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Shotley Bridge, October 9, 1870. 24

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Castle D CLARET..	2/	24/	Castle B SAUTERNE	2/	24/
Castle 1 RED BURGUNDY ..	1/3	15/	Castle A WHITE HUNGARIAN ..	1/6	18/
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THE GUARDIAN.

SATURDAY, JULY 3, 1875.

THE PERILS OF RAILWAY TRAVELLING.

The reason of fast and furious railway travelling has now set in with its accustomed severity. People travel by rail, now almost the only internal mode of conveyance that we have, all the year round, and at Christmas, Easter, and Whitsuntide we have a few days of crushing and crowding on railway platforms and in carriages, and holiday collisions and disasters almost on a certainty. But the excursion season which is now at its height is emphatically the season for railway catastrophis. An important trial which came to a conclusion the other day in the Court of Exchequer, after seven days' argument and evidence serves to remind us of this fact. It was in the tourist train to Scotland that the late Sir John Anson was travelling when an unfortunate error in shifting the points caused a terrible splitting of the train into two parts, and resulted in the death of 13 persons and more or less severe injury to upwards of 40 others. Here was an awful disaster arising as the jury decide from negligence, which it is to be feared can never be wholly eradicated from poor human nature. But there are other perils from which railway travellers certainly ought to be protected. There is, we believe, no topic of the day that creates so much public interest to the case of Colonel Valentine Baker of the 10th Hussars, who has been committed for trial on two counts, each of a very serious character, in reference to Miss Dickinson. On the probabilities as to his guilt or innocence we say nothing, but may remark that we do not remember any somewhat similar case in regard to which the public has appeared to feel so much genuine sorrow as in this. The undoubted respectability of the complainant, the high terms in which the defendant and his counsel have spoken of her; the military and social position of the accused as a dashing cavalry officer and a gentleman, together with his influential family connections —all these things give unusual importance to the case, the progress of which will be watched with the deepest interest. Meanwhile people who have read the report of the preliminary trial—and who has not?—must have among other things, noticed one incident in the case—the old grievance of want of communication between passenger and guard. "What did you do," the complainant was asked, "when you got to the bell or dial?" She replied, "I found that the glass of the dial was broken." The young lady added, "I tried the bell both ways," but with the same result—failure. The account of what followed must have been read with horror—the young lady getting out of the carriage and riding on the foot-board, in an awfully perilous position, for miles—soon after leaving Weybridge almost to the arrival at Esher! Other passengers saw her in this frightful danger, but were powerless to help her, simply because there was no means of communicating with the guard. The examination of the guard of the train on this subject is instructive:

"Was there any cord attacked to the train?—No, sir. Were there dials in the carriage?—There was only one carriage which had one, and it don't act (Laughter.)"

But indeed this might have been no laughing matter. The young lady narrowly escaped a dreadful death, and we have it in evidence that a passenger in another carriage who saw her thus standing in danger of being dashed to pieces, turned away his head for fear he should see her head smashed against an arch. Now, without any refence to the alleged cause of her occupying this awful position, we may ask, how is it that the South Western Railway directors do not insist on what the public have been so long asking for, and what railway engineers have proved is so perfectly feasible, a means of communication between passenger and guard and between guard and driver? Innumerable occassions may arise when sech communication is imperatively necesary, and where life may be saved by adopting it, to say nothing of other circumstances suggested by the pending trial to which we have referred. There has been voluminous correspondence on this subject; the Board of Trade has elaborately investigated numerous schemes for effecting this communication; it has been proved that the object can be accomplished; several railway companies have established means of communication; and yet it is now proved that railway directors may do just as they please in the matter. This is a disgraceful state of things in a country which stands pre-eminent in its engineering skill and enterprise, and in which railway travelling exists to a greater extent than in any country in the world. The chief weak point in our railway management we believe to be the impotency of the Board of Trade. It can recommend, but it has no power to enforce its recommendations. This evil [illegible] uld remedid by legislation.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

The course of public business in Parliament is somewhat troublesome, and Ministers do not find that they can carry matters with quite such a high hand as they at one time thought possible. A few weeks ago, it may be remembered, Mr Disraeli declared that the Government meant to carry all the measures they had proposed. Time, however, was not on their side; it was against them; and so Ministers made an extraordinary proposal—that independent members should give up their Tuesdays to the Government. Now a Minister with a good majority and with a good many bills on hand can scarcely be blamed for proposing this as a piece of strategy; it is taking a natural advantage of one's power; but still it was not to be wondered at that the opposition and the independent members very strongly objected to such a course, and Mr. Disraeli, seeing this, has in a very gentlemanly manner withdrawn the proposal. The Premier was not in the House when the proposition was first made, which came from Mr. Gathorne Hardy, and on Thursday Mr. Disraeli expressed his regret that he had not been present, and stated that had he been there and heard the objections which were made to the course proposed he should at once have terminated the discussion. He has now withdrawn the motion that Government orders of the day should have precedence over notices of motions on Tuesday, and the result has been a restoration of good feeling between Government and opposition, who agree to differ, and will now fight in a friendly sort of way till the end of the session. Mr. Disraeli on Friday night further cleared the atmosphere of discontent by filling up the Parliamentary programme so far as supply in concerned to July 8th., and the Government arrangements seemed to be assented to on all sides. The weather is too hot and the "season" too far gone now for much life to be infused into the debates.

The rumour, recently revived, that Mr. Gladstone intends next session to resume the leadership of the Liberal party, I believe to be wholly unfounded I believe on the other hand that he is never likely to take again any very active share in political struggles, and that he intends to enjoy a learned leisure" and devote himself to that kind of 'leisure which consists in literary labour *con amore*. The sale of the lease of his house in Carlton House Terrace some time since, and now the disposal of his art treasures, tend to this conclusion; besides which he has just taken Manor House, near Richmond, and here he intends to reside for some considerable time. The bias of Mr. Gladstone's mind is shown by his appearance at such meetings as that of the Society of Antiquaries which took place at Burlington House on Thursday evening. The Right Honourable gentleman looked and spoke exceedingly well. Probably no one knew more about "Homeric Troy" then Mr. Gladstone; and his graceful allusions to Dr. Schlimann's explorations were received as they well deserved, with loud cheers by the learned Society which he addressed.

An appointment which has recently been made deserves a few words of congratulatory comment Surgeon Major Rowe has been appointed administrator of the Gambia and Lieutenant Govenor of the West African settlements. Major Rowe is now on his way to a territory with which he is well acquainted, and as he distinguished himself in the Ashantee war his appointment may be regarded as a reward for good service, The nomination was also a good one, inasmuch as it is well to have an experienced medical man in such a position. Though he may not personally act in his professional capacity, his medical and surgical knowledge will be extremely valuable.

The length at which the papers report the proceedings at Guildford in the case of Miss Dickinson and Colonel Valentine Baker tallies with the amount of public interest felt in the matter. It is "the talk of the towns," and indeed of town and country. The lady is most respectably connected, and by the way she lives in the house at Midhurst which was for years occupied by the celebrated Richard Colden; her reputation is unblemished, and I may add that she really is very good-looking. The Colonel is well known and has been—nay, I may say he is—highly respected in London society; he distinguished himself in the Crimean War; was on the Prince of Wales's staff, has been presented at court, and has been on invitation terms with more than one member of the royal family. His brother is Sir Samuel Baker, and it will have been observed that the distinguished African explorer and Lord Valentia each became bail for the defendant in £1000 each.

It would appear that we are doomed to a perpetual recurrence of strikes and trade disputes of one kind or another. The disastrous quarrel between colliers and coal-owners is, to say the least, in proces of settlement, ominous rumours as to an impending disturbance in the London building trades. Great events proverbially arise from little causes, and i seems probable that we are to have another illustration of this. The men, it appears, claim what they call grinding money on leaving an employer, *i. e.* two hours pay for grinding, sharpening, and putting in order their tools, and in many cases the masters refuse to give this. But, as if this in itself were not a sufficiently small bone of contention, it appears that the cause of quarrel is not two hours but one hour. Several of the masters have given notice that in future on a man leaving his employment one hour's grinding money alone will be paid. The men object to this; some meetings have been held on the subject: andtan aggregate meeting is to be held to decide the course to be taken. So that it is not too much to say that we are threatened with another strike. As being quite outside the trade I do not pretend to understand the technicalities of the question, but of this I am certain, that the public will in this matter—provided there be a strike on such a pretty question—pretty generally side with the masters. The country at large will be annoyed if for such a trivial ground of quarrel the London building trades are impeded and perhaps hundreds, or it may be thousands, of workmen thrown out of employment.

It is no doubt satisfactory to a certain extent to the Londoners to hear, on the authority of Major Frank Bolton, the official examiner of water supplied to the metropolis, that the water at Hampton, Melesey, and Sunbury is very good; but it would be more satisfactory if we could learn that steps were to be taken to prevent the sewage of a score or two of towns and villages above Feddington (anciently called Tide-ending-town) been drained into the Thames. For generations this has been a subject of complaint and a cause of disease, and yet year after year passes and nothing, or comparatively nothing, is done. At the expense of millions we have carried out a main drainage scheme, but in thousands of places, let us say between Windsor and Erith we still drain our filthy refuse into the river. No reform with an eye to the public health is of more importance than this.

An anonymous book is creating some sensation, "The Unseen World." I have heard that it is a work of joint authorship, the writers being Professor Tait of Edinburgh and Professor Balfour Stewart of Manchester. The book forms the foundation of an article in the *Fortnightly Review* from the pen of Professor Clifford, and was recently specially commented on in a sermon by the Bishop of Manchester.

One of the dramatic journals of recent date contains a lengthy biographical notice of Mr. Sothern. If only for the physiocological treatise on the peculiarities of *Lord Dundreary* which is embodied in the notice, it is worth reading, but there is a closing paragraph which everybody who is interested in *Garrick* ought to peruse, "more by token" that it bears the distinct impress of having been inspired by no less a personage than the great actor himself. Not seldom has the question been asked, "What will Sothern do next?" Readers of the notice to which I have referred will find the query answered.

THE FLOODS IN FRANCE.

DISTRESSING SCENES.

The Paris correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs:—It is announced that at Toulouse alone 900 persons have perished. The loss of life will never be precisely known, for the Garonne has carried away many bodies, and some have been recovered in the costume of districts twenty leagues distant from Toulouse. It is believed that 600 houses have been swept away in the town, and 2,000 in the environs. 1,200 soldiers are still engaged in clearing away the rains, and only a fifth of the inundated buildings will be saved. The departments adjoining the Haute-Garonne have suffered considerably. At Verdun, in the Ariege, as already mentioned, 50 houses have been destroyed, and 80 lives lost, besides 500 head of cattle. The villages of La Bastide and Besplas have been swept away. At Mazeres, 12 houses have disappeared. In Tarn-et-Garonne and the Upper and Lower Pyrenees, much property has been destroyed. At Bordeaux, the river has not overflowed, but it has brought down trees, hay, animals, and several dead bodies. An infant in a cradle, supposed to have floated some distance down the river, has been saved. The Valley of the Gers is inundated, the waters reaching a height unparalleled since 1825. Up to Wednesday nobody had any idea that owing to the heavy rains of the previous week the Garonne would overflow its banks with such rapidity. On Tuesday the river indeed was unusually high, and some slight damage was expected, such as usually happens in winter when the snow melts, but had anybody suggested precautions against disaster they would have been deemed quite unnecessary. On Wednesday, however, the prospect changed; the river became a torrent, and by 10 a.m. it reached the level of the flood of 1855. It continued to rise, and measures were taken with desperate ardour to hem in the waters, but the attempt was too late. They invaded all the low-lying quarters of the town of Toulouse, and at 2 p.m. two of the arches of one of the bridges and 20 houses were swept away, and the swimming baths and lavatories moored to the banks were hurried down the stream, dashing against the houses alongside in their course. At 5 p.m. the water rose over the parapets protecting the populous quarter of St. Cyprien. In an hour later it was 10ft. deep. Boats were hastily got out to rescue the inmates of the falling houses, but several of them were carried away by the current and dashed to pieces or swamped. Two boats, manned by eight soldiers, were dashed against each other. and sank in a pool formed by the gardens of the Civil Hospital. Out of 80 persons on board only one woman was saved. Several persons who tried to escape from the quarter on the left bank on horseback were carried away by the flood and perished. In the evening the whole quarter of St. Cyprien was cut off from the rest of the town, the three bridges being carried away. All Wednesday night was to be heard the crash of houses and the cries of the victims. On Thursday morning, the whole population was in the streets, all classes vying with one another in their efforts to rescue the victims. The town presented a heartrending spectacle; 5,000 to 6,000 poor creatures, half-naked; bruised, and benumbed, were conducted on foot or carried in vehicles or on litters to the military hospital; many of them were women leading their children by the hand. By the afternoon the water had fallen 6ft. in St. Cyprien, but both above and below Toulouse they extended like an immense lake dotted with the bodies of human beings and animals and with articles of furniture, while roofs of house and trees here and there appeared above the flood. At four p.m. the clergy of St. Nicholas went in procession to the Church de la Daurade to supplicate the Virgin for mercy, and services were going on day in all the churches. About 100 corpses were discovered on Thursday and Friday, and were buried, after being photographed by their friends. One of the victims was M. Wohlfart, a retired major, who had entered a house to save two children, when the walls fell in and buried him. Bodies were discovered in many instances in alleys and gardens. Five victims composing one family were found in a first floor room locked in an agonizing embrace. Those who had escaped were to be seen stationed at the entrance of their ruined tenements and giving information as to their fellow-occupiers. In the belfry of St. Nicholas Church 60 persons took refuge. The flood reached the alter table, and not far off a clerical student was searching all day among the ruins of a large house for his parents and sister, listening intently for any sound of life. All the granaries on the banks of the river are destroyed, and the entire quarter may be said to have disappeared, for all the houses still standing are damaged or tottering. The new Carmelite Church was flooded, a lady who was confessing being drowned, while the confessor effected his escape. The girls at a convent school were rescued on Thursday. They had passed a dreadful night going up from story to story as the flood rose, and passing the time in prayer, expecting every moment to be their last. The bodies of four women were found, each with an infant in her arms. Another woman was found by her dog. In one room ten victims were found two of whom were still breathing, and received the last Sacraments before expiring. The older houses, on account of the greater solidity of their walls, offered the greatest resistance to the flood, and those supported by the old fortifications were not carried away."

MORE FLOODS ON THE CONTINENT.

Vienna, Sunday.—In consequence of watersoouts inundations have taken place in West Bohemia Moravia, Carinthia, South Tyrol, and Banat, several railways were injured, and many bridges, houses, and herds of cattle carried away. There has also been some loss of human life. The harvest in several districts is totally destroyed.

DESTRUCTIVE STORM IN HUNGARY.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

Vienna, Monday.—A thunderstorm with hailstones has caused terrible destruction in Buda Pesth. The hills and the roofs of the houses were covered with ice two feet thick, the torrents rushed into the streets of Ofen. Five hundred persons are missing, and at least one hundred have been drowned or killed by the falling houses. Railway traffic near Ofen is interrupted.

A BOY KILLED BY A PLAYFELLOW AT BLAYDON.

A sad affair occurred at Blaydon on Friday night, which resulted in the death of a boy named David Cruddas. It appears that the deceased, who is about fourteen years of age, was playing at quoits with another boy named David Timenney, two years his junior, near Robinson Street, adjoining Mr. Ramsay's bookselling establishment, when a dispute arose, in the course of which Timenney took up a stone and threw it at Cruddas' head. The injured boy immediately fell to the ground, and on being picked up it was found that the stone had penetrated his head just under the right ear, killing him on the spot. Sergeant Benzies was soon on the spot, and took Timenney into custody, and caused the deceased to be remove to his parents' residence. at the inquest, a verdict of manslaughter was returued. Timenney's father is a workman engaged at the Tyne Commissioners' Works, and the deceased's father is employed at the Blaydon Chemical Works.

TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKE IN COLUMBIA.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.'s s s Tagus, which arrived at Plymouth on Sunday, brings a few additional particulars of the awful calamity which has befallen the northern portion of Columbia. A correspondent from Barranquilla, writing on the 29th of May, says the steamer Ysabel, which arrived yesterday from the interior neared our city with her flag at half-mast, indicating that she was the bearer of unwelcome news, and while there were various conjectures as to its import, hone for a moment pictured the colossal magnitude of the calamity which had taken place. The information which has reached us on the subject is contained in a letter dated Salagar, seven leagues from Cucuta, the 19th of the present month, from which we extract and translate the following:—"At 11·10 a.m. yesterday, 18th, a severe earthquake visited this city and a section of the country. In this city a large part of the church fell, houses were destroyed, and some people killed. The city Cucuta is entirely destroyed, only a few families saved. The Botica Alemans (German drug store) was set on fire by a ball of fire which was thrown out of the volcano which is constantly belching out lava. This volcano has opened in front of Santiago, in a ridgeway, a ridge called Elalo do La Giracha. San Cayetano was destroyed, and also the larger part of Santiago. In Grainalote there was great destruction. Arboleda, Curuta and San Christobal are all nearly destroyed. The population of these towns is estimated by a person well acquainted with that region to be more or less as follows:—San Cayetano 4,000, Santiago 2,000, Grainalote 3,000, Arboleda 5,000, San Christobal 1,600. The section of the county above referred to embraces the reigion about where Columbia and Venezuela join the Colombian portion embracing the State of Santander. It is in some respects the most productive part of the Republic, and the coffee of this section is familiar to the world. San Jese de Cucuta, the city of the most importance of the Republic—the city of the most importance of any in that section—was situated on the boundary of the Republic, and was founded by Juan de Martin in 1534. It was a port of entry—if an inland town can be called a port—and here was the established Custom House. The population of the city at the time of the disaster was estimated at about 18,000. It had a large commercial business, and was the great depot for coffee and cocoa for shipment either through the Venezuelan ports or down the Magdelena to this city The shock was felt sharply in Bogota and adjoining sections. A gentleman who was at the time in Facatia says that the movement lasted for three-quarters of a minute. It was also strongly felt in Barranquilla.

THE DERWENT VALLEY LINE.

The *North of England Advertiser* says that the Consett Iron Company have purchased the Milkwellburn, Broadoak, and Whittonstall Colliery of John Carr, Esq., the original owner. The coal is mostly suitable for cocking purposes, and the purchase includes about one hundred coking ovens of recent construction, which are only separated from West Wood Colliery, which is the property of the Consett Company, by the rails of the Consett branch of the North Eastern Company. The royalty is very extensive, and as coking coal is being exhausted at a rate which is not pleasant to calculate, the purchase is a most desirable acquisition to the already extensive royalties of the Consett Company, the shares in which, owing to its wealth of coal, are, we believe, quoted at a higher price than any other iron company in the world. We are also able to announce that Jonathan Priestman, Esq., of Shotley Bridge, has become the lessee of the extensive royalty under Chopwell Woods, the property of the Government. This royalty was opened out a few years ago by Mr. Ramsay, who constructed a tramway on a principle novel to this district, but which is common in Cumberland, by which a number of "tubs" or small waggons, placed at a short distance apart, are propelled by an endless chain moved by a stationary engine, the weight of the chain resting on the top of each tub being sufficient to propel it without the ordinary coupling. We are informed, however, that this plan will be abandoned, and that a railway is about to be constructed suitable for the ordinary locomotive engine. And this reminds us of a project to connect Rowland's Gill Station with that of Stocksfield by a short line which would run through the extensive royalties named and would afford convenient facilities for the output of the immense seams of coal now being worked by the Marquis of Bute, and also those of Alderman Laycock and others. This line seams to have been designed by nature, as there is an opening in the high hills of Whittonstall and Hedley which would allow of its construction on easy terms. We have no doubt that Mr. Priestman would be glad to be saved the cost of constructing a private line, and that the whole of the royalty owners named would gladly avail themselves of the facilities which would thus be afforded. By this short line, a circle would be formed, and trains could run either way, starting at Newcastle, and after traversing the beautiful valleys of the Derwent and the Tyne, return to the Central station. The enormous saving and convenience of this system of railway working is well understood The great difficulty of railway directors is to afford accommodation to the populous towns and villages near the great terminus without having to run an otherwise unnecessary number of through trains or to propel for the greater part of the journey a number of empty carriages. Such a railway would also afford facilities such are enjoyed by, we believe, every town and city in the kingdom of equal dimensions as Newcastle, for persons desirous of living in pure air without too great a sacrifice of time and money. The whole circle would be traversed in less than an hour, to the great relief to the traffic, for which the present accommodation is admittedly insufficient.

Mr. Arch and the Labourers' Union.—Mr. Arch, president of the National Agricultural Labourers' Union, at a meeting of the Executive Council, held at Leamington on Friday, emphatically contradicted the rumours circulated that he was about to become president of a contemplated rival union, consequent on recent differences with the Executive and the *Union Chronicle*. Mr. Arch expressed his determination to always respect the feelings of labourers as expressed constitutionally through their district meetings; and it was decided to issue an official denial of the rumoured secession of Mr. Arch. It was decided to submit last year's balance-sheet to a public auditor, to silence insinuations respecting its alleged inaccuracy.

ANGLESEY CLERICAL SCANDAL.

The commission of inquiry directed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, as patron of the livings, into certain charges promoted against the Rev. W. Anwyl Roberts, Rector of Llanddyfnan and Llanfair, Mathafarneithaf, Polessy, resumed its sitting, after an adjournment from the 1st inst., at Bangor on Tuesday. Defendant was charged that he, within two years last past, had offended against the laws ecclesiastical by having been drunk on four several occasions, and two occasions—the last Advent Sunday and the Sunday following—neglected to perform Divine service at Llanddyfnan Church. Mr. Jeune, of the Home Circuit, appeared on behalf of the prometer, Mr. Robert Lloyd James, diocesan registrar, and secretary to the Bishop of Bangor; and Mr. Marcus Louis, solicitor, Ruthin, represented the defendant.—Mr. Jeune resumed the cross-examination of the defendant, who admitted that he went to various hotels and taverns, but only did so, in the language of the cannon, "for his necessities," or upon business. He denied having been at any hotel in Beaumaris on a Sunday evening and drunking there during divine service. A large number of witnesses, including the Vicars of Garoon and Pentrewelas (the latter of whom is also a justice of the peace), gave evidence for the defence, and they testified to the sobriety of the defendant on the dates upon which it was alleged he was drunk.—After speeches by the counsel on both sides, the Ven. Archdeacon Wynne Jones, announced that they were quite of opinion that there were *prima facie* grounds for further proceedings, both as to the charges of drunkenness and those of neglect of parochial duty.

A MODEL PARISH.

While envying and ecclesiastical strife obtained in so many parishes in Scotland, it may be worth while chronicling that in Penninghame, Wigtownshire, the dwelling together in unity which is enjoined upon all Christians, and which so many preach, is practically carried out to a very large extent. There are three ministers in the town of Newton-Stewart, and in turn the Sunday evening services is held in each of their churches. The parish minister occupies the U.P. pulpit, the U.P. minister preaches in the Parish Church, and the Reformed Presbyterian minister holds forth in the U.P. Church. Not only so, but all three take part in each service. One opens with prayer and a psalm, the second preaches, and the third offers up the closing prayer and pronounces the benediction. There is also a united prayer meeting every Wednesday evening held in succession in the three churches, and at which the three ministers officiate. It will be seen that here there is at least no outward exhibition of hostility—Dissent against Establishment, or *vice versa*. As a further proof of the toleration of the ministers of the town, it may be noted that on Wednesday the U.P. minister attended the Episcopalian Church, almost two miles distance, and took an active part in a marriage ceremony which was chorally performed! He "gave away" the bride, a young lady who had been staying in the manse for some time, Were any other evidence, indeed, required off the toleration of one sect for another, it might be stated that among the worshippers at the Episcopal Church the other Sunday were two ministers' wives—one belonging to the Establishment, and the other a U.P.—*Glasgow News*.

THE FIRE AT DUNSTON.

The fire at the saw mills of Messrs Palmer, Hall, and Co., Dunston, which broke out on Thursday night, continued to blaze pretty freely for some time afterwards; but cut off as it was from the Chemical Works by the demolition of the blacksmith's shop, and prevented from extending westward by the fireman, despite the feeble supply of water at their command, it was not long in being reduced to comparatively small dimensions. However, the fireman continued to play water upon the smouldering embers until noon on Friday. Amongst the first to discover the fire was the watchman, who, while others spread the alarm, brought into requisition a number of buckets of water kept ready to be available in such an emergency, but he was unable to suppress the flames, which rapidly increased and extended. The damage is considerable, involving several thousand pounds. Amongst the machinery destroyed were three saw frames, one plaining machine, one moulding machine, one steam crane, capable of lifting six tons, a large number of saws and a morticing machine. A mill in three parts, the offices with all the books and papers, two large sheds, upwards of two hundred standards of deals, and a cottage occupied by men employed at Mr. Palmer's colliery fell a prey to the conflagration, and a blacksmiths' shop, as before stated was destroyed to stay the progress of the fire. The rafters of the engine house at the western extremity of the operations of the fire were charred, and the engine was damaged. It is a fortunate fact that on Thursday morning thirty or forty lots of cut tinber had just been despatched to Jarrom, thus escaping destruction. We understand that the damage is covered by insurance. Mr. Thompson, manager, and Mr. Watson, foreman, suffered some slight injuries to the hands, while assisting in the work of subduing the flames. It is just about eleven years, almost to a day, since the mills were opened.

The *Pictorial World* contains a very fair sketch of the fire at the Tyne Bridge. It is by Mr. Thos. Davey, of Gateshead.

The exportation of horses from Germany, though still prohibited by Imperial decree, is now partically allowed; special petitions of dealers addressed to the authorities are nearly always answered in the affirmative.

Strange Proceedings in High Life.—The first Civil Court in France gave judgment on Friday, in the suit brought by the Princess Dowager de Beauvau-Craon against her daughter, the Princess Isabeau, to have her declared insane and incapable of managing her property. The judges decided that with respect to the alleged belief in imaginary persecutions, the Princess Isabeau had sufficient reasons to feel the impressions which were said to have constituted a mania; that the charge of dirty habits was not proved; that the isolation in which she lived, and her repugnance for her family were in some measure due to the proceedings of her relatives towards her, &c.; for those reasons the Court rejected the demand of the mother, and condemned her to the payment of the costs.

Attempted Murder.—Early on Sunday morning, the wife of a coachsmith named Taylor, residing St. Giles Street, Northampton, attempted to murder her husband and two children. It appears that about three o'clock in the morning, while her husband and children were sleeping, she obtained a hatchet and attacked three of the family, inflicting dangerous wounds, especially on her husband. Fortunately the handle of the weapon broke, and the screams having aroused an elder son he came to the rescue in time to prevent her using any other instrument. The police obtained information of the occurrence, and Inspector Beattie proceeded to the house where he found Taylor lying insensible out of the bed. The bedding was completely saturated with blood and the point and handle of the hatchet were also covered with it. A surgeon was sent for and the wounds were immediately dressed, but the man lies in a precarious condition. The woman, when apprehended, admitted that she had intended to commit murder.

HOW RHODA'S EYES WERE OPENED.

Down in the garden the marigolds and chrysanthemums were all abloom, for it was in the warm, bright time of autumn. Rhoda Spinner, wandering slowly along the paths, was like some of these gay autumn flowers herself, with her high colour, warm, gold kissed brown hair and crimson mouth. As for her dress, it was of pansy purple, and became her. But Rhoda was in a thoughtful mood, not a gay one.

"If only I could know," she said to herself. "If only I could know. Is it shyness, or is it—" She paused without finishing the sentence. "I have always despised women who let their hearts go before they were asked for," she said, with something like a sob; "am I going to do this very thing myself? And yet it does seem as though Roland Blair loved me."

Poor Rhoda Spinner! there was no doubt in her mind that Ralph Weaver loved her—the Rev. Ralph Weaver, who preached his long calm sermons to the congregation of the high-steepled church that looked so like one of those in a toy village. Any time she chose he would have said the words that she did not want him to say—words that would have sounded so sweet on Roland Blair's lips; and before Roland came there I think she had not known but that she might say "Yes" to him.

He was good, and not ill-looking, despite lustreless light hair and too small a chin for a man; and there was honour, too, in being a clergyman's wife, and pleasure in the thought that in giving herself to him she would give him what he thought to be earth's greatest good. But then this young tutor had arisen on her horizon—a graceful, gallant fellow like a figure out of some Italian picture, with his great black eyes and glossy, raven hair. He talked as she had never heard any one talk before, and wore elegant garments, to which he added sometimes a touch of the picturesque in hat or cloak; and what a contrast he was to Ralph the reverend, in his stiff, black broadcloth.

Perhaps Ralph knew it. He was a man of some penetration. At least I knew that very soon Roland Blair had Rhoda Spinner quite to himself. And so it came to pass that she walked in the autumn garden, and communed with herself as we have seen, and finally sauntered out of it, and betook herself, with a book in her hand, towards a certain grove, where now and then, perhaps, Roland met her "just by chance."

To-day, however, he did not come, and as she leant against a tree, and pretended to herself that she was reading, not waiting and watching for a step upon the path and a shadow on the grass, she did not notice that the clouds came piling up from the west, with that dull purple on their breasts, that tells of a coming storm, and not until a sudden flash of lightning was followed by a heavy roll of thunder, did she realise the fact that she, so terribly afraid of a thunder storm as she was—and wearing a dress that would spot with wet, too, a serious thought for a girl not over rich—was absolutely half a mile from home, under those dangerous trees and without even a sun umbrella.

She began to run, gathering up her flounced skirts in one hand, but down came the great drops. "I shall never wear this dress again, even if I am not struck by lightning before I reach home," cried Rhoda; and then she remembered that only a few steps down the road was the church, that at least its broad porch would shelter her; and fluttering over the grass, like some great purple bird, she sought the sanctuary.

Not only the church porch was ready to receive her but the church itself. The door stood open, and within, in the vestry-room, Rhoda saw the striped-calico dress and checked apron of Betsy Spratt, who cleaned the building; and thankful for the sight of a human face, as a frightened woman always is, hurried toward her.

"Caught in the rain, miss?" cried Betsey. "Well, 'twon't last long, and you are safe here. I've been making a little fire, for this here vestry is always like ice, of autumn nights, and there's to be a meeting of some sort.

With which Betsey shouldered her brooms and dusting-brushes and departed. Rhoda threw another log of wood upon the fire—they burnt wood in that vestry-room for some reason—and drew closