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Shotley Bridge, October 9, 1870. 24

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SKETCHES, SOCIAL AND DESCRIPTIVE.

No. 1.—A SELECT DINNER PARTY.

We expect to be able to give this humourous article in our next issue.

THE GUARDIAN.

SATURDAY, JULY 24, 1875.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

It would seem as if a deadly upas-tree overshadowed and surrounded everything connected, however remotely, with South Kensington. No sooner were international Exhibitions worked by a South Kensington clique than they became ridiculous, and very much the same may be said of the Royal Horticultural Society, the condition of which is at the present moment a scandal and disgrace to everybody connected with the concern. Instead of devoting itself to the improvement of Horticulture and making its gardens objects of interest to practical gardeners, this Royal Horticultural Society, with its quasi-national name, seems desirous only to earn the title of an exclusive club, giving itself up to the indulgences of the wealthy and privileged classes residing in Belgravia. One of the latest schemes by which the Royal Horticultural Society of Great Britain hopes to raise the wind and save itself from impending bankruptcy, is to establish a skating-rink! indeed anything but the legitimate purpose which it might be thought are the natural functions of a Horticultural Society seems to secure the encouragement and patronage of the loungers who have secured a great open space in the most fashionable quarter of London, ostensibly for the purpose of encouraging Horticulture, and of supplying an example of good gardening, but really to provide themselves with a convenient playground for their own children. The Gardens, which should be a delight and source of profit to gardeners, cease to attract; and the admissions to the Exhibitions are so hampered by exclusive regulations that sensible people will not take the trouble they must incur to obtain them. As an illustration of the selfishness of the Society, it will be remembered that during the last international Exhibition unhappy shilling-sight-seers penned up in the little sheds abutting the Albert Hall were at length refused admission to the Gardens altogether. With all its charters, covenants, agreements, and privileges, the Royal Horticultural Society is undeserving its names and and searching reform in its management is necessary to regain for it any claim for respectability. It cannot be denied that, not bankrupt in purse and reputation, a through only in London, but every large provincial Town, Horticulture and an intense love of flowers have of late years increased in a very remarkable manner, and we are of the number of those who note this as a sign of progressive civilization in the right direction. A garden to the working man offers, we think, counter attractions to the public house; and from the costermonger's barrow, bright with its fresh floral favourite, to the orchid and exotic houses of Chiswick and Kew, satisfactory evidence of improvement and progress in Horticulture is not wanted. A Royal Horticultural Society of Great Britain should therefore keep pace with the times and occupy a position worthy of such a name, taking a lead in Horticultural affairs, and supplying rules and regulations which might be profitably adopted throughout the country. The Society should consider the expendiency of encouraging an annual national Exhiition of Fruits and Flowers on a scale likely to attract all the lovers of Horticulture in the country. We would also suggest that it should without delay shake off the somnolent influences of South Kensington cliquism. It should make its Exhibitions objects of popular interest. It might, to meet the spirit of exclusiveness, open the Exhibitions for fashionable displays at one high-price day for admission once a week, but that should be followed by a shilling-day when practical gardeners, without all the trouble and inconvenience of obtaining fellow's orders, inspect the specimens of culture which should stimulate them in their own work. At present there is scarcely one in fifty visitors from the country to Town who know how to get into the Exhibitions at the Horticultural Gardens or those of the Botanical Society in Regent Park. It is time, considering the privileges which these corporations enjoy, that they should do something for the public as well as for themselves.

The Union Conference which the Old **Catholics propose to hold at Bonn will open on August 15, and continue in session about three days.**

Reports from the agricultural districts state that the recent rains have greatly retarted the maturing of the crops, and the prospect of an early harvest is not likely to be good.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

The persistent rain is a matter of serious moment in regard to the crops and the various industries which are directly or indirectly affected by continuing bad weather, but it is also extremely annoying, disappointing, and mar-plotish, if I may use the word, with respect to innumerable lesser matters. The annual outing of our riflemen at Wimbledon, the summer manœuvres at Aldershot, and countless excursions, pic-nics, garden parties, cricket matches, holiday rambles, and seaside vacations have been spoiled by the rain. The railway companies feel it severely, and so do steamboat companies, caterers for out-door amusement in our public gardens, and many other interests. The only people that I can call to mind who are benefited by this bad weather have been lessees of theatres (who always like a wet summer), cabmen and vendors of ladies' finery which must have been spoiled to an immense extent. We have, however, an important consolation, and that is a wet summer is usually a healthy one. The rain we have, had has, so to speak, washed away many an illness by flushing sewers that other wise would have occurred.

I happen occasionally to meet a few of those who, "putting their trust in princes," at the time of king Alfonso's accession to the throne were induced to become Spanish bond-holders, and although just now we have enough cold water poured upon everything here to make us charitably inclined in our reflections upon our neighbours' affairs, I am bound to say, that the intelligence of another bran-new Constitution in Spain does not excite very lively enthusiasm among those whom it most concerns. Indeed the subject is not spoken of without a meaning smile upon the lips; for every political nostrum—autocratic, aristocratic, democratic, tolerant—and intolerant have in times been administered to this unhappy patient, leaving her Constitution hourly more feeble and debilitated. Without any desire to pour cold water on this last experiment it is certain that Bond-holders look with very mistrustful glances upon the few "crumbs" of comfort they can gather from the brave talk of this last of the Spanish kings and of his friends and advisers.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the debate on the grant to the Prince of Wales for his visit to India was the hearty agreement of Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Bright with Mr. Disraeli. This fact in itself has done much to lessen any outside objection to this grant. These right hon. gentleman seldom agree, but "when they do agree their unanimity is wonderful." The debate on this subject was very interesting, which is more than can be said for that on Sir C. Dilke's motion with regard to the representation of the people. The mover and his seconder, Mr. Fawcett, undoubtedly brought forward some important facts, and drew from them by no means forced conclusions, but it appeared to be generally felt that to pass an abstract resolution at the fag end of the session could be productive of no good, and accordingly the House thinned considerably during the discussion, though there was a great rush of members when the division bell was rung. Sir Charles has no occasion to feel down-hearted at the result, for he obtained 120 votes to 190; so that he may comfort himself with Jacob Faithful's three maxims—It's no use crying; what's done can't be helped; better luck next time.

Mr. Disraeli, who is still frequently attacked by his now old enemy the gout, has been recommended by his medical advisers to go to Ems for the benefit of its waters, and he will probably do so when Parliament is up. It is of course difficult from the gallery to speak with certainty as to a man being asleep so far off as the Treasury Bench but during the past week the Prime minister has looked as if completely overcome by a drowsiness which he cannot shake off. His later set speeches in the House have been evidently costly efforts, and his appearance and speech at Willis's Rooms on Friday at the Byron memorial meeting confirms the prevailing opinion that the Premier's health is by no means satisfactory. To plead for Byron's indiscretions on the plea of youth, on such an occasion and before such enthusiastic and devoted admirers of the matchless Poet, was to make the least disparaging remark, a little less than was expected from Mr. Disraeli. I hear that it is not unlikely that there will be funds sufficient forthcoming to raise not only one "fitting" statue in some public place, but also a memorial tablet and bust in Westminster Abbey. For the latter, it is said, Dean Stanley is conspicuously desirous.

The Rev. R. Moore, the Spalding clergyman who holds several appointments besides that of justice of the peace, may or may not deserve many of the harsh things that have been said against him certainly by the press and doubtless in private society, but at any rate I cannot think it is fair to rake up against him a case of alleged harshness by him which occurred as long ago as February 1864. Let him by all means be judged by the public in respect to the case of Sarah Chandler, without any reference to a case eleven years since, or to the case of another girl imprisoned recently for six weeks for having in her possession some old photographs which she had found in a waste-paper basket. But it is of no use to urge people not to take these cases into account: they will do so, and perhaps the reverend pluralist cannot fairly complain of this.

A very High Church and Ritualistic weekly paper has a most curious and startling recommendation. It suggests that the following be appended to the new rubric proposed by Convocation regarding the withdrawal of non-communicants: "Note: Those who, according to the rule of the Primitive Church, should retire are the unbaptised, the excommunicated, those under penance, and those possessed of devils." I do not consider myself in the latter category, but I am sorely possessed with the desire to comment on this extraordinary recommendation. I merely note it however, and commend it to the reader's reflection, His Satanic Majesty has you will see this week received more than ordinary attention. Sir Robert Phillimore in establishing the devil as essential to the belief of every true "established" Churchman in the famous case of Jenkins v Cook, cannot expect his law or his judgment to escape criticism when so eminent a man as the late Lord Westbury in the celebrated "Essay and Review" case was said to have chuckled with delight over the fact of having dismissed the devil with costs." It is matter for congratulation, not only to the "long robe" in the case, but to many others, beside that Mr Jenkins will not, if he can help it, submit to the judgment of the Dean of Arches which is causing such a sensation. He appeals, you see, to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, but it is perhaps to be regretted that the "great and good Richard' is not alive to share the responsibility of deciding the important issues involved with the gentle Hatherley and orthodox Selborne who will probably be called upon to re-hear the argument!

In some of the newsvendors' shops are exposed for sale what are called Moody and Sankey puzzles, one penny each. On opening the packet there is found a picture of the Crucifixion, cut up into fragments, and the most difficult "puzzle" is to put these pieces together. It is not easy to see what good can be accomplished by the sale of these things, which, owing to the fame of the men whose names are attached to the packet, most probably sell very largely. It is consoling to reflect, however, that these catchpenny puzzles will probably do no harm.

I have before made a remark upon the curious names which somehow or other get into the "fashionable intelligence" columns as recipients of even royal or quasi-royal commands to attend garden-parties at Chiswick, Kew, or elsewhere. Just now, however, quite another affair is exciting suspicion as well as amusement—this time not in reference to the "invited" but to uninvited guests who push their way into the reception-rooms of the Upper Ten. For some seasons even the best-appointed houses in Balgrania have not been found equal to the requirements of the crush parties given in them. The host and hostess cannot be expected to exchange looks to say nothing of words with half the quests present, many of them quite unknown to them since the practice prevails nowadays of asking a friend to bring a friend. It seems therefore to have been discovered that the "Sounds of revelry by night" attract a considerable number of spurious guests—flash-men, who are consummate adepts in the art of "sneering and dancing" with a well-fitted coat and the conventional swagger have brazen faces enough to drive up even in a carriage and by giving a name to the footmen at once sounding and supposed to carry weight goes in with the crowd without detection—running of course the risk of being kicked out of the house by the servants or a "run in" to the nearest police-station on suspicion of "stealing the spoons." The insatiable desire to see society and high life is said to be the uncontrollable passion of these lunatics. At any rate to more than one large invitation card that I have seen lately beside the latter "R. S. V. P." is an intimation that you are expected to bring your invitation card with you which is to be presented at the gates in order to check admissions. Where this was done at an aristocratic gathering last week, a few miles "out of Town," no fewer than twenty impostors were detected, and I hope sufficiently punished by exposure.

SIX MURDERERS EXECUTED.

American papers report the execution of six murderers on the 25th ultimo. Two of them, Wagner and Gordon, were hanged at Thomaston, Maine. Before the execution Gordon attempted to commit suicide by stabbing himself in the chest with the blade of a shoe knife. Wagner protested his innocence on the scaffold. Wagner, a Prussian sailor, was convicted of having attacked the family of a fisherman named Hontvet, on one of the Isles of Shoals, on the night of the 5th March, 1873, and murdered two of them, a woman and a girl. Mrs. Hentvet barely escaped by fleeing to the rocks. The object of the murder was plunder, and he secured about 2,000 dols. Gordon, being jealous of his brother and of his brother's wife, on account of their preferment in his father's will, entered their room at Thorndike on the night of the 15th of June, 1873, and chopped them to pieces, also killing their little child and seriously injuring a boy. He attempted to cover his crime by setting fire to the house, but the neighbours extinguished the flames. Two coloured murderers, named Burch and Hardee, were hanged at Charleston, South Carolina. Burch had murdered a policeman, and Hardee another coloured man at a "frolic" on the 4th of July, 1874. Their execution was public. It was witnessed by several thousands of coloured people, and we are told "there was no disorder beyond great demonstration of religious enthusiasm." James Henry Costley was hanged at Dedham, Massachusetts, for the murder of Julia Hawkes. In order to become intimate with Julia Hawkes he had murdered his housekeeper, Mrs. Congdon; and in order to marry Miss Cushing he murdered Miss Hawkes. It was for the latter crime that he was hanged. Purefoy, a coloured murderer, was hanged at Atalanta, Georgia.

A BRAVE ACT.

"A Visitor," dating his letter Bangor, July 10, writes to the *Daily News*:—"As I was walking this afternoon with my family along the shore of the Menai Straits, between Garth and Siliwen, I had the pleasure of being the witness of as brave an act as I have ever read of. It was blowing a fresh gale from the south, and the sea was running high. There were not many vessels on the river, and two or three that I had seen tacking half an hour before seemed to think it advisable to take down their sails and run in for shelter. I had noticed a boat that seemed to be under bad management, and that was now evidently drifting helplessly along with the wind and the tide from the direction of the Bridges towards Beaumaris, and as we stood watching it a number of boys ran up to us and said that the boat was 'going adrift.' I could see that there were two persons in it, but that there was only one car out, but the boys said that there were two oars in the boat, but that only one of the boys who were in it was rowing, and that he did not seem to know much about it. Then I urged the biggest of my informants to run to the Garth pier and ask some of the boatmen to go after them. 'Oh,' he said, 'a boy has gone.' I could, however, not see any boat following them, and said so. 'But there he is, don't you see him?' was the reply. Then, after watching for some time, we could now and then see a dark speck that seemed to be approaching the boat. It was the head of a boy who was swimming after them. One of the boys who were standing near said that the boat was lying at anchor at Siliwen, and that two strange boys managed to get into it, and undoing the rope that held it, were soon carried off to sea, but that the boy who was now in the water, finding their perilous condition, had stripped off his clothes and gone after them, and there he was now struggling with the waves. 'Well, I said, he is a brave fellow, and deserves a gold medal.' 'Yes,' said the boy, 'he saved a man's life before, but he got nothing for it.' Whilst I was hesitating where I should apply for assistance for the lad, that now appeared to me in a worse plight than those he had gone to save, I could see the little fellow climbing up the side of the boat, and he was soon hard at it sculling the boat ashore. He came along bravely for about a third of a mile, and made for a vessel that was lying at anchor. His naked form was soon seen on board of her, and in a few moments afterwards he and the lads he had rescued were pulled ashore by the strong arms of two of the crew. The boy and his companions did not seem to fancy that anything much out of the way had been done, but I could not help thinking that it is out of such stuff that heroes are made. The boy ought to have a medal, but as he will most probably not have it, let his name at least be printed in your journal—which I find is widely read in the principality—it is John Owen, Traid Cottage, Garth, Bangor."

FATAL BATHING ACCIDENT AT WHITLEY.

TWO LADIES DROWNED.

A fatal accident occurred at Whitley on Monday afternoon, whereby two young ladies lost their lives. So far as can be ascertained, two young ladies, named respectively Dicks and Thorpe, residing in Newcastle, and who for the last few days have lodged near the Fat Ox Hotel, Whitley, proceeded along the Long Sands on Monday afternoon. They went as far as a rock well known in the locality as the "Half Moon Rock," where they undressed, and after putting on a proper bathing costume went into the sea. The mother of one of the young ladies, residing, it is believed, in Oxford Street, Newcastle, who accompanied them, saw in the course of a few minutes that they were out of their depth, and rapidly drifting out to sea. She at once raised an alarm, but it was not before a considerable time had elapsed that two fishermen, named Robert Carr, and John Storey, residing at Cullercoats, went out with ropes fastened to their waists. They succeeded in bringing the body of Miss Dicks to shore, but it is needless to say that life was found to be extinct. The force of the waves were so great that her bathing dress was literally torn to shreds. The poor young creature is only about 21 years of age. Some hundreds of people on the alarm being given, hastily flocked along the sands. For some time amidst the greatest of excitement Miss Thorpe's body was seen floating near the shore, and it was not until near three o'clock that the body could be reached, owing to the strong current that was running. With almost superhuman exertions, the body was removed by the two fishermen. The mother of one of the young women was so prostrated by the sad event which she witnessed, that she was carried to Whitley by several of the spectators.

EXTENSIVE JEWEL ROBBERY—MR. JOS. ARCH'S SON IN CUSTODY.

The *Liverpool Daily Post* states that owing to recent and extensive robberies of jewels, &c., which have been committed at the Bank Quay Railway Station, Warrington, the police have been on the *qui vive*, and on Friday evening they succeeded in apprehending four men, including Joseph Arch, son of Mr. Joseph Arch, the agricultural labourers' president. The prisoners were brought before the magistrates on Saturday morning, when Arch was charged with stealing from the London and North-Western High Level Railway Station, on Thursday the 15th inst., ten gold watches, &c., valued at £150. The other prisoners were John Sheldson, telegraph instrument repairer, employed on the Cheshire lines, charged with being an accessory; also with being in possession of five silver watches and other articles, supposed to have been stolen; John Taylor, watchmaker, and John Samuel Speet, watchmaker, also charged with being accessories. It appeared from the evidence that Arch was employed as a porter at Bank Quay station, and lodged with the prisoner Sheldon, who, it is said, was the chief instigator in the robbery, he having induced Arch to steal what jewellery he could and take it to him, and "he would put matters right." After the box in question had been stolen, Arch took it to Sheldon, who in turn took some of the contents to the other two prisoners to dispose of. Instead of doing so, however, one of them gave such information to the police as led to the detection of the robbery and the recovery of a large amount of jewellery. Taylor and Speet were discharged, but they were bound over to give evidence against Arch and Sheldon, who were remanded.

IMPORTANT LETTER FROM JOHN BRIGHT ON THE TICHBORNE CASE.

In a reply to a Sheffield correspondent, who had written to Mr. Bright asking him to support Mr. Whalley in his endeavour to obtain a free pardon or protection for a man in New Zealand who claims to be Arthur Orton, the right hon. gentleman has sent the following reply:—

132, Piccadilly, London,
July 15th, 1875.

Sir,—You may rely upon it Arthur Orton will not come from New Zealand. During the trials £1,000 was offered for him, and nobody could produce him. It was a large bribe, and I only wonder it did not bring over a score of Ortons. The Arthur Orton is in Dartmoor, and nobody, I suspect, knows this better than some of these who are pretending to expect him from New Zealand. I have read all the evidence and all the speeches of both trials, and the summing up of the Lord Chief Justice. This last I have read again during last month, and I have read again more than once the evidence before the Chili Commission. I know, therefore, as much about the matter as you can know—much more than is known by nine out of ten of those who are clamouring for the release of the convict at Dartmoor. I have before me now the hand-writing of the real Roger Tichborne, of the real Arthur Orton, and of the convict, and this alone is sufficient to convince any man of common sense and observation what is the truth in the case. If you could see this hand writing and you could examine the evidence of the Chili Commission, the evidence of the convict's own friends, to whom he referred for proof that he was what he pretended to be, you could hardly fail to be convinced that your belief in the convict is wrong, and your sympathy with him wholly misplaced. I mention these two points as conclusive against him. There are many other points in the evidence on the two trials which are fatal to his claims. He seemed to know the names of two dogs, but he did not know the name of his own mother. Mr. Turvell in Australia asks him a test question whether his mother was stout or thin. He said "Stout, a tall large woman." It is not denied that Lady Tichborne was leanness itself; Miss Nangles she was more like a skeleton than anything else, and this was not contradicted by anyone. If you can believe in a man who did not know his own mother's name, and who stated that his mother, who is admitted to have been leanness itself, was a stout, tall, large woman when he first came forward in Australia, and when he had no opportunity of picking up information and facts to support his case, I fear you are of that credulous nature that it may be useless to reason with you. I can take no part in the proceedings of Mr. Whalley and his friends. To me, the convict in Dartmoor is the greatest criminal of our time; his crime has extended over many years. It is most base in character, and includes in it almost every crime for which evil men are brought to punishment.

You are much impressed, I dare say, by the declarations of those who traverse the country creating agitation on this question. I must ask to be permitted to value my own judgment at least as highly as that of these persons. One of them is believed to have invested money largely in the case, and pecuniary interest is part favourable to an impartial decision. Another suffers from a complaint which I call "Jesuit on the brain," and this seems grievously to distort almost everything he looked at, and the third is the lawyer who failed after a trial which lasted 188 days to convince three judges and twelve jurymen, or any one of the judges or of the jurymen—that his client was anything but an impostor, and a man most odious for his character and his crimes. Shall be glad if you—and such as believe with you—will not ask me to correspond further on a question about which only honest men, who are in entire ignorance of the facts can, in my view, differ in opinion.—I am, respectfully yours,

JOHN BRIGHT.

1, Elliott Road, Sheffield.
Mr. Mark Harrison,

The health of Father Tom Burke, the eloquent Irish Dominican preacher, is reported to be failing.

PRIZE FIGHT ON THE TOWN MOOR.

A prize fight took place on Tuesday evening, about twenty minutes past eight o'clock, on the Town Moor, Newcastle. The combatants were Irishmen, and were named respectively John McEwen, 24 years of age, and Garret Carty, 46. The men, accompanied by a number of people, most of whom are residents of Sandgate, made their way to the Moor, and on reaching the inner circle of the race course a ring was formed, and the fight proceeded with. In the meantime the police at Prudhoe Street Station received information of the affair, and Mr. Superintendent Wallace, with Sergeant Tunnah, and P.C. Cables followed the mob to the rendezvous. The officer Cables was the first to approach the spot, and on coming up with them he stood close by, and saw several rounds fought. By this time Mr. Wallace and Mr. Tunnah, almost unobserved by the crowd, had got within short distance of the ring, and on seeing their approach, Cables, with dexterity, collared the men, McEwen and Carty. Immediately the crowd began to disperse, but a man, named Fineren, interfered, and Carty was rescued from the custody of Cables. McEwen resisted violently, and threw the officer down. Having transferred his charge to Sergeant Tunnah, Cables and Superintendent Wallace went in pursuit of Carty and Fineren, who made off towards the Spital Tongues. The chase was an exciting one, and was joined in by a number of persons. Keeping holding on, however, the officers succeeded in overtaking their men near the Barracks, at which place they were captured. They were taken to the Prudhoe Street Police Station.

A FEMALE BIGAMIST.

A singular application for protection against a first husband was made by a woman who has been married a second time (both husbands still being alive), to Mr. Ald. Hodgson and Mr. R. Carr-Ellison, at the Gateshead County Police Court, on Tuesday morning. It appeared that the woman was married a second time to Edward Young of Sunniside about six years ago. She was married to her first husband, a man named Timothy Hodgson, some twelve years ago, but after she had lived with Hodgson a few years, he went away to America, and had been away for several years. The woman heard that Hodgson had died in America, and falling in with Young, she married him as above stated about six years ago. The first and supposed dead husband had turned up quite unexpectedly a short time ago, and not desiring to live with him again, she appeared at the court on Tuesday morning in conjunction with a second husband, and applied for a protection order.—Mr. Ald. Harle (magistrates' clerk) said the first husband was the right man, and they could do nothing in the matter.—Mr. Ald. Hodgson (to the woman): Have you been legally married to both men?—The woman replied affirmatively.—Ald. Hodgson: Don't you know you are coming here to criminate yourself? you have committed bigamy. You could have a summons against the first husband for desertion, but in the present instance the law does not interfere; you have shut the door against yourself by marrying a second time.—The woman then left the court in company with her second husband.

THE WAGES QUESTION IN THE IRON TRADE.

The wages question, which has so long agitated the North of England iron trade, is now considered as practically settled for the remainder of the year on the basis of 9s. per ton by arrangement without reference to arbitration. Two-thirds of the men voted in favour of accepting the reduction of 6d. per ton, and it was expected that the remainder of the men would loyally abide by the decision. At three or four works on Tees-side and one at Sunderland, however, the men have struck, and on Tuesday evening an address was issued by Mr. Kane, the secretary of the Arbitration Board, and other officers, impressing it on the men who are out to return to work. In one case, adhesion has already been given, and it is expected that the pressure brought to bear on the other men by their fellows will prove effectual. The iron manufacturers, on Tuesday, resolved not to give way. A letter is quoted in the address mentioned from Mr. Mundella, M.P., one of the arbitrators, who says a strike in the present state of the iron trade is suicidal and foolish in the extreme. He remarks that it is dishonourable to break faith with the Board of Arbitration and have recourse to a strike as he is satisfied that in the present condition of trade it would only entail increased losses on the workmen. He adds, in weighty words, "I am afraid we have yet a very severe time to go through, and that we are only at the beginning of it, and I would strongly urge upon all workmen who have the advantage of a Board of Arbitration to avail themselves of it, and employ reason and conciliation in their dealings with their employers."

DR. KENEALY, M.P., AND THE AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS.

The Kentish agricultural labourers held a demonstration at Sevenoaks on Saturday, but the success of the gathering was greatly marred by the weather, rain falling heavily almost throughout the day. Notwithstanding this, however, from an early hour in the morning groups of labourers from the surrounding country, each one wearing some trifle of the national colour—blue—chiefly a band on the hat and cap, having round it the initials, N.A.L.U., and accompanied by their wives or sweethearts, were seen wending their way to the town, and at two o'clock a procession paraded the town, headed by a brass band, and accompanied by one of the union banners, on one side of which was the inscription—"Our future home—Ontario, Canada," the design in the centre being a ship in full sail, evidently denoting how that home was to be reached. The place selected for the meeting was some land contiguous to the town, belonging to the Hon. M. West, but in the occupation of a widow. Dr. Kenealy, M.P., was announced to address the meeting in favour of a petition to Parliament for the extension of the franchise, and before the procession marched to the ground the labourers assembled in front of the widow's house, and, after the band had played, they gave her several hearty cheers. The member for Stoke, however, did not put in an appearance, and the secretary read a correspondence with that gentleman to show that the announcement of the attendance was not a hoax, as many might imagine. From this correspondence it appeared that when Dr. Kenealy read the programme he at once wrote to say that he had read it with regret, as he thought his political views were known. He was not an advocate for universal suffrage, and he was opposed to compulsory education with State interference, as he held it was a design to bring up children in despotism. He regretted that he could not attend the meeting, although it appeared that he had previously stated that he should be happy to attend any public meeting of the agricultural labourers, in whose welfare he felt the warmest interest. The secretary said that at first he took Dr. Kenealy to be one of their best friends, but he now believed him to be one of their worst enemies—a remark which met with but slight interruption; and the speeches generally, which were in favour of petitions to Parliament for the preservation of our charities, the restoration of a share in the land to the farm labourers, the extension of the franchise, and the compulsory formation of School Boards were attentively listened to, and resolutions carried, the chairman to sign the petitions on behalf of the meeting.

Poetry: Original and Select.

TWO LYRICS.

I.

I met my love at sunset
On the cold sea shore,
The billows broke around us
With a dull and angry roar:
And as the day departed
I thought I heard her say
"That love was like the lilly,
And fades as soon away."

We traced our names together
On the hard white sand,
And love was linked to sorrow
On that lone and silent strand:
For ere the sea-mew fleeted
Far o'er the glancing bay
The crawling waves crept onward,
And swept them both away.

Oh love! if love were lasting
As the years that roll,
And like a dream unbroken
By the farewell of the soul;
Then would my heart beat lightly,
Nor seared and sadly say
"That love and life's fond fancies
Have all been swept away."

IN IMITATION OF PRAED.

II.

I met an angel in the street,—
A thing of smiles and colour
That drew the moonlight to her feet,
And made the daylight duller.

I knew the beauty could not last:
It made my case forlorner;
For twinkling up and twinkling past,
She twinkled round the corner.

I caught a glimpse of swimming eyes,
And darkly drooping lashes,
And lips compressed in arch disguise,
And crimson bows and sashes.

While like a shower of golden rain
Her dewy locks descended;
Where Flora and her laughing train
Were delicately blended.

Her fingers smoothed like ripening fruit
The dainty gloves she drew on;
But oh! there was a saucy foot
With such a saucy shoe on!

Oh such a shoe! it danced about
With twenty thousand tinges;
It flirted in, it flirted out,
It played behind the fringes.

I risked my heart,—and, goodness knows,
I'd gladly risk my knuckles
To pounce upon those tempting toes,
And bear away the buckles.

H. M.

Blackhill, July, 1875.

INCIDENTS OF TRAVEL;
OR,
THE REMINISCENCES OF A POSTMAN.

By "Old Bede."

My ancestors were imported into this country with potatoes and Sir Walter Raleigh. The history of our renowned family previous to that event is wrapt in obscurity, but I have not the slightest doubt but that they were a very illustrious family from Adam—downwards. The first of my ancestors upon whom distinction was conferred in this country was one Sir John De Jones. He was raised to a high position—about fifteen feet—by the order of Queen Elizabeth. He never recovered from the shock he sustained at this display of royal favour, and I do not feel myself particularly called upon to extol the memory of the "Good Queen Bess." The next of my predecessors who distinguished himself was Sir James De Ronalds a Jones, who made his exit from this "vale of tears" by a short cut—the government kindly providing a block-axed assistant for his accommodation. I might go on recording the checkered career of our ancient family, but the relation might be termed vanity, and I scorn egotism. I will, therefore, push over the intermedial representatives of our patriotic household, and call your attention to Sir Jacques De Holbort Jones, my respected grandfather, who flourished in the reign of George the Fourth. I would not direct the attention of "a discriminating British public" to this worthy gentleman's career were it not that in his time an event took place which materially altered the destiny of the house of Jones. Sir Jacques De Holbort Jones having in his childhood been trained in the "way he should go," as a natural consequence, when he was old he departed from it. He was of the opinion that instead of "boys being boys," boys would be men, and made the somewhat prevalent mistake of thinking himself a man long before a similar idea struck any one else. His ma fondly cherished the hope that wisdom would come with whiskers. But the last named vegetable began to show signs of animation, and still Sir Jacques *held* on in the path of the iniquitous. At last he got tired of the king (*he bored him so*), and having concerned himself in a nice little plot to put somebody else on the throne, he was persuaded to relinquish his title, and retire from this world, peaceably leaving his son (my pa) his blessing, and a box of Scarrow (Vint's) stomach pills. My pa having been deprived of the shelter of the parental wing resolved to distinguish himself, and become an honour to his name. Whether he did so or not I cannot tell. I wasn't born then, and the source of my information—my dear mama—dries up at this point.

I came into this wicked world at exactly twenty-five minutes, fourteen seconds, and a half past one o'clock on the morning of October the twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and twenty-five. No cannons were fired. The sound of rejoicing was not heard in the land, and the Government did'nt settle an annual income upon me. Some people will perhaps wonder why such an important event in the history of our country happened void of all demonstration of joy. I don't. At the time of my birth my mother did "nothing" for a living. We did'nt live very well. I will pass over the distinctions received at school. In fact, they generally passed over *me*.

My entrance in the business world, of which I was so soon to become an ornament, took place when I was fourteen years of age. I became a candidate for the situation of errand-boy in the establishment of a respectable vendor of pork, and was unanimously elected. During my stay there I contracted an ardent affection for trotters. While standing one day in the backshop munching a trotter, and calmly brooding over the benefits of early training for the young, I suddenly became aware of a pressure from behind, which propelled me several yards in the opposite direction, and turning I observed my worthy master. Smiling sweetly as he removed his foot, he said—"You infernal young thief! do you think I pay you to come here and devour my stock without paying for it? Be off with you and never let me see the light of your countenance again." (N.B. Please mix the above speech with oaths to suit the taste, and you have his exact words.) It is needless to state that after this occurrence I instantly gave him notice. Strange to say, the misguided man did not fully realize the horror of his situation, and I left his inhospitable roof without another keepsake than three and fourpence, which I found on the table as I went out.

From this time, I gradually rose in the scale of business life, until I found myself in the responsible position of postman, receiving the munificent wages of eighteen shillings a week. It so happened that during my daily round I became acquainted with a house-maid. Most house-maids that we read about in stories of lovesick and melancholy policemen and other insane persons, are described as charming. This one was not charming. However, good looks are but skin deep, and she had other things to recommend her. I used often to feel lonely when, looking through a broken pane of glass, I observed her with a grace peculiarly her own laying the cloth for supper. I revelled often in fancy "amongst golden syrup and salt pork." and I looked upon the privileged place of her lover as the extreme pinnacle of earthly bliss. The above beautiful and expressive quotation (golden syrup and salt pork) I took from one of the most effective speeches of one of our rising lecturers. The next time I had to go there with letters, I made it my last place to call at, resolved to declare my passion, and know my fate. When she opened the door I placed the letters into her hand, and giving it a gentle squeeze, I asked her if I could have ten minutes conversation with her. She told me to go into the kitchen till she came back. My charmer was not long in appearing, and as soon as she came near me I fell upon my knees, and gave way to my passion in the following words: "Beautiful creature! Loadstar of my affection! Spurn not with indignation the heart that is laid in humble adoration at your feet! Think how happy would be our lot were we to tread life's path together. Picture to yourself two rooms and a kitchen with a ticket stuck in the window mangling done here. Let him but bask in the sunshine of your smiles, and what cares Samuel (that was me) for the troubles of this life?" As I finished speaking, she drew her hand gently from mine, and then she slapped my face. Let me draw a curtain over the harrowing scene.

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About this time an invention of mine was brought out, viz., opening letters by steam, to supersede the old fashioned and inconvenient habit of opening them by hand. I did'nt have my idea patented, and the country made no other recognition of my services than an opportunity afforded me of writing an "Ode to solitude," during a residence in one of Her Majesty's establishments for what they vulgarly called "abstracting postage stamps from secured envelopes."

Oh, solitude! where are the charms,
That sages have seen in thy face?

Moral—such is ever the fruits of ingenuity—at least—that kind of ingenuity.

After three months spent in an endeavour to discover the charms of solitude, I gave it up as a bad job, and came out again into the "hum of busy life." When I returned to the scene of my late labours, they received me very kindly, gave leave of absence for an eternity, and drew my attention to the proximity of the door and the window, asking me "by which way I preferred to find myself in the street?" I remarked that it might be custom, but really I preferred the door. I went.

Turning into a narrow lane, I began to reflect upon the frailty of human hopes and desires. Suddenly I came upon a son of Bacchus, humming gently to himself, and holding on to the grass for fear he should fall upwards. Instantly it flashed across my mind that this might be an opportunity afforded me of doing good. I always like to do good—when I can make anything by it. Looking round to see that no one was observing me (for I hate to be ostentatious in my charity). I approached my fellow creature, and gazed steadfastly upon him. I saw that the misguided man could not support himself and that the load of his watch and chain was actually a burden to him. Reasoning thus, and from purely charitable motives, I released him of his cumbrous load. Hearing a sound, I turned round, and observed two "gentlemen in blue," who seemed to take a great interest in my proceedings. Just then I remembered having been told that running was good for the muscles, and conducive to health. I thought a run just at that time would do me good. It did'nt. The two gents behind, strange to say, were struck with a similar idea. After a playful contest for about one mile and a quarter, they came up to me, and exactly two days after, I went to serve six months at the oakum picking trade. I am there—still there—I don't care for the business. Not much. As it is expected in this Christian era that every story should have a moral reflection, I think I will finish this one with one, some philosopher once said, "Honesty's the best policy." That's so. I've tried both.

MURDER ON THE HIGH SEAS.

A case of murder on the high seas has been tried at the County Kerry Assizes. Joseph Little and Alexander Thane, master and mate of the ship Rio Grande were indicted for that they did, on the 29th day of April, 1875, kill and murder one Henry Pomley, on the high seas.—One of the witnesses, Henry Gorer, of Plymouth, a shipmate of the deceased, deposed to numerous acts of cruelty by the master of the Rio Grande, chiefly, as alleged, inflicted because deceased, who was acting temporarily as cook, was unable to have the food cooked in time, on account of the scarcity of coal in the vessel, and the time it was necessary to spend in chopping wood for fuel. The witness added: The captain often tore the trousers off his legs while thrashing him. It was in that way he lost his clothes. I gave him one pair of trousers first, and then another pair just before he died. The captain used to punish him every day if he did not cook the food, by putting him astride of the boom holding a double block weighing nearly 78lb. for a couple of hours together. He should keep the block clear of the boom or else he would get thrashed. On the morning that the deceased died the captain called for him when they were setting the mainsail, and when he came up the forecastle the captain knocked him down with his clenched fist, and then kicked him in the ribs with his heavy sea boots. At that time the boy had only on a wet shirt and a pair of trousers. The boy was very weak at the time. The captain then chained the boy by the waist with a dog collar to the iron bars of the skylight, and he was handcuffed by the right ankle to something else. He said to the captain that he was dying, and he seemed to be in a dying state. The boy was calling to God for mercy if he had been a sinner. The captain told him that his God was a wooden god, and then came and thrashed him again where he was chained to the skylight. The captain struck him anywhere that came nearest to him. The boy was chained until twelve o'clock that night; it was raining the whole time, and the deceased had only a pair of trousers on him in the end. About half-past twelve o'clock the captain again thrashed him while I was at the wheel, and when the boy came aft he was entirely naked. He fell, and when the captain told him to stand up he could not do so; he was thoroughly exhausted, and instead of rising he rolled about the deck. The deceased asked the captain for a blanket, and said if he did not get one he would die. The captain did not give it to him. The boy became insensible soon afterwards, and then he went out of his mind. At this time it was about three o'clock in the morning, and the captain directed one of the crew—Elliott—to take the handcuffs off the deceased's ankles. He was senseless at the time. The captain said "Drag him forward by the hair of the head." Elliott then caught him under the armpits and took him to the forecastle, the captain after him. When he was let go the deceased fell down all of a lump; that was about four o'clock in the morning.—The prisoners were found guilty of manslaughter, and sentenced respectively to 15 and 5 years penal servitude.

Fatal Accident at Percy Main.—On Monday afternoon, shortly after five o'clock, whilst an elderly man named William Thomas Greener, 68 years of age, residing at Pit Row, Percy Main, was attempting to get off a locomotive engine on the Blyth and Tyne Railway at that place, he slipped his foot and fell down, and several waggons passed over his foot and hand. Dr Hosfield was sent for, but the poor fellow died before his arrival. The doctor stated that death was not so much the result of the injuries received, as it was from the shock to the man's system.

GREAT THUNDERSTORMS.

A heavy storm passed over this district on Sunday morning at eight o'clock, accompanied with very heavy rain, eight-tenths of an inch having fallen within twelve hours. A second storm occurred at three on Monday morning, and lasted for above an hour with a deluge of rain. A third storm arose at half-past eight in the morning, which lasted half an hour with heavy rain, an inch and a quarter having fallen in twelve hours. A dense fog followed, with wind from S.E.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY AT WALKER AND WALLSEND.

Early on Tuesday morning another electric storm passed over Jarrow, but it was much shorter than on the previous day; the rainfall, however, was very great. About half-past eight o'clock on Monday morning, when the storm was at its height, a flash of lightning struck the house attached to Mr. Carlaw's shop, Victoria Street, Walker. The greater part of the bedroom chimney was thrown down, and a large portion of the roof was damaged, as was also the ceiling of the bedroom. Fortunately, no member of the family was in the room at the time. About the same hour, the Railway Inn, Wallsend, occupied by Mr. M. McHae, was struck by the electric fluid on the eastward gable, throwing down about one-half of the chimney and displacing a number of slates on the roof. It did not enter the house, however, and though the family were much alarmed by the noise, not one of them was injured.

FORGERY UPON THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK.

On Saturday, at the Northumberland Assizes, Eliza Stewart (62), married, was indicted for, on March 19th, feloniously forging a banker's cheque for the payment of £200, with intent to defraud. Mr. Greenhow prosecuted, and Mr. Wright defended. On the evening of the 19th March the prisoner went to Whinney House, Gateshead Low Fell, the residence of Mr. Edward Joicey, and told him that she wished to send £2 to her son at Darlington, and that it was important that he should have it on the morning of the 20th March to pay to a tradesman. She had been to the post office, but was too late to get a post office order, and she asked Mr. Joicey if he would give her a cheque for £2 in exchange or £2 in gold. Mr. Joicey gave the prisoner a cheque for £2, drawn on the National and Provincial Bank, and the cheque was made payable to "Henry Henderson," the prisoner accounting for the difference between her name and her son's by stating she had been married twice. A little before one o'clock on Saturday, March 20th, a man presented at the National and Provincial Bank, Mosley Street, the cheque, which had been altered from a cheque for £2 to one for £200, and the money was paid to the man, and soon afterwards the forgery was discovered. Inquiries were made, and it was found that on March 20th, a man giving the name of Henry Armstrong took a house in Heworth Place, Jarrow, and the prisoner entered into possession of the house on March 22nd. Detective George Anderson, on April 16th, went to the house in Heworth Place, and found the prisoner there. He asked who lived in the house, and she replied "Ann Armstrong." He said—"Your name is not Armstrong. Your name is Stewart," and she said "What's up, are there any begging letters about?" He searched the house and found £42 in gold, and he also found a London directory, three smaller directories, an army list, and other books. When charged she burst into tears, and said "I got the cheque." Efforts have been made to find Henry Armstrong, but without success. On the 21st April Mr. Anderson went to the prisoner's house, and found a telegram lying there from "Henry Armstrong, Kensington Park," to the prisoner, and the message was "Dear Ann—Very uneasy: hope you are well; answer by telegram; we have done well, Henry Armstrong." —Mr. Wright, for the defence, contended that the prisoner had been made a dupe by some one.—The jury returned a verdict of guilty.—Detective Geo. Anderson, in reply to the judge, said he had known the prisoner for some time as a begging letter impostor, and she came out of Durham Gaol in October last, after an imprisonment of some months. She had two sons and two daughters. The youngest daughter was sent about nine months ago from Newcastle to the Sunderland Reformatory School, and the eldest daughter was about four months ago sentenced in London to 18 months' imprisonment for attempting to obtain money by false pretences from the Member of Parliament for Berwick. The eldest son, Henry Stewart, went about doing nothing, and the youngest son, Alexander, was wanted for a robbery in Durham. The prisoner had also had three months' imprisonment in Northumberland.—His Lordship said it was quite obvious that the prisoner was one of a most artful gang who had been infesting this neighbourhood. He could not doubt that the telegram came from her accomplice, and was a sort of felicitation that he had got very well off with a considerable portion of this money. He could not doubt she was a rogue and vagabond, as she was convicted as one in June, 1868, and again in June, 1874. She was one of those persons who tried to gain a livelihood by a series of frauds; and the arm of the law must be strong enough to put down such transactions. No sympathy could be extended to a woman of clever and artful character like her who, although she might have an imperfect education, had cunning enough to try to live dishonestly at the expense of the community. He sentenced her to seven years' penal servitude.

The Mysterious Murder at Liverpool.—The Home Secretary has acceded to an application from the county police at Liverpool that a reward should be offered for the discovery of the murderer of the boy who was found strangled in Anfield Cemetery, Liverpool, a month ago. The police have been making active inquiries, but are unable to find a clue to the mystery. They hope, however, that the inducement of the reward will lead to information as to the culprit.

Extraordinary Attempt to sell a Wife.—The following facts (which a correspondant of the *Wigan Observer* vouches for as strictly correct) go to prove that the education movement has not yet penetrated into even nook and corner of Lancashire. A registrar of births, deaths, and marriages (especially the latter), not a hundred miles from Wigan, was seated in his office on Monday last, when his usual routine of duties was somewhat diversified by an application which the Registrar-General had unfortunately not provided for. Two men and a women presented themselves before him, and after one of the men had (with the solemnity befitting such an occasion) paid to the other one the sum of four shillings and sixpence, he was requested to let them "sign their hands to a bit of paper." In reply to his not unreasonable query as to the nature of this mysterious proceeding, one of the "high contracting parties" informed him that he had just sold his wife (the woman who accompained them) to his friend and all they required of him was to *legalise* the transaction. Great was the worthy Registrar's amazement, but greater still was the chagrin and disappointment of the buyer and seller, in which, by the way, there were sympathised with by the fickle fair one, when they were told that such a transaction could not be allowed. In vain did they cajole and entreat, and even the reiterated assertion of the *obedient* wife that she was willing, failed to melt the heart of the Registrar. Here was a dilemma! The would-be Benedict paid his money to the would-be Bachelor, who, in language more forcible than polite, expressed his determination to stick to "th' brass." And so there the episode ended, and the parties took their departure, sadder and, let us hope, wiser than they were before.

Parliamentary Summary.

THURSDAY.

In the House of Lords the Public Health Bill was again considered on the report, and this stage of the measure was passed after some little discussion. The Friendly Societies Bill passed through Committee, but not before an important amendment had been carried at the instance of Lord Aberdare reducing the amount for which infants' lives can be insured in burial clubs from £6 to £3. The Government opposed the amendment, but were defeated by 41 to 37—the announcement of the numbers being received with cheers from the Opposition benches.

In the House of Commons, on the motion for Committee of Supply with reference to the grant for the visit of the Prince of Wales to India, Mr. Fawcett submitted his resolution, to the effect, that no portion of the expenditure ought to fall upon the revenue of India. After a long debate, in the course of which the Premier explained more fully the proposals of the Government, and Mr. Gladstone gave his support to these proposals, the motion was negatived by 379 to 67. The House then proceeded to consider in Committee the vote of £60,000 for the personal expenses of the Prince. Mr. Macdonald opposed the vote, and a discussion followed, in which Mr. Bright took part. On a division the vote was agreed to by 350 to 16. The House having resumed, Sir Charles Dilke moved his resolution in favour of an inquiry into the various methods of bringing about the distribution of political power, with the view of sanctioning a more complete representation of the people, which was lost.

FRIDAY.

At the morning sitting of the Commons the Conspiracy and Protection of Property Bill passed through Committee, and the report of the amendments to the Employer and Workmen Bill was agreed to. The Judicature Bill was also advanced a stage. At the evening sitting attention was devoted to a question raised by the O'Conor Don as to the navigation of the Shannon, and to a motion by Dr. Lush, dealing with the position of the medical officers of the army.

MONDAY.

In the House of Lords on Monday Lord Stanley of Alderley drew attention to the coolie traffic, and asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies to inform them of the result of an inquiry into the death of two Indian coolies from flogging in the province of Wellesley. He also inquired what progress had been made in legislating for the protection of Indian coolies in the Straits Settlements. His lordship moved that a copy of the law for the protection of Indian immigrants should be laid on the table. The Earl of Carnarvon, in reply, said that abuses had taken place under the British flag, but only in exceptional cases, and those abuses had been perpetrated by ruffians in defiance of the law. The Earl of Kimberley expressed his satisfaction at the statement of the noble earl, and the motion was withdrawn. Lord Stanley of Alderley asked whether the Government would amend the Education Act of 1870 by substituting the word "boys and unmarried women" for "children" in Clause 74. The Lord President of the Council said the Government had so much business on their hands that it would be neither wise nor convenient for them to attempt the amendment of the Education Act in the manner suggested. A long discussion followed upon the question of the removal of Knightsbridge barracks, and after miscellaneous business had been dealt with, the House adjourned.

In the Commons the Channel Tunnel Bill was read a third time and passed. In answer to Sir George Campbell, the Under Secretary of State for India said that the attention of the Indian Government had been called to the publication of intelligence from Burmah relating to negotiations which had not been concluded. His lordship said that such a course was unusual, and likely to be inconvenient, and steps would be taken to prevent its repetition. In reply to Mr. R. Power, the Home Secretary said—in reference to the case of Sarah Chandler, of "geranium" notoriety—that he had received a letter from the Rev. Mr. Moore, who took the whole blame on himself. The dismissal of magistrates rested with the Lord Chancellor, but he did not think that he would remove Mr. Moore, who had been a magistrate for many years without any complaint. In reply to the Marquis of Hartington the Premier said he proposed to proceed with the Agricultural Holdings Bill in Committee, and he appealed to Mr. Barclay to forego his resolution in opposition to it. Mr. Disraeli then notified the course the Government desired to pursue in dealing with important measures, and said that with the assistance and co-operation of the House, he hoped to be able "to wind up the Session at a reasonable period, and in a manner highly satisfactory to the House." The Marquis of Hartington insisted that the Government ought to give an explicit declaration with respect to the Bills to be proceeded with or abandoned. After questions had been asked and protests uttered, the Premier said it was impossible for him to make an announcement of what was to be done, but in a few days he "thought it not unlikely that he might be able to make a further statement." A discussion ensued as to the conduct of the Government business, when the House went into Committee on the Agricultural Holdings Bill, and a long debate followed.

TUESDAY.

In the House of Lords Earl Beauchamp moved the second reading of the Police Constables (Scotland) Bill, the object of which is to abolish power given by a Scotch Act to appoint gamekeepers as constables. Lord Blantyre moved the rejection of the Bill on the grounds that there had been no complaints against the existing system, and there was no reason why it should be abolished. The amendment was supported by the Duke of Buccleuch, who remarked that the Bill appeared to have been drawn in the interests of professional poachers. This conclusion the Earl of Airlie repudiated. The Duke of Richmond supported the Bill, and his grace denied that the Lord Advocate, who brought forward the measure in the Lower House, could be regarded as the agent of poachers. Lord Aberdare was of opinion that the Bill would not meet the object it professed to have in view. Earl Grey opposed the measure which was defended by the Lord Chancellor, and eventually the motion for the second reading was carried without a division. Several amendments were agreed to in the Friendly Societies Bill. After miscellaneous business had been disposed of the House adjourned.

In the Commons Mr. Evelyn Ashley gave notice that on going into a Committee of Supply he intended to call attention to the correspondence with respect to the Ottoman Porte as Suzerian over the Danubian Principalities. The Under Secretary for India, in reply to Mr. Whitwell, said that the estimate of the Indian Budget for the year 1875-76 showed an income over expenditure of upwards of half-a-million. It would, said Lord George Hamilton, be impossible to obtain a day for the Indian Budget until greater progress had been made with some of the bills before them. The House then proceeded to consider the Conspiracy and Protection of Property Bill as amended. Mr. Holmes moved an amendment with the object of making the fourth clause applicable, not only with a breach of contract by the working men, but on the part of others who might maliciously or wilfully not fulfil a contract. Mr. Cross objected on the ground that the question had been both discussed and decided. Lord Elcho questioned whether penalties could be enforced against a company which had "neither a body to be kicked, nor a soul to be damned." Mr. Hopwood held that a company could be held pecuniarily liable. The amendment was negatived by a majority of twelve. After some other amendments had been discussed, the Bill was ordered to be read a third time on Thursday. The House then went into Committee on the Agricultural Holdings Bill, and the fifth clause was under discussion when progress was reported. The sitting was suspended at seven o'clock. At nine the House resumed, and five minutes afterwards there was a count out.

WEDNESDAY.

In the House of Commons Mr. Newdegate drew attention to the prevalent practice of counting out the House on Tuesdays. The President of the Local Government Board regretted that there should have been any occasion for the complaint, but he urged that the opportunities of private members had not suffered. On the motion of Mr. Adam, a new writ was ordered for the borough of Hartlepool. Mr. Downing moved the second reading of the Poor Removal Bill, under which any two magistrates could make an order of removal of any pauper, whether Irish or Scotch, or belonging to the Channel Islands; the Irish to be removed to some part of Ireland to be named in the warrant. Mr. Sclater-Booth hoped the Bill would not be pressed, and promised that attention should be directed to the subject. A discussion, in which several members joined, ensued, after which Mr. Downing replied, and on a division the Bill was lost by 166. After dealing with some miscellaneous business, the House adjourned.

THE CONDEMNED CRIMINALS IN DURHAM GAOL.

The Under-Sheriff for the county of Durham (Mr Richardson Peele) has received no less than five applications for the post of hangman in the coming executions at Durham. The names of these aspirants to Calcraft's notoriety are not publicly known, but the office has been delegated to old Marwood, the executioner of Daley. The woman Elizabeth Pearson (28), has since her condemnation been assiduously attended by the chaplain of the gaol, the Rev. J. C. Lowe, through whose ministrations she has evinced a slight show of repentance, though still maintaining a painful silence on the crime for which she has to die. No efforts in her case have been made to obtain a communication of the sentence, nor is there a likelihood of any. With reference to the young man Gilligan a petition has been extensively signed in Darlington, and his friends entertain a strong hope that his sentence will be commuted. The young man gives every attention to his spiritual adviser, Canon Consitt, and while regretting to die so young, he entertains no hope of a reprieve. Gilligan, unlike the woman Pearson, is very communicative about the facts of the murder to his several attendants, to each of whom he protests his innocence. He blames the prisoner Durkin (who was sentenced to 15 years' penal servitude as an accomplice) for having been the cause of the fight, and says Durkin knows more than he has told. Gilligan states that the murdered man, Kilcran, crossed to the corner of Park Street, and struck Durkin, and the two commenced to fight. During the altercation the fatal blow was struck by a man whom Gilligan says is now in America; but he (Gilligan) never raised his hand. Considering his position, Gilligan is in very good spirits, and eats well, and is only overcome when he thinks or speaks of his young wife and two children, of whom he makes frequent mention. With regard to the Barnard Castle murderer, William McHugh (35), within the last day or two he has become perfectly reconciled to his fate in a religious sense, and assures the warders he will die happy, innocent. He is daily attended by Canon Consitt, to whom he pays the greatest attention, and has even expressed a hope to those in attendance that the last sentence may be carried out and no reprieve granted. Since his occupation of the condemned cell, which is separate from Gilligan's, and in another part of the prison he has given several versions of the transaction, in which he took the most prominent part, and wonders that Gallagher should have been acquitted as it was Gallagher, Brannen, and Teeney who dragged Mooney down and threw him over the wall into the river.

Local and General News.

Lady Franklin, the widow of the renowned Arctic explorer, died on Sunday evening at her house in Phillimore Gardens.

The Duchess of Leeds has been nominated a member of the School Board for the parish of Stapleford, Cambridgeshire.

The Grand Vizier of Turkey has shown that he is a believer in the axiom "example is better than precept." While advocating a reduction in the salaries of the higher public officials, he has reduced his own emolunments from 2,500 Turkish pounds per month to 600.

Mr. Isaac Lowthian Bell was unanimously chosen as the Liberal candidate for the representation of the Hartlepools, in the room of Mr. Richardson, at a meeting of the committee of the Liberal Association held on Tuesday. The Conservative candidate is Captain Young, of Hartlepool.

What Next?—The Italio-American Methodists in Rome, have just paid a large sum for a very eligible plot of ground in the Piazza Poli next to the Church of the Crocifferi, upon which they propose to build a chapel. There will be only a partition wall between the Roman and the Methodist churches.

Breach of Contract by Pitmen.—At the Gateshead Borough Police Court, on Monday, five pitmen named John Kennedy, Patrick O'Boile, Geo. Hayes, Peter Baty, and John Bassity were summoned for breach of contract by the owners of Tyne Main Colliery. They had left their work on June 24th, because it was stated they desired the discharge of two or three men who were not in the union. The case having been proved against them, they were each fined 9s. 6d.

News from Newcastle.—In most of the provincial and in not a few of the metropolitan newspapers there on Tuesday appeared a piece of startling intelligence from Newcastle. In connection with the thunderstorm which had on the previous morning passed over this district, it was stated that two men, who where mowing clover grass in a field close to the town, and who had for a moment ceased for the purpose of sharpening their scythes, were struck by lightening and instantly killed. Some of the reports, condescending to be somewhat more minute in details, indicated Benton as the scene of this "lamentable accident;" but all inquiries which have been made lead to the conclusion that no such occurrence has absolutely taken place. The affair has evidently had no better foundation than the fertile brain of a too imaginative journalist.—*Newcastle Chronicle.*

Presbyterian Council.—A Pan-Presbyterian Council of representatives of all the Presbyterian Churches in Christendom was opened on Tuesday night at the Hall of Regent-square Church, London, by a social reception of the delegates by the London Committee and their friends, followed by a motion of welcome in the Church. There was a large attendance of representatives, ecclesiastical and lay, from America, Canada, New Zealand, Italy, Spain, Belgium, France, Switzerland, and from the Presbyterian Churches of Scotland, Established and Nonconformist Churches of Ireland and Wales. The lay delegates included five members of Parliament from Ireland, and two from Wales. The object of the Council is to make plain the unity of belief existing among all the branches of Protestant Christendom: to apportion the mission and home labour fields with less risk of collision and waste of energy; to form and guide opinion on common points of difficulty, and to concentrate the moral influence of the church at large upon the question affecting education, social reforms, the defence of revealed truth and the resistance to be offered to the foes of religious freedom.

County Franchise Demonstration at Morpeth.—The members of the Northumberland Colliery Enginemen's Association held their second annual demonstration on Saturday, at Morpeth, when about a thousand persons were present. The president of the Association, Mr George T. Shields after alluding to the benefits and social advantages which had been gained by their association, referred to the unfair position in which citizens were placed, in the counties compared with their fellow men in boroughs, who exercised the franchise.—Mr. T. Weighell, the secretary of the Association proposed the following resolution:—"That this meeting regards the difference which now exists in this country between the borough and county franchise as being entirely behind the spirit of the age, and expresses the opinion that no measure of Parliamentary reform will be regarded by the working classes as satisfactory that does not include a provision for a redistribution of seats, and the placing of the county and borough franchises on equal footing; and urges on the working classes throughout the United Kingdom the desirability of demonstrating to our legislators by persistent agitation the absolute necessity for such a measure of Parliamentary reform as would bring about the extension of the borough franchise to the counties, and the establishment of equal electoral districts." Mr. J. Turnbull seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Business Announcements.

GIVEN AWAY! GIVEN AWAY!!
GIVEN AWAY!!!
BY THE
LONDON AND NEWCASTLE TEA CO.
17, WEST GRAINGER STREET,
AND 29, SANDHILL,
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

EVERY PURCHASER OF TEA has a choice of the following Articles:—Butter Dishes, Sugars and Creams, Vases, Teapots, Work Boxes, Ladies' Bags, Copper Kettles, &c.

Prices of Tea:—2s. 6d., 2s. 8d., 3s., 3s. 6d., and 4s. per lb.

Finest Indian Tea Imported, 4s. per lb. 6235

HARMONIUMS! PIANOFORTES!!

CARR AND SMITH,
HARMONIUM DEALERS,
ANNFIELD PLAIN.

HARMONIUMS from £4 10s. to £80. PIANOFORTES from £20 to £100. Harmoniums exchanged.

FOR
WINES, SPIRITS, AND ALES
OF THE FINEST QUALITY,
GO TO
JOHN THOMPSON'S
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
WINE AND SPIRIT STORES,
LEADGATE.

J. PARKER'S
CHEAP JEWELLERY ESTABLISHMENT,
2, FRONT STREET, CONSETT.

LADIES' and Gents' Silver Watches, from 30s., warranted. Gents' New Albert Chains, 3s. 6d. Eight-day Spring Clocks, from 21s., warranted. A large Stock of Cheap Ornaments. Wall Papers and Pictures for Sale.

Portrait Gallery open for the Season. 7027

NOTICE.

W. STEEL

BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Consett and surrounding Neighbourhood that he has commenced Business as TIN, IRON, AND ZINC-PLATE WORKER AND GENERAL DEALER, in the Shop, 1, RAGLAN STREET, CONSETT, Where he hopes, by offering Goods of the Best Workmanship and at the Lowest Prices, to gain a share of their Patronage and Support.

UMBRELLAS neatly Repaired and Re-covered. 7074

OPENING OF A NEW WHOLESALE AND RETAIL SPIRIT STORE IN VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT.

JAMES DONNELLY

BEGS to inform his Friends and the Public generally that he has OPENED a Wholesale and Retail SPIRIT STORE, in Victoria Street, Consett, and, by keeping SCOTCH and IRISH WHISKEYS and other SPIRITS of Good Quality, he hopes to obtain their patronage and support.

TODD'S QUININE WINE
STANDS PRE-EMINENT FOR
PURITY AND STRENGTH.

IT is the best known remedy for Indigestion, Nervous Complaints, Debility, Wasting Diseases, &c., and is recommended by the Faculty.

TODD'S QUININE WINE strengthens the whole system. The genuine is manufactured only by JOE TODD, Chemist, Carlisle, and bears his name on the Government Stamp. Sold by all Chemists. 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.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WM. MIDDLEMASS,
Sole Agent for
WM. WHITELAW AND SON,
Brewers,
Fisher-row, Edinburgh.
THE CITY OF DUBLIN BREWERY CO.
(Limited),
Blackpits, Dublin.
ROBERTSON, SANDERSON, AND CO.,
Distillery Agents and Wine Importers,
Leith and Liverpool.
HAS REMOVED
To more Extensive Premises,
CENTRAL BUILDINGS,
161, WESTGATE ROAD,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

A FEW FACTS WORTH SPECIAL ATTENTION.

THAT our INDIAN TEA, at Four Shillings per pound, is really first-class.

That our INDIAN TEA, at Three Shillings and Sixpence per pound, is really good value.

That our NEW CURRANTS, at Fourpence per pound, are beautifully cleaned by patent machinery and ready for use.

That our PALE and MOTTLED SOAPS, at Threepence per pound, are the cheapest and best value in the district.

That OUR SHOP is noted for FIRST-CLASS GROCERIES and PROVISIONS generally, at remarkably low prices.

☞ THE ADDRESS—
NEWCASTLE TEA WAREHOUSE,
14, NEWMARKET STREET, CONSETT.
JAMES LAKE, PROPRIETOR.

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2 AND 3, DELVES LANE, CONSETT,
COUNTY OF DURHAM.

GEORGE YOUNG,
Wholesale and Retail
ALE, PORTER, AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,

BEGS to return thanks to his Friends and the Public for their kind patronage and support during the last Fifteen Years he has been in Business, and trusts, that by his constant exertion and attention to the claims of his Customers and Friends, to merit a continuance of their favours. G. Y., having laid-in a large Stock of the best Brands of

WINES AND SPIRITS,

Is now prepared to compete with any house in the trade for Quality, Flavour, and Price.

LIST OF PRICES.
SPIRITS.

Brandy, from 3s. 6d. to 5s. 6d. per Bottle.
Whiskeys (Irish), from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per Bottle.
Whiskeys (Scotch), from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per Bottle.
Rum (Jamaica), from 2s. 8d. to 3s. 8d. per Bottle.
Gin (Geneva), from 4s. 6d. per Bottle.
Old Tom, from 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per Bottle.

WINES AND CHAMPAGNE.

Wines—Port and Sherry, from 2s. 6d. to 5s. per Bottle.
Champagne, from 8s. 6d. to 10s. 6d. per Bottle.

BURTON AND EDINBURGH ALES.

Burton Ales at 4s. 6d. per Dozen Quarts.
Burton Ales at 3s. per Dozen Pints.
Edinburgh Ales at 3s. 9d. per Dozen Quarts.
Ebinburgh Ales at 2s. 3d. per Dozen Pints.

LONDON AND DUBLIN STOUT.

London Stout at 4s. per Dozen Quarts.
London Stout at 2s. 3d. per Dozen Pints.
Dublin Stout at 5s. per Dozen Quarts.
Dublin Stout at 3s. per Dozen Pints.

☞ Orders will be punctually attended to, and delivered free of charge by G. Young's own Waggon.

Business Announcements.

JOHNSON ROBSON,
PAINTER, GLAZIER, PAPER-HANGER, &c.,
40, DURHAM ROAD, BLACKHILL.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT of PAPER HANGINGS. 6919

JOHN BRYSON,
COACH AND HOUSE PAINTER, GLAZIER, &c.,

BEGS to inform his Friends and the Public generally that he has entered the Shop lately occupied by Mr. J. Dawson, plumber, 6, VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT.

All Orders punctually attended to. 6926

MAIN AND ROBINSON,
MILLWRIGHTS AND ENGINEERS,
GIBSON STREET, CONSETT,

BEG to announce that they have commenced business as above, where they are prepared to execute all Mill Work, together with the Manufacture of Crushing Machines and Circular and Endless Saws, Thrashing Machines, Reaping Machines, together with every description of Agricultural Implements. All orders promptly attended to. 6874

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

JOHN DAWSON,
PLUMBER AND GAS FITTER,

RESPECTFULLY returns his sincere thanks to his Friends and the Public of Consett and surrounding district, for the patronage already accorded to him, and begs to intimate that he has now

REMOVED
To more commodious premises,
No. 7, SHAKSPEARE STREET,
(below the Town Hall)
CONSETT,

Where he has always on hand a large assortment of Chandeliers, Water Closets, Spouting and Gas Fittings.

SHAW AND ATKINSON

Have now in Stock a Splendid Assortment of

HOLLAND COSTUMES,
From 8s. 11d. to 26s.
MANTILLAS,
FANCY DRESSES,
MILLINERY,
UMBRELLAS,
DRESS TRIMMINGS,
SATIN AND MOHAIR SKIRTS,
PRINTS,
SILK SCARFS, &c., &c.

Also, the Largest Assortment of READY-MADE CLOTHING of every description in the District.

SHAW AND ATKINSON,
CONSETT, LEADGATE,
AND
ANNFIELD PLAIN.

NEW MILLINERY! NEW MILLINERY!!
NEW MILLINERY!!!

A TREAT FOR CONSETT.

T. ROWE,
THE CHEAP DRAPER,
16, VICTORIA STREET,

BEGS to inform the people of Consett and surrounding district that he has bought for ready cash an entirely NEW STOCK of MILLINERY. Beautiful HATS and BONNETS in all the Newest Styles of the day.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—The above Department will be under the able management of Mrs. RALPH ORD, late of Middle Street, Consett, who will be glad to see any of her old friends.

NEW DRESSES in great variety. Hundreds to choose from at nominal prices.

NEW PRINTS, all beautiful patterns, from 3½d per yard; Hoyle's best, at 6d. per yard.

The Cheapest CALICOS in the World from 1½d per yard.

NEW HOSIERY, GLOVES, TIES, COLLARS, LINEN SETTS, &c.

NEW SKIRTS in every make and style.

NEW FLOWERS, FEATHERS, RIBBONS, &c.

A special lot of TRIMMINGS, BUTTONS, RIBBONS, VELVETS, YAK LACE, &c. This is a rare chance for Dressmakers, who will be supp'ied at the lowest London Wholesale Prices.

READY MADES! READY MADES!! READY MADES!!!

New arrival of MEN'S, YOUTH'S and BOYS' READY-MADE CLOTHING, suitable for the present Season, at most reasonable prices.

The largest and best assorted STOCK of ALLOA YARNS, WOOLS, and WORSTEDS in Consett.

NOTICE.—Agent for ALEXANDER ELDER, Dyer and Cleaner, Newcastle. Goods Dyed and Cleaned on the shortest Notice, and on reasonable terms.

Note the address—
THOMAS ROWE,
16, VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT. 6027

Business Announcements.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

MR. SWAINSTON, Grocer, Middle Street, Consett, respectfully announces that, owing to the ALTERATION and ENLARGEMENT of PREMISES, the SHOP will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, and FRIDAY, and will be RE-OPENED on SATURDAY, the 31st inst.

GREAT SHOW OF NEW GOODS.

JOHN POTTS,
DRAPER AND CLOTHIER,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT,

IS now showing, in the various departments of his business, all the Latest and Leading Styles.

Having made extensive purchases for the Spring and Summer Trades, he is satisfied that at no previous Season he could offer anything like the class of Goods he is now prepared to show.

In connection with the SILK and DRESS Department, he is prepared to make up LADIES' DRESSES and MANTLES in all the present Styles, on the shortest notice.

The Stock comprises BLACK and COLOURED SILKS, FANCY DRESSES, MERINOES, REPPS, MOHAIRS, CHALLIES, BROCADES, &c.

All the Latest Fashions in MILLINERY, BONNETS, HATS, FEATHERS, FLOWERS, ORNAMENTS, &c.

LADIES' FANCY GOODS of every description.

HOYLE'S PRINTS, this year's new patterns. CALICOES, FLANNELS, TABLE LINEN, CARPETS, FELTS, and MATTINGS.

The largest Stock of BOOTS in the district.

A large Stock of BOYS' SUITS, bought expressly for EASTER. MEN and BOYS' SUITS, TROUSERS, VESTS, COATS &c.

The Newest Makes in SILK and FELT HATS, CAPS, &c.

SUITS, &c., made to Order on the shortest notice.

Agent for the EUROPEAN SEWING and KNITTING MACHINES. Also, HOWE'S, SINGER'S, WHEELER AND WILSON'S, FLORENCE, &c. SEWING MACHINES.

☞ A few Second-hand MACHINES in Stock for Sale.

JOHN POTTS,
DRAPER AND CLOTHIER,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT. 6725

J. BATES
HOUSE CARPENTER, JOINER, UNDERTAKER, HARDWAREMAN,
HARVEY STREET, CONSETT. 6758

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

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

TERMS—CASH. 879a

IMPORTANT SALE OF CARRIAGES AND HARNESS.

OWING to intended Alterations and Improvements of Premises occupied by
ATKINSON AND PHILIPSON,
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE,
ESTABLISHED 1794,
They are anxious to reduce their Stock of Carriages previous to commencing the Alterations, and, as an inducement to Purchasers, they propose reducing the price of their

SECOND-HAND CARRIAGES and HARNESS £10 per Cent. beyond the usual £5 per Cent., for Cash, FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS,

As their present large Stock of Carriages and Harness must be reduced before commencing the Alterations, which, when made, will make their establishment more compact and convenient.

The Carriages for Sale comprise almost every possible variety at present in use.

N.B.—A Book of New Designs of Carriages and Harness sent (post free) upon application. 7059

JOHN COLE,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
ALE, PORTER, AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,
FRONT STREET, LEADGATE,

BEGS to return thanks to his friends and the public for their kind patronage during the time he has been in business, and hopes, by continuing to supply them with WINES, SPIRITS, ALES, &c., of the best quality, to still merit a continuance of their favours.

J. C. having laid in a large Stock of the Best Brands of SPIRITS, is prepared to compete with any house in the trade.

LIST OF PRICES.

SPIRITS.

Brandy	3s. 6d. to 5s. 0d.
Whisky	2s. 3d. to 3s. 6d.
Rum	2s. 3d. to 3s. 0d.
Gin	2s. 3d. to 3s. 0d.

ALES, &c.

Sparkling Edinburgh Ales, on Draught, 5d. per quart.
Burton Ale, 6d., usually sold at 8d.
Bottled Ale and Porter, from 2s. 3d. per Dozen Pints.
Bottled Ale and Porter, from 4s. to 4s. 6d. per Dozen Quarts.
Families Supplied with ALE in Nine, Eighteen, and Thirty-six Gallon Casks on reasonable terms.

☞ Orders by Post punctually attended to, and delivered free of charge by J. C.'s own Waggon. 7102

HALF MOON YARD HORSE REPOSITORY,
BIGG MARKET, NEWCASTLE.

SALES BY AUCTION every TUESDAY and SATURDAY at Two p.m. of HORSES, CARRIAGES, DOGS, &c., by W. SUTTON, Auctioneer and Proprietor.

NOTICE.—All Entries free of charge if not sold (Dogs excepted).

Accommodation for Horses at Livery.
Horses Let on Job. 6847

SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE.

JACOB DOWSON,
DERWENT STREET, BLACKHILL,

BEGS to announce to the Public that on SATURDAY FIRST, he will commence his SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE, when, as on previous occasions, the Stock will be marked at a very liberal reduction. Every article will be reduced and every inducement offered in price for a Cheap Parcel.

The few following quotations will give some idea of the reductions:—

DRESSES.—A very slight reserve being placed upon these goods.
Striped Hollands and Tasso Cloths, 4½d. to 6½d.
Striped Balernoes, 14½d.; reduced to 9½d.
Silk Striped Serges, 1s. 11d.; reduced to 1s. 4½d.
Fancy Lustres, 10½d.; reduced to 8½d.
A few Muslin Dresses will be cleared at 4s. 11d. and 5s. 11d. for twelve yards; former price, 6s. 9d. and 10s 9d. Rare Bargains.
White Striped Marcellas at 5d.
A Piece one yard wide, 10½d.
Millinery and Straw Goods at about half-price.
Boxes of Flowers at 1d. per Spray.
Ladies' Collars 3½d. each; were 6½d. and 10½d.
Cuffs at 2½d. per paid.
A Box of Children's Gloves at 1d. per pair.
Fancy Silk Ties at 3½d to 1s. 9d.
Hair Plaits at 4½d. each.
Remains of a Stock of Ladies and Children's Under-clothing at 20 per cent. under regular prices.
100 Pairs of Stays and Corsets from 1s. 6d. upwards.
Cashmere Capes and Jackets reduced for an entire and immediate clearance to a little over half-price.
Ladies' White Insertion Skirts at 2s. 11d.
Fancy Embroidered Skirts from 3s. 6d. upwards.
About 3 Dozens of Ladies' Silk Umbrellas will be sold at 2s. 8d. each.
A Splendid Line in Harvarard Shirtings at 4½d.; worth 7d.
Hollands from 7½d.
All-wool Shirtings at 1s. 2½d.
White Flannels at 11½d.
Grey Calicoes, one yard wide, at 2½d. per yard.
Heavy Twill Sheetings reduced from 1s. 3d. to 1s.
A few Dozens of Men's very large Union Shirts will be cleared at 2s. 6d.; really worth 3s. 6d.
A few Dozens of Regatta Shirts at 10½d. each.
A Splendid Shirt for 1s. 6d.
Duck Jackets at 2s. 6d.
Caps from 3½d. each.
Several Dozens of Duke Scarfs from 4½d. upwards.
Fronts, with Shakespeare Collars, at 10½d.; were 1s. 2d.
Boys' Byron Collars at 1s. 3d. per Dozen.

CLOTHING.

A Lot of Men's Trousers will be cleared at 7s. 11d.
A Lot of Trousers and Vests at 16s. 11d.; were 21s. 6d.
A very cheap line and worth attention.
Men's Coats from 15s. 6d. upwards.
Boys' Suits from 7s. 6d.
Dozens of Children's Toilet Diaper Pinafores at 4½d. each.
A Lot of Sun Shades at 7½d. each.

☞ The Stock comprises several extraordinarily Cheap Lots, which can be confidently recommended. 7102

Business Announcements.

B. MOODY
WATCH-MAKER, EBCHESTER.

MR. JOHN QUINN,
AUCTIONEER,
CATCHGATE, NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN.
By Lintz Green, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

P. OSBORNE,
AUCTIONEER AND APPRAISER,
FRONT STREET,
SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

☞ Valuations effected for Probate, &c. 227

JAMES PALLISER,
FAMILY GROCER, PROVISION MERCHANT, AND COMMISSION AGENT,
5 AND 6, FOUNDRY ROW, BLACKHILL.

J. P. begs most respectfully to inform his Friends and the Public that he has succeeded Mr. A. Simpson in the above place, and is prepared to offer GOODS (in quality and cheapness) equal to anyone in the Trade.

J. P.'s Shop is now RE-OPENED and all orders shall have prompt attention. 7129

W. F. TAIT,
PRACTICAL WATCH AND CLOCKMAKER,
31, VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT,

BEGS to return thanks to the Inhabitants of Consett and its Vicinity for the liberal support he has received since he has resided amongst them, and hopes by civility and strict attention to business to still merit a share of their patronage. W. F. T. begs to remind them that all kinds of ENGLISH and FOREIGN WATCHES and CLOCKS are Repaired and Cleaned on the premises under his own supervision; and any Orders he may be favoured with will be done in a workmanlike style, at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

Orders from the Country punctually attended to.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE LADIES OF CONSETT AND DISTRICT.

JOHN POTTS,
DRAPER, &c.,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT,

HAS much pleasure in intimating to his friends and customers that he has succeeded, at considerable expense, in obtaining the services of Miss JOHNSTONE, as Practical DRESS and MANTLE-MAKER, and is therefore now in a position to execute in every detail all Orders with which he may be entrusted.

Miss J. having had considerable experience in Dress and Mantle-Making, will be glad to wait upon Ladies who may desire her services, at their own residences.

☞ Ladies' own Materials made-up. 6726

THE NOTED BOOTS AND SHOES.

THOMAS CRESSWELL,
BOOT AND SHOEMAKER,

RESPECTFULLY announces to the Inhabitants of Consett, Blackhill, Leadgate, and surrounding District that, in order to supply the increasing demand for

HIS NOTED BOOTS AND SHOES,
He has OPENED SHOPS in
VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT;
DERWENT STREET, BLACKHILL;
AND
FRONT STREET, LEADGATE.

At any of these Establishments parties can at all times rely upon being supplied with a good Article at a moderate price.

Repairing executed on the premises.
☞ AN EARLY CALL KINDLY SOLICITED.

THE RIGHT THING AT LAST.

THE EAGLE BOOT COMPANY'S WHOLESALE SHOE MANUFACTURERS' RETAIL BRANCH SHOP AT CONSETT.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—Seeing the necessity in your district for a Good, Useful, and Cheap Shoe Shop, the Eagle Boot Company have opened a Branch Retail Shop in Consett, where you can have your Goods at Wholesale Prices.

Everything that can be done shall be done to secure your favours, in every Branch of the Trade.

	s.	d.
A good and gentlemanly looking pair of Elastic Boots	8	6
A good Working Boot (strong)	7	6
Ladies' Elastic Boots (calf),	3	6
" Block Kid Boots, lady looking	6	6

Both Ladies' and Gentlemen's up to 16s.
Children's in proportion.

REPAIRING DEPARTMENT.
Your Shoes mended at once.
Boots brought to Repair at 9 o'clock done at 12
" " " 12 " " 3
" " " 3 " " 7
Punctuality will have the greatest attention.

N.B.—Note the address.
THE EAGLE BOOT COMPANY,
SHAKESPEARE STREET, CONSETT,
G. ROYCE & CO., Proprietors,
Leicester and Mansfield.
6958

DRAPERIES! DRAPERIES!! DRAPERIES!!!
DRAPERIES!!!!

R. PICKERING,
LINEN AND WOOLLEN DRAPER,
20, NEWMARKET STREET, CONSETT,

BEGS most respectfully to inform the inhabitants of Consett and the surrounding District, that he is in a position to offer all that may patronise him, some very cheap DRAPERY GOODS of all kinds, from an entire new Stock, which has been recently bought at some of the Best and Cheapest Markets. The Stock comprises—Blankets, Flannels, Quilts, Sheets, Sheetings, Hollands, Diapers, Calicoes, Shirts, Shirtings, *Linseys*, Winceys, Black and Coloured Cable and Paramata Cords, Black and Coloured Merinoes, Black and Coloured Alpacas, Black and Coloured Thibits, Fancy Dress Materials of all kinds, Silks, Velvets, Crapes, Velveteens, Ribbons, Feathers, Flowers, Gloves, Ties, Scarfs, Collars, Cuffs, Frills, Frillings, Stays, Shawls, Mantels, Capes, Black and White Dress Caps, Swiss and Muslin Work, Black and White Laces, Fringes and Gimps, Yak Laces, Silk and Alpaca Umbrellas.

CHILDREN'S.

Coats and Capes, Frocks and Pinafores, Silk and Satin Hoods, Velvet and Cloth Turbans, White Robes, Boots and Shoes.

READY-MADES.

Men's Suits, Moleskin and Cord Trousers, Drawers, in Flannel, Serge, Twill Cotton, and Swandown, Hats and Caps, Ties, Collars, and Fronts.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

LADIES' UNDERCLOTHING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

SCOTCH WOOLS OF VARIOUS KINDS, &c.

R.P. would take this opportunity of assuring all those that may visit him that he will supply them with Goods of all kinds at most reasonable prices, as it will be his daily study to serve all to the best of his ability.

An inspection is invited to the above STOCK now on Sale at

20, NEWMARKET STREET, CONSETT.

Public Notices.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1868.

DISTRICT OF BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

AUDITOR'S SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 25TH, 1875.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 20th July, 1875.

GENTLEMEN,—I have Audited the Accounts of your Local Board for the year ended the 25th March last, and herewith send Summary of Receipts and Payments. A balance of £181 9s. 5d. was due to Treasurer at the end of the year, and I have to give a warning that interest is held by the Local Government Board not to be payable except in the case of loans to which their consent has been obtained on regular application.

Balance being on the wrong side appears to have arisen from two causes, viz. :—

I.—The putting up of fire-extinguishing appliances ;

II.—A payment of £303 13s. 7d. to Messrs. Ord and Maddison for stones got between October, 1872, and March, 1874, at least a year and a half's supply, and not within the present year.

It is desirable as much as possible to have monthly settlings, and always to have invoices and accounts attached to the pay-sheets.

The maintenance of Roads, heretofore Turnpikes, is a serious matter with you, and it is particularly desirable that a special account should be kept of them. A Parliamentary Return may not improbably be required of their present and past cost. A separate account is also needful as to the other portions of roads in the district. They form a very important element in your expenditure, and I should have been glad to send you the details, but there has not been time to extract them from the pay-bills and roadmen's accounts.

The pay-sheets since July seem to deal with this expenditure in a more general way than previously, but the bills give the items which might be classified at foot of each bill by the Surveyor, and properly shown as respects each particular road.

I regret the retirement of your late Surveyor, who evidently must have had a good deal to do at moderate pay.

You are to be congratulated on your outlay for private improvements having all been repaid. A good deal has been accomplished without a loan, while you are paying for everything at once.

It may be a question whether the assessments on workmen's houses might not be advantageously revised as compared with other places, and the Union Assessment Committee consulted on the subject.

Half the salaries of the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances may be got back from the Local Government Board on application. There is, I believe, no reason why you should not have this allowance, except that officer's services could not be dispensed with at your pleasure, but the consent of the Local Government Board would have to be obtained, and forms have to be observed in the performance of his duties (see appendix to official digest of Statutes as to Sanitary Authorities, pages 248 to end).

The Bill now before Parliament for consolidating the laws as to public health may soon be through the House of Commons, when the Bill will be re-printed. It may therefore be desirable to have a copy to see if there is anything to object to before its being considered by the House of Lords.

I am, Gentlemen, very faithfully yours,

JAS. RADFORD, Dictrict Auditor.

THE CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To balance due from Treasurer		21 17 2	
" " Collector		0 0 2½	
			21 17 4½
RECEIPTS.			
From General District Rate made 20th May, 1874,			
Houses, £11,461 10s. at 1s.		573 1 6	
Land, £2,609 at 3d.		32 12 3	
		605 13 9	
Add recoverable arrears		4 4 8	
		609 18 5	
Less decrease in composition	39 4 7½		
Empties	4 12 9		
Allowed on appeal	0 16 0		
Recoverable	21 15 3		
		66 8 7½	
			543 9 9½
From private improvements			118 13 11½
From General District Rate made 16th September, 1874,			
Houses, £11,471 10s. at 1s.		573 11 6	
Land, £2,609 at 3d.		32 12 3	
		606 3 9	
Add recoverable arrears		21 15 3	
		627 19 0	
Less decrease in composition	40 18 10		
Empties	7 4 2		
Allowed on appeal	0 19 9		
Recoverable	7 6 6		
		56 9 3	
			671 9 9
From private improvements			194 5 11
From Highway Rate—Arrears last account		5 0 6	
" " Recoverable		2 14 0	
			2 6 6
Balance due to Treasurer			181 9 5
			£1,633 12 8½

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PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Highways		222 12 6	
Cartage		154 14 9	
Materials—Ord and Maddison, for lime-stone		468 6 10	
Trade bills		43 9 7	
Breaking stones		73 16 2	
Public lighting		234 6 3	
Election expenses		18 0 0	
Fire-extinguishing appliances—Hose, Reel, and Stand-pipe	89 11 8		
Fixing fire-plugs	31 5 0		
		111 16 8	
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Making copy of rates	4 13 4		
" plans	2 17 6		
Audit fees	5 5 0		
Stamps	2 16 0		
Solicitor's expenses	2 2 0		
Costs of inquiry—Sanitary Act	2 7 4		
New screen for Board-room	6 0 0		
Papering and painting	2 1 0		
Summons	0 5 0		
Bank commission	1 17 1		
		30 4 3	
			1357 7 0
ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES.			
Printing and Stationery		15 4 6	
Advertising		6 12 0	
Salaries		88 3 5	
Rents		22 10 0	
			132 9 11
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.			
Stokoe—Balance for sinking drains at Blackfine		3 17 0	
Robson and Frazer—New Street, Cemetery Road, Blackhill		15 0 0	
" " Forming Streets at Blackfine		40 0 0	
" " Balance of Account—Cemetery Road, Blackhill		26 6 8	
Sewerage Works at Shotley Bridge, to house property belonging to Annandale and Son		6 0 4	
" " belonging to W. Sherlwell		3 15 6	
" " at Benfieldside Edge Side		3 9 4	
" " at Derwent Street, Blackhill		3 6 0	
			101 14 10
PRIVATE IMPROVEMENTS.			
E. Westgarth—Balance of account for Oak Street, Shotley Bridge		22 0 9	
G. Robson—On account of Consett Iron Company's portion of Dixon Street, Blackfine		20 0 0	
			42 0 9
Balance due from Collector			0 0 2½
			£1,633 12 8½

I.U.O. OF MECHANICS.

THE MEMBERS of the "Rising Sun" Lodge, Sunniside, will celebrate their SIXTEENTH ANNIVERSARY by a SOIREE, on SATURDAY, July 31st, 1875, consisting of a Public Tea, Concert, and Ball, in the Field where the Marley Hill Soiree has always been held, and with the same class of entertainment.—For particulars, see handbills.

MATTHEW ERRINGTON, Sec.,
7066 Marley Colliery.

RECOMMENDED BY THE FACULTY.

ROBINSON'S EFFERVESCING VEGETABLE APERIENT is the best Remedy for Bilious Attacks, Sick Headache, Vomiting, Heartburn, Constipation, Impure Blood, Skin Eruptions, Giddiness, &c.

No one should be without it, as it purifies and invigorates the blood, thus acting as a preventative of Small Pox, &c.

Sold retail by all Chemists, in bottles 2s. 3d. each; wholesale, JOHN ISMAY, Newcastle.

Prepared only by JOSEPH ROBINSON, Chemist, Stanley. 6887

Business Announcements.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the GAME over the Estates of Priestfield, Lintz Green, and Loft House, is strictly PRESERVED. Any-one found Trespassing will be prosecuted according to law. 831d

PIPES! PIPES!! PIPES!!!

ALL who want a real Good and Cheap MEERSCHAUM PIPE will do well in calling at

S. WALKER'S,
HAIR DRESSER, STATIONER, AND TOBACCONIST,
DERWENT STREET, BLACKHILL.

S. W. begs to intimate that he is clearing out present Stock of PIPES at almost fabulous prices. 7143

NOTICE.

JOHN ARMSTRONG,
WEST KYO, NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN,

WISHES to inform his Friends and the Public generally that he has commenced Business as PUBLIC AUCTIONEER, and hopes, by strict attention to Business, to merit a share of patronge and support. 7121

OPENING OF THE CENTRAL EXCHANGE
FISH, GAME, AND POULTRY
EMPORIUM,
TOP OF GREY STREET, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

The above premises ARE NOW OPEN
With a Magnificent Display of
FISH, GAME, AND POULTRY
(In Season.)
Family Orders promptly attended to.
Country Fishmongers supplied.

A. K. BAINES, MANAGER. 6917

JOHN JENKINS
AUCTIONEER,
HOUSE AGENT, AND APPRAISER
TRAFALGAR STREET CONSETT.

PARTIES leaving the Neighbourhood can have their Furniture, &c., turned into Cash on the shortest notice. 660a

LIFE ASSURANCE.

BONUSES of £5 to £50, and Commission, will be paid by a leading old established Company for the introduction of new assurers.—Address, SECRETARY, care Gravatt, King Street, London, E.C. 7107

NOTICE.

AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF RATE-PAYERS of the Town-ship of Collierley will be held at the house of Mr. R. CLARK, SPORTSMAN'S ARMS, DIPTON, on MONDAY, 2nd August, 1875, at Seven p.m., for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of forming a Local Board. 7120

LADIES' SCHOOL, WEAR TERRACE, BISHOP AUCKLAND.

PRINCIPAL—MRS. CLEMINSON.

PUPILS from this SCHOOL have Passed the Middle Class Examinations of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Durham, and obtained Honours, Prizes, and Titles. 7076

BEAMISH, PONTOP, AND CONSETT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL SHOW of this Society will be held at BIRTLEY, on WEDNESDAY, August 25th, 1875, when upwards of £400, in Plate and Money Prizes, will be offered for Competition.

Prize Lists and Forms of Entry may be had on application to

Dr. GEORGE RENTON,
OR TO
JOHN RICHARDS, } Secretaries.
GEORGE RIDLEY, }
Beamish, 24th June, 1875. 7067

BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATION ACT, 1874.

THE following places and times have been appointed by the Registrar for the requirements of Registration :—

First TUESDAY in each Month, at Mrs CHRISTOPHER'S, Blackhill, from Nine a.m. to Eleven a.m.

First TUESDAY in each Month, at the LOCAL BOARD-ROOM, Consett, from Twelve noon to Two p.m.

First TUESDAY in each Month, at Mr LAIDLOW'S, 119, Leadgate, from Three p.m. to Five p.m.

Second MONDAY in each Month, at Mrs MARY ROBSON'S, Medomsley, from Nine a.m. to Ten a.m.

Second MONDAY in each Month, at Mr STOKER'S, Westwood Colliery, from Eleven a.m. to Two p.m.

Second MONDAY in each Month, at Mr WILLIAM CHARLTON'S, Ebchester Hill, from Three p.m. to Five p.m.

Second TUESDAY in each Month, at Mr POTTS', Castleside, from Two p.m. to Four p.m.

First FRIDAY in each Month, at Mr WILSON'S, Satley, from One p.m. to Three p.m.

Second FRIDAY in each Month, at Mr THOMAS HUNTER'S, Annfield Plain Wood Cottages, from Ten a.m. to Twelve noon.

Third MONDAY in each Month, at Mr JACKSON'S, National School, Holmside, from Eleven a.m. to One p.m.

First MONDAY in each Month, at Mr THOMAS WAUGH'S, Hill Top, from Eight a.m. to Ten a.m.

First MONDAY in each Month, at Mr COCKERILL'S, Quebec, from Eleven a.m. to One p.m.

First MONDAY in each Month, at Mr SIDDELL'S, Old Cornsay, from Three p.m. to Five p.m.

At my OFFICE, Lanchester, on WEDNESDAYS, from Eleven a.m. to Four p.m.; and SATURDAYS, from Eleven a.m. to Four p.m.

It is now compulsory for all persons to attend on the Registrar under pain of prosecution.

JOHN JAMES THOMPSON,
Registrar of Births and Deaths for the
Sub-district of Lanchester.

65 is the WINNING NUMBER of the Lottery at 303, Leadgate. 7104

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!! for DERWENT and WESTWOOD SPORTS at MEDOMSLEY, on SATURDAY, 24th July, 1875. 7058

LOOK OUT for the Grand GALA and SPORTS of the Stanley United Cricket Clubs, on SATURDAY, August 14th, 1875. 7096

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!!
FOR THE
SONS OF TEMPERANCE DEMONSTRATION
AT
LEADGATE,
ON SATURDAY, JULY 31, 1875.

LOOK OUT
FOR THE
UNITED FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' GALA AND DEMONSTRATION,
NEAR
CONSETT HALL,
ON
SATURDAY, AUGUST 7TH, 1875. 7112

NOTICE! NOTICE!!

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

July, 1875. 7132

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!!
FOR
CONSETT FLOWER SHOW,
ON WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 1st, 1875.

GRAND CHORAL CONTEST. 7140

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

TWEEDMOUTH FEAST.

EXCURSION TO BERWICK FOR TWO DAYS.

ON MONDAY, the 26th July, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave NEWCASTLE for BERWICK at 6·30 a.m.

FARE (THERE AND BACK) :—
Third Class .... 3s. 6d.

The Return Train will leave BERWICK at 5·0 and TWEEDMOUTH at 5·10 p.m. on TUESDAY, July 27th.

For further particulars see Special Bills.

Newcastle, July, 1875. 7123

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

AGRICULTURAL SHOW AT ROTHBURY.

ON THURSDAY, the 29th July, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave NEWCASTLE for ROTHBURY at 8·40 a.m.

FARE (THERE AND BACK) :—
Third Class .... 3s. 0d.

The Return Train will leave ROTHBURY at 6·10 p.m. the same day.

For further particulars see Special Bills.

Newcastle, July, 1875. 7124

THEATRE ROYAL, CONSETT.
Lessee, ...Mr. EDWARD FIELDING.

[LICENSED TO PLAY THE PIECES OF THE DRAMATIC AUTHORS' SOCIETY.]

THE LAST WEEK OF
MR. ENNIS LAWSON
AND
DRAMATIC COMPANY.

FRIDAY, 30th July, will be a GRAND FASHIONABLE NIGHT, under patronage.

On SATURDAY, a Valuable SILVER WATCH will be given away.

N.B.—SATURDAY FIRST, July 25th, a CLOCK worth £2 will be given away. 7144

Public Notices.

NOTICE.

THE DIRECTORS of the ROYAL FIRE and LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY have appointed Mr. LEADBITTER, of Catchgate, Accountant, Agent for Annfield Plain and District. 7134

THE MISSES HILLS and FINDLEY intend RE-OPENING their School on WEDNESDAY, 28th July.

8, Shakespeare Street, Consett. 6135

GIVEN AWAY—VALUABLE PRIZES.

BURNOPFIELD FLOWER SHOW, to be held at the LEAZES, BURNOPFIELD, on SATURDAY, August 14, 1875.

The SHOW will be OPEN at One o'clock.

Hurdle Leaping, with Horses, and other Sports, to commence at Six o'clock p.m.

A Grand BALL in the Evening.

A selection of Music by the HOBSON BRASS BAND.

A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in connection with the Independent Order of Good Templars, at Dipton, on SATURDAY, July 24, 1875. Mr. JOSHUA MOSLEY, of Bishop Auckland; Councillor SWAN, of Sunderland; and Mr. THOMAS CARRICK, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, are expected to address the meeting. Chair to be taken by Mr. HENRY CARSS, of Cutlers' Hall. Appropriate selections of Music will be rendered by Miss SHERRITT, Miss E. MUSE, and others. Recitations, &c. will also be given during the Evening. 7091

LANCHESTER WESLEYAN CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.

ON WEDNESDAY, August 4th, 1875, the REV. PETER McKENZIE (of Leeds) will preach in the Afternoon at Three o'clock. After which, TEA will be provided in the School-room adjoining the Chapel. Tea on the Tables at a Quarter-past Four o'clock. Tickets, 1s. each.

In the Evening, the Rev. P. MCKENZIE will deliver his Popular LECTURE on "Elisha, Elijah's Successor."

Chair to be taken at Half-past Six o'clock, by J. SNOWBALL, Esq., of Gateshead.

ADMISSION :—Front Seats, 1s.; Back Seats, 6d.

Tickets for Tea or Lecture may be obtained of Messrs. J. BUCKHAM, W. DIXON, and at the door.

Entrance to Front Seats by Vestry door

On SUNDAY, August 8th, SERMONS will be preached—in the Afternoon at Two and Evening at Six o' clock, by the REV. RICHARD PETCH, of York.

A collection will be taken at the close of each service in aid of the Chapel Fund. 7127

Sales by Auction.

By Mr. J. Murray.

MR. JOHN MURRAY, instructed by Mr. JOHNSON ELLIOTT (who is leaving the neighbourhood), will SELL BY AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, August 4, 1875, at the house of Mr. Lumley, Burnhope, all that DWELLING-HOUSE, containing Seven Rooms; also, Cellar, Stable, Cow Byer, Garden, &c., situate at Burnhope, near Lanchester, and now used as a Wholesale Ale and Spirit Store, for which it is well situated. Likewise Two COTTAGES adjoining the above.

Sale at Five o'clock. 7114

FREE PROPERTY SALE.

MR. JOHN MURRAY will hold a SALE by AUCTION of PROPERTY, at the QUEEN'S HEAD HOTEL, CONSETT, every Three Months, viz., MAY, AUGUST, NOVEMBER, and FEBRUARY. Two per cent. commission if sold.

The First SALE will be held on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11th, 1875. 7130

By Mr. W. Parr.

ANNFIELD PLAIN.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, in a Yard belonging to Mr. JOHN CRESSWELL, on MONDAY, August 9th, 1875,

Mr. WILLIAM PARR, Auctioneer,

Horses; Cows; Pigs; Spring and Coup Carts; Dog-carts; Waggonettes; Harness; Cart Gears; Household Furniture; Beds; Bedding; Gold and Silver Watches; Pots; Pans; Crockery Ware, &c.

The above Sale will be held every fourth MONDAY. Entries can be made at Mr. CRESSWELL'S, Annfield Plain, or at the Office of Mr. WILLIAM PARR, Auctioneer, 94, Claypath, Durham.

Particulars in Bills. 7095

By Mr. Adam Brodie.

SALE BY AUCTION EXTRAORDINARY OF LINEN AND WOOLLEN DRAPERY, FRONT STREET, LEADGATE.

MR. GEORGE NICHOLSON, Draper, Leadgate, has purchased a large portion of the extensive Insolvent Stock belonging the estate of Messrs. Robertson and Mason 18, 19, and 20, Old Haymarket, Liverpool; to make room for which, as well as to facilitate the transaction of his largely increasing business, he has resolved to hold a GREAT CLEARANCE SALE of his entire surplus Stock, and for that purpose he has commissioned

MR. ADAM BRODIE, Auctioneer,

To offer the whole for SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION in the Shop, next door to his own premises, Front Street, Leadgate (kindly granted for the occasion by the Co-operative Society), on FRIDAY, SATURDAY, and MONDAY, July 23rd, 24th, and 26th, and following days, until a clearance is effected. The goods for disposal comprise an immense assemblage of Useful and First class Linen and Woollen Drapery of all kinds and descriptions, full particulars of which will be given in posters and hand-bills.

ORDER OF SALE :—Sale to commence each evening at Half-past Six o'clock, and on Saturday and Monday Afternoons at Two o'clock. 7105

By Mr. John Jenkins.

GREAT AND IMPORTANT SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AT CONSETT.

MR. JOHN JENKINS is instructed by Messrs. WALTON BROTHERS, Contractors, Consett, to SELL the remainder of their valuable Stock of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, at their SHOW ROOMS, TRAFALGAR STREET, CONSETT, on MONDAY, July 2 6 1875, comprising splendid Walnut Suite, in Green Repp; 2 Chests of Mahogany Drawers; Chest of Painted Drawers; 2 Sofas, in Hair-seating; 6 Easy Chairs; 4 Dozen of Cane-bottomed Chairs; 6 Rocking Chairs; 6 American Arm Chairs; 3 Couches; splendid Tudor Bedstead; 12 Iron and Brass Bedsteads; 6 Round Tables; Washstands and Dressing Tables; 3 Cheffioneer Beds; 3 Feather Beds; 3 Flock Beds; 2 Longsettles; Tradesman's Desk; 6 Perambulators; 7 Carpets; 10 Pairs of Blankets; Counterpanes; Carpet Brushes; Brooms; Britannia Metal Tea Pots; Coffee Pots; Fenders and Fireirons; Pots and Pans; also a variety of articles too numerous to mention.

To parties furnishing this affords an opportunity seldom to be met with.

Sale to commence at One and Six o'clock in the Evening. 7181

By Mr. William Raw.

MILCH COWS FOR SALE.

MR. WILLIAM RAW, honoured with instructions from Mr. MATTHEW RICHARDSON, from Gateshead, who is declining Cowkeeping, will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION at Mr. BROWN'S, RAILWAY HOTEL, MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT, on MONDAY, August 2nd, 1875, Six useful MILCH COWS, in Milk.

After the Cows, there will also be Sold :—

1 excellent Black PONY, four years old, 14 hands.
1 Four-wheeled WHITECHAPEL, with portable cover.
1 Four-wheeled WHITECHAPEL, suitable for One or Two Ponies.
1 GIG.

N.B.—Other extra Stock or Goods can be entered at this Sale, and advertised next week, by applying to the AUCTIONEER.

Sale to commence at One o'clock.

Sale-office, Blackhill, Co. Durham. 7142

For Sale.

FOR SALE, a LONG CART, in good condition.—Apply to J. BARRON, Number One, Consett. 7082

FREEHOLD BUILDING SITES FOR SALE.—Apply to Mr. JOHN GLADDERS, White-le-Head.

FOR SALE, a Pure-bred Black BERKSHIRE BOAR, Two years old.—Apply to JOHN WHITFIELD, Low Town, Greencroft Park. 6977

Contracts.

TO LET, the BUILDING of a Five-Roomed HOUSE, at Pasture Drift Road. The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted. Plan and Specification may be seen at Mr. C. WHITE'S, 30, Front Street, Consett.

THE CONSETT LOCAL BOARD invite Tenders for the ERECTION of about 250 Yards of Post and Rail Fencing and a Gate.

Plans and Specifications may be seen at the BOARD-ROOM, on and after MONDAY, the 19th inst.

Tenders, addressed "Consett Local Board, Consett," and marked "Fencing," will be received up to MONDAY, August 2nd.

The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By order of the Board,
JOHN ELLIOTT, Clerk.
Local Board Office, July 14, 1875. 7118

BUILDERS are invited to Tender for the several works required in the ERECTION of a HOUSE, STABLING, &c., at Catchgate, for Mr. J. STOKOE.

Drawings and Specifications may be seen on applying to Mr. T. LAMB, Newsagent, Annfield Plain.

The Proprietor will provide Stone and Bricks.

Tenders will be received by JOHN SMITH and SON, Architects, Shotley Bridge, up to Four p.m. on MONDAY, August 9th, 1875.

No pledge is given that the lowest or any Tender will be accepted.

Shotley Bridge. July 21st, 1875. 7139

To Lend.

LOANS AND MORTGAGES.—Money to lend in sums of £50 and upwards, on personal security, at 5 per cent. per annum interest, repayable in one to seven years. Also several sums upon mortgage of freeholds and leaseholds from 3½ per cent. Terms 10 to 21 years. No commission charged. Apply to Messrs. BEVAN, 10, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C., personally (preferred) or by letter.—N.B.—Interest is payable half-yearly, and is not required in advance. 6929

To Let.

TO LET, GRAZING for Two or Three Cattle.—Apply to the *Guardian* Office. 7041

TO LET, and entered on the August Term, a comfortable well-finished HOUSE, containing Eight Rooms, good Pantry, excellent Yard, &c., situate in Durham Road, Blackhill.—Apply to WILLIAM RAW, Blackhill, 7141

TO LET, at once, a HOUSE and SHOP at Dipton, suitable for a drapery establishment or any other respectable business.—Apply to GEORGE WAILES, Annfield Plain. 7138

Found.

FOUND in Delves Lane, Consett, on the 11th inst., a young CUR DOG; black and tanned; with white spot on neck and tail.—Apply to JAMES HORNSBY, 20, King Street, Consett. 7106

FOUND, at Broomhill Colliery, Ebchester, on the 17th ult., a Brown RETRIEVER DOG. If not Claimed within Seven Days will be Sold to defray expenses.—Apply to the OVERMAN at the Colliery.

FOUND, a Grey-faced EWE and LAMB. If not claimed within Seven Days, will be sold to defray expences.—Apply to JACOB HOPPER, East Butsfield.

Wanted.

WANTED, a Single or Double HIND.—Apply to J. SMITH, East Farm, Medomsley. 7126

DRAPERY.

WANTED, a respectable YOUTH as an APPRENTICE.—Apply to SHAW and ATKINSON, Middle Street, Consett. 7084

The Consett Guardian.

SATURDAY, JULY 24TH, 1875.

Local and District News.

LARGE MUSHROOM.—On Tuesday last, a man named John Poole found a mushroom near Consett, measuring 27 inches in circumference and 9 inches in diameter.

EDUCATIONAL.—At the July meeting of the Hedworth, Monkton, and Jarrow School Board, the education committee recommended that Mr. R. Crawford, of Hamsterley Colliery, be the assistant master of the Hebburn Board Schools.

PERMITTING DRUNKENNESS AT DIPTON.—John Fenwick, innkeeper, Dipton, was brought before the Consett magistrates (Messrs. Town and Priestman) on Thursday sen., and fined £5 and costs for permitting drunkenness on his premises. The case was proved by Sergt. Morland. The license was not endorsed. Mr. Bush, of Newcastle, defended.

GREENCROFT COTTAGES.—The anniversary services of the Primitive Methodists of the above place was held on Sunday last, when sermons were preached by Mr. J. Julyan, of Sleekburn. During each service the children repeated portions of scripture, poetry, and dialogues. On Saturday there was a public tea, after which a lecture was delivered by Mr. Julyan.

RATEPAYERS' MEETING AT DIPTON.—On Monday evening a meeting of the ratepayers of the township of Collierley and Pontop was held at the house of Mr. Clark, Sportsman's Arms, Dipton, to take into consideration the propriety of forming a Local Board for that township. The chair was occupied by the Rev. Henry Brown, curate of Collierley, who briefly placed before the ratepayers the business of the meeting. After some discussion, a committee of six ratepayers was elected to obtain information respecting the working of the Local Government Act, and report the same to another meeting to be held shortly.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Safe yet Effective.—No other Medicine combines the same purifying, alterative, and tonic properties, which have raised these Pills so highly in the estimation of the public. In diseases arising from unhealthy situations, close apartments, and sedentary occupations, no means so potent for cooling, cleansing, and regulating the human body can be found. Holloway's Pills wonderfully improve a weak digestion by augmenting the gastric secretion and moderately rousing the function of the liver, hence their well-known power of removing tainted breath, and remedying every other dyspeptic unpleasantness. They entirely overcome the lethargic symptoms attending bad digestion, and have for years been esteemed the best and safest family aperient. They are particularly suitable for young females and children.

THE HEDLEY HILL OUTRAGE.—On Thursday, three men, named Dominick O'Donald (father and son) and James Condron, were brought before the Lanchester magistrates (Mr. M. Kearney, chairman, and Mr. J. Clavering), charged with cutting and wounding Police-constable Robinson, at Hedley Hill, on the night of the 10th of July.—Supt. Oliver applied for a remand, the prosecutor being unable to appear.—Mr. John Patrick, jun., appeared on behalf of the prisoner Condron, and applied to have him admitted to bail.—The magistrates, however, refused the application, and prisoners were remanded.—The Police-officer Robinson, although still very ill, continues to improve, and there is also an improvement in the condition of Patrick O'Donald, the man shot by the innkeeper.

About 12 000 persons met on Sunday afternoon in Hyde Park to protest against the grant for the Prince of Wales' visit to India.

A goods and a passenger train came into collision at Maghull, near Liverpool, early on Saturday morning, and twenty persons were slightly injured.

The violent north wind which blew at Valparaiso on May 23rd is described by the South American papers as horrible in the extreme. Fifty persons were drowned through the consequent accidents among the shipping.

FORESTERS' GALA IN BRANCEPETH PARK.—The annual gala of the Northern Foresters took place on Monday, in the Brancepeth Park (kindly lent for the occasion by Lord Boyne.) The gala was got up on an extensive scale, and needed only a fine day to ensure success. This, however, was denied, and worse weather could hardly have been. The consequence was that financially and numerically, the gala was a failure. The only point of interest to the few who assembled in the grounds was a cricket match between the clown cricketers (Casey and Ridsdale's) and the Brandon club, which resulted in a draw.

EXTENSIVE FAILURE IN NEWCASTLE.—Considerable surprise has been caused in Newcastle and district by the failure of the extensive firm of Messrs. Jonathan Heath and Co., ship and insurance brokers, Quayside, one of the oldest established firms of merchants and shipbrokers in Newcastle. The liabilities, which are not yet stated, must be very considerable, as besides their chief offices in Newcastle, the firm have houses both in London and at Constantinople. The immediate cause of the stoppage is said to be due to the failure of Messrs. Lambert Brothers and Scott, shipowners insurance brokers and colliery owners and coal exporters, of 85 Gracechurch street, whose failure with liabilities estimated at about £300,000 was announced on Thursday.

LOCAL MARKSMEN AT WIMBLETON.—Private R. B. Burns, of the 1st Newcastle Rifle Volunteers, has won the Prince of Wales' Prize at Wimbledon—£100 in money and the badge, with a score of 84 points. Quarter-Master Sergeant Clennison, of the Felling corps as representative of the county of Durham, won £5 in the same competition with 99 points. In the St. George's Challenge Vase competion. Lance-Corporal W. J. Wright, of the Morpeth Rifles, and Private J. Dickson, of the 6th Northumberland (Bellingham) Corps, received £8 each for scores of 31 in seven shots at 600 yards; and Sergeant McGrath and Private W. J. Coulson, of the Newcastle Rifles, won £5 each in the same competition for 20 points each. Sergt. Upjohn 1st Newcastle Rifles, gets £10 in the Windmill Prizes at 200 yards.

MURDER OF A POLICEMAN AT PLYMOUTH.—Late on Friday night, a verdict of wilful murder was returned by a coroner's jury who had spent the whole evening in taking evidence concerning the death of Wm. Bennett, police-constable, who was killed on Thursday evening by the violence of Henry Kitts, a labourer. The evidence showed that the cause of death was concussion of the brain, occasioned by the policeman being thrown from the top to the bottom of a flight of stairs by Kitts while he was being removed in custody. Kitts also knelt on him and threw him down in the street. Although only twenty-two, he has been previously guilty of brutal violence to the woman with whom he lived, having on one occasion broken two of her ribs. The prisoner being in lawful custody when he assailed the policeman, would be guilty of murder, even although there was no intention to kill. The coroner laid down this for the direction of the jury. The magistrates have remanded the case.

A "MARTYR'S" INCOME.—Mr. Will Williams writes as follows in *Appleton's Journal*:—"I wish I were Dr. Kenealy—yes, I really do. One could put up, I imagine, with a great deal of censure and ridicule—one would not mind writing one's self down an ass—for £400 a week, and that is what the irrepressible doctor—the 'member for Orton,' as the *World* has dubbed him—is making out of the *Englishman*. A little bird has been whispering to me how he does it, and, in duty bound, I must confide it to you. Well the circulation of the doctor's paper is over 100,000 copies weekly—say 100,000. These he sells at 2s. 10d. a quire of 27—that is, he sells 3 704 quires. Now 3 704 two-and-tenpences is, if I mistake not—how I hate figures—£524 14s 8d, the total sum derived from the sale of this scurrilous sheet. As to the expenses, they are comparatively trifling. Suppose that in all they amount to £124 14s 8d—they certainly do not amount to more—and £400 remain. Verily, the member for Stoke must bless the day that he came across that 'tun of a man,' Arthur Orton!"

MINERS' PERMANENT RELIEF FUND.—On Saturday last, the general committee held their quarterly meeting in the offices, Grainger Street, Newcastle. Mr. John Howie, of Hunwick, was unanimously elected chairman. The Secretary (Mr. Blyth) stated that the fund was still increasing in numbers. Some 4 000 members had entered during the quarter, making the total number 54,000. The contributions from members were now over £7,500 per quarter, equal to an income of £30,000 per annum. Twenty-one fatal accidents had occurred, leaving a number of widows and children. Nineteen hundred members had met with minor accidents, which caused them to be off work more than one week each. Thirty-nine persons applied for superannuation relief, making 170 persons who were receiving from the superannuation department. The secretary was now relieving over 1,150 persons, comprising widows, children, disabled and aged miners. The owners and managers of collieries continued to give their assistance and support to the society.—(Applause.)—Messrs. Bones and Steele, agents, reported holding 25 public meetings and enrolling 3.612 new members.—The committee received (very willingly) a deputation from the Cleveland miners, consisting of Messrs. Samuel Bruntoff, John Scott, and Armstrong Varty, all from the Normanby mines of Messrs Bell Brothers. They desired to be admitted as members of the fund. After hearing all the reasons why the Cleveland miners should be admitted, the committee expressed their thanks to the deputation and appointed a sub-committee to compare the liabilities of the Cleveland miners to accidents with that of the miners of Northumberland and Durham.—The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

THE COSTS OF THE BEECHER TRIAL.—The meeting of heads of families connected with Mr. Beecher's congregation is described by New York paper of July 8, received at Plymouth by Hamburg American steamer on Sunday evening, as having been perfectly unanimous and intensely enthusiastic. The raising of Beecher's salary for this year to 100,000 dollars was advocated by the leading men of Brooklyn. The expences of the trial were estimated at 75,000 dollars, and Beecher had mortgaged his houses and all his property, and was utterly unable to meet the costs. The decision of Plymouth Church, which Tilton agreed to accept by appearing to give evidence before it had arrived at a conclusion the same as that of a majority of the jury. A grand conspiracy had been foiled, an attack which was really upon Plymouth Church, had failed; and while they would never vote a penny to defend impurity, they gladly come forward to show to all mankind that Plymouth Church contains three thousand hands, and in every hand a spear, so that men may hesitate before they hereafter rush on these spears. Such were the words of one and the setinments of all. Mr Beecher's counsel were applauded for having defended him in a manner worthy of his greatness and his innocence. The grand jury, on July 7th, returned a true bill against the men, Loader and Price, for conspiracy to commit perjury against Beecher. In this prosecution Mrs. Tilton's evidence will, for the first time, be adduced, and was awaited with intense interest.

Under the heading, "Grace, Mercy, and Peace," the *New York Herald* says:—"Theodore was in Plymouth Church on Sunday and listened to Mr Beecher's sermon."

An explosion of fire damp has occurred near Drumpellier, in Lanarkshire. Three men, who were repairing an aircourse wall, were killed, and another is seriously injured.

A shocking affair is reported from Petersfield, near Portsmouth. Elizabeth Pannell is in custody charged with causing the death of an infant by pouring furniture polish down the babe's throat while it was asleep.

CRUELTY TO A HORSE AT WALKER.—At the Moot Hall Police Court, on Saturday (before Mr. Mulcaster), John Mitchell, in the employ of the contractor for the new riverside railway, was charged by Inspector Temperley, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, with cruelly beating a horse at Walker, on the 8th inst. It appeared from the evidence of several witnesses that defendant was seen beating, without any provocation, a fine black horse attached to a cart which was partly laden with timber. When remonstrated with, he said he would serve them (the witnesses) the same way.—He was fined £2 2s., including costs, or one month's imprisonment.

A MOTHER INCITING HER SON TO STEAL COAL.—At the West Hartlepool County Petty Sessions, on Monday, Mary Ann Wingfield, and her step-son, Cuthbert Easton, aged about ten years, were charged with stealing coal from the waggons of the North-Eastern Railway Company, the boy being caught by a police officer throwing down coal from one of a set, five of which had been apparently mulcted of about 4 cwt. each, and the elder prisoner was in the act of carrying it into the house in a bucket. The Bench, believing that the boy was acting under maternal influence, discharged him, but sent the woman to goal for one month's hard labour.

A STRANGE STORY.—A private letter received in Sheffield from one of the crew of the iron ship Glance, of London, which has arrived in the Thames from Adelaide on Thursday, gives intelligence of a terrible event which recently occurred at sea. On 27th ult. the Glance passed an outbound vessel, bearing the name of Jessie Osborne, and was hailed by the captain of the latter ship, who reported that one of his crew had gone mad; that for five days the maniac has stationed himself aloft, and that nothing could induce him to return to deck. The captain further reported that the madman had armed himself with a chisel, with which he was cutting the ropes, and that the boatswain had tried to bring him down. The maniac, however, threw a block at the boatswain, knocking him on the deck and breaking his arm and leg. As a matter of safety to his vessel and crew the captain of the Jessie Osborne considered that it was neccessary to shoot the maniac, and after some consultation that course was decided upon. The crew and officers of the Glance were requested to be present as witnesses, and in their presence the man was shot with a revolver. In consequence of the way in which he moved about the rigging three shots had to be fired before he was fatally injured. He fell dead on deck, and his body was eventually thrown overboard.

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.

Railway Time Tables

NEWCASTLE TO JARROW AND SOUTH SHIELDS.

Leaves Newcastle (Week days) -5·0, 6·50, 7·35 (*), 7·55 9·0, 9·45, 10·55, 11·50(*), 12·30, 2·10, 3·0, 3·35 (*) 4·5, 5·5, 6·5, 7·10, 8·5, 9·35, 10·55.

Leaves Newcastle (Sundays)—6·10, 8·0, 9·40, 2·0, 5·0, 7·10, 8·10, 9·30.

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—Gateshead, 3; Felling, 8; Pelaw, 15; Hebburn, 20; Jarrow, 25; Tyne Dock, 30; and High Shields, 36 minutes after the above times, arriving at South Shields about 40 minutes after the time they leave Newcastle.

* First, second, and third-class express trains, stopping at Gateshead at 3 minutes, Jarrow at 15 minutes, and Tyne Dock at 18 minutes after the above times, arriving at South Shields about 25 minutes after the time they leave Newcastle.

Fares from Newcastle to Gateshead: First, 3d; second, 2d.; third, 1d.

Felling: First, 6d.; second, 4d.; third, 3d.

Pelaw: First, 8d.; second, 6d.; third, 3½d. Return, first, 1s. 2d., second, 10d., third, 7d.

Hebburn: First, 10d,, second, 7d., third, 5d, Return, first, 1s. 6d., second, 1s. third, 9d.

Jarrow, Tyne Dock, High Shields, or South Shields: First, 1s.; second, 9d.; third, 6d. Return, 1s. 8d., 1s. 3d., 10d.

Relief Trains leaves Newcastle for Jarrow on SATURDAYS at 7·5, 8.0, 9·30, and 10·50 p.m.

On SATURDAYS ONLY, a relief train leaves Hebburn for Shields at 2·2[illegible] p.m.

SOUTH SHIELDS TO JARROW AND NEWCASTLE.

Leaves South Shields (Week days).—4·55, 7·0, 8·0 8·30(*), 9·0, 10·5, 10·30, 11·45, 12·30, 1·50, 3·15, 4·0 (*), 4·15, 5·10, 6·15, 7·15, 8·15, 9·15, 10·35.

Leaves South Shields (Sundays).—6·15, 8·0, 9·35, 2·10 5·0, 7·15, 8·20, 9·35.

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—High Shields, 3; Tyne Dock, 8; Jarrow, 14; Hebburn, 19; Pelaw, 24; Felling 30; and Gateshead, 35 minutes after the above times, arriving at Newcastle about 40 minutes after the times they leave South Shields.

ON SATURDAYS

Relief trains leave JARROW for NEWCASTLE at 1·55 3·18, 8.23, 9·23, and 10·43 p.m. calling at all intermediate stations.

* First, second, and third-class express trains calling at Tyne Dock, Jarrow, and Gateshead, leaving Jarrow 19 minutes after the above times, arriving at Newcastle about 25 minutes after they leave South Shields.

Fares from South Shields to High Shields or Tyne Dock: First, 3d.; second, 2d.; third, 1d.

Jarrow: First, 8d; second, 6d.; third, 3½d.

Pelaw, Felling, Gateshead, or Newcastle: First, 1s.; second, 9d.; third, 6d.

SUNDERLAND TO SOUTH SHIELDS AND JARROW.

Leaves Sunderland (Week days).—4·45, 6·50, 7·50, 8·50 9·55, 11·5 12·15, 1·40, 3·5, 3·55, 5·0, 6·5, 7·5, 8·5, 9·5, 10 25.

Leaves Sunderland (Sundays).—6·5, 7·50, 9·25, 2·0 4.50, 7·5, 8·10, 9·25.

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—Cleadon Lane, 7: Tyne Dock, 13; High Shields, 17, minutes after the above times, arriving at South Shields about 20 minutes after the time they leave Sunderland.

Passengers between Sunderland and Jarrow *chang. carriages* at Tyne Dock.

Fares from Sunderland to Cleadon Lane: first 6d. second, 5d; third, 3d.; Tyne Dock, first, 10d.; second 8d. third,. 6d., High Shields and South Shields first, 10d.; second, 8d.; third, 6d.; Jarrow, first, 1s. 4d.; second, 1s.; third, 7½d. Return tickets to Jarrows first, 2s. 3d.; second, 1s. 8d.; third, 1s. 2d.

JARROW TO SOUTH SHIELDS AND SUNDERLAND.

Leaves Jarrow (Week days).—5·25 7·13, 8.18, 9·23, 10·8, 11·18, 12·53, 2·33, 3·23, 4·28, 5·28, 6·28, 7·33, 8·28, 9·58, 11.18,

Leaves Jarrow (Sundays)—6·33, 8·23, 9·53, 2·23, 5·23, 7·33, 8·33, 9·53.

These trains leave intermediate Stations as follows:—South Shields 4, High Shields 7, Tyne Dock 11, and Cleaden Lane 16 minutes after the train leaves Jarrow arriving in Sunderland in about 24 minutes.

Fares from Jarrow to South Shields: first, 8d.; secdnd, 6d.; third, 3½d.; High Shields: first, 8d.; second, 6d.; third, 3d.; Tyne Dock, first, 6d.; second, 4d.; third, 2d.; Cleadon Lane, first, 10d.; second, 8d.; third, 4½d.; Sunderland, first, 1s. 4d.; second, 1s.; third, 7½d. Return tickets to Jarrow, first, 2s. 3d.; second, 1s. 8d.; third 1s. 2d.

NEWCASTLE TO TYNEMOUTH.

Leaves Newcastle—Central Station—(Week days)—6·10(a), 7·0, 8·10, 9·0(*), 9·15, 9·45, (c), 10·15, 11·0, 12·0, 12·4[illegible], 1·15, 2·0 2·30, 3·5, 4·10 4·45(†), 5·10, 5.50, 6·5, 6·45, (†), 7·10, 8·10, 9·0, 10·0, 11·30.

Leaves Newcastle—Central Station—(Sundays).—6·10 (a), 9·0, 10·5, 1·0, 1·15, 2·0, 2·15, 3·0, 3.15, 4·0, 5·0, 6·35, 7·0, 7.35, 8·0, 8·45, 9·15.

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—Manors 3, Heaton 7, Walker 11, Wallsend 16, Howdon 21, Percy Main 25, and North Shields 30 minutes after above times, arriving at Tynemouth 35 minutes after leaving Newcastle.

* First, second, and third class express trains, stopping only at North Shields.

† These trains stop only at Manors and North Shields Stations.

a.—This train stops at intermediate stations when required, to set down passengers arriving from the south by either the 4.38 or 5·58 a.m trains.

b.—The 6·45 p.m. train from Newcastle will stop at all Stations on Saturdays and reach Tynemouth at 7·20 p.m.

c.—The 11:30 p.m. train stops at intermediate Station when required, to set down passengers.

3d.; third, 2d.; Walker, first, 6d; second, 4d.; third

Fares from Newcastle to Tynemouth: First, 1s. 3d., second, 1s., third, 8d. Return, first, 2s. 0d., second, 1s. 6d., third, 1s.

North Shields, first, 1s., second, 9d., third, 6d. Return, first, 1s. 8d., second, 1s. 3d., third, 10d.

Percy Main: First. 10d., second, 8d., third, 6d. Return, first, 1s. 6d. Second, 1s. 2d., third, 10d.

Howdon: First, 10d., Second, 8d., third, 5d. Return, first, 1s. 6d., second, 1s. 2d., third, 9d.

Wallsend: First, 8d., second, 6d., third, 3½d. Return, first, 1s. 2d., second, 10d., third, 7d.

Walker: First, 5d., second, 4d., third, 2½d. Return, first, 9d., second, 7d., third, 5d.

TYNEMOUTH TO NEWCASTLE.

Leaves Tynemouth (Week days)—5·20, 6·40 (a), 7·45, 8·30 (*), 9·0, 9·30 (*), 10·0, 10·30 (*), 11·0, 12·0, 12·45, 1·50, 2·10, 3·0, 3·30. 4·0, 5·0, 5·35 (*), 5·55, 6·30, 7·30, 7·30, (*), 8·0, 9·0, 10·0, 10·50 (*).

Leaves Tynemouth (Sundays)—7·35, 9·45, 1·0, 1·45, 2·0, 3·0, 4·0, 5·0, 5·45, 6·0, 6·35, 7·0, 7·35, 8·0, 8·45, 9·15.

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—North Shields 3, Percy Main 9, Howdon 11, Wallsend 16, Walker 19, Heaton 23, and Manors 30 minutes after above times, arriving at Central Station, Newcastle about 35 minutes after leaving Tynemouth.

* First, second, and third class express trains, stopping only at North Shields and Manors stations.

a.—The 6·40 a.m. train stops at intermediate Stations to take up passengers booked to the Central Stations.

b.—The 10·50 p.m. train stops at Stations up to and including Walker on Saturdays, and does not reach the Central Station until 11·20 p.m.

Fares from Tynemouth to North Shields, first, 4d. second, 3d.; third, 2d.; Percy Main, first, 6d.: second, 4d.; third, 3d.; Howdon, first, 8d.; second, 6d.; third, 4d.; Wallsend, first, 10d.; second, 8d.; third, 6d.; Walker first, 1s.; second 9d.; third, 6d.; Heaton, first, 1s; second 9d.; third, 6d.; Newcastle (Manors or Central), first, 1s. 3d.; second, 1s.; third, 8d.

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	4·25
Rowley	,,	7·0	1·40	4·35
Burnhill Junction	,,	7·10	1·50	4·45
Tow Law	,,	7·23	2·3	4·58
Crook	arr.	7·35	2·15	5.10
	dep.	7.38	2·25	5·25
Bishop Auckland	,,	8·5	2·55	5·55
Darlington	,,	8·55	3·35	7·0
Stockton	,,	9·25	[illegible]	7·30
Middlesbro'	,,	9·35	4·15	7·42
Saltburn	,,	10·10	4·50	8·20

GOING WEST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

STATIONS.		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Saltburn	dep.	5·45	11·30	4·30
Middlesbro'	,,	6·22	12·5	5·5
Stockton	,,	6·34	12·15	5·15
Darlington	,,	7·15	1·5	5·55
Bishop Auckland	,,	7·43	1·35	6·5
Crook	arr.	8·10	1·57	6·4
	dep.	8·15	2·20	6·8
Tow Law	,,	8·27	2·32	7
Burnhill Junction	,,	8·42	2·45	7·5
Rowley	,,	8·52	2·55	7·5
Benfieldside	arr.	9·5	3·5	[illegible]
Newcastle	arr.	10·5	4·30	9·40

CONSETT BRANCH

UP TRAINS.—WEEK DAYS.

		1,2,G. A.M.	1,2,G. A.M.	1,2,G P.M.	1,2,G. P.M.	1,2,G P.M.
Newcastle	dep.	5·45	10·0	12·30	2·30	5·3
Scotswood	,,	5·52	10·7	12·37	2·37	5·4
Swalwall	,,	5·59	10·14	12·43	2·44	5·49
Rowland's Gill	,,	6·9	10·24	12·51	2·54	5·59
Lintz Green	,,	6·15	10·30	12·59	3·0	6·5
Ebchester	,,	6·28	10·43	1·12	3·13	6·18
Shotley Bridge	,,	6·34	10·49	1·18	3·19	6·24
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill)	arr.			1·25	3·25	
	dep	6·40	10·55		4·35	6·30
Knitsley	,,	6·54	11·9		4·49	6·45
Lanchester	,,	7·3	11·18		4·58	6·55
Witton Gilbert	,,	7·10	11·27		5·5	[illegible]
Durham	arr.	7·25	11·40		5·5	7·20

DOWN TRAINS—WEEK DAYS.

STATIONS		1,2,G. A.M.	1,2 G. A.M.	1,2,G. P.M.	1,2,G P.M.	1,2,[illegible] P.M.
Durham	dep.	7·35		12·10	3·3	8·0
Witton Gilbert	,,	7·50		12·24	3·48	8·16
Lanchester	,,	7·55		12·35	3·59	8·5
Knitsley	,,	8·12		12·46	4·4	8·6
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill)	arr.				4·20	
	dep	8·27	9·15	1·0	3·30	8·4
Shotley Bridge	,,	8·32	9·20	1·5	3·40	8·5
Ebchester	,,	8·36	9·23	1·9	3·44	8·7
Lintz Green	,,	8·47	9·33	1.19	3.54	9·[illegible]
Rowland's Gill	,,	8·53	9·38	1·24	3·59	9·18
Swalwell	,,	9·2	9·47	1·33	4·5	9·22
Scotswood	,,	9·9	9·53	1·39	4·14	9·29
Newcastle	arr.	9·20	10·5	1·50	4·30	9·40

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.		
Newcastle	dep.	7·10	4·[illegible]	5·25	7·30
Scotswood	,,	7·17	4·9	5·32	7·37
Swalwell	,,	7·23	4·15	5.39	7·44
Rowland's Gill	,,	7·31	4·25	5·49	8·5
Lintz Green	,,	7·37	4·29	5·5	8·2
Ebchester	,,	7·50	4·42	6·8	8·16
Shotley Bridge	,,	7·57	4·47	6·14	8·23
Benfieldside (for Consett and Blackhill)	arr.	8·5	4·55	6·20	8·30
	dep.	9·10	5·10		
Knitsley		9·21	5·21		..
Lanchester		9·34	5·34		..
Witton Gilbert		9.46	5·46		..
Durham	arr.	10·0	6·0		..

STATIONS.		A.M.	P.M.
Durham	dep.		4·0
Witton Gilbert	,,	8·5	4·13
Lanchester	,,	8·17	4·25
Knitsley	,,	8·30	4.38
Benfieldside (for Consett and Blackhill)	arr.	8·42	4·50
	dep.	8·50	5·30
Shotley Bridge	,,	8·55	5·35
Ebchester	,,	9·0	5·40
Lintz Green	,,	9·9	5·49
Rowland's Gill		9·16	5·59
Swalwell	,,	9·23	6·7
Scotswood	,,	9·29	6·13
Newcastle	arr.	9·40	6·30

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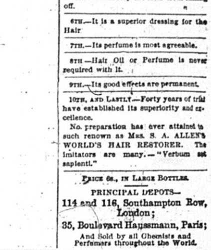

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Assaults at Stanley.—Sarah Morter was summoned for assaulting Margaret Jane Wyley. The parties are neighbours and reside at Stanley. On the 9th inst. defendant asked Mrs. Wyley to go to a public-house with her, and on meeting with a refusal the defendant struck her. Defendant was further charged with assaulting Mary McGlown on the same occasion.—After hearing the evidence the chairman said it was perfectly manifest that defendant had committed the assaults, and it was also clear that she was under the influence of drink at the time.—A fine of 5s. and costs in each case was then imposed. Dr. Carr defended.

Travelling without a Ticket.—Daniel McCarty, a discharged soldier, was charged with travelling on the North-Eastern Railway without a ticket. A second summons charged him with assaulting Charles Neesham, foreman porter at Benfieldside Station. Supt. Armstrong prosecuted on the part of the Railway Company. William Marshall, a guard in the service of the Company, said on the 17th inst. the defendant was a passenger from Crook to Benfieldside. It was witness' duty to collect the tickets at Rowley, and on being requested to give his ticket up defendant could not find it. On reaching Benfieldside defendant was marching off the platform when witness went up to him and again asked him if he had found his ticket. He then alleged that he had given it up. As he refused either to give up his ticket or pay the fare, witness gave him into the custody of Neesham, the foreman porter.—Defendant said he and his wife purchased tickets at Bishop Auckland, and he had lost his.—In answer to the bench Marshall said defendant's wife had a ticket.—Charles Neesham, foreman porter at Benfieldside Station, deposed that on asking the defendant for his ticket he struck witness thrice on the breast and also kicked him on the leg.—Defendant said he was kicked and knocked down by the porter.—Mr. Neesham said he was obliged to use violence, in self-defence, after he was assaulted.—In default of paying a fine of 20s. and costs in each case, defendant was sent to prison for a couple of months.

Assault on a Wife at Cornsay Colliery.—George Thornton, a respectably-dressed elderly man, was summoned for assaulting his wife, Jane Thornton, on the 17th inst. Mr. Granger prosecuted. Complainant stated that on Saturday night, about seven o'clock, her husband got out of bed and went to a public-house, where he remained until nine o'clock. When he came in, witness was preparing his supper. Both she and her husband had previously been married and had families. She stumbled over a pair of boots that belonged to his little boy, whereupon the defendant began to abuse her. He then struck her thrice over the side of the face with his hand. She was put to the door, where he blacked her eyes. He said she was not to go into the house again, or he would put a knife into her. Since the assault she had been staying with her daughter.—In answer to the defendant, complainant denied that she took up a knife to him.—John Maars, a young man, said that he lodged at defendant's house on the night in question. He had, since the assault, gone to reside with complainant's daughter. Witness was in the house when the defendant returned. He was then under the influence of drink. Witness then substantiated the statement of the complainant as to the assault, adding that on the following Monday the defendant went to the house of his daughter-in-law and broke in the door.—In cross-examination by the defendant, the witness denied that complainant had a knife in her hand at the time of the assault. It was not a fact that witness told his (defendant's) son that if witness had not taken the knife the knife out of her hand, the complainant would would have stabbed him (defendant).—John George Maars, brother of the last witness, gave corroborative testimony.—Defendant, in defence, said he had only recently removed from Stanley to Cornsay Colliery. His wife's family did not like the place, and had obtained work at Morton Colliery, but as defendant had refused to go there had been a "rumpus." There was not, he said, a finer man in England than himself.—The Clerk (Mr. Watson): Do you admit having struck your wife?—Defendant: Yes, sir; I cannot deny it.—The Chairman said they could come to only one conclusion in the matter, and that was that defendant had been guilty of a most savage and unmanly attack on his wife. They had entertained an idea of sending him to gaol, but would fine him 60s. and the costs, and they also ordered him to find sureties, himself in £20 and two of £10 each, for his future good behaviour.

Damaging a Window.—Jane Allison was charged with breaking a pane of glass the property of Mr. Jackson, at Kyo, on the 22nd of July. A witness named John Thompson stated that he saw the prisoner deliberately put her hand through Mr. Jackson's window.—The prisoner stated that she broke one pane and her husband broke the other, but the only explanation of their conduct she would give was that sometimes her husband was "not clivir and sometimes he was over cliver," but she did not explain which of those phases in his disposition he was labouring under at the time he committed the mischief. Whichever it was, however, it was apparent he had not suffered similarly for sometime past, as she explained that he had not broke any windows for two years past. He was ordered to pay 5s., also the costs and damage done.

Stone Throwing at Burnhope.—Three boys named John Johnson, Francis Gibbon, and William Mason, (the latter of whom did not appear), were charged with wilful damage at Burnhope, on Sunday, the 11th July. P.C Cully stated that he was attracted to some new houese, in course of erection by Messrs Sowerby and Fletcher, and on approaching that place he saw the defendants throw 17 stones before he got to them, commiting considerable damage. The prisoners were fined 9s. each, including costs and damage.

Damaging Grass.—Hannah Williamson and Mary Forster were charged by P.C. Reay with damaging some newly cut grass in a field belonging to Mr. Lionel Handy at Annfield Plain. They admitted having amused themselves by pitching the grass about, and were fined 1s., the damage done, and costs, amounting to 5s. in all.—William Bratick was charged by P.C. Nicholson with damaging the grass in a field at Stanley, where he was flying a kite, on the 7th inst. He was fined 1s., costs, and damage.—Michael Bousfield and George Brown (the former of whom did not appear) were charged with damaging grass by trespassing in a field belonging to Mr William Hedley, near South Moor, on the 4th inst. Sergt. Stamper proved finding the defendants, who expressed ignorance that they were trespassing. They were fined 1s., costs, and damage.—Joseph Smith, Nicholas Proudlock, Joseph Stephenson, and George Smith were charged with damaging grass in a field belonging to Mr. John Purvis, at Shield Row, on the 3rd inst. Sergt. Stamper said he had made a house to house visitation in order to warn the residents at the above place, not to trespass in the adjoining field, but he immediately afterwards found the defendants engaged in kite flying in Mr. Purvis's field. They were fined 1s., costs, and damages.—John Reed and David Reed were charged with trespassing on the land of Mr. John Cumining near Langly Park, on the 9th and 10th inst. The offence was proved by George Forster, gamewatcher, and they were fined 1s., costs, and damage.

Game Trespass near Annfield Plain.—John Walters, Thomas Hoggan, and John Freeman were charged with game trespass, on land between Lanchester and Annfield Plain. The offence was proved by two gamewatchers, who saw the prisoners crossing the Greencroft estate, where they raised a rabbit, at which they slipped a dog. Walters ran after the dog, but desisted on seeing the gamewatcher. The prisoners denied the offence. The defendant Walters was fined 10s. and costs, and the other two were discharged.

Wilful Damage by Boys.—Three lads named Robinson, and William and Jonathan Ash were summoned for damaging a shaft belonging to Messrs Hedley and Company at South Moor. The shaft in question appears to have been fenced with bricks, which the boys displaced and threw down the shaft. They were ordered to pay the damage, 3s. 8d. each, and the costs.

Assault at Blackhill.—Christopher Leadbitter was charged with assaulting Thomas Moor, at Blackhill. Mr. Patrick prosecuted, and Mr. Granger defended. Complainant stated that on the evening of the 6th of July he was in Mrs. Jameson's public-house. The defendant and a man named Heslop were then in the house. They were tipsy. Complainant went into the yard and had a game of quoits. He had a glass of porter with defendant. Some time afterwards witness went into an outbuilding, and was followed by the defendant, who stumbled against the stone work and cut his forehead. Mrs. Jameson then came out the yard and asked witness to take defendant home, which he consented to do. On getting within about 50 yards of defendant's house witness observed some policemen, and on calling defendant's attention to this fact he said "to —— with the police and witness as well." He then kicked complainant on the left leg. Complainant then left defendant and went back to Mrs. Jameson's and told her that he had taken Leadbitter home. After staying at Mrs. Jameson's house about a quarter of an hour he left with a man named Heslop. The latter came as far as Forsyth's shop and then left complainant. In going towards Eltringham Street, where complainant lived, he met a man named Fitters, who asked him to take a drink out of a bottle containing whiskey, but he refused.—The Chairman: Did your leg feel sore at the time you were kicked?—Complainant: Yes.—By Mr. Patrick: As he went up the street he fell down and fainted. When he recovered consciousness he was in bed. He had been ill about ten days from the effects of the wound on the leg.—Cross-examined by Mr. Granger: It was not true that witness shook hands with the defendant when he left him. It was a fact that he had had a bad leg for upwards of two years. The bad leg was the same that was kicked. It had once previously bled.—The Chairman said if complainant's leg had previously been cut, a trifling kick would cause it to bleed. The man might not have intended to injure the complainant much.—Dr. Lumsden, of Blackhill, was then called, and described the condition of the complainant when he was called upon to attend him. On examining the leg he found the marks of an extensive ulcer, and the wound inflicted by Leadbitter was close to it. Moor was very weak from loss of blood, and remained insensible for a couple of hours after witness first saw him.—The Chairman intimated that they did not wish to hear any further evidence. Complainant's weakness entirely arose from loss of blood, and the wound might have been caused by the slightest kick. The case resolved itself into a very simple assault, for which he would be fined 2s. 6d. costs. The doctor's fee was allowed.

THE BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD
CHAIRMAN AND MR. CARSS.

The ordinary meeting of the Benfieldside Local Board was held on Wednesday afternoon. The following letter was read:—

St. Cuthbert's Vicarage, July 21, 1875.

To the Chairman and members of the Benfieldside Local Board.

Gentlemen,—Holding, as I do, that the position of every member on the Local Board should be beyond dispute or suspicion, I must crave your attention for a few minutes to explain, by letter, what I should have done verbally, had it been in my power to attend your meeting this day. It may be in the recollection of the members of the Board, that at our last meeting Mr. Carss asserted most positively that after the first election I sat illegally, not having made the requisite declaration. Though I did not attach much weight, at the time, to the accuracy of the statement, I was reluctant in an off-hand manner, to dispute a point which I might reasonably expect Mr. Carss stated on some well grounded authority. However, after the meeting was over, I satisfied myself, by a reference to the minute-book, of the inaccuracy of Mr. Carss's remark, and, meeting him a few days ago, I told him of his mistake, and likewise referred him to page 1 of the minute-book. To my astonishment Mr. Carss shifted his ground, and said I and others had taken him up wrong, as he referred to my last election, and was quite confident of the correctness of his assertion, as he had not been absent from a single meeting of the Board. Again I waited till I could refer to the minute-book of our proceedings, and, unfortunately for Mr. Carss, I find that I along with others had made the declaration. You will not only find a minute to that effect at page 183, but you will also find my name attached to the usual declaration of qualification. Mr. Carss was present at the meeting, and he was also present at the subsequent meeting when the minutes of the former meeting would be again read over previous to receiving the Chairman's signature. I am at a loss to conceive why Mr. Carss should have made a statement so utterly devoid of any foundation, and I only revert to the subject in order that my coadjutors on the Board may be satisfied that I am in no sense a transgressor of the law. Apologizing for obtruding this personal matter on your valuable time,—I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant, Fred. B. Thompson.

Mr. Carss adhered to what he had previously stated. When Mr. Thompson was re-elected he did not sign the declaration for twelve months, and this fact Mr. Thompson had admitted in his (the speaker's) presence.

The Clerk (Mr. Booth): The minute is here (pointing to the minute-book).

Mr. Carss: I know it is there; we know all about that.

The Clerk: Do you think we have forged the minute? I think it would be more creditable on on your part were you to admit that you have made a mistake.

Mr. Carss: Mr. Thompson has admitted in my presence, and in the presence of others, that he did not sign the declaration until a year afterwards.

The Clerk (reading from the minute-book): Here is Mr. Thompson's declaration and also the names of the two witnesses (Mr. Priestman and Mr. Wilson) who signed it on the 26th March, 1873.

Mr. Carss: The declaration was not signed at the time the minute was made.

The Clerk: It is an unlikely thing that the minute would appear on the book if Mr. Thompson did not make the declaration.

Mr. Carss: At the end of the year, when it was found that a mistake had been made, it was easy to make a minute. The Clerk might enter it, expecting that Mr. Thompson had signed the declaration as a matter of course.

The Clerk said the business of the Board was not carried forward under the system suggested by Mr. Carss. As he had said before, it would have looked much better on Mr. Carss's part had he admitted that he was wrong.

Mr. Carss said he would have done so had he been satisfied of any error on his part.

The Clerk: You have made a mistake.

Mr. Carss: Mr. Thompson has had plenty of time to square the minute-book—to cobble it up.

The Chairman (Mr. John Annandale) thought Mr. Carss had no right to make such an assertion.

The Clerk said nothing had been said about the matter for three years. Did Mr. Carss imply that certain members of the Board had entered into a conspiracy to surreptitiously enter the minute?

Mr. Carss said it was possible that the Clerk might have entered the minute, thinking that Mr. Thompson had signed the usual declaration.

The Clerk thought the matter had better not be further discussed, as Mr. Thompson was not present.

Mr. Carss observed that the letter ought not to have been read for the same reason. However, he would go down and examine the minute-book before next meeting.

The subject then dropped.

LEADGATE LOCAL BOARD.

The ordinary meeting of the members of the above Board was held at Leadgate on Wednesday afternoon sen. Present—Rev. J. W. Mitchell, Mr. Charlton, Mr. R. W. Shaw, Mr. Hedley, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Cheesman, Mr. Davison, Mr. Simpson, and Mr. Bland. In the absence of the Chairman (Canon Kearney), Mr. Shaw was called upon to preside. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and confirmed.

MR. OLIVER'S HOUSE AT IVESTON.

Mr. Oliver having, at the previous meeting, presented a plan which had been rejected by the Board, the Inspector (Mr. Longstaff) said Mr. Oliver proposed pulling down the byre and building himself a single-storey cottage while he put roofs upon the other two cottages.

The matter was left in the hands of the Building Committee.

NEW FOOTPATH IN FRONT STREET.

Mr. Kell's tender for kerbing, channelling, and paving the footpath in Front Street was accepted. The cement work was let to Messrs. Ormerod.

THE QUESTION OF LIGHTING PRIVATE STREETS.

The Local Government Board having been appealed to as to whether the Board had power to light up certain private streets in Leadgate, that body replied that they were "not aware of any authority which would enable the Local Board to erect gas lamps on ground which did not belong to them without first getting the consent of the owner of the ground." (Laughter.)

Mr. Mitchell supposed there would be no difficulty in getting the sanction of the Company to put up the lamps. (Renewed laughter.) He might say that there was a feeling that the parties living in those private streets were not treated fairly by the Board. They had to pay their portion of the rates, yet got none of the benefits.

It was then decided to light the streets recommended in a former report report by the Gas Committee, subject to the sanction of the Iron Company and other owners of private property being obtained.

THE LAMPS FROM REDWELL HILLS TO THE BROOMS.

Mr. Simpson called the attention of the Board to the fact that the lamps between Oliver's public-house and The Brooms were not within the district of the Local Board. In the course of a discussion it was stated that the Board had erected the lamps for the convenience of the people attending The Brooms Church. As they were beyond the district of the Board, however, their removal was ordered.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The following report was read:—"Since your last monthly meeting I have inspected the most part of your highways. Your contractors are progressing well with carting and breaking material; as to any other work, such as opening out conduits, watercourses, or keeping the water off the road, and gathering loose stones on the highways, they never can see any of this work—in fact, pay no attention to it. I spoke to Mullen about proceeding with his watertabling: he told me one of the heads of the Board told him if he got it done at Christmas it would be soon enough; so, I think, it is very little use me giving any orders. A quarry near Westwood is in a very unprotected state, having a bad fence, and another quarry belonging to East Castle Coal Company is without any fence at all. Both quarries are adjoining highways and are very dangerous to the public. A pit-fall right across Annfield Lane ought to be attended to at once. Annexed are monthly pay bills as follows:—District highway pay bill £155 1s. 10d. Medomsley highway pay bill, £129 8s. 8d. Total, £284 10s. 6d.—I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

Thomas Longstaff, Surveyor of highways.

A discussion ensued as to the liability of the colliery owners to repair the roads mentioned in the above report. It was eventually decided that a notice should be served upon the Consett Iron Company requesting them to repair the road damaged by their colliery workings between the Busty Pit and the Hat and Feather public-house. The Clerk was also instructed to serve notice upon the owners of the quarries mentioned in the Surveyor's report, requesting them to make the same safe to the public. The Clerk was also instructed to write a remonstrance to the contractors tespecting the subject of the Surveyor's complaint.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Mr. Longstaff reported as follows:—

Gentlemen,—Since your last monthly meeting I have inspected the whole of your Local Board district. I have, along with your building and sanitary committee, inspected James Oliver and William Mordue's property at Iveston, and the intended sewerage at Redwell Hills. I find most part of the ashpits and privies as well cleaned out as ever I have seen them. Consett Iron Company have some very small sink stones and grates which very easily get stopped up, and require some channels putting in many of the squares, also in the front of Tinner's Row, and other Rows in the north side of the railway are without any channels. John Steel is without any ashpit, and a very dilapidated privy. Robert Lowes' ashpit and privy which have been reported before the Board some time since, ought to be attended to at once. Miss Bland has a very dilapidated ashpit, and George True has no place to lay his cow dung. I should recommend a main sewer to be put in the west side of Watling Street. A plan will come before you to-day for Mrs. Wilson's proposed out offices. Monthly pay bill £13. 12s. 1d.—The Inspector was instructed to serve notices where required.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,—The long immunity your district has enjoyed from infectious diseases seems at last to have come to an end. During the past month one case of enteric fever and three of scarlatina have occurred. The former case is at the house, No. 498, on the north side of the railway, and appears to have been caused by the emanations from a foul drain, at the back of the premises. That, however, has been remedied, and, as the inmates of the house are exceptionally cleanly in their habits, there is not much fear of an extension of the disease. The cases of scarlatina are at No. 138, in the locality known as "Clay Bank." The first case was imported from Dipton, and the others are the offspring of it. It would be as well to draw a sanitary cordon round the house, or, I fear, we shall have a repetition of our experience of three years ago. It unfortunately happens, that the house is situated in the part of Leadgate most favourable to the production of this disease; and, to say the least, it is not remarkable for its cleanliness, and, moreover, with its two rooms, has to shelter two adults and nine children. An epidemic of scarlatina is due about this time, and I am apprehensive, that unless great care is taken and more caution exercised by the people, in their intercourse with each other, that this may be the commencement of a very serious one. I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

Geo. Renton M.D. Officer of Health.

The report was referred to the Sanitary Committee, after which the Board adjourned.

BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of the members of this Board took place in the Board Room, at Shotley Bridge, on Wednesday. Present—Mr. Tregelles, Mr. Carss, Mr. John Annandale, and Mr. Joseph Eltringham. In the absence of the Chairman (Rev. F. B. Thompson) Mr. Annandale was called upon to preside. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

MRS. GLANCEY'S HOUSE AT BLACKHILL.

The Inspector (Mr. Osborne) said he had summoned Mrs. Glancey to the Police Court for failing to provide proper conveniences to her house at Blackhill. Mrs. Glancey, however, had offered to allow the Board to draw the rents of two cottages for any expense the Board might incur in putting the property into repair.

The Surveyor was then instructed to do the work, the cost being charged to Mrs. Glancey as private improvement expenses.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

The following report was read:—

Gentlemen,—Fifty-nine births and twenty-four deaths have been registered in your district during the quarter ending June 30th. A natural increase, therefore, of thirty-one has been added to the population, and the deaths for the same period has been at the annual rate of sixteen per thousand. The births for the whole year have exceeded the deaths by 84. Taking the average of the excess of births over deaths for the past seven years, we arrive at an average natural increase of population of 85·7 per annum. The death-rate for the year has been 17·1 per thousand, assuming my calculation as to the present population to be correct. I have appended a table by which it will be seen that, since the formation of the Board seven years ago, the last year has been the healthiest on record. The figures in the table may not altogether correspond with those that have appeared in previous reports, as from more strict inquiry it is found that I have been overestimating the population. The population last census (1871) was 4,425. From these figures I have calculated the population in 1868 to be 4,300. From that time until the present, more especially in the last three years, it has increased very rapidly so that at the present time there must not be less than 6,000 inhabitants in your scattered district. Of these 500 are set down as lodgers. The thirteen deaths from zymotic or preventable causes enumerated in the table for the year just ended may be classified as follows:—Scarlet fever, six; enteric fever, three; measles, one; continued fever, two; whooping cough, one. Scarlet fever and enteric fever rank highest amongst the preventable causes of death. For example, out of the total number (142) of deaths from zymotic origin in the seven years, no less than 86 are referred to these causes, namely, scarlet fever, 50; enteric fever, 36. Although in the year 1868-69 no deaths from the former were registered, and none from the latter during 1872-73. The remaining number (90) of deaths for the year, other than zymotic, may be classified thus:—Diseases of the respiratory organs, 27, including 10 from consumption; heart disease, five; diseases of brain, 13; diseases of the digestive organs, 18; inquest cases, 2; premature birth, 5; alcoholism, 1; all others, 19. On analysing the age at which the deaths have occurred I find that 52 of the total number were under five years, of which 29 were under one year. Eighteen others had reached the age of 69 and upwards. With the exception of whooping cough, your district is entirely free from an infectious character at the present time.—I remain, your obedient servant,

W. M. Renton, Officer of Health.

Table showing the number of cases and deaths of zymotic or preventable origin since the formation of the Board:—

	No. of cases.	No. of deaths.	Annual rate of mortality from all causes per 1,000.
1868-69	163	14	20·2
1869-70	364	13	18·9
1870-71	384	33	25
1871-72	247	32	25
1872-73	619	11	19·4
18;3-74	342	26	20·1
1874-75	214	13	17·1
Total	2333	142	

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Gentlemen,—During the past month I have inspected the whole of your district. I am glad to say, so far as ashpits, &c., are concerned, it is very generally satisfactory. I reported to you last Feb. meeting the nuisance arising from washing conveyances at the trough in front of Mrs. Scott's and Mr. Wardhaugh's shop in Shotley Bridge, at which time I was ordered by your Board to give parties notice so using it to discontinue the same. On the 29th of last month I saw a party commencing to wash a conveyance at the place referred to, and told him I was authorised by the Board to give him notice to discontinue such practice. His reply was that he had washed his conveyance there for 25 years, and would continue to do so, and did persist in doing so, and washed it there. I was, in conjunction with your surveyor, Mr. Heslop, requested by the Sanitary Committee to endeavour to find out the cause of the pollution of the water in the trough. From our examination and proof, I have no doubt it is sewage from Springfield House, Shotley House, and, it is more than probable, from The Briary also. I should recommend notices to be served upon all proprietors adjoining main street, to put up proper spouting, and down-coming spouts to be let into the main sewers, as it would be a great means of keeping sewers clean, as well as for ventilation.—I remain, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

P. Osborne, Inspector.

A discussion took place respecting people washing their conveyances at the trough mentioned in the above report. There appeared to be some doubt in the minds of the members as to whether the Board could interfere, and the subject consequently dropped without any motion being made upon it. The other part of the report was adopted.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The following report was read and adopted:—

Gentlemen,—During the month the roadmen have been engaged in cleaning out the channels, &c., on the several roads. Cemetery Road, Dixon Street, and Manse Street, I should recommend the Board to take. Cemetery Road is very much cut up—that is the portion that is made—and requires attention. Mr. Collinson has connected a drain in Foundry Row, which is in the Consett district, to the sewer which belongs to the Benfieldside district. I should suggest that the Board advertise, warning people of the penalty in making connections without giving a proper notice. I observe there are several sinks without traps, which ought to be attended to. I should recommend the Board to put up a notice board to stop people depositing rubbish in Blackhill quarry, as it is nearly filled up, and we will not have any place to deposit our road scraping, &c.—I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

John Heslop.

COST OF LIGHTING.

The Lighting Committee reported that they considered the tender of the Gas Company, for lighting the public lamps, too high. The terms were the same as last year.

The members thought that as the price of coal, &c., had been reduced, there ought to be a consequent reduction in the price of gas, and the Clerk was instructed to write the Company to that effect.

The Board then adjourned.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION AT BENFIELDSIDE.

On Monday evening a meeting of the ratepayers of the township of Benfieldside was held in the Town Hall, Shotley Bridge, to consider the expediency of providing further school accommodation, to meet the requirements of the Elementary Education Act, 1870.

The Vicar (Rev. F. B. Thompson) occupied the chair, and opened the proceedings by reading over the notice convening the meeting. According to an order, he said, that had been issued by the Education Department, there appeared to be a deficiency of school accommodation in the township for 100 children. It would be for the meeting to consider how this deficiency should be met—whether the School Board system should be adopted, or the accommodation that was needed should be provided out of a voluntary rate. He observed that where schools had been built on the voluntary system, the site being given, the cost per head had been £5; where the site had not been given the cost had been £6 per head; and where a School Board had stepped in it cost £13 per head.

Mr. Carss said the returns published by the Education Department did not include the private adventure schools carried on at Blackhill by Messrs Tait and Hepton. Now, he had obtained the dimensions of these schools, and found that they would accommodate 255 children. The deficiency complained of by the Education Department existed in the immediate vicinity of Shotley Bridge, and they could not avail themselves of the accommodation afforded in the higher part of the township they would of necessity be compelled to erect additional school accommodation. If, however, the district had to be taken as a whole, and not divided, it was quite clear that, with the private adventure schools, there was a sufficiency of accommodation.

The Chairman: The Education Department would not recognise the private adventure schools in their present condition. With reference to the situation of the schools, he might say that was a matter left in the hands of the township.

Mr. Carss said with a little outlay the adventure schools might be made to meet the requirements of the Education Department. Mr. Tait's school was held in the old Wesleyan Chapel, the trustees of which, he had no doubt, would let the building at a small yearly rental.

A Voice: There is no play-ground attached.

Mr. Carss said there was plenty of land in the immediate vicinity, which the Iron Company would no doubt sell at a reasonable price.

After some desultory conversation,

Mr. Collinson (schoolmaster) said it was not necessary that a school should be carried on by a certificated master in order to be recognised by the Education Department. If Mr. Tait and Mr. Hepton allowed their schools to be examined by the Inspector, and found passable, they would be recognised by the Department. He suggested that the Education Department should be communicated with as to the present school accommodation, including the private adventure schools.

Mr. John Annandale: Have these schools already been pointed out to the Education Department.

Mr. Carss: No.

Mr. Osborne then proposed, and Mr. Telford seconded, that a statement of the present school accommodation be furnished to the Education Department, with a request that an Inspector be sent down to examine the same and see how far it is available.

Mr. Harris said if they were satisfied with the accommodation that they already had, they were as far off as ever in getting the children to school. There was only one way of overcoming this difficulty, and that was by the adoption of a School Board. He would, therefore, propose as an amendment that a School Board be formed.

Mr. Richardson (Blackhill) said supposing a school was built by voluntary subscriptions, under what system would it be conducted. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Carss said it was usual when a school was built by subscription, to appoint a committee, who had control over it.

There being no seconder to Mr. Harris' amendment, the original motion was put to the meeting and carried, there being only two dissentients.

Mr. Richardson (draper) then proposed that in case the present accommodation be deemed insufficient, and school were to be provided, they should be built by voluntary rate or subscription, and that a School Board be avoided.

Mr. Marshall seconded the proposition, which was carried.

The usual vote of thanks to the Chairman brought the meeting to a close.

Cricket.

Lintz Albion v. Stanley.—A match was played between these clubs recently, when Lintz Albion scored 56, and Stanley 42.

Hamsterley v. Dipton.—On Saturday, 10th inst., a match was played at Dipton between these clubs, when the former scored 50, and the latter 36.

Leadgate v. Derwent Cottages.—On Saturday last the Leadgate second eleven and the Derwent Cottages Cricket Clubs played at Leadgate. Victory was declared for Leadgate, who in their first innings obtained the splendid score of 62, whilst the first innings of their opponents was 19, and their second 46.

Markets.

Newcastle Corn Market, Tuesday.—There was a small supply of English wheat, but a good arrival from abroad. Much, however, having gone direct to millers, the quantity offering from on board ship was limited, and it found buyers at an advance of 4s to 5s on the rates of this day week. Barley, oats, and maize, each 1s higher. Malt held more firmly. Beans and peas slow, but held for more money. Flour 3s dearer.

Hexham Corn Market, Tuesday.—There was a good supply of wheat at market, for which there was a brisk sale at an advance of fully 4s per qr over last week's rates. Barley a fair show and ready sale at 1s per qr more money. Oats were a meagre supply, and sold at 22s to 23s 6d per Hexham boll.

Newcastle Cattle Market, Tuesday.—The show of stock presented for sale exhibited an increase of 342 beasts, and 3,660 sheep and lambs as compared with that of last week. Respecting quality, there is little or no change to notice. The supply of beef comprised 2,039 head. The number of sheep and lambs was 10,770. Lambs: The demand for which varied more to-day than for some weeks past. The primer lots were soon disposed of, at ½d per lb less money than last week, but all other sorts sales were slowly effected, and several lots stood long in the market. Pigs: 652 were shown. Beasts, prime heifers, per stone, 11s 3d to 11s 6d; secondary sorts, 9s 6d to 10s 3d; good oxen, 11s 0d to 11s 3d; middling, 10s 0d to 10s 3d; cows and inferior, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; pork, large, 5s 9d to 7s 9d; do. small, 8s 6d to 9s 0d; sheep, good vendable weiders, per lb., 10½d to 11d; middling, 9d to 9½d.

Durham Provision, Saturday.—Oats, 7s 3d to 8s 9d; barley, 8s 3d to 9s 0d; wheat, 11s to 11s 6d; beans, 13s 6d; peas, 11s 3d to 11s 6d per boll. Beef, 9d to 12d; mutton, 9d to 11d; lamb, 1s; veal 9½d to 11d; bacon, 5½d to 7d; hams, 7½d to 8d; pork, 9d to 10d per lb. Chickens, 1s 6d to 2s 0d; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 0d; hens 1s to 2s each; butter, 1s 6d to 1s 9d per lb.; eggs, 8 to 9 for 1s; gooseberries, 4d, and strawberries, 8d to 10d per quart; cherries, 3d to 4d per lb.; onions, 1s 6d per peck.

Durham Potato, Saturday.—Potatoes, round, 10d to 1s; kidneys, 1s to 1s 8d per stone.

Newcastle Hay and Straw, Tuesday.—Old land hay, 180s to 220s; this year's growth, 160s to 195s; new land hay, 200s to 225s per ton; this year's growth, 175s to 200s; wheat straw, 2s 5d to 3s 4d; barley straw, 2s 6d; oat-straw, 2s 10d to 3s 6d per thrave.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

BIRTHS.

Consett—At 13, Puddler's Row, on the 21st inst., Mrs. Howells, of a son.

Blackhill—At 4, Cort Street, on the 16th inst., Mrs. Johnson, of a son.

At 14, Furnace Row, on the 19th inst., Mrs. Jones, of a daughter.

At 5, Boyd Street, on the 21st inst., Mrs. Poltinger, of a son.

Leadgate—At Grove Cottage, on the 18th inst., the wife of J. J. Hedley, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

Esh Laude—On the 19th inst., Mr. E. Johnson, Hill Top, to Fanny Christina, eldest daughter of the late D. A. Ogilvie, of Blairgowrie, Scotland.

Witton Gilbert—On the 21st inst., Mr. J. Strachan, New Close House, Durham, to Margaret Louisa, youngest daughter of the late Wm. Branson, Esq., Witton Gilbert.

DEATHS.

Blackhill—On the 19th inst., aged 82, Christian Telford.

Lanchester—On the 21st inst., aged 2 years, Margt. Forster Reed.

White-le-Head—On the 19th inst., aged 15½, John Burdon.

Australia—At Cornish Town, Stawell, on the 20th April, aged 47, James Seaman.

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