair-seating; 2 Mahogany Arm Chairs, in Hair-seating; Work Table; Oak Folding Table; Mantle-piece Mirror; Iron Bedstead and Mattress; Desk Bedstead; 2 Feather Beds; 2 Sets of Feather Pillows and Bolsters; Blankets and Quilts; Linen Sheets and Pillow Cases; Table Cloths, &c.; 24-hour Clock, in Oak Case; Chest and Frame; Kitchen Table; 6 Kitchen Chairs; Carpets and Hearth Rugs; Door Mats; Damask Table Cover; Dressing Table and Washstand; Swing Dressing Glass; Small Glass; 5 Pictures; Chimney Ornaments; Sitting-room Fender and Set of Polished Fire Irons; 2 Foot Stools; 2 Floor Felts; Stair Oil Cloth; Set of China Tea Ware; China Jugs; Electro-plated Tea Pot, Sugar, and Cream; 6 Electro-plated Tea Spoons and Sugar Tongs; Britannia Metal Tea and Coffee Pots; 2 Cruet Stands and Castors; Table Knives and Forks; Dinner, Tea, Glass, and other Ware; Metal Pots and Pans; Kitchen Fender and Fire Irons; Tea and other Trays; Brass Candlesticks; Tin Ware; Pail; Coal Box; 2 Clothes Horses; Poss Tub and Staff; Garden Tools, &c. Also, a Single-barreled Gun; Silver Watch and Gold Watch Guard; Wearing Apparel; and a few Volumes of Books.

Sale to commence at Two o'clock. 389m

Leazes, High Friarside, Burnopfield.
Valuable Leasehold Property, Cartwright's and Blacksmith's Stock-in-Trade, Tools, &c., for Sale.

MR. JOSEPH OLEY, instructed by Mr. G. TURNBULL, will SELL BY AUCTION, on the Premises at High Friarside, near Burnopfield, on Monday, September 9th, 1878, all that Valuable LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, held under a lease for 999 Years, subject to a nominal yearly Ground Rent, comprising Two newly-built COTTAGE HOUSES, of Two Rooms each, with Pantries and Outoffices, 462 Square Yards of Building Ground, with Cartwright's and Blacksmith's Shops thereon, with a good Business attached, conditions at the time of Sale. The Cartwright's Stock comprises 2 Work Benches; a number of light and heavy Cart Felloes; several Gangs of Spokes; Cart Shafts; Ash Planks and other Wood; Nails and Screws; Paints; with all the Cartwright's and Joiner's Tools; 1 New Whitechapel Cart; 2 excellent Spring Carts, nearly new; 1 Coup Cart, do.; 9 Pairs of Second-hand Wheels suitable for Spring Carts or Traps; Wheelbarrow and Grindstone. In Blacksmith's Shop—1 Pair of Bellows, Anvil, Vice, all nearly new. The Tools comprise Stocks and Dies; Hammers; Tongs; Shoeing Boxes, &c.; a large quantity of New and Old Iron; New Horse Shoes; New and Second-hand Steel Springs for Spring Carts; Wheel Tires; New Wheel Tiring Plate; large Beam and Scales, with Weights and other useful articles in the Trade. Also, a lot of Grocer's Shop Utensils, viz., 1 New Counter, with Drawer in centre and Shelving; Flour Scales, Beam, and Weights; 6 Brass Counter and other Scales; Brass and Metal Weights; Treacle Cistern and Stand; 9 large Tea Canisters. The whole of the Grocery Utensils are nearly new.

N.B.—The Sale will commence with the Carts at One o'clock p.m. The Property will be sold at Four o'clock. 397m

Derwent Hill House, Shotley Bridge.

MR. JOSEPH OLEY, further instructed by E. O. TREGELLES, Esq., will SELL BY AUCTION, at the above Residence, on Wednesday, September 11th, 1878, the residue of his Valuable FURNITURE and other Effects, comprising Mahogany Cheffioneer; Mahogany Sofa, in Hair-seating; Mahogany Easy Chair, in Morocco Leather; Walnut Couch, in Repp; Maple Work Table; Mahogany Night Commode; Mahogany Oval Chest of Drawers; Iron Chair Bed and Cushions; Mahogany Sofa, in Damask; 8-Day Clock, in Maple Case; 8 Mahogany Chairs, in Hair-seating; 2 Arm do., do.; Painted Bed-room Drawers; Dressing Tables and Washstands; Swing Dressing Glasses; Chamber Ware; Foot and other Baths; Slop Pails, &c.; 8 Cane-bottomed Bed-room Chairs; 5 Mahogany Window Cornices, with 5 Sets of Crimson Repp and Moreen Window Hangings; Brussels and Kidderminster Carpets; 4 Hearth Rugs; India and Cocoa Matting; Hall Oil Floor Cloth; Mahogany Table; Cabinet and Book Shelves; Cupboard and do.; large Bookshelves and Press; Cupboards; Painted Wardrobe; Mahogany Arm Chair on Wheels; Clock; Towel Rails; Clothes Horse; Clothes Basket, Mahogany Table Frame; Lounge; Chair and Cushion; Fire and Hand Screens; large Kitchen Dresser and Shelf; large Painted Press with Drawers; 5 Kitchen Tables; 2 Oak Tea Tables; 6 Kitchen Chairs; 1 Arm do.; 2 Forms; Sitting-room and other Fenders and Fire Irons; Mahogany Corner Cupboard; Dinner, Tea, Glass, and other Ware; a lot of Tin Ware; Painted Tea Table; do. Lobby Bedstead; Tea and other Trays; Brass Roast Jack; Brass Kettle and Stand; Copper Bed Warmer; do. Foot Warmer; Brass Stair Rods; 4 Table Lamps; 4 Hand do.; Meat Safe; Fire Guard; Kitchen Fender and Irons; Cooking Utensils; Hand Churn; Butter Scales; Milk Cans and Dishes; 2 Flour Bins; 2 Pair of Steps; 1 Hand do.; Umbrella Stand; Home Washer; Patent Wringer and Mangle; with numerous other useful articles. Also, an excellent Scotch Car and Harness; Single Horse Cart and Cart Harness; 1 3-light Garden Frame, with Flue and Pipes; 1 2-light Frame; 1 single do.; 2 Metal Lawn Chairs; 2 Wood do.; Garden Tools, &c.

Sale to commence at One o'clock p.m. prompt.

To Let.

TO LET, 11 Acres of CLOVER FOG.—Apply to JOHN GRUNDY, Knitsley Grange. 406m

TO BE LET, and entered upon immediately, the HOUSE connected with the Victoria Sale-rooms.—Apply to ADAM BRODIE, Town Hall, Consett. 378m

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, at Leadgate, a large Corner SHOP and Seven-roomed HOUSE, suitable for any business. Rent moderate.—Apply to J. PARKER, High Brooms.

TO LET, the Temperance Hall, at Burnopfield. West End suitable for Concerts, Entertainments, &c.—For particulars, apply to Mr. WM. APPLEBY, Leazes, Lintz Green. 314m

TO LET, convenient BUSINESS PREMISES, in Gibson Street, Consett, the property of E. ORMEROD, consisting of Three-stalled Stable, Hay Loft, and Warehouse, with extensive Yard and every convenience. Water laid on.—Apply to E. ORMEROD, Consett, or Mr. W. RAW, Blackhill. 333m

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.

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

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

TO LEND.—£200, £400, and £500, to be advanced upon approved security.—For particulars, apply to JOSEPH HOWARD, Consett. 322m

Wanted.

WANTED, a GIRL for the Telegraph Office, Dipton.—Apply to J. MADDISON. 401m

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

WANTED, a MARRIED COUPLE, for a HOUSE in Consett. Duties light, rent free.—Apply by letter to Box, *Consett Guardian* Office. 376m

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

COLLIERLEY SCHOOL BOARD, COUNTY OF DURHAM.

WANTED, for the above School Board, a Certificated MASTER. Salary, £100 per annum, with one-fourth of the Government grant. Master's house in course of erection. Also a Certificated MISTRESS. Salary, £80 per annum.

Candidates for the above to send applications, stating age, class of certificate, with recent testimonials, to me not later than Tuesday, the 3rd day of September next.

W. W. THOMPSON,
Clerk to the Board.

Lanchester, August 10th, 1878. 341m

The Consett Guardian

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30TH, 1878.

AFGHANISTAN AND INDIA.

WHEN Englishmen are possessed with an all-absorbing idea, be it wise or unwise, all the power on earth would fail to remove it. Russian designs on Central Asia act like a nightmare on Indian as well as British statesmen. Every fresh move in that direction causes a vibration throughout the two countries, and is magnified into proportions which almost bear the character of actual invasion of India. We scarcely know whether this extreme sensitiveness is a good or a bad sign. On the one hand it might lead us into a labyrinth of difficulties; on the other it might tend to keep us guarded against dangers to be forewarned of which might prove of the greatest advantage. Afghanistan is the source of present trouble. That country, which has threatened more than once to become the culprit of the East, has lately been playing into the hands of Russia. The CZAR has sent thither a special envoy for the purpose of forming an alliance with SHERE ALI, who is in some respects the most important ruler between Russia and the confines of our Indian Empire. Of course, every step which Russia takes is set down as an additional link in the chain of long-established designs against British supremacy. We never try to assign other reasons for Russian policy. We shut our eyes to the fact that for many years past the Russians have been extending their trade in the direction of Asia, and that naturally they must adopt strong measures for protecting the various outlets they have formed. We also overlook the fact that Russia is as much Asiatic as European, and that as far as destiny is concerned she seems the only Power which has the chance of promoting civilisation in the benighted regions of Central Asia. We make no allowance for this, preferring to believe she has set her heart on India. In fact, we suspect her, and shape our course accordingly. As she has sent a special ambassodor to Afghanistan we do so likewise; and should her mission prove successful, we are prepared to adopt strong measures for extricating SHERE ALI from the toils of her net. We have already established ourselves at Quetta, which is an outpost bordering on Afghan territory, and it appears that the presence of a considerable force in that locality would arouse SHERE ALI to a sense of his dependence upon us, and to a knowledge of the hazardous nature of a semi-alliance with so distant a power as Russia. But competent authorities speak of Persia as being an equally important quarter to look to. Russia might do much with Afghanistan, but she could do much more with Persia. She scored a point, no doubt, in obtaining for the SHAH a slight rectification of frontier in the Berlin Treaty. Under pretext of guarding the SHAH'S interests she is making a friend in a quarter where help might eventually be of the utmost consequence. Should we, therefore, stand by with folded arms and adopt no counter measures? Such is not the opinion of the authorities in India, and even the most intelligent observers at home are for taking every reasonable precaution. What we have chiefly to guard against is a policy of haste provocative of panic, which would bring about the very danger we seek to avoid. Russia's doings in Central Asia are at present quite compatible with the necessities of trade and the ordinary advance of a civilizing people. If she means more, she will find us perfectly prepared. At the same time, we should do ourselves no good by attributing to her the worst designs.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

The First Lord of the Admiralty is about to start for Cyprus, it is said, on a tour of inspection, where he will officially visit the various harbours and works. The decision will, then, be finally come to as to whether Famagosta is to be the chief port of the island, and what works are necessary to adapt it to the requirements of modern navigation.

Already the ladies in waiting for the future Duchess of Connaught have been appointed by the Queen. They are Lady Adela Larking and Lady Elphinstone. The Duke of Connaught is at Potsdam, where he will spend a month under the roof of Prince Charles, the Red Prince, to whose daughter he is betrothed. The exact time of the marriage is not finally settled. It is possible that the sad accident which befel Prince Charles's son the other day may lead to some postponement of the ceremony.

Mr. Forster's dignified conduct with regard to the Bradford Liberal Five Hundred has raised a more general and excited discussion of the caucus system than either Mr. Gladstone's fervent blessing or Lord Beaconsfield's flippant curse. One of the questions which Liberal members will have to ponder during the Long Vacation will be whether they will permit an irrepressible "ring" to stand between them and their constituents. But this is only one aspect of the caucus system. The "four hundreds" and "six hundreds" are despotic in municipal matters. Liberal Town Councillors who happen even in some trivial matter to offend them are apt very shortly to receive their dismissal. Already, Birmingham shows signs of rebellion against this iron code of uniformity. Men who know the midland capital well say that Mr. Chamberlain's letter to the *Times* is by no means a faithful or accurate description of the real feeling of the town. The place where the viper was hatched is not unlikely to be also the place where it will be scotched.

Three Queens of Spain have died within a very short time of one another, and still one survives. The Queen of Amadeo was one of the most beautiful and accomplished Princesses in Europe. The Queen of Alfonso was a popular and lovable young girl. The older Queens were unfortunate enough to have the cares of government cast upon their shoulders. In most respects they made the worst possible of monarchs, and through the folly, first of one and then of the other, entailed the most frightful civil disorders upon their country. The late Queen, Maria Christina, was decidedly a better, though not a cleverer, woman than her daughter Isabella. The King, her husband, was an infirm old man, who died within four years after her marriage. As Regent for her daughter, she adopted Liberal ideas, and her rule might have been as successful as it was disastrous but for the fearful Carlist war on the one hand and on the other hand the Court scandal of her connexion, which afterwards turned out to be based on marriage, with a private soldier named Munoz, whom she subsequently created duke. Since she retired from public life, she has lived in magnificent retirement in France and Italy. She has indeed proved almost a pattern of domestic virtue. Her husband, the ex-private, died about five years ago. Queen Christina had five daughters in all; two to her first husband—viz., the ex-Queen Isabella and the Duchess of Montpensier—and three by Munoz, all of whom are married in Italy.

Cleopatra's Needle attracted many visitors when it lay in state opposite the Houses of Parliament; but now that it is being gradually hoisted into a position which it will in all probability retain until the crack of doom its spectators are even more numerous. It is a pity Her Majesty cannot contrive to be present at the final ceremony, which may, nevertheless, not improbably be distinguished by the knighthood of Mr. Erasmus Wilson and Mr. John Dixon.

There are loud calls from soldiers, attaches, and special correspondents to "Come over to Cyprus and help us." Appeals are made to married men to embark in commercial speculations, to run a line of steamers, and to do many other things, but first of all to build an hotel. An Hotel Company is already formed, and no doubt it will only be the forerunner of many others. When once Hotels are built "Cook's Excursions" may safely commence, and there will be a general rush of people who admire scenery and have plenty of curiosity, but are too luxuriously inclined to go in search of the one to gratify the other at the risk of encountering bad sleeping accommodation and uneatable dinners. Wherever the Englishman goes the hotel must "prevent and follow" him. Foreigners are, for the most part, content to put up with one another's ways, but a Briton can only get a "good square meal" out of viands with which he is familiar in his own country.

I very much doubt whether sufficient public attention has been given to the movement on the part of the Tobacco Trade (which is simply the most real thing of the kind that has been witnessed in the country since the outcry that was raised against Mr. Lowe's proposed tax on matches), especially when one considers that the demonstration is as much an expression of feeling by the consumers as it is by the manufacturers of the pernicious weed which James the First of England and Sixth of Scotland so cordially hated. It is essentially a people's question, and although interest has a good deal to with the organized protestations of the Trade, there can be no doubt that the expressions of opinion which were heard at those three meetings which were recently held were the voice of the smokers of England. As the chairman at one of the meetings said, "directly the 4d. per lb. was added by the Chancellor of the Exchequer it became an impossibility to supply a satisfactory article at any price so that it could be sold at 3d. per ounce;" and he proceeded to remark "there has, therefore, been a great falling-off in the clearances of tobacco." Sir Stafford Northcote will certainly have to amend the tobacco item in his budget, and I have reason to believe that he reluctantly intends to do so. He will probably have to carry out the suggestion of the Trade by reducing the duty and making it an *even* 3s." At any rate, regarded from whatever point of view we will, the Chancellor of the Exchequer is bound to alter his Tobacco duty.

"Twixt Axe and Crown" may be a striking *mise en scene* when the heroine is a pretty woman and the execution scene ends with a pint of porter behind the flies. But the situation is changed when the subject is not Mrs. Rousby but her child, and the contention before the judge is whether this charming actress is fit to be guardian of her child or not. Mr. Rousby evidently declines to think so and placed his little girl in a convent at Exeter. To this Mrs. Rousby objected, and succeeded in spiriting away her child. This brought the whole question into court, and the judge, who seems to have been a second Solomon for wisdom in judging hard cases of this kind, adopted a very original way of settling the matter. He put both plaintiff and defendant out of court, and had a private talk with the child and her aunt, Mrs. Rousby's sister. The result was a decision which deserved all praise for its good sense, that the child should remain with the aunt, with liberty to the mother to have access to it from time to time.

It is the penalty of a London letter writer that his lips are sealed on matters which all the world knows of who are behind the scenes. For some time past it has been known that one or two publishing houses were in financial straits, and authors and editors were waiting cheques which did not appear. The mystery is now cleared up, but too late, I fear, to offer any *solataim* to these gentlemen of the pen, one of whom, I know, will be a heavy sufferer. The firm of Virtue and Co., the well-known publishers of illustrated works, have suspended payment, and have brought down with them on their fall Messrs. Daldy, Isbister and Co., Ludgate Hill. In fact, the publishing trade at present is in a very unhealthy state. A feverish, sensational style of editing has set in; authors are paid, not for the merit of their pieces, but for the use of names carrying a certain amount of notoriety, and at last the crash came. I am sorry for the sufferers, but I must say that in most cases they have no one to blame but themselves.

AN EVENING BEVERAGE.—Epps's Cacaoine (Quint-essence of Cacao) is equally liquid and refreshing as tea, affording moreover a sterling support to the system. Unsweetened. Each packet (6d.) is labelled "JAMES EPPS & Co., Homœopathic Chemists, London." 247k

THROAT IRRITATION.—Soreness and dryness, tickling and irritation, inducing cough and affecting the voice. For these symptoms use Epps's Glycerine Jujubes. Only in boxes, labelled "JAMES EPPS & Co., Homœopathic Chemists, London." 247k

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

W. J. Mallet, Esq., M.D., of Burlington Street, Manchester, says:—"I have prescribed Todd's Quinine Wine, and consider it in many cases an agreeable and efficacious way of administering quinine." This pleasant and popular medicine is the safest and most certain remedy known in all cases of indigestion, tic or neuralgia, ague, debility, spasms, and all derangements of the stomach. The genuine is manufactured only by Joe Todd, chemist, Carlisle, and bears his name on the Government stamp.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Happy Existence.—How few there are who realise to its possible extent this desirable condition! The head, stomach, and nerves are constantly becoming disordered and bringing corresponding discomforts unless early measures be taken to reduce the unruly actions to order. Holloway's Pills accomplish this purpose most certainly and satisfactorily. Ample printed directions are folded round each box for the guidance of all seeking ease and health. Under the benign influence of these purifying Pills order and regularity reign throughout the entire system, and every human function is wholesomely conducted. No mean advantage possessed by Holloway's gentle yet potent Pills is their incapability of doing any harm. They may be fearlessly administered to the most delicate lady and tenderest infant.

JEWELLERY ROBBERY AT MANCHESTER.

A jewellery robbery was committed in Manchester early on Monday morning, on the premises of Mr. W. Clarke, jeweller, Shude Hill. The shop is a lock-up one, and on a policeman passing at 2.30 a.m. he found that a plate-glass window had been broken, and the place ransacked. The thieves had also broken open a safe, and extracted watches and other jewellery to the value of £300.

ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE FROM WHITEHALL STAIRS.

Shortly after two o'clock on Saturday afternoon a scene of great excitement was witnessed by large numbers of persons on the Victoria Embankment. A woman was observed wandering about the embankment near the Houses of Parliament. She afterwards walked towards Whitehall Stairs. After looking round she deliberately walked down the steps and threw herself into the river. The ebb tide was running down strongly, but her clothes, being inflated with air, kept her afloat, and she was afterwards picked up in an exhausted state by the crew of the Matrimony steamer, belonging to the London Steamboat Company. The captain landed her at the Westminster pier, and she was handed over into the custody of the police. She refused to give her name and address.

THE "MIRACLES" AT LOURDES.

The *Univers* reports a number of miraculous cures at Lourdes, giving the names and the details about such of the favoured ones as inhabit Paris. For instance, within the last few days, a dressmaker has been cured of goitre; on Wednesday a workwoman, aged 37, who had for eight years suffered from a tumour in the left side, and other maladies connected therewith, which are all enumerated by the correspondent in question, knelt down in the water and was healed. Her name is Mdlle. Marie Guyonnet. Another person, Amelie Descaes, has recovered the use of a damaged eye, and also been relieved of a tumour and swelling of the legs of three years' duration. The correspondent states that when the pilgrimage started, half the 400 sufferers had to be carried. On leaving Lourdes, only fifty needed that assistance. The cures, therefore, whether total or partial, have he concludes, been numerous. It appears that in order to cope adequately with the sarcasms of sceptics, each invalid is provided with a doctor's certificate giving the details of his malady. The same number of the *Univers* contains an article by M. Louis Veuillot, in which, while rendering heartfelt thanks to Heaven for these miracles, he takes occasion to pour fourth torrents of biting virulence against M. Thiers, who once predicted the approaching cessation of pilgrimages in the Republic, amongst the Prussians, and all other foreigners, including the Genoese. The last pilgrimage, he says, is a proof of the continued compassion of the Virgin for France, which may hope that the abundance of Divine benefits will end by curing her of her incredulity. With no small delight M. Veuillot points to the fact that at the beginning of the second century of Voltaire penitent France is resuming the old traditions of the Church.—*Daily Telegraph.*

TERRIBLE FIRE IN EAST LONDON.

On Monday morning a fire broke out in the first floor of a sweetmeat shop in Columbia Road, Hackney Road, London. A person passing the house saw flames in the first floor, and at once rushed off to the fire-engine station in Shoreditch. A fireman went to the place, and finding the shop closed, the front door closed, and flames surging out of the windows, stopped a Pickford van, and backed it on the pavement. A ladder was placed in the van, and the fireman mounted to the burning room, and having chopped out one window, put his hands inside, and fished out a child seven years of age, which he dropped into the cart. Notwithstanding the flames the courageous fellow pulled down his helmet and went into the blazing place, and in a moment reappeared with a second child apparently two years younger, which he dropped into the arms of the carman. Both children were fearfully burned, the feet of one being almost burnt off, but they were sent on to Dr. Bond, who pronounced them both dead. The fireman had in the meantime come down the ladder, but someone stating that the mother was probably in the room, he again went up, but the place was so full of fire that he could not enter the room. A lodger in the front room above jumped into the street, and falling twenty-five feet, sustained such injury to the spine that she had to be conveyed to the London Hospital. Another account states that two firemen entered the blazing premises (C. Wright and P. Pettitt), both of whom are scorched severely. It seems that the mother of the children (Mrs. Dutton, the wife of a tallow-candle maker in the employ of Messrs. Cooper, of Curtain Road,) locked her two children, Alice, aged 3½ years, and Henry, aged 2 years, in her front room whilst she went to buy a bundle of wood to light the fire, and it is presumed that the girl set fire to the bed with lucifer matches which had been incautiously left within reach. A lodger in the back room, James Bryant, smelling the fire, at once broke open the door, when he was beaten back by a rush of smoke and flame, and his hair singed off. The place was then well alight, and the children in all probability dead. Owing to the quick supply of water and the presence of the turncock to the East London Company, the fire was confined to the room and staircase, and the damage to the shop and other parts of the house is that of smoke and water only.

DISTRESSING BOAT ACCIDENT AT NOTTINGHAM.

On Saturday afternoon a most disastrous accident happened on the river Trent, a few miles west of Nottingham. Though the weather had been of a varied character during the whole of Friday and on Saturday morning at an early hour, the sun came out before mid-day, causing many people to venture upon short excursions to the pleasant places in which the outskirts of Nottingham abound. A party of ladies and gentlemen, of good position in the lace trade, consisting of Mr. Russell, Miss Russell (his sister), Miss Bradbury (her aunt), and a friend named George Clarke, son of a well-known manufacturer, all living at New Basford, engaged a small pleasure boat at Nottingham, and proceeded up the river a distance of six or seven miles. In the course of the afternoon they arrived at Barton, a well-known fishing village, at which locality the river is of more than the ordinary width. There they remained for some time, but finding, at about half-past four, that a fearful thunderstorm would come speedily, they determined to return as quickly as possible, and "put in" at the nearest port. Before they had proceeded far one of the most terrible storms that has been experienced for a long time came, so that they had no alternative but to make for the bank. They therefore pulled for the shore on the south side of the river at Barton. This shore is of a very swampy nature, and it seems that the rainfalls of the past few days had undermined the bank, thus leaving the upper portion very tender indeed. On the arrival of the boat at the bank the party naturally scrambled to get out, and, in so doing, released the bank, which, being undermined and then heavily pressed by the storm, gave way for a considerable distance. The yield of earth upset the boat, and in a moment the party were floundering in the water. They cried piteously for help, but the current being very strong carried them away. Mr. Clarke succeeded, however, in struggling towards the side, and was helped out by two lads, who, hearing their cries, had ran from a tree under which they were sheltering. The others were drowned. The bodies had not been recovered. The parents of the Russells were in Paris at the time.

A destructive hurricane has swept over the north-western settlements of Australia, doing great damage to the vessels engaged in the pearl fishery, and causing the loss of four lives.

The external works of the Hotel de Ville, Paris, are to be finished in two years from this time.

The Academie des Sciences of Paris has elected Mr. Darwin a corresponding member in the Section of Zoology, and Professor Asa Gray in the Section of Botany.

Railway Time Table.

CONSETT BRANCH

TRAINS.—WEEK DAYS.

STATIONS.	1,2,G.	1,2,G.	1,2,G	1,2,G.	2,G
	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	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	
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill) dep	6·42	10·37		4·45	6·35
Knitsley .... „	6·54	10·49		4·57	6·47
Lanchester .... „	7·3	10·58		5·6	6·56
Witton Gilbert .... „	7.14	11·9		5·10	7·7
Durham ....arr.	7·25	11.20		5·25	7·20

DOWN TRAINS—WEEK DAYS.

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

SUNDAYS.

LEAVE	a.m.	p.m.	LEAVE	a.m.	p.m
Newcastle	7·30	7·15	Benfieldside	8·35	8·20
Scotswood	7·37	7·22	Shotley Bridge ..	8·40	8·25
Swalwell	7·44	7·29	Ebchester	8·44	8.29
Rowland's Gill...	7·54	7·39	Lintz Green	8·54	8·39
Lintz Green	8·0	7·45	Rowland's Gill	8·59	8·4
Ebchester	8·13	7·58	Swalwell	9·8	8·5
Shotley Bridge ..	8·19	8·4	Scotswood	9·14	8·5
Benfieldside (arr)	8·25	8·10	Newcastle (arr)	9·25	9·1

MARKET TRAINS ON SATURDAYS.

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

STATIONS.	A.M.	P.M.		P.M.
Newcastle ....dep.	7·10	4·5	....	7·30
Scotswood .... „	7·17	4·12	....	7·37
Swalwell .... „	7·24	4·20	....	7·44
Rowland's Gill ...... „	7·34	4·30	....	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
Benfieldside (for Consett and Blackhill) 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	....
Benfieldside (for Consett and Blackhill) 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

EPPS'S COCOA.—GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING.—"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal shaft by keeping ourselves well fortified with pure blood and a properly nourished frame."—*Civil Service Gazette.* Sold only in packets labelled "JAMES EPPS & Co., Homœopathic Chemists, London.

The effect of "Budden's Insect Destroying Powder" on Beetles, Cockroaches, Crickets, Moths, Bugs, Fleas, and all kinds of Insects is simply marvellous. It acts like magic, and exterminates them in a very short time, is cleanly in use, and perfectly harmless to domestic animals. In Boxes, at 6d. and 1s. each. Agent for Consett—Mr. David Imrie, Front Street.

THE INVALID'S FRIEND.—TODD'S QUININE WINE.—Dr. Wheatley, writing from the Crescent, Carlisle, says:—"I have much pleasure in giving my testimony to the efficacy of Mr. Todd's Quinine Wine. I consider it a valuable and pleasant mode of taking quinine." This valuable and renowned preparation of genuine English quinine is the most pleasant and certain remedy known for indigestion and all derangements of the stomach. The genuine is manufactured only by Joe Todd, chemist, Carlisle, and bears his name on the government stamp.

WATSON'S TAPEWORM SPECIFIC.—From Mr Arton, chemist, Hulme.—"The bottle of 'Specific' you sent me I gave to a customer of mine, who had been troubled with Tapeworm many years. Having tried almost everything she heard tell of, she came to me in despair last week. I am glad to say the following day she came to tell me that your 'Specific' had the desired effect. The tapeworm discharged was seven yards long! That I can testify, she having brought it to me." Circulars sent post free. Address—J. H. Watson, A.P.S., Shipley, Yorks., and all chemists. Price, 2s. 9d., or by Post, 3s.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use "The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it will positively restore, in every case, grey or white hair to its original colour, without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful, as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots, where the glands are not decayed. Ask your chemist for "THE MEXICAN HAIR RENEWER," prepared by HENRY C. GALLUP, 493, Oxford Street, London, and sold by chemists and perfumers everywhere, at 3s. 6d. per bottle.

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly-whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers. Prepared by HENRY C. GALLUP, 493, Oxford Street, London.

Business Announcements.

"THE Economy of Nature provides a remedy for every Complaint."

RHEUMATISM, SCIATICA, AND LUMBAGO.

VICKERS' ANTILACTIC cures Rheumatism, Sciatica, and Lumbago.

VICKERS' ANTILACTIC is the receipt of a famous Physician.

VICKERS' ANTILACTIC helps Nature to expel from the system the Poisonous Acid which causes Rheumatism, &c.

VICKERS' ANTILACTIC is sold by Chemists in bottles at 1s. 1½d., 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., and 11s.; or sent direct from the depot, CUSTOM HOUSE CHAMBERS, LOWER THAMES STREET, LONDON.

Eagle Telegraph Works,
Offices, 52 and 85, Hatton Garden, E.C.,
London, Nov. 15th, 1877.

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

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

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

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

Dear Sir,—I have been troubled with Gout for some years, and have tried all kinds of advertised patent medicines, from which I found little or no relief. The other day I was induced by a friend to try your ANTILACTIC, which, I believe, has performed a perfect cure; in fact, although I am in my 63rd year, I feel as well and as young as I ever did in my life. You are at liberty to make any use you please of this letter, as I do not believe there is a nobler work than that of relieving suffering humanity.

Very respectfully,
JOHN BELLARS.

Beadle of the Royal Exchange, London.

A CERTAIN CURE FOR NERVOUS DEBILITY.

GRATIS, a MEDICAL WORK, showing sufferers how they may be cured and recover Health and Vitality, without the aid of Quacks, with Recipes for purifying the Blood and removing Skin Affections. Free on receipt of stamp to repay postage.—Address Secretary, Institute of Anatomy, Birmingham. 748k

TODD'S QUININE WINE.

THIS elegant and renowned Preparation of genuine QUININE stands unsurpassed for Purity, Strength, and Flavour, and is universally approved by the Medical Profession. It is the best, safest, and most agreeable Remedy known for Indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Nervousness, Tic or Neuralgia, Ague, Debility, Spasms, and all derangements of the Stomach.

The genuine is manufactured only by JOE TODD. Chemist, Carlisle, and bears his name on the Government Stamp. Sold by all Chemists, Grocers, and Wine Merchants. Ask for and have only

TODD'S QUININE WINE.

Agents—W. Aynsley, Grocer, Middle Street, and D. Imrie, Chemist, Front Street, Consett; J. A. Curry, Grocer, Dipton; T. J. Muse, Castleside; and Joseph Robinson Chemist, Stanley.

WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.

BEECHAM'S PILLS

Are admitted by thousands to be worth above a GUINEA a box, for bilious and nervous disorders, such as wind and pain in the stomach, sick headache, giddiness, fullness and swelling after meals, dizziness and drowsiness, cold chills, flushings of heat, loss of appetite, shortness of breath, costiveness, scurvy, blotches on the skin, disturbed sleep, frightful dreams, and all nervous, trembling sensations, &c. The first dose will give relief in twenty minutes.

For females of all ages these pills are invaluable, as a few doses of them will carry off all gross humours, open all obstructions, and bring about all that is required. No female should be without them. If taken according to the directions given with each box, they will soon restore females of all ages to sound and robust health.

For a weak stomach, impaired digestion, and all disorders of the liver, they act like "MAGIC," and a few doses will be found to work wonders upon the most important organs in a human machine. They strengthen the whole muscular system, restore the long-lost complexion, bring back the keen edge of appetite, and arouse into action, with the ROSEBUD of health, the whole physical energy of the human frame. These are facts admitted by thousands, embracing all classes of society, and one of the best guarantees to the nervous and debilitated is, BEECHAM'S PILLS have the largest sale of any patent medicine in the world.

BEECHAM'S MAGIC COUGH PILLS.

As a remedy for coughs in general, asthma, difficulty in breathing, shortness of breath, tightness and oppression of the chest, wheezing, &c., these Pills stand unrivalled; and anyone labouring under any of the above complaints need only try one box to prove that they are the best ever offered to the public for asthmatic and consumptive coughs, hoarseness, and oppression of the chest. They speedily remove that sense of oppression and difficulty of breathing, which nightly deprive the patient of rest. They give almost instant relief and comfort to those afflicted with the above distressing and, when neglected, dangerous complaints. Let any person troubled with any of the above complaints give BEECHAM'S COUGH PILLS a trial.

The most violent cough will in a short time be removed.

Caution.—The public are requested to notice that the words "Beecham's Pills, St. Helen's," are on the Government stamp affixed to each box of Pills; if not, they are a forgery.

Prepared only and sold wholesale and retail by the proprietor, T. BEECHAM, Dispensing Chemist, St. Helen's, Lancashire, in boxes at 1s. 1½d. and 2s. 9d. each. Sent post free for 15 and 36 stamps.

Sold by all Druggists and Patent Medicine Dealers in the United Kingdom.

Full directions are given with each box.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.—CONSUMPTION IS CURABLE—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 beyond all doubt the most remarkable remedy of the age. Thousands have been cured by it. Full particulars will be sent by post to any person free of charge.—Address, Mr. WILLIAMS, 10 Oxford Terrace, Hyde Park, London.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine Dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Manufactured in New York, and at 493, Oxford Street, London.

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the almost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches." These famous "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable Chemists in this country at 1s. 1½d. per box. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a "slight cold," or bronchial affections, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic affections. See that the words "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Manufactured by JOHN I. BROWN and SONS, Boston, United States. Depot, 493, Oxford Street, London.

Business Announcements.

LOANS ON PERSONAL SECURITY

Up to £2000 granted in any part of the Country by an influential Company established 1853, repayable by easy instalments. Two sureties required. No Bill of Sale or unpleasant enquiries. Prospectus post-free from PROFESSIONAL AGENCY, 10, WALBROOK, CANNON STREET STATION, LONDON. Loans under £10 not entertained.

£100,000 ready to be advanced on House property, repayable by instalments during a long term of years.

"BLACK JACK,"
A PURE TOBACCO,
SOLD EVERYWHERE IN OZ. PACKETS
GUARANTEED BY OUR NAME & TRADE MARK.
W. D. & H. O. WILLS

BARLOW'S POWDERS CURE TIC-DOLOREUX
PAIN IN THE FACE OR TEETH & HEAD
SENT POST PAID BY SAML. BARLOW CHEMIST DARLINGTON FOR LETTER STAMPS OR P.O. ORDER
SOLD BY ALL CHEMISTS IN PACKETS AT 2/9 AND IN HALF PACKETS AT 1/6.
SCIATICA NEURALGIA, PAIN IN THE LIMBS &c.
GENUINE TESTIMONIALS POST FREE.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE WORKING CLASSES, PACKETS at 1s. 1½d. may also be had.

TESTIMONIALS.

"I have witnessed the beneficial effects of these powders in numerous instances. I consider them an inestimable boon to sufferers.—J. Renny, Congregational Minister, Barnet."

"I have great pleasure in recommending Mr. Barlow's capital powders.—The Honourable Mrs. F. Grimston, Wakes Colne, Halstead."

Hundreds of such genuine high class testimonials sent free, the originals of which S. B. will be glad to submit to the inspection of any one.

Please see that S. BARLOW's name is on the packet, and on the directions how to take them.

THE CONSETT GUARDIAN
AND DERWENT VALLEY ADVERTISER,
A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER OF 40 COLUMNS.
PRICE ONE PENNY.
PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON
AT FRONT STREET, CONSETT,
where Advertisements are received up to Nine o'clock that morning.

SCALE OF CHARGES FOR ADVERTISEMENTS

1 insertion		4d. per line per insertion
2 to 6 insertions		3d. „
7 to 12	„	2½d. „
13	„	2d. „
26	„	1½d. „
52	„	1d. „

Advertisements are not charged less than 1s. each insertion. Paragraph Advertisements, Government Advertisements, Parliamentary Notices, Prospectuses of Public Companies, Local Board, School Board, and Parochial Electors are charged double the above rates.

AGENTS.

Allendale Cottages	Mr G. Liddle, newsagent.
Andrew's House	Mr Robt. Stokel, newsagent.
Annfield Plain	Mr John Lee, newsagent.
	Mr. G. P. Metcalf, newsagent
Bantling Castle	Mr John Lee.
Blackhill	Mr John Proud, newsagent, Highgate.
	Mr S. Walker, newsagent, Derwent Street.
	Mr A. E. Turner, tailor, Durham Road.
Bradley Cottages	Mrs Postle, newsagent.
Broomhill	Mr G. Liddle, newsagent.
Burnhope	Mr Wm. Gray, grocer.
Burnopfield	Mr Wm. Hopper, newsagent.
Burnopfield Colliery	Mr J. Crawford, newsagent.
Byermoor	Mr Robt. Stokel, newsagent.
Castleside	Mr W. Bainbridge, newsagent.
Catchgate	Mr John Lee.
Causey Row	Mr Robt. Stokel, newsagent.
Clow Dene	Mr Robert Stokel, newsagent.
Collierley Dykes	Mr Wm. Coward, newsagent.
	Mr W. Hodgson, newsagent.
Consett	Mr G. Atkinson, newsagent, Shakespeare Street.
	Mr J. Cockburn, newsagent, Front Street.
	Guardian Office, Front Street
Cragghead	Mr W. Gray, grocer.
Crookhall	Mrs Postle, newsagent.
Crookgate	Mr Wm. Hopper, newsagent.
Cutlers' Hall	Mr John Proud.
Derwent Cottages	Mrs Harbottle, newsagent.
Dipton	Mr Wm. Coward, newsagent.
Dowlais Cottages	Mr Wm. Coward, newsagent.
East Castle Colliery	Mr John Lee.
Ebchester	Mr G. Moody, grocer.
	Miss Rutherford.
Esh	
Edmondbyers	Mr Bell, Grocer.
Flint Hill	Mr Wm. Coward.
Friarside	Mr W. Hopper.
Gibside	Mr W. Hopper.
Greencroft	Mr T. Thompson, newsagent.
Greencroft Cottages	Mr G. P. Metcalf, newsagent.
Gateshead	Mrs Dow, bookseller, High Street.
Hamsterley Colliery	Mr J. McGuire.
Happy Land	Mr T. Thompson, newsagent.
Harperley	Mr W. Hopper.
Hare Law	Mr John Lee.
Havanna	Mr J. B. Armstrong, newsagent.
Healeyfield	Mr W. Bainbridge.
Hedleyhope	
Highgate	Mr John Proud, newsagent.
Hill Top	Mr Wm. Coward.
Iveston	Mr T. Thompson.
Kip Hill	Mr J. B. Armstrong, newsagent
Kyo	Mr John Lee.
Lanchester	Miss Minns, newsagent.
Leadgate	Mrs Postle, newsagent.
Lintzford	Mr J. Crawford.
Lizzie Colliery	Mr John Lee.
Loud	Mr John Lee.
Marley Hill	Mr Robert Stokel.
Medomsley	Mr Peter Gibson, shoemaker.
Newcastle	Mr T. Allan, bookseller, Dean Street.
Oakey's Cottages	Mr J. B. Armstrong, newsagent
Oxhill	Mr J. B. Armstrong, newsagent
Pontop	Mr Wm. Coward.
Rowlands' Gill	Mr J. Parkins, stationmaster.
Satley	Mr Wm. Craggs.
Shield Row	Mr Robert Stokel.
Shotley Bridge	Miss Leslie, newsagent
South Medomsley	Mr Wm. Coward.
	Mr W. Hodgson, newsagent.
South Moor	Mr J. B. Armstrong, newsagent
South Pontop	Mr John Lee.
Stanley	Mr J. B. Armstrong, newsagent
Street Gate	Mr Robert Stokel.
Sunniside	Mr Robert Stokel.
Tanfield	Mr Robert Stokel.
Tanfield—East	Mr Robert Stokel.
Tanfield Lea	Mr Robert Stokel.
Tantobie	Mr Robert Stokel.
Tow Law	Mr Wm. Allison, newsagent
	Mrs Barlow, newsagent.
	Mr John Dodd, stationmaster.
Westwood Colliery	Mr W. Thompson, newsagent.

Business Announcements.

TO DRAPERS, MILLINERS, CLOTHIERS, &c. NEWPORT'S REGISTERED PINS for Window Tickets, are indispensable to Drapers, &c. In Boxes, containing 1 Gross, at 1s. 9d. each. To be had at the *Guardian* Office.

10,000 PRESENTS FROM 5/- PARKINS & GOTTO'S, 27 & 28, Oxford St., W. Largest Stock in Europe. Writing Cases, Dressing Cases, Bags, Albums, Purses, Inkstands, Desks, Lawn Tennis, Croquet, & thousands of Fancy Articles for Presents. Lists free.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY (Limited), No. 7, Bank Buildings, London, E.C. GENERAL ACCIDENTS. | PERSONAL INJURIES. RAILWAY ACCIDENTS. | DEATH BY ACCIDENTS. C. HARDING, Manager.

PURE WATER.—The Last Improvement. LIPSCOMBE and CO.'S PATENT SELF-CLEANING CHARCOAL FILTERS are three times more efficient & seven times more durable than any other. More than 300,000 are in use. 44, Queen Victoria-st., & 69, Oxford-st. Removing from Temple Bar.—Agents in every town keep them in stock.

BRADFORD'S "VOWEL" & "SHUTTLE" WASHING MACHINES.—WRINGING and Mangling Machines. PREMIER BOX MANGLES, CHURNS, &c., &c. Catalogues free by post on application. T. BRADFORD & Co., 140, 141, 142 and 143, High Holborn, London; 130, Bold Street, Liverpool; Cathedral Steps and Crescent Iron Works, Manchester.

IRON HURDLES, IRON HURDLES. All kinds of Iron Hurdles, Continuous Fencing, Field and Entrance Gates, Manufactured by BAYLISS, JONES and BAYLISS, Victoria Works, Wolverhampton, and 3, Crooked Lane, King William Street, London. Catalogues free on application.

NYE & Co. Patentees, 373, OXFORD ST. London, W. MINCING and SAUSAGE MACHINES, Masticators to assist digestion, Knife Cleaners, Mills for Coffee, Pepper, Cocoa, &c. The New Wheat Mills, Coffee Roasters, Garden Pumps, & other labour saving inventions. Illustrated Catalogues post free.

CHAMPAGNE CYDER, Lime Juice Cordial & VINEGAR. HENLEY & SON, invite AGENTS for sale of the above, all prize articles, of *increasing demand.* Pamphlet on application. Office, Joiner St., Tooley St., London. S.E.

OLD SCOTCH WHISKY. Glenleven Malt. Established 100 Years. TWO GALLONS of this FINE OLD WHISKY (Case and Bottles included) sent free to any station on receipt of 36/- JOHN HAIG, SONS & CO., MARKINCH, N.B.

NOTICE to CIGARETTE SMOKERS.—The finest TURKISH (DUBEC BABAGEI) CIGARETTES and TOBACCO.—J. GRUNEBAUM, Cigarette Manufacturer, 45, Old Bond St., London, W. (Established 25 years) supplies the finest quality cigarettes only. The Dubec Babagei surpasses all others from the delicacy of its aroma.

Notice.—The following brands are specially recommended:

	Per 100.		Per 100.
Upper Ten	6s. 6d.	Telegrams	8s. 0d.
Trumps (cigar shape)	8s. 6d.	A B C's	7s. 6d.
Millionaires	8s. 6d.	Freemasons	9s. 0d.
Lords of England	10s. 0d.	Young Ladies'	4s. 6d.

Sovereigns, 4s. 0d. per 100.

Sent free on receipt of remittance by J. GRUNEBAUM. Special terms for the trade.

DAVID JACOBS, LICENSED VICTUALLER'S GLASS MANUFACTURER, 33, HAYMARKET, LONDON. The Largest Stock of Glass and China in the World, made expressly for the use of Hotels and Licensed Victuallers 15 per Cent. cheaper than any other house. Wholesale Prices. Discount for Cash. Caution in the Address indispensable. DAVID JACOBS, 33, HAYMARKET, LONDON. Illustrated Sheet forwarded on application.

VISITORS to London should stop at the *Basinghall Hotel*, 5 & 6, New Basinghall St., 1 minute from Moorgate St. Station. Bed & Breakfast 3/6, Attendance 1/- daily.

IMPORTANT. To all who have a Garden, Send for HAWLEY'S PRICE LIST of Garden Manures, Seeds, Gardening Books, and all kinds of Garden requisites, Post free. SAMUEL HAWLEY & Co., 14, Eldon Street, London.

INDIA RUBBER STAMPS are the best for receipting, stamping envelopes, etc., & as linen markers. *Agents Wanted* everywhere. Assured Income. Send stamp for terms.—Where no Agent known order direct from the Rubber Stamp Co., 15, Holborn Viaduct, London.

WEDGE Safety LIFTS and HOISTS. This Patent LIFT is far superior to all others, and accidents to life and property entirely prevented wherever it is used. Testimonials, Drawings, &c., post free. H. A. DAVIS, Engineer, Brindley St., New Cross, London, S.E.

BOND'S MARKING INK.—CAUTION. To Wholesale and Retail Dealers.—Take Notice that on 16th November, 1877, in an Action "Hickisson & Another against Murphy," judgment was given for Plaintiffs with damages & costs, & a *PERPETUAL INJUNCTION* granted *RESTRAINING* the said *Mrs. MURPHY* and her Agents from *USING* the word "*BOND*" upon any Labels manufactured by, or for her; or from in any way representing the Ink Manufactured by, or for her; or from in any way representing the Ink manufactured by her to be Bond's Marking Ink. J. Hickisson, Proprietor of the Daughter of the late John Bond's Crystal Palace Marking Ink, 75, Southgate-rd., London.

CALICOES, LONGCLOTHS & SHEETINGS, direct from the Mills at Wholesale prices. Bleached, Scoured, & Grey. Plain and Twilled; any length cut. Save two Profits—Buy direct from John Noble, Victoria Mills, Manchester. Patterns free.

CORK in lieu of Bone.—Ladies should wear S. Dixon's patent Corsets, Abdominal belts, (Obstetric Binders after accouchement), Children, his Chest expanders, to prevent Consumption; Gentlemen his Riding & Bicycling belt. Write to 45, St. Paul's Churchyard for opinions of the press. Agents wanted.

BERLIN WOOLS, CREWELS, FINGERINGS, EMB. SILKS, Newest Colors, Best qualities, Lowest Prices. Lists & Parcels by Post. JEVONS & MELLOR, BIRMINGHAM.

BRASS, REED, STRING, & DRUM & FIFE BANDS, PIANOFORTES & HARMONIUMS at *Wholesale Prices* at J. MOORE'S, Buxton Rd., Huddersfield. Prices with drawings of every Instrument post free. Music for any kind of Band. Bandmen's Caps. Patronized by Army, Navy & Rifle Corps. Second-hand Instruments bought or taken in Exchange.

THE PETRIFYING SILICATE PAINTS, PROTECT IRON from CORROSION; WOOD from DECAY. DO NOT BLISTER, ARE NON-POISONOUS, BRILLIANT, DURABLE, ECONOMICAL. For HOUSE, SHIP and GENERAL USE. Manufactured in all Colours by the SILICATE PAINT COY., LIVERPOOL & LONDON.

DAMP HOUSES, DAMP CHURCHES &c., CAN BE CURED CHEAPLY & THOROUGHLY by the PETRIFYING LIQUID *Manufactured Transparent or in Colours,* only by the SILICATE PAINT CO., LIVERPOOL & LONDON, who are also the Sole Manufacturers of the Petrifying Silicate Paint.

BLUE BRICKS. BLUE BRICKS. WOOD and IVERY, Limited. (J. W. Ivery, General Manager). ALBION WORKS, WEST BROMWICH. BLUE, RED & BUFF ORNAMENTAL BRICKS. TILES, &c., &c. Designs on application.

TODD'S VEGETABLE PILLS most effectually remove all Mucus, Offensive Matter, and Redundant Bile from the Stomach and Bowels. They relieve chronic pains, lumbago, dimness of sight, giddiness of the head, heartburn, indigestion, flatulency, &c. Sold by Chemists in Boxes at 1s. 1½d. and 2s. 9d. each, or free by post for 14 or 33 stamps from the Proprietor, JOE TODD, Chemist, Carlisle.

DIARRHŒA, DYSENTERY, CHOLERA, FEVERS, &c.

DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHLORODYNE. A few doses quite effectual.—Caution.—The extraordinary medical reports on the efficacy of Chlorodyne render it of vital importance that the public should obtain the genuine, which is protected by a Government stamp, bearing the words "Dr. J. Collis Browne's Chlorodyne." See decision of Vice-Chancellor Sir W. Page Wood, *Times*, July, 16th, 1864. Numerous testimonials from eminent Physicians accompany each bottle.

The General Board of Health, London, reports that it acts as a charm, one dose generally sufficient.

Earl Russell reports to the College of Physicians, London, that Chlorodyne was the only remedy of any service in Cholera.

Dr. Gibbon, Army Medical Staff, Calcutta, states:—"Two doses completely cured me of Diarrhœa."

Sold in bottles, 1/1½, 2/9, & 4/6 by all Chemists.

HAVE IT IN YOUR HOUSES.—LAMPLOUGH'S PYRETIC SALINE & use no other. The only safe antidote in Fevers, Eruptive Affections, Sea or Bilious Sickness, Small-pox and Headache; having peculiar and exclusive merits. Use no substitute. See perpetual injunction against imitators; also the unanimous judgment against the Inland Revenue, before the Lords Justices Bramwell, Brett and Cotton, 22nd January, 1873, in H. Lamplough's favour. 113, Holborn Hill, London.

THE WANT OF THE AGE SUPPLIED. MATHER'S NIGRINE. A JET BLACK MARKING FLUID FOR MARKING LINEN, COTTON, &c. NO PREPARATION OR HEATING REQUIRED AFTER BEING WRITTEN.

Extract from "THE LANCET," January 5th, 1878.

NIGRINE: A JET BLACK MARKING FLUID. (W. MATHER, Farringdon Road, London).

We can commend this as a very good and convenient Marking Ink, we have submitted Linen marked with it to some of the most powerful of Chemical Agents, including Acids, Alkaline and Chlorine, and Cyanide of Potassium, and have found that it was very much easier to destroy the Linen than the marking upon it; in fact the writing could not be effaced by any of the Agents we employed.

Sold in Bottles, 6d., 1/-, and 2/6 each by all Chemists and Stationers.

SAMPLE BOTTLE SENT POST FREE ON RECEIPT OF 13 STAMPS.

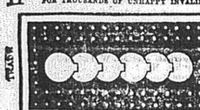
WHOLESALE WAREHOUSES, W. MATHER, FARRINGDON ROAD, LONDON; and 84, CORPORATION STREET, MANCHESTER.

Post free for Five Stamps from MR. G. T. CONGREVE, PECKHAM, LONDON. "CONSUMPTION," ITS ONLY SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT, (*New Edition*) *with many interesting cases of Cure.*

HEALTH, STRENGTH, and ENERGY. As a verification of the wonderful re-invigorating powers of PERRY'S WORLD-FAMED CORDIAL BALM of SYRIACUM in cases of nervous, muscular, and general weakness, and in order that the debilitated may judge how speedily and surely it acts, one shilling sample bottles are forwarded on receipt of 12 stamps. Each bottle has full directions, with descriptive pamphlet, and contains exactly nine doses, to last three days. The sample bottle is intended as an earnest to prove that a regular course of PERRY'S CORDIAL BALM of SYRIACUM is sure to create HEALTH, STRENGTH and ENERGY. Established 50 years.—Sole Agents, MUNRO BROTHERS, Home and Colonial Patent Medicine Vendors, 11, SOHO SQUARE, LONDON, W.C.

Business Announcements.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS FOR THOUSANDS OF UNHAPPY INVALIDS.



No external remedy for fifty years has created so wide-spread popularity in so short a time as HALL'S MEDICATED VOLTAIC ELECTRIC PERFORATED PLASTERS. A perfect Self-charged, Self-acting Electro-Galvanic Battery in combination with the world-renowned Medicated Perforated Plaster, forming a curative agent unsurpassed by any medical discovery of this century. The great merit of the Perforated Plaster has been attested by thousands of people. Blended in the most perfect manner ever devised are the healing and strengthening gums of the East. Health seems to exist in the odour which it exhales. As a plaster it surpasses every other before the public. It does not require heating or warming, adheres quickly by a moment's pressure of the hand, adapts itself to every curve of the body, *may be cut any desired shape and worn without inconvenience for months.* When this Perforated Plaster is combined with an Electro-Galvanic Battery capable of generating a perfect current of Electricity when brought in contact with the surface of the body, sufficient to allay the most excruciating pain, great soreness, lameness, numbness or nervousness, as in Hall's Voltaic Electric Perforated Plasters, its equal in value as a curative agent does not exist in the vast catalogue of medicine. The benefit derived from this appliance is sometimes almost miraculous in the following complaints:—Rheumatism, Weak Spine, Local Pains, Nervous Affections, Local Rheumatism, Tic Doloreux, Nervous Pain, Affection of the Kidneys, Fractured Ribs, Affections of the Chest, Colds and Coughs, Injuries of the Back, Strains and Bruises, Weak Back, Nervous Pain of the Bowels, Nervous Debility, Cramp in the Stomach and Limbs, Heart Affections, Enlarged Spleen, Bruises and Punctures, Rheumatism of the Wrists and Arms, Asthma, Gout, Local and Deep-seated Pains, Pain in the Chest, Stitch in the Back, Pain in the Hip, Varicose or Enlarged Veins, Crick in the Back and Neck, Pain and Weakness in Side and Back, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, Lumbago, Whooping Cough, Sharp Pains in the Breast, Heart Disease, Quinsy, Diabetes, and for Weakness in any part of the body. A single trial is convincing.

Sold by G. FRENCH, Chemist, 293, High Street, Chatham, and all Chemists, at 2s. 9d. each, or sent on receipt of price by the Manufacturers, HILTON and Co., 9, Lower Belgrave-street, London.

CAUTION.—See that the above Trade Mark is on the label of the box, and that the name of our firm is impressed upon the seal, without which none can be genuine. Full particulars, with testimonials, &c., of this wonderful invention, free.

The *Monthly Magazine of Pharmacy, Chemistry, &c.*, says: Messrs. Hilton & Co. have sent us a sample of Hall's Voltaic Electric Perforated Plaster, with the original analysis by a well known authority, and a great quantity of letters from private individuals eulogising the plaster. This article combines with the efficacy of an ordinary porous plaster the curative element of an electric galvanic battery, and thereby is specially to be recommended in cases of weakness, rheumatism, &c.

The Voltaic Perforated Plasters, as a curative agent in Weakness of the Chest and Lungs.

11, Henley-terrace, Battersea-park, London.

Gentlemen,—The Voltaic Perforated Plasters were duly received, and submitted to severe tests as requested. I am happy to report that they have realised my greatest expectations. I am convinced that the current of electricity generated by them, when brought in contact with the skin, is sufficient to overcome the most severe cases of Weakness of the Chest or Lungs and it is in this direction that I have mostly used them, believing it to be as severe a test as I could apply them to. The combination of a battery with a Perforated Plaster, of well-known value, in so portable and economical a form, enables all to avail themselves of an element in the treatment of disease which is only made possible by your admirable invention. I predict for it an unlimited popularity and sale, and can with truth say that nothing relating to medical appliances has so much pleased me as it.

Yours, &c.,
H. CHENU, Department Master.

Messrs. Ephraim Hilton & Co.

DEBILITY AND NERVOUSNESS.

Re-Issue of "THE WARNING VOICE," Dr. SMITH'S Celebrated Work, of which 500,000 Copies were Sold. Revised Edition.

Now Ready. 152 pages, by post to all parts of the World, in envelope, Two Stamps,

THE WARNING VOICE. This is a Special Medical Book, addressed to Youth and Manhood on the Cause, Symptoms, Consequences, and Treatment of Debilitating Diseases. By HENRY SMITH, Doctor of Medicine of the University of Jena, by Diploma, 1860. This Work gives ADVICE and INSTRUCTIONS, the Result of THIRTY YEARS' PRACTICE, for the Cure of all diseases of the Nervous System, Nervous Debility, Mental and Physical Depression, Palpitation of the Heart, Noises in the Head and Ears, Indecision, Impaired Sight and Memory, Indigestion, Loss of Energy, Pains in the Back, Constipation, Blushing, Hysteria, Timidity, Self-distrust, Dizziness, Love of Solitude, Groundless Fears, Muscular Relaxation, &c., resulting from Exhaustion of Nerve Power, the effect of Overtaxed Energies, Enervating Habits, and other abuses of the System. Gives the ADVICE and INSTRUCTIONS by which thousands have been restored to health. Illustrated by Cases and Testimonials from grateful patients, with means of Cure used in each Case.

Dr. HENRY SMITH, 8, Burton Crescent, London, W.C.

NINETEENTH THOUSAND.

57 Engravings on Wood, post free for Seven Stamps.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION; OR, THE PEOPLE'S GUIDE TO HEALTH. On the Culture of the Healthful and Beautiful in Humanity. 57 Engravings. SUBJECTS:—Physical Education; Laws of Life; How to render Weak Muscles Strong; Gymnastics; Prevention of Disease; Cure of Disease; Air; Light; Skin; Diet; Bath, &c. Gives Instructions for Developing and Strengthening the Human Body, how to regain Lost Health, resulting from Loss of Nerve Power, the Effect of Overtaxed Energies; Over-work; City-life; Worry; Brain-toil; Intemperance; Enervating Habits; and other abuses of the System; how to secure Long Life, and avoid the Infirmities of Old Age, &c.

Dr. HENRY SMITH, 8, Burton Crescent, London, W.C.

NOTICE TO COUNTRY INVALIDS.

CONSULTATION BY LETTER WITHOUT FEE.

DR. HENRY SMITH (by Diploma of the Royal University of Jena), who has devoted Thirty Years to the Special Treatment of Diseases of the Nervous System, resulting from Exhaustion of Nerve Power, Local Weakness, &c., will, for the benefit of Country Invalids, on receiving a statement of case, send his Opinion, with Advice and Instructions, which, if followed, will insure a Cure. A "Confidential form of Correspondence to assist the Invalids in describing their case sent post free. A personal interview and expensive consultation fee avoided.

☞ DR. HENRY SMITH, 8, BURTON CRESCENT, LONDON, W.C.

Shakespeare has truly said "The Economy of Nature provides a Remedy for every Complaint." The great difficulty, however, is to discover the remedy, and, in most cases, this can only be done by long trial and patient research. To find an effective remedy for Rheumatism and kindred maladies, has long been an object of earnest research among medical men—but no great measure of success has attended their efforts; and it may be affirmed without fear of contradiction, that at the present moment VICARS' ANTILACTIC is the only known remedy in existence for Rheumatism, Sciatica, and Lumbago. In no case, when fairly tried, has it failed to effect a complete cure; and thousands of people are now enjoying good health, who were, for years, perfect martyrs to Rheumatism, previously to taking the Antilactic, although they had all tried various remedies, and in the hope of obtaining relief from their sufferings, had made themselves perfect receptacles for every kind of medicine that has ever been recommended for these complaints. Reader, if you suffer from Rheumatism, Sciatica, or Lumbago, go to a chemist and obtain a bottle of Vickers' Antilactic, read carefully the instructions, and the analysis and cause of these maladies, which are given with every bottle, and though you may have tried a hundred things before without much benefit, we will venture to assure you that you will bless the moment you read this paragraph, and were persuaded, by its earnestness, to give the Antilactic a trial. It is perfectly harmless, and has a beneficial effect on every constitution. Sold by chemists, in bottles, at 1s. 2d., 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., and 11s.; or sent from the Depot, Custom House Chambers, Lower Thames Street, London, E.C.

Business Announcements.

MARK TWAIN'S Patent SCRAP BOOK. the MOST CONVENIENT BOOK made. Especially adapted to all literary persons, as they can save all those items of interest that are found in the daily and weekly papers without trouble or annoyance. A great help to all Authors, Editors and Clergymen.

The Pictorial Scrap Book preserves all the pictures from the "Graphic" or "Illustrated News," and becomes a great source of amusement to the household.

FOR SALE by all BOOKSELLERS & STATIONERS. Published by Slote, Woodman & Co., 6, Gt. St. Thomas Apostle, London, E.C.

LINENS.—IRISH LINENS.

DAMASKS.—IRISH DAMASKS

From the Oldest Established House in the Trade in IRELAND. Patterns, Price Lists, Estimates and all information free on application.

MURPHY & ORR, PROPRIETORS, 18, DONEGALL ST., BELFAST.

THE NEW MUTUAL SYSTEM supersedes all others. Apply for proof of facts & figures to THE LONDON PIANOFORTE ASSOCIATION, Head Office and Warerooms, 23, Holborn Viaduct, E.C.; or to any of the Agencies now being established throughout the Kingdom.

The following Statement shows the relative merits of the Old and New Systems in purchasing a Pianoforte:—

OLD SYSTEM.			NEW SYSTEM.		
Retail Cash Price.	By 3 Years' System.	Time.	Cost by Mutual System.*	Net Saving by Mutual System.	
				Money	Time
£52 10s.	£57 15s.	36 months.	£31 10s.*	£26 5s.	6 months

* By Thirty Monthly Subscriptions of £1 1s. each.

The following Certificates have been given, (1) By the most celebrated Pianistes, and, (2) By a Government Actuary, First, That the Pianos are of the value described, Second, that the Members incur NO RISK or LIABILITY beyond the amount of their Subscriptions.

AGENTS WANTED.

THE LONDON PIANOFORTE ASSOCIATION, 23, Holborn Viaduct, E.C.

WAMSUTTA MILLS, New Bedford, Mass: Ask your Draper to send you Patterns of The WAMSUTTA LONGCLOTH; fine Twill & Double Warp Night Gown Cottons; also "The WAMSUTTA SHEETINGS," in Plain, Twilled, & Double Warp. The *Queen* says, "We consider that the quality of these American importations place the sized & dressed fabrics of our Manufacture at a serious disadvantage."

BILLIARD-TABLE CLOTH. The Cheapest House in London for BILLIARD and BAGATELLE-TABLE CLOTH. MITCHELL, INMAN & Co.'s, 40, CLOTH FAIR, WEST SMITHFIELD, LONDON. Patterns sent post free.

30/- Post Free. *The best* Keyless WATCH wholesale price. Guaranteed for years; sizes for Ladies, Gentlemen, or Workmen. Address (with Money Order), BELMONT BROS., 34, Ely Place, London, E.C. *Agents Wanted.*

NEAVE'S FOOD FOR INFANTS. YOUNG CHILDREN AND INVALIDS. Sold by CHEMISTS and GROCERS at home and abroad.

1/8 TEA, Rather Small but EXCELLENT DRINKING. All other kinds, for prepayment. EVERETT & Co., 50, Blackfriars Rd., London. S.E., & Branches

CAUTION.

THORLEY'S FOOD FOR CATTLE Beware of Spurious imitations. Inventor's name *Joseph Thorley* on each packet, also SOLE ADDRESS, Thornhill Bridge Caledonian Road, King's Cross, London. Sold Everywhere.

STEAM PUMPS, 200 to 80,000 Gallons per hour; will force water any height or distance. JOHN CAMERON, Engineer, Salford, MANCHESTER.

ELECTRO-PLATING OLD GOODS. E. HAYLLAR, 34, Howard Street, Sheffield, undertakes the repairing and replating of old goods and restores them equal to new. Paying special attention to this branch of the business goods are thoroughly done and returned without delay. List of Prices for replating sent on application.

SUSQUEHANNA PILLS.—Professor WEBSTER'S celebrated Susquehanna Pills have, during the last 22 years, cured hundreds of thousands of indigestion, biliousness, liver complaints, and diseases of the blood. BOOKS OF TESTIMONIALS from all parts sent free and post paid on application. Sold by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors. The pills will be sent by return, post paid, to any address, for 13, 33, 54, and 132 postage stamps per box.—Address SAMUEL RUSHWORTH, Secretary, Botanic Institute, NOTTINGHAM.

"The Lord causeth the grass to grow for the cattle and herbs for the service of man."—Psalm civ., 14.

A SIXTEEN-PAGE CATALOGUE OF BALDWINS' Patent HERBAL MEDICINES & TOILET REQUISITES forwarded post free, containing description of numerous remedies prepared solely from the vegetable kingdom.—8, 10, & 12, Greenwich Rd., Greenwich, London. "Herbal medicines are the mildest, the safest, and the most efficacious. The numerous cures daily wrought by them is proof of their super-excellent virtues."—Rafenesque.

AVOID PURGATIVES.

DEANE'S "Anti-Purgans, or Non-Purgative," HEART, LIVER, and TONIC PILLS, (Trade Mark, a Pansy). *Purely Vegetable.* Guaranteed Cure for Bile, Indigestion, &c. For all ages and either sex. Pamphlet, 1 Stamp. Agents Wanted. Prepared only by F. D. Deane, Chemist and Druggist, St. Lawrence, Kent, in Boxes at 1/1½, 2/9, 4/6 & 11/-

PILES.—KEMP'S PILE POWDERS, 1/1½ Sent post free, with plain instructions for treatment and cure, for 15 stamps. Address W. Kemp, Chemist, Horncastle.

CLEVELAND'S WALNUT POMADE. The oldest established and best Pomade for restoring Grey hair to its natural Color, and darkening red or light hair. Of all Chemists and Perfumers, 1/6 and 2/6 per pot.

VENETIAN BLINDS Made,
VENETIAN BLINDS Painted,
VENETIAN BLINDS and Varnished
by machinery. Send for illustrated list to GREEN & CO., Kilburn Blind Works, Canterbury Road, London, N.W.

RIBERA SHERRY (Registered) 21/- per dozen. SUPPLIED on the TRUE CO-OPERATIVE principle by BEECHENO & CO., 46, London Street, Norwich, and 6, Vine Street, Minories, London, E.C. SAMPLE DOZEN NOT CHARGED. Full particulars free by post on application.

JAMESON, PIM, & Co.'s DUBLIN STOUT. NORTH ANNE STREET, DUBLIN. Branch Offices—18, Chapel Street, Liverpool.
" " 8, Blue Boar Court, Manchester.
" " 2, Broad Quay, Bristol.
" " 41, Meriden Street, Birmingham.

CHEAP POCKET HANDKERCHIEFS. All who appreciate the luxury of a real Irish Cambric Handkerchief should write for Samples (post free), of our Ladies bordered at 3/11 and 5/11 per dozen, hemmed for use. Ladies' Hemstitched at 7/11 and 10/6 exquisitely fine; of our Gent's bordered, at 6/6 and 8/11 and Hemstitched at 12/9 per dozen, by so doing a genuine article (all pure flax) will be secured and a saving effected of at least 50 per Cent. ROBINSON & CLEAVER, Cambric Handkerchief Manufacturers to Her Majesty the Queen, BELFAST.

TO LOVERS OF OYSTERS.

THE CELEBRATED BLUE POINT OYSTERS.

(*Patronised by the Royal Family,*)

Recognized the Best Oysters in America, equal to BEST NATIVES, and for Stewing and Escaloping even superior.

GUARANTEED PERFECTLY FRESH.

50 ...... 4s. 0d.	Basket, Oyster-Knife, & Delivery within 50 miles of London included;—at 6d. per Basket extra, delivered to any Railway Station in England; 1s. 6d. to Wales; and 2s. to Scotland or Ireland.
100 ...... 7s. 6d.	
200 .... 14s. 0d.	
300 .... 20s. 0d.	

Also packed in strong barrels suitable for sending to the Continent, of 150 to 160 Oysters in each, at 12s. (barrel included).

If packed with MEAT and PROVISIONS only 10d. per dozen.

Sample Bags can always be had of One Dozen at 1s. (Bags included) Ready packed at our Office.

Remittances must accompany Orders. Cheques and P.O.O. must be made payable to J. E. ILES HOME, Secretary,

New Direct Supply Association, 107, Cannon-st., E.C.

N.B.—The Trade supplied in barrels, as imported, of about 1,600 each, at Wholesale Prices.

Miss Emily Faithfull writes on the 19th Jan., 1878, as follows:—

"We confess that, like Mr. Gilbert's hero in that delightful Bab Ballad 'Etiquette,' we have often eaten oysters, but never had enough." Our attention was consequently arrested by an advertisement addressed "To Lovers of Oysters." We then discovered that the New Direct Supply Association, 107, Cannon-street, benevolently undertook to send 50 oysters in a basket, with a knife included, for the small sum of 4s. We felt hopeful but anxious, until we practically tested the matter, by discussing it with the 'blue points' themselves. BETTER OYSTERS WE NEVER TASTED WHILE IN THAT LAND FAMOUS FOR THEM—America. We are really acting a very Christian and unselfish part in stating this fact, for we fear when once it is known, the demand for these delicacies will be far greater than the supply. But while the Association undertake to send barrels as imported, containing 1,600 oysters each, we feel we can be generous."

FOREIGN STAMPS.

50 VARIETIES 7d. Servia, Egypt, Brazil, Cuba, &c.
100 SCARCE VARIETIES, 1s. 7d. Finland, Moldo-Wallachia, Rome, Hanover, &c.
Over 300 different packets and sets always in stock. *Illustrated Price Catalogue post free, 3d.*
Full particulars of all the above are given in the Illustrated Foreign Stamp and Crest Prospectus post free on application. STANLEY, GIBBONS, & CO., 8 Gower Street, London. 12

STANDARD LUBRICATING OIL COMPANY, LIMITED, 95, CANNON STREET, LONDON.

Contractors to Her Majesty's Government.

ALL descriptions of LUBRICATING OILS, saving 25 per cent. Agents Wanted. Full particulars on application.—HENRY DUNCAN, General Manager. 530k

Business Announcements.

ROYAL DEVONSHIRE SERGE

AS SOLD BY SPEARMAN AND SPEARMAN PLYMOUTH

Is the best, the cheapest, the most fashionable, and the most durable of any article woven. The *Queen* says it has no rival either in appearance or utility. These Serges are now produced in New colours and mixtures for the Autumn of 1878, as also in light-weighted Yarns for summer wear and warm climates, and are woven of PURE WOOL ONLY. Patterns either for ladies' wear commencing at 1/3½, and gentlemen's suits and boys' hard wear, from 3/6 the yard, in 54 inches, as also of fine wool unshrinkable flannels, are sent upon application, stating either for ladies' or gentlemen's wear, to the factors, who cut any length, & pay carriage on all parcels to London, whence they are cheaply distributed throughout the world.

1000 PATTERNS of NEW SILKS or Dress Goods post free. SILKS from 1 to 20 Gs. Fancy Dresses 7/6 to 5 Gs. *Trade Mark.* Write to D. NICHOLSON & Co., 50 to 53, St. Paul's Church Yard, London, E.C. Established 1843.

WALTER TRUEFITT'S, 1, New Bond Street, London. Hair in all the newest styles as worn in London and Paris. Black, Brown and Golden Dyes. Kalotrikos the best dressing for the Hair, Athenian Water strengthens it. Sempervivens is the best Restorer. Gentlemen's Hats for India, &c. Best Articles at moderate prices.

BERLIN WOOL and GERMAN NEEDLEWORK IMPORTED DIRECT BY M. LEADER, 9, New Inn Yard, Shoreditch, LONDON, E.C.

PERFORATED CARDBOARD, CANVAS, FILOSELLE, &c. Price Lists post free.

WALKER'S CRYSTAL CASE WATCHES are superseding all others. Prize Medals, London, 1862, Paris, 1867. *Silver* from £3 3s. *Gold* from £6 6s. 77, Cornhill, E.C. 230, Regent-st., W. & 76, Strand, W.C. Descriptive Pamphlet free.

THE ALLIANCE SOCIETY, 51, MOORGATE STREET, LONDON, E.C. INVESTORS 5 PER CENT. & TONTINE BONUSES. | LOANS FOR 20 YEARS. BY DRAWINGS AND TENDERS. Prospectus, &c., on application to the Secretary. AGENTS WANTED.

MILNER'S SAFES, Best and Cheapest SAFEGUARD against FIRE and THIEVES. Phœnix Safe Works, Liverpool.

D'ARCY'S DUBLIN STOUT. Guaranteed to be brewed from MALT AND HOPS ONLY. ANCHOR BREWERY, DUBLIN. (Largest Brewery in Ireland but one).

ASBESTOS ENGINE PACKING, and MILLBOARD STEAM JOINTING, are practically INDESTRUCTIBLE. Price List and all Particulars from THE PATENT ASBESTOS MANUFACTURE CO., LIMITED, 31, ST. VINCENT PLACE GLASGOW. And 10, MARSDEN STREET, MANCHESTER.

SIR W. A. ROSE & CO.'S LIGHTHOUSE COLZA OIL. HARP BRAND. Merchants & Refiners of all kinds of Burning & Lubricating Oils PRICE LIST FREE ON APPLICATION. Offices, 66, Upper Thames Street, London, E.C.

ROWATT'S PATENT Without Smoke,
SPLIT WICK Without Smell,
ANUCAPNIC LAMPS. Without Chimney.
ROWATT & SONS, Edinburgh & London.

A SAFE, BRILLIANT, AND ECONOMICAL LIGHT.

IN CONTRAST to the numerous and fatal accidents which arise from the use of Petroleum, YOUNG'S PARAFFIN OIL has been extensively burned IN ALL CLIMATES for TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS without a SINGLE ACCIDENT. ITS FLASH POINT is invariably 30 DEGREES Fahrenheit ABOVE the British Government's standard of Safety, whereby all COST, TROUBLE, and DANGER in regard to a License for its storage or sale are entirely avoided. Being richer in Carbon than any other description of burning Oil, it is unequalled as an ILLUMINANT, giving both a VIGOROUS and a BEAUTIFUL FLAME. Considering its PRICE, & that it BURNS LONGER by THIRTEEN PER CENT. than American Petroleum, it is unquestionably the most economical light known.

YOUNG'S PARAFFIN OIL is thus distinguished for SAFETY, BRILLIANCY and ECONOMY.

SUMMARY

Of a series of experiments made by Dr. STEVENSON MACADAM, F.R.S.E., F.C.S., in reference to the Photogenic power of various illuminating agents:

TABLE I.

Shewing the quantities of different illuminating materials necessary to produce the same amount of light.

Young's Paraffin Oil, burned with 1½ in. Radiant Burner 1 gal.
American Petroleum, do. 1½ in. do. 1·22 do.
Refined Colza Oil, do. 1 in. Argand do. 1·88 do.
London Gas of 16 Candle Power, - - 503 cubic feet.

TABLE II.

Assuming that Young's Paraffin Oil and American Petroleum are each valued at 1s. per gallon, Colza Oil at 2s. 6d. per gallon, and London Gas at 3s. 6d. per 1000 feet, then to produce a light of 22 Standard Candles—
1d. worth of Young's Paraffin Oil will burn 6 hours.
1d. do. American Petroleum do. 5 hours.
1d. do. Refined Colza Oil do. 1 hour.
1d. do. London Gas do. 3½ hours.

YOUNG'S PARAFFIN LIGHT AND MINERAL OIL COMPANY (Limited).

WHOLESALE BRANCHES:—

ABERDEEN, DUNDEE, LONDON,
BELFAST, EDINBURGH, MANCHESTER,
BRISTOL, GLASGOW, NEWCASTLE,
DUBLIN, HULL, PARIS.

Where the Company's High Test Burning Oils and other products can be obtained.

Communications may be addressed to the Company at each of their Branches, as above; or to JOHN FYFE, General Manager.
13, DUNDAS STREET, GLASGOW.

UTILITY!! LUXURY! ECONOMY!!

GENERAL HUTCHINSON'S Patent CAFETIERES and COFFEE URNS. UTILITY:—The most simple and efficient Coffee Makers yet invented. Prices within the reach of all classes. LUXURY: Always perfectly clear, and possessing the full aroma and pungent properties of the berry. ECONOMY: Perfect infusion, and the liquid may be served even to the last drop pure and bright. Sole Manufacturers (Wholesale only) Henry Loveridge & Co., Wolverhampton. Illustrations and prices free on application to any FURNISHING IRONMONGER IN TOWN OR COUNTRY.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—As Samples only In order to introduce our Goods to the Public on receipt of P.O.O. for 5/-, we will forward to any address, as SAMPLES, 12 TABLE KNIVES, 12 TABLE FORKS, 1 Pair Carvers to Match. Warranted Genuine Sheffield Cutlery. *Agents Wanted* THOMAS WARD, 22, Elliott Road, Steelbank SHEFFIELD

CIGARS at Trade prices for Cash, Cheapness & quality (No Travellers). S. STAMPFER, Wholesale Cigar Merchant, 31, Camomile St., London. Price List post free

PONY PHÆTONS, VILLAGE DOG-CARTS, STANHOPES, WAGGONETTES, PARISIENNES, &c. Having made the above our *Specialite* for 25 years, we are enabled to supply them of unequalled quality at most moderate prices, all fully warranted. Our sheet of 60 Drawings 6 stamps. J. & W. BIDDLECOMBE, 118, Euston Road, London, N.W.

THE RELIANCE FUND ASSOCIATION (Limited), Imperial Chambers, Dale Street, LIVERPOOL. CERTIFICATE FUNDS.—Subscriptions 5/- per month, entitles the Holder to £100 by Tender, or free of Interest by Ballot for 20 years. Interest 5 per cent. &c. on Subscriptions. INFLUENTIAL AGENTS REQUIRED. Prospectuses, &c., on Application to the Managing Director.

THE TRANSVAAL.

A FEW choice, well-watered Surveyed FARMS still on hand at 1s. 4d. to 4s. per Acre. Eight Farms at 10d. per Acre. Ten Farms at 11d. per Acre. A few Farms to be Sold in exchange for Manchester or Birmingham Goods. The Kaffir War being now practically at an end, prices will very shortly be raised. Gold, Wheat, Barley, Maize, Tobacco, Coal, and other products from this new British Colony may now be seen at our Offices.

WILLIAM ELLISON, Architect.
4, Queen Victoria Street, London, E.C.
H. C. McDONALD & Co.
116, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C.

Second Edition, with additions.

HOW to PROVE a WILL WITHOUT the AID of a LAWYER, either in Town or Country, with Hints to Executors. By THOMAS KING, Estate Agent, 272, Holloway-road, London, N. Post free of the Author, six stamps.

Post free of the Author, six stamps.

HOW to MAKE a DISTRESS for RENT. By THOS. KING, Estate Agent, 272, Holloway-road, London, N. Contents: Preliminaries—The Warrant—The Levy—What Can and What Cannot be Distrained—Inventory—Excessive Distress—Valuation and Sale—Costs—Fraudulent Removal—Replevin—Distresses for Tithes and Rates—Lodger's Goods—Execution by Sheriff—Variety of Forms, including Lodger's Declaration.

SITUATIONS IN THE CIVIL SERVICE £60 to £200 per Annum.

WHAT steps should I take to get into a Government Office? The question answered—full particulars as to Limits of Age, Qualifications required, Salaries, &c. (upwards of 50,000 Appointments have been thrown open to all comers), on application to A. B., 174, West-street, Fareham, Hants, for 12 stamps

£100 TO £200 PER ANNUM

HOW I make it easily and privately at home, without hindrance to business or ordinary occupation. Suitable to Either Sex. This is genuine, and may readily be tested. Success certain. Send 12 stamps to M. DUVAL, Box No. 7 Post-office, Titchfield, Hants.

Business Announcements.

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

STRENGTH, VIGOUR, ENERGY.

ZELODYNE.

KARL LIEBRICH'S ZELODYNE

Gives activity to the Brain, Nerves, and Heart, Brings into healthy action powers that are dormant through Physical Weakness or other causes. Zelodyne increases Mental and Physical Vitality, and is the greatest Medical Discovery yet made for

Functional Weakness and Nervous Debility.

ZELODYNE

supersedes Quinine, Iron, Phosphorus, Sarsaparilla, Iodide of Potassium, for the cure of these diseases, AND HAS NEVER FAILED.

In cases, 4s. 6d., 11s., and 33s., from KARL LIEBRICH, 25, Gower Street, Bedford Square, London, W.C.; or forwarded to any part of the world on receipt of stamps or P.O.O.

Sole Agents for London, BUTLER AND CRISP, St. Paul's Churchyard, E.C.

SPECIALITIES.

ROBERT JACKSON, "GUARDIAN" OFFICE, FRONT STREET, CONSETT,

BEGS to announce that he has made arrangements by which he can supply the following articles (all of excellent quality and workmanship) at very moderate prices, and respectfully solicits the patronage of the public generally.

JACKSON'S IMPROVED KEY AND UMBRELLA LABELS,

Which have gained for themselves so high a reputation, are invaluable to those who would avoid the trouble, delay, and expense caused by losing their keys, &c., and may be had at One Shilling each; or post free, on receipt of Twelve Stamps.

The Key Labels are made of best German Silver, with a notice engraved on one side, and on the other the name and address required. The price includes a good Key Chain with Swivel.

"FOR THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE."

CLARKE'S WORLD FAMED BLOOD MIXTURE.

Trade Mark, "Blood Mixture."

THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER AND RESTORER,

For cleansing and clearing the blood from all impurities, cannot be too highly recommended.

For Scrofula, Scurvy, Skin Diseases, and Sores of all kinds it is a never-failing and permanent cure.

It Cures old Sores.
Cures Ulcerated Sores on the Neck.
Cures Ulcerated Sore Legs.
Cures Blackheads, or pimples on the Face.
Cures Scurvy Sores.
Cures Cancerous Ulcers.
Cures Blood and Skin Diseases.
Cures Glandular Swellings.
Clears the Blood from all impure matter,
From whatever cause arising.

As this mixture is pleasant to the taste and warranted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution for either sex, the Proprietor solicits sufferers to give it a trial to test its value.

Thousands of Testimonials from all parts.

Sold in bottles, 2s. 6d. each, and in Cases containing six times the quantity, 11s. each—sufficient to effect a permanent cure in the great majority of long standing cases—by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the United Kingdom and the World, or sent to any address on receipt of 30 or 132 stamps by

F. J. CLARKE, Chemist, High Street, Lincoln.
Wholesale: All Patent Medicine Houses.

Agents for Consett:—Messrs. D. IMRIE and J. W. SCAIFE, Chemists, Front Street, and E. Routledge, Chemist, Shakespere Street. 604c

£50,000 READY to be advanced by the NATIONAL DEPOSIT BANK 16 and 17, Russell Street, Covent Garden, London, in sums from £20 to £2,000 for short or long periods, to Clergymen, private Householders, Farmers, Graziers, Clerks, Lodging-house Keepers, and Tradesmen, upon their own security, without any kind of sureties. The strictest privacy guaranteed. If desired a gentleman direct from the Bank will call upon any responsible applicant in England or Wales and advance the amount applied for. Borrowers can also call or receive the money through the post. Genuine proposals immediately attended to.—Prospectus, Balance Sheet, and Press Opinions forwarded.

A. S. COCHRANE, Manager.

NATIONAL DEPOSIT BANK, 16 & 17, RUSSELL ST., COVENT GARDEN, LONDON.

The Manager has much pleasure in submitting the Profit and Loss Account, ending December 31st, 1877, and in stating that, notwithstanding the great depression which has prevailed during the past year in almost every department of commercial enterprise, and which induced the Bank to reserve in hand a larger amount of unemployed capital than appeared absolutely necessary, the Manager and his Surveyors succeeded in completing (exclusive of Loans upon Promissory Notes) 1,112 Advances of a permanent character (the borrowers residing in all parts of England and Wales), upon Mortgage of Furniture, Stock, Farm Produce, House Property, and Deposit of Collateral Security extending over various periods, not exceeding ten years, upon which the gross Profit amounted to the sum of £25,815 14s. 5d. These figures will prove at once the magnitude of the business transacted, and the number of persons benefited thereby, and will stand forth as a gratifying proof of the popularity and stability of the Bank, at the same time assuring Depositors that their money is safely invested.

Trade and Profit and Loss Account for the Year ending Dec. 31 1877.

DR.	£	s.	d.
To Trade Expenses, including Law Costs, Salaries, Postages, Rent, Stationery and general Office Disbursements ...	3,238	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

We certify that we have compared the foregoing figures with the Books of the National Deposit Bank, and find them correct.

CAPE & HARRIS, *Accountants,*
January 4th, 1878. 8, Old Jewry, E.C.

Deposits received at the following Rates of Interest:—£5 per cent. subject to Seven Days' Notice; £6 per cent. subject to One Month's Notice. Interest paid Quarterly.

ALEXANDER SARJANT COCHRANE, *Manager & Banker.*

Business Announcements.

BUSINESS. By JAMES PLATT, Author of "Morality." Just published, eighth edition, revised. 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, and 50th thousand. Crown 8vo. 208 pages, cloth limp, price 1s. Contents:—Health, Education, Observation, Industry, Perseverance, Arrangement, Punctuality, Calculation, Prudence, Tact, Truthfulness, Integrity, Money and what to do with it.

SIMPKIN, MARSHALL & CO., Stationers' Hall-court.

REVIEWS of BUSINESS, in pamphlet of 32 pages crown octavo, may be had free at 77, St. Martin's-lane.

MR. PLATT takes leave respectfully to suggest "BUSINESS" might be given with advantage by principals of large establishments to their employes.

BUSINESS, 8th edition, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th thousand.

MORALITY, 3rd Edition, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th thousand.

MORALITY.—Just published, the third edition (11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th thousand) of MORALITY. How to check and eradicate the immoral customs, commissions, &c., now so prevalent in every trade and profession, being essentially the subject of our time. Mr. Platt has had printed the critical notices of Morality, filling 48 pages demy 8vo, and will send the same free to any one who takes an interest in the subject. The thoughtful reader will observe how often comments on part of an argument may involve a grave misrepresentation of the whole (see Mr. Platt's replies, pages 2, 11, 14, 29, 30, 43, 48), and the importance of being able to think for one's self will be apparent from a study of these notices, wherein the subject has been so diversely interpreted, according to what has seemed right to each reviewer from his point of view, while the different opinions of intelligent critics cannot fail to be interesting to all those who are anxious to elevate mankind above the meannesses, hypocricies, and dishonesties too general in the year 1878.

BUSINESS or MORALITY.—Mr. Platt, 77, St. Martin's-lane, W.C., will send for one shilling, post free, a copy of either "Business" or "Morality."

WHISKERS AND MOUSTACHIOS.

MORRISON'S CATHERIDA.—Guaranteed to produce a luxuriant Head of Hair, Whiskers, or Moustachios in a few weeks. Harmless to the Skin. Failure impossible. Sent free from observation to any address, 13 stamps. G. Morrison, Prospect-place, Old Radford, Nottingham.

HEALTH, TONE, AND VIGOUR.

THE LATE



FOR STRENGTHENING THE NERVES, AND PURIFYING THE BLOOD.

Patronised by some of the Highest of the Nobility.

This preparation is pronounced by the most eminent members of the Medical Profession to be unequalled for its power in replenishing the vitality of the body, by its supplying all the essential constituents of the blood and nerve substance, and for developing all the powers and functions of the system to the highest degree.

It is agreeable to the palate, and innocent in its action while retaining all its extraordinary properties; and as a specific, surpassing all the known therapeutic agents of the day for the speedy and Permanent Cure of—

Nervous prostration,	Trembling of the hands and limbs,
Liver complaints,	Impaired digestion,
Palpitation of the heart,	Mental and physical depression,
Dizziness,	
Noises in the head and ears,	Consumption (in its first stages only),
Loss of energy and appetite,	
Hypochondria,	Impaired sight and memory,
General debility,	Nervous fancies,
Indigestion,	Impoverished blood,
Incapacity for study or business,	Nervous debility in all its stages,
Lassitude,	
Shortness of breath,	Premature decline.

and all morbid conditions of the system arising from whatever cause. The action of the *Vital Restorative* is two-fold—on the one hand increasing the principle which constitutes nervous energy, and on the other the most powerful blood and flesh generating agent known; therefore, a marvellous medicine for renovating impaired and broken-down constitutions. It quickly improves the function of assimilation, to such a degree that, where for years an emaciated, anxious, cadaverous and semi-vital condition has existed, the flesh will rapidly increase in quantity and firmness, and the whole system return to a robust state of health.

The *Vital Restorative* acts electrically upon the organization; for instance, it assists nature to generate that human electricity which renews and rebuilds the osseous, muscular, nervous membranous and organic systems. It operates on the system without exciting care or thought upon the individual as to the process. It moves the lungs, liver, heart, kidneys, stomach and intestines, with a harmony, vigour, yet mildness, unparalleled in medicine.

This *Vital Restorative* gives back to the human structure, in a suitable form, the phosphoric or animating element of life which has been wasted, and exerts an important influence directly on the spinal marrow and nervous system, of a nutritive tonic, and invigorating character, maintaining that buoyant energy of the brain and muscular system which renders the mind cheerful, brilliant and energetic, entirely overcoming that dull, inactive and sluggish disposition, which many persons experience in all their actions.

The beneficial effects of the *Restorative* are frequently shown from the first day of its administration, by a remarkable increase of nervous power, with a feeling of vigour and comfort to which the patient has long been unaccustomed. Digestion is improved; the appetite increases wonderfully; the bowels become regular; the eyes brighter; the skin clear and healthy; and the hair acquires strength, showing the importance of the action of the Restorative on the organs of nutrition.

Finally, the *Vital Restorative* maintains a certain degree of activity in the previously debilitated nervous system; its use enables all debilitated organs to return to their sound state and perform their natural functions. Persons suffering from Nervous Debility, or any of the hundred symptoms which this distressing disease assumes, may rest assured of an effectual and even speedy cure by the judicious use of this most invaluable remedy.

This medicine is extensively used in the Army, and is also in very general use in Hospitals and Public Sanitary Institutions throughout the land, as well as in private practice, and is considered as an invaluable remedy.

Beware of Spurious Imitations in the form of Pills.

Ask for "Sir Astley Cooper's VITAL RESTORATIVE."

Do not let the Chemist persuade you to take any other. The argument of larger bottles and less price is put forward.

It is QUALITY the afflicted require, not *quantity.*

Sold by G. FRENCH, CHEMIST, 293, HIGH ST., CHATHAM, and all Chemists, at 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., 11s., and 22s. per bottle; or sent on receipt of price by

HILTON & Co., 9, LOWER BELGRAVE STREET, LONDON. *Particulars Free.*

CAUTION.—*See that the words,* "SIR A. COOPER'S VITAL RESTORATIVE" *are blown on each bottle, and that our Trade Mark, as above, is on the label, without which none can be Genuine.*

WHOLESALE AGENTS.

Barclay and Sons; S. Maw, Son, and Thompson; Sanger and Sons; Newbery and Sons; Butler and Crispe; Mather; Edwards; Burgoyne, Burbidges and Co.; Tidman and Sons; Barron, Harveys and Co.; Millard and Son; Sutton and Co.; Hovendon and Sons; Evans and Lescher; Cleaver, &c., &c., and all the Wholesale Houses throughout the World.

From the *Monthly Magazine of Pharmacy, Chemistry, &c.*, February 1st, 1877.

Messrs. HILTON & Co. are manufacturing two very useful articles, one being a medicated voltaic electric perforated plaister, the other "Sir Astley Cooper's Vital Restorative," a capital tonic and nerve invigorator. This last is carefully prepared from a recipe written by the late Sir Astley Cooper, and is most effective in its action.

Testimonials, the originals of which can be seen at the office of Messrs. Hilton and Co.:—

168, Holland-road, Kensington, W., 5th April, 1877.

Messrs. E. Hilton & Co.

Sirs,—I have been using your "Sir Astley Cooper's Vital Restorative" for some time past, and with the greatest benefit to my health, it has done me more good than all the medicine I had been taking under medical advice for months before I tried it. My complaint was General Nervous Debility, caused by long residence in India, and now I find my health almost restored to what it should be.

Yours faithfully,
J. J. GRAY.

Joseph H. Doran and Son, Solicitors and Proctors, Dublin.

Dear Sir,—Send me a bottle of Sir Astley Cooper's Vital Restorative. I have found great benefit from the use of it.

I am, dear Sirs,
Truly yours,
J. H. DORAN.

To Messrs. Ephraim Hilton and Co., 9, Lower Belgrave-street, London, S.W.

IMPORTANT TO DRESSMAKERS AND OTHERS.

FOR SALE, PAPER PATTERNS of the latest styles in Costumes, Tuniques, Tabliers, Polonaises, Mantles, Jackets, Dolmans, Capes, Robes de Chambre, Children's Dresses, &c. Their cut and fit is guaranteed, of a most perfect character, and (with a due regard to *real value*) they are the cheapest in the world. Treble their cost is saved in material and trimmings, economy in cutting out being carefully considered. Agent for Consett and District—ROBERT JACKSON, *Guardian* Office Cons

PRIMITIVE Methodist Grand Demonstration, in the Spa Grounds, Shotley Bridge, on Saturday, August 31st, 1878. See Bills. 363m

KEEPING A FEROCIOUS DOG AT BURNHOPE.

Yesterday (Thursday), Thomas Crawford, viewer at Burnhope Colliery, was summoned before the Lanchester magistrates for keeping a ferocious dog. Complainant, Elizabeth Lockford, is a hawker, and on the 3rd August went to Mr. Crawford's house with her goods. She went to the back door, and was asked to go into the kitchen by a servant, who purchased several articles. As she was leaving the house, and in crossing the yard, a dog sprang at her and bit her on the hand. It first sprang at her neck. An old gentleman came and sprang at her neck. An old gentleman came and took the dog off her, and as he was taking the animal across the yard it broke away from him and made a second attack on her, biting her on the leg.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Kearney): Did the dog wound you?—Complainant: Yes, both my hand and leg were bleeding. It also tore the shawl off my back.

The CHAIRMAN (to defendant): Do you wish to ask the woman any questions?

Mr. Crawford: I have two witnesses. I was not present. I ordered her out.

The Clerk (Mr. Watson): You must have been present, if you put the woman out.—(Laughter.)

Complainant: After the dog bit me, the little girl said her mamma wanted me.

Mr. Crawford: That is a downright falsehood.

The Clerk: You must not use that sort of language here, sir. That is not the language to use in a court.

Complainant: I afterwards saw Mr Crawford at the front door, and asked him if he belonged to the dog, and he said yes. He told me to go out of the place, or he would bring the dog to me again.

Mr. Crawford: What a falsehood!

The Clerk: You must not use language of that sort. It may be the sort of language you use in the colliery district where you come from, but you will not be allowed to use it here. You must conduct yourself properly.

The CHAIRMAN (to complainant): Was the dog chained up when it first attacked you?—Complainant: It was loose in the kennel.

The CHAIRMAN: Did you see a chain round its neck?—Complainant: There was a collar, but no chain. As I went in, there was a barrel against the kennel door, but it was not there when I left the kitchen.

Anthony Corney, an old man, in Mr. Crawford's service, was called, and said he never saw the dog touch the woman. He took the dog away.

The CHAIRMAN: Did you take the dog off the woman's neck?—Witness: No; I never saw the dog interfere with her, but I heard her scream.

The CHAIRMAN: You don't seem to have seen the first of it.—Witness: I never heard anything at all. The chain was never off the dog's neck.

Mr. DE PLEDGE: You said you took the dog away.—Witness: Yes. Mr. Crawford came, after going away, came back again, and stood at the corner of the house, and the dog began to be noisy. I said "for goodness sake, leave the dog in the yard, and don't annoy the dog." She then turned round and called me all the —— she could.

The Clerk: Was her hand bleeding?—Witness: I did not see it.—The Clerk: Did you see that her shawl was torn?—Witness: She never said a word about it in the yard.

The CHAIRMAN: Your idea is that this woman has come here and made this story up?—Witness: I don't believe, but it is a fact.—The CHAIRMAN: You may sit down.

Henry Moses, a mason, said he was in Mr. Crawford's yard on the day in question, and saw the complainant pass the dog and go into the kitchen. The dog was then chained up. As she came out again, the dog came out of the kennel and drew the staple away.

The Clerk: You mean that the dog broke away?—The Clerk: No; he broke the staple away. This woman carries a box, and she took it to frighten the dog away, and in doing so hit her hand against the wall.

The Clerk: Did you see her shawl torn?—Witness: I did not see it at all.—The Clerk: Did you see that her hand was bleeding?—Witness: Yes.—The Clerk: The other man said it was not bleeding.—Witness: There was no man there but myself.—The Clerk: The other witness said he was there.—Witness: He came after it was all over.

P.C. Hawley, of Burnhope Colliery, said the complainant went to his house and complained to his wife about Mr. Crawford's dog hitting her. She let his wife see her hand, which was bleeding.

The summons she had marks on her leg and hand.

Mr. CLAVERING (who had been sitting in the second court) was here sent for, and said at the time complainant took out the summons there were a couple of wounds (apparently teeth marks) on her hand.

Mr. Crawford, in defence, said he had had the dog eleven years, and it was the first time a complaint had been made about it. The animal was constantly chained up, excepting when he was out with him. His children played with the dog, which had no teeth in his mouth, and could not, therefore, bite.

The CHAIRMAN: We have unanimously come to the conclusion that this woman is telling the truth, and that her version of what took place is the correct one. Her story is corroborated by the fact that at the time she applied for the summons her hand was marked as if it had been bitten. We think the dog dangerous, and you must keep it under control or destroy it.

Mr. Crawford: What better control can I put it under than by keeping it chained up?

The CHAIRMAN: If the staple comes out, the dog cannot be secure.

Mr. Crawford paid the expenses and left the court.

ALLEGED HIGHWAY ROBBERY NEAR EBCHESTER.

Joseph Fenwick, a miner living at Croniwell, was yesterday brought before the Lanchester magistrates to answer a charge of attempted robbery with violence. Mr. Dickinson prosecuted, and Mr. H. J. Marshall defended.

Joseph Fenwick, the complainant, said he was manager at the steel works at Derwent Cote. On Saturday night last he was at Ebchester, which place he left at ten o'clock. He was then quite sober. His brother (William Frederick Winter), Robert Broadwood, and William Cousins were with him. When about half-a-mile from Ebchester, the other men stopped behind, complainant proceeding along the road alone. After getting about one hundred yards from them, a man sprung out of the hedge and struck him on the right temple with his fist. He then took him (complainant) by the neck and they both fell to the ground. When down, prisoner, who had still hold of his neck, put his knee on his chest. Complainant threw him off his chest, but prisoner retained his hold of his neck. Prisoner then tore away his scarf and pin. Both of them got up, and complainant saw prisoner put the tie and pin into his coat pocket. A man named Joseph Hawdon was then standing in the middle of the road. Prisoner ran round on the road, and complainant asked him for the pin and scarf. Prisoner replied, "I will pin you, you ——." Immediately after, two men named John McAllum and John Simpson, and his brother came up. Prisoner refused to give up the tie and pin, and complainant told him if he did not do so he would go back to Ebchester and inform the police man. Complainant and his brother then returned to Ebchester, but did not find a policeman. Prisoner and the other men were left standing on the road. It was a dark night.

Cross-examined by Mr. MARSHALL: I was at the Black Horse public-house, Ebchester, that night about seven o'clock. Prisoner and Hawdon came in together. I remained in the inn till about ten o'clock. Letchford, in a hawker, and Simpson were not standing on the road. The place where prisoner came out is near to where stones for repairing the road is deposited. That is on the left hand side in going from Ebchester to Croniwell. When on the ground about seven men came up—that is from the beginning to the end of it. When we couldn't find the policeman at Ebchester we went home. On Sunday, about one o'clock, the prisoner and two policemen came to my house. The prisoner said he had not got my pin, and did not intend to badly use me. I said he had got the pin. Prisoner was handcuffed when he was brought to my house.

Re-examined by Mr. DICKINSON: I saw no man come out of the hedge except the prisoner.

William Frederick Winter deposed: I reside at Derwent Cote, and am clerk at the steel works. On the night of Saturday, the 24th August, I was at Ebchester with my brother, the complainant. We left Ebchester about ten o'clock. Cousins and Broadwood left with us. We walked along the road nearly half-a-mile from Ebchester, when we stopped. My brother walked on and got fifty or a hundred yards before us. When we got up to my brother he was on the ground with the prisoner. They got up, and my brother then accused prisoner of having taken his scarf and pin. Prisoner said "I will pin you, you ——." My brother said if he didn't return it, he would go and inform the police. McAllum and another man came up at that time from the direction of Ebchester. McAllum asked my brother what was the matter, and he replied that prisoner had kicked him down, throttled him, and taken his scarf and pin from him. McAllum asked Fenwick why he had badly used the man, and he replied that McAllum had nothing to with it. McAllum then struck the prisoner, who was knocked down. Prisoner got up and walked away towards home, Hawdon going along with him, but I cannot say if any other person accompanied him.

Cross-examined by Mr. MARSHALL: It was a mild night, and "darkish." I never heard my brother cry out. Hawdon was close by when I got up. I was perfectly sober.

Thomas Muldhem, of Milkwell Barn, miner, said: On Saturday night I was going along the Newcastle turnpike and heard a disturbance on the road. When I went up, Winter was charging Fenwick with taking his pin and scarf. I turned round to Fenwick, and asked him why he had been ill-using the prosecutor. Fenwick said, "You have nothing to do with it." He turned round and struck Fenwick with my fist and knocked him down. Fenwick got up and went away, and I saw no more of him.

Cross-examined by Mr. MARSHALL: I was in the public-house at Ebchester with John Simpson.

William McCalin, of Westwood, said on Sunday morning he found the pin and scarf on the side of the road about half-a-mile from Ebchester. He gave it to P.C. White.

Frederick White, police-constable, produced the scarf and pin, and the clothes worn by Winter on the night in question. He apprehended Fenwick, and on taking him to Winter's house, the latter identified him as the man who had attacked him. On charging prisoner with robbing and assaulting Winter, he replied that he didn't steal the pin, and could not remember assaulting him, as he was drunk at the time.

The CHAIRMAN, without calling on Mr. Marshall to reply to the charge, said they could not convict on the evidence, and the case would therefore be dismissed.

Mr. DICKINSON then took out a summons against Fenwick for a common assault, to which defendant pleaded guilty. It was necessary, he said, that the lives and property of the public should be protected.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Fawcett) regretted that offences against the person were not dealt with in the same severe way that cases of larceny were. The sentence of the court was that Fenwick be imprisoned for a couple of months.

BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

The usual monthly meeting of the members of the above Board was held on Wednesday afternoon sen. There were present—Messrs. John Annandale (president), Joshua Lax, Wm. Lax, Robert Marshall, Wm. Wheatley, Chas. Wilson, Mr. Cars and Jos. Eltringham.

LOUGH'S PROPERTY AT CUTLERS' HALL.

The Sanitary Committee reported that they had visited Mr. Lough's property at Cutlers' Hall, and found only one privy for seven families. The roof of the privy was rotten in a very bad condition. The houses were not spouted, and from this and other causes the foundations were damp. One of the sinks in the yard, being above the channel, did not take the water away. They recommended the erection of two extra privies, that the roofs be repaired, the houses spouted, and the sinks lowered and trapped.

Mr. CHAS. WISON proposed and Mr. WHEATLEY seconded the adoption of the report. The motion was carried, Mr. Cars being the only dissentient.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The auditor's report was read, and ordered to be inserted in the *Guardian*.

THE LEADGATE ACTION AGAINST THE IRON COMPANY.

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Leadgate Local Board, in which the Clerk said the Board had been advised that they could not legally make any contribution to the costs of the action by Benfieldside Board against the Consett Iron Company.

FLAGGING.

The Surveyor (Mr. Heslop) reported that the flagging had been completed at Shotley Bridge, but the expenses had not been paid. The consideration of further action by the Board was postponed till next meeting.

STREET IMPROVEMENT AT BLACKHILL.

Mr. CARS proposed, and Mr. LAX seconded, that the Surveyor be instructed to advertise for tenders for kerbing and channelling, and metalling of the portion of the street abutting Sir Thomas Tancred's property in No. 1 Cross Street, and lay the same before the next meeting of the Board.—Carried.

MAP OF THE DISTRICT.

On the motion of Mr. LAX, seconded by Mr. JOS. ELTRINGHAM, the Clerk was instructed to procure an extract from the map of the Lanchester Common award, showing the Benfieldside Local Board district.

MR. TURNER'S DRAINAGE

Mr. WM. WILSON proposed, and Mr. MARSHALL seconded, that Mr. Turner's drainage be examined by Mr. Chas. Wilson, Mr. John Annandale, Mr. Jos. Eltringham, and Mr. Lax, and that they present a report at the next meeting.—Carried.

PRIMITIVE Methodist Grand Demonstration, in the Spa Grounds, Shotley Bridge, on Saturday, August 31st, 1878. See Bills. 363m

PRIMITIVE Methodist Grand Demonstration, in the Spa Grounds, Shotley Bridge, on Saturday, August 31st, 1878. See Bills. 633m

GAS.

On the motion of Mr. CHAS. WILSON, seconded by Mr. WM. WHEATLEY, the seal of the Board was affixed to the GAS Company's agreement.

LAMPS.

The Surveyor was instructed to examine the lamps recently given out by the Gas Company, and have such as have broken glass repaired, a proper account of the same being kept.

A DANGEROUS FOOTPATH.

The fence abutting Mr. Friend's property in Front Street, Shotley Bridge, having become dilapidated, the Surveyor was instructed to serve notice on the owner to repair the same.

THE OLD FOOTPATH.

Mr. CARSS proposed, and Mr. LAX seconded, that the Surveyor be instructed to open out a four foot road through the ancient footroad from Benfieldside to Durham Road, where proper turnstiles have not been erected.—Carried.

NEW RATE.

The Finance Committee's estimate for 1s. in the pound on houses and 3d. in the pound on land was adopted.

THE BOARD'S SERVANTS.

Mr. CARSS, in pursuance of notice, moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. CHAS. WILSON:—"That notice be given to Mr. John Heslop, surveyor to the Board, that his services will be required after the expiration of three months; also to Mr. Pattinson Osborne, inspector of nuisances, that his services will not be required after the expiration of three months; and also to Mr. Thomas Wilson, collector, that his services will not be required after the expiration of three months; and that the Clerk to the Board be instructed to advertise in the *Consett Guardian* for a person to execute the office of surveyor, inspector, and collector, at a salary of £100 per annum.—Carried unanimously.

THE FATAL FIGHT AT BURNHOPE.

John McCormick, miner, was yesterday brought before the Lanchester magistrates on a charge of killing and slaying Robert Chantry, at Burnhope, on the night of the 16th August. Evidence having been given, the Chairman said it was not an aggravated case, in sending McCormick for trial they were willing to accept bail if he could get two sureties in £20 each.

TRANSMISSION OF SOUND.

Professor Hughes has made the wonderful discovery that some bodies are sensitive to sound as selenium is sensitive to light. Such a body, he placed in the circuit of a small battery, will be so affected by the sonorous vibrations when spoken to as to replace entirely the transmitter of a Bell telephone. Conversation, music, and all the sounds transmitted by an ordinary telephone are easily reproduced. A watch with the finger-nail, or a touch with the soft part of a feather, is distinctly transmitted. The sonorous vibrations produce strains in the conductor, which cause variations in the resistance of the circuit, and thereby produce similar variations in a current flowing through that conductor.

DANCING.

Dancing is one of the oldest of recreations. Homer speaks of a new dance invented by Daedalus for Ariadne; Theseus was immoderately fond of the reel or farandjum in which the arms move with the legs. The Normans revived rather than invented round dances in the twelfth century; the Bohemians invented the redowa; Strauss the polka, first danced in England in 1840: the Hungarians the mazurka and galop. The cotillon owes its origin to the court of Louis Quinze, who, for his audacity in contracting a clandestine marriage with Madame de Maintenon, was imprisoned for ten years by Louis XIV. To this now popular and long-winded dance many figures were added by Marie Antoinette, and some more by the Empress Eugenie.

Local and District News.

EDN.—At Esh Colliery, on Monday evening last, the Rev. Dr. Lee lectured upon "Tynemouth Castle and Priory." The lecture was delivered in the Mission School Church to the temperance class, and was much appreciated.

WHICKHAM YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTE.—In connection with the above, a public pic-nic was held on Saturday last, in the Rev. R. H. Williamson's field, kindly lent for the purpose. Although the weather was threatening, a large company gathered together, and were favoured with fair weather during the course of the proceedings. Prizes were given for kite flying, foot racing, quoits, and other games. The Marley Hill Brass Band was in attendance, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

CONSETT FLOWER SHOW.—We beg to remind our readers that the above show will take place next Wednesday. The entries in the various classes are numerous, and with fine weather this year's exhibition will eclipse anything of the kind hitherto attempted at Consett. The committee have arranged for a band contest, which will doubtless be one of the chief attractions of the show. To-morrow (Saturday) shows will be held at Medomsley and Kyo.

ACCIDENT ASSURANCE.—As a testimony to the benefits derivable from securing your life in the "Ocean, Railway and General Accident Assurance Company," we are requested by Mr. Philip Benison, of the Victoria Hotel, that is insured in the company's office, to state that on the 7th July last he sustained an injury to his foot, from a fall of stone during some alterations to his house, in consequence of which he was disabled for five weeks, as compensation for which Mr. Adam Brodie, of the Town Hall, Consett, the resident agent, has handed him the sum of £25.

ACCIDENT AT CONSETT.—On Saturday night, a lad named Jones, living in Delves Lane, was thrown from a horse in Sherburn Terrace, and received severe injuries. The horse on which the lad was riding took fright at a passing conveyance, and bolted down the terrace. On getting near Mr. Shell's house it fell, and the lad Jones was thrown heavily. He was taken into Mr. Shell's house, and on being attended by a doctor it was found that one of his arms was broken. He was subsequently removed to the Infirmary.

VOLUNTEER SOIREE AT WEST PELTON.—The members of the 10th Durham Rifle Volunteers held their annual soiree in aid of the prize fund of the corps on Thursday sen. The weather on the occasion was all that could be desired, and the affair proved a complete success. The soiree was held in a field at Pit Hill, the use of which was kindly placed at the disposal of the corps by Mr. Joseph Young, and being in a central position as regards the various villages from whence the chief support of the *fete* was to be expected, was well adapted for the purpose.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Shotley Bridge branch of this society was held in the Temperance Hall, Shotley Bridge, on Friday evening last. The Rev. W. H. Milward occupied the chair, and an interesting account of the society's operations was given by Mr. G. Edwards, who attended as a deputation from the parent society. The meeting was also addressed by the Rev. B. Moody and the chairman. The usual collection was taken in aid of the society, and votes of thanks were given to the speakers and the chairman.

PRIMITIVE Methodist Grand Demonstration in the Spa Grounds, Shotley Bridge, on Saturday, August 31st, 1878. See Bills. 363m

TRIPLE BIRTH AT STOCKTON.—On the 21st inst. the wife of Mr. Joseph While, residing at No. 2, Hume Street, Stockton, was safely delivered of three children—boys. The mother and children are alive and well. Mrs. While being a member of the Methodist Church, the resident Wesleyan minister, the Rev. W. Gibson, made application to the Queen for Her Majesty's usual bounty in such cases. On Wednesday morning Mr. Gibson received a letter from General the Right Hon. Sir T. M. Biddulph, enclosing, by command of Her Majesty, a post-office order for £3.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AT CONSETT.—At an early hour on Monday morning, a man named Edward Owens, sixty-one years of age, a shoemaker, residing in Harvey Street, attempted to take his life by cutting his throat. He succeeded in inflicting a frightful gash across the throat, but fortunately the main arteries were not reached, the wound passing immediately under the chin. Dr. Rowland, of Consett, and Dr. Richards, Blackhill, attended Owens the same morning, and stitched up the wound. Owens had been in a desponding state for some weeks, consequent, it is supposed, on the dulness of trade.

INQUEST AT EAST CASTLE.—On Friday afternoon last, Mr. Governer Graham held an inquest at the East Castle Colliery office, on the body of a man named Thomas Bellerby, aged thirty-five years, who was killed on the previous Wednesday. Deceased was employed as horse-driver at the colliery. Between four and five o'clock on Wednesday afternoon he was leading timber down the steep bank near Old Bantling Row. Some of the timber seems to have struck the shaft horse, and caused it to run away. Bellerby was run over, one of the wheels of the cart having gone over his head. A verdict of "Accidental Death" was returned.

LEADGATE LOCAL BOARD.—At a meeting of the above Board on Wednesday afternoon, a letter was read from the North Eastern Railway Company stating that the proposed improvement at Redwell Hills Crossing would entail an expenditure of £500, and asking the Board if they were prepared to bear any portion of the cost. In the discussion which followed, the members said they did not wish to put the company to unnecessary expense, but it was absolutely necessary that something should be done to make the crossing safe to the public. With regard to the suggestion that the Board should bear a portion of the cost, this proposal could not be entertained, and the clerk was instructed to send an answer to the Company to that effect. The other business was unimportant.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE DERWENT MINES, BLANCHLAND.—On Tuesday afternoon sen., a sad accident occurred at the Derwent mine, near Blanchland, by which a young man named Robert Elliot, residing at Low Whiteheaps, lost his life. It appeared that three other miners, named respectively Elliot Jameson, John Wilkinson, and John Robinson, worked with the deceased in a part of the mine known as the bottom level of Jeffrey's shaft. Being on the back shift, they only proceeded to their work about two o'clock in the afternoon, and on arriving they immediately saw that one of the props supporting the "bunning" appeared somewhat bent. Before it could be repaired the roof, consisting of a heavy quantity of stone, fell down on the unfortunate man Elliot, killing him on the spot. About twenty minutes elapsed before the body could be extricated, life being quite extinct. The unfortunate young man was only 24 years of age, and has left a widow near her confinement.

CONSETT POLICE COURT.—At this Court, on Monday, Hugh McGee, Peter McGrahan, Felix Ferris, and Richard Shannon were charged by P.C. Gibbons for having been drunk at Consett, the two first named on the 10th, and the others on the 24th inst.—The charges having been proved, defendants were each fined 5s. and costs.—Thomas Clark and Thomas Telford, charged by P.C. Hood with a similar offence on the 17th ult., were also ordered to pay a fine of 5s. and costs.—George Mands was charged by Sergt. Thornton with having been drunk at Consett, on the 24th inst. Fined 5s. and costs.—James Fant was charged with a similar offence at Consett, on the same date. P.C. Cameron having proved the case, defendant was fined 5s. and costs.—Henry York, who did not appear, was summoned by P.C. Turner for a similar offence on the 10th August. Fined 10s. and costs.

1ST ADMINISTRATIVE BATTALION DURHAM RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.—The inspection state of the 1st Administrative Battallion of Durham Rifle Volunteers, including all the corps as present at their inspections this year, is as follows:—7th Corps (Durham City), present at parade, 219; absent with leave, 23; total strength, 242. 11th Corps (Bearnish), present on parade, 68; absent with leave, 9; total strength, 77. 11th Corps (Chester-le-Street), present on parade, 51; absent with leave, 16; total strength, 61. 13th Corps (Birtley and Washington), present on parade, 111; absent with leave, 11; total strength, 152. 14th Corps (Felling), present on parade, 156; absent with leave, 10; absent without leave, 17; total strength, 182. Of the administrative staff 11 were present on parade, and there was one absent with leave. Altogether there were 646 present on parade, 69 absent with leave, and 17 without leave, making the total strength 726. The inspection was made on Saturday last, and here ends the monthly drill of the regiment at the determination of the inspection were most complimentary and encouraging, both to the men and their instructors.

LECTURE AT BURNHOPE.—On Tuesday evening sen., a lecture was delivered in the School-room at the above place by Mr. Jonathan Wardle, of Langley Park, subject, "Betty Allen." The meeting was opened by Mr. William Robson, of South Pontop, after which Mr. H. Greener, of the same place, took the chair, and, before introducing the lecturer, favoured the audience with a few well adapted encouraging remarks, which were listened to with profound attention. Mr. Wardle, in an able and eloquent manner, brought his heroine, Betty Allen, before the audience, and impressed on the minds of those present, and while he at times bring forth from the audience peals of laughter, he did not fail to make some serious and important ideas appear with all their significance, and we doubt not that all who attended were both pleased and very much edified. The proceeds were to go towards defraying the expenses incurred in commencing a Sabbath-school, and also the purchasing of a new harmonium, the latter being for the use of the public service, which is now held in a building (near Mr. W. Gray's) fitted up for the purpose. The Wesleyans at Burnhope, although they have been in existence but a few months, are now making arrangements for the building of a new chapel, and in order to raise funds for the same, they intend holding a bazaar about the middle of September, when it is expected that all friends of the cause in the neighbourhood will spontaneously come to their help, and endeavour to bring the scheme to a successful issue. It is evident by their existence very much depends upon their success in this enterprise, as they have, on several other occasions, commenced to hold services and for some time got on well, but by-and-bye, there being no proper place of worship, members dispersed and the society died. At this time it is probable that if no chapel is reared in the village, the society again, before long, will be conspicuous by its absence. It is to be hoped that the reverse will be the result, and that success will crown all their endeavours.—*Correspondent.*

PRIMITIVE Methodist Grand Demonstration, in the Spa Grounds, Shotley Bridge, on Saturday, August 31st, 1878. See Bills. 363m

Cricket.

STARS v. EXCELSIORS.

The return match between the above clubs was played at Shotley Spa on Saturday last, and resulted in a victory for the Stars by twenty-six runs. The chief features of the cricket were Mr. W. Turnbull's steady and correct batting, Mr. T. Barron's vigorous cutting and hard driving, and N. Wilson and J. R. Siddle's excellent bowling, which was greatly envied by the other team. The bowling of C. Douglas, professional, of London, for the other team, was not so destructive as was anticipated, the Stars causing them a good deal of fielding, by their perpetual driving of his balls. Appended is the score—

STARS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
R. Wood	c Kirkup, b Fog-gon	2	c Sairs	1
J. Tucker	b Foggon	3	b Douglas	1
T. Barron	run out	2	b Douglas	15
W. Turnbull	c Davison b Douglas	14	c Kirkup b Douglas	5
J. R. Siddle	b Douglas	0	c and b Douglas	0
J. W. Ridley	c Gradon b Douglas	0	run out	0
W. Wilson	run out	0	b Foggon	0
W. Gibson	c and b Foggon	1	run out	7
M. Ridley	c Heymer b Wilson	0	b Douglas	1
H. Boag	not out	0	not out	1
J. Robinson	run out	0	b Douglas	1
Extras		6	Extras	3
Total		36	Total	40

EXCELSIORS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. Gradon	b Wilson	3	c Siddle b Wilson	1
J. Turnbull	c Robinson b Wilson	0	c Ridley b Wilson	1
C. Douglas	c Turnbull b Siddle	2	b Siddle	1
W. Foggon	b Siddle	2	c Siddle b Wilson	2
T. Kirkup	b Wilson	1	b Wilson	0
W. Sheffield	b Siddle	2	c Robinson b Wilson	1
W. Kirkup	b Siddle	1	c Ridley b Wilson	11
O. Heymer	b Siddle	0	c and b Siddle	0
T. Davison	b Siddle	0	c Barron b Siddle	1
W. Snaire	not out	0	not out	1
W. Davison	b Wilson	1	c Gibson b Wilson	1
Extras		1	Extras	2
Total		12	Total	33

LANCHESTER JUNIORS v. IVESTON JUNIORS.

The return match between the above clubs was played on Saturday last, on the ground of the latter, and resulted in an easy victory for the visitors by one inning and thirty-eight runs. Appended is the score:—

IVESTON.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. Parker	b Garthwaite	2	b Garthwaite	5
W. Fail	c Gee	2	run out	0
R. Stokoe	c Hunter	0	c J. R. Gee	0
J. Hall	c R. H. Gee	4	b Garthwaite	0
T. Hall	b Garthwaite	2	b Garthwaite	0
S. Hall	not out	2	not out	1
J. Stokoe	b R. H. Gee	2	c Bene	2
T. Sudden	b Garthwaite	1	"	6
J. Sudden	b Garthwaite	2	"	0
W. Stokoe	b R. H. Gee	0	run out	0
E. Thompson	b R. H. Gee	0	c T. Gee	0
Extras		2	Extras	0
Total		17	Total	15

LANCHESTER.

T. Gee, c Fail	14
R. H. Gee, l b w	3
J. R. Gee, b Parker	9
J. G. Garthwaite, b Stokoe	14
W. Henderson, b Stokoe	3
J. Bene, b Stokoe	11
R. Lovett, b Parker	17
W. Snaith, b Parker	0
R. H. Hunter, b Stokoe	1
J. Ross, not out	1
W. Ross, run out	0
Extras	4
Total	70

Markets.

NEWCASTLE CORN MARKET, Tuesday.—At this day's market there was a small supply of English wheat, very little of which was new, and a moderate arrival from abroad. The trade, notwithstanding the unsettled weather, was quiet, and the new samples offering for arrival could only be placed on lower terms, while old sold slowly at the prices of this day week. Barley, beans, and peas unchanged. Mains fm. Oats dull at previous prices. Flour moved off slowly, with little change in value.

HEXHAM CORN MARKET, Tuesday.—At our market to-day we had small supplies of grain, with few buyers and little business doing. For new barley buyers asked 25s per Hexham boll, and for new oats, which were soft and wanting in condition, 20s per boll, but no sales took place except at a reduction on these figures. Old oats, 21s to 22s per Hexham boll. No change in wheat.

NEWCASTLE CATTLE MARKET, Tuesday.—The show of stock presented for sale exhibited a decline of 8 beasts, but an increase of 2,150 sheep and lambs as compared with that of last week. Respecting quality, that of cattle, was scarcely average for the time of year, while both sheep and lambs were middling. The supply of beef comprised 1,310 head. The number of sheep and lambs was 11,490. Pigs 675 were shown. Beasts, prime heifers, per stone, 9s 0d to 10s 0d; secondary sorts, 7s 6d to 8s 6d; good oxen, 9s 0d to 9s 8d; middling, 6s 9d to 7s 9d; cows and inferior, 6s 3d to 7s 0d; pork, large, 4s 6d to 5s 8d; do. small, 7s 0d to 8s 0d; sheep, good vendable wedders, per lb. 9d to 9½d; middling, 7½d to 8d; ewes and inferior, 5½d to 7d.

NEWCASTLE HAY AND STRAW, Tuesday.—Old land hay, 80s to 105s; this year's growth, 60s to 90s; new land hay, 80s to 115s; this year's growth, 60s to 95s; wheat straw, 2s 2d to 3s 0d; barley straw, 2s 3d to 2s 6d; oat straw, 2s 0d to 2s 8d per threave.

DURHAM PROVISIONS, Saturday.—Oats, 6s 0d to 8s 9d; barley, 7s 6d to 9s 0d; Indian corn, 7s 3d; beans, 10s to 11s 0d; peas, 9s 0d to 10s 0d per boll. Beef, 8d to 10½d; mutton, 8d to 9½d; veal, 9d to 10d; bacon, 4d to 6½d; hams, 5d to 6d; chees., 7d to 8d per lb. Chickens, 1s 6d to 2s 6d; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 0d; hens, 1s 6d to 2s 0d each; butter, 1s 4d to 1s 5d per lb.; eggs, 10 to 11 for 1s; pigeons, 1s 3d to 1s 6d per couple. Apples, 2s 0d to 3s 0d; onions, 1s to 1s 4d per stone; Grapes, 1s to 2s per lb.

DURHAM POTATO, Saturday.—Potatoes, 10d to 1s per stone.

NEWCASTLE POTATO, Saturday.—Scotch potatoes, 11s to 11s per load.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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

DEATHS.

CONSETT.—At Front Street, on the 25th inst., aged 1 year, William, son of Jasper and Jane Cockburn.

BURNOPFIELD.—On the 22nd inst., aged 15 years, Jane E. Southren.

TANFIELD LEA COLLIERY.—On the 22nd inst., aged 8 56, Mr. T. Robson.

Printed and Published by ROBERT JACKSON, at the Steam Printing Works, Front Street, Consett, Friday, August 30th, 1878.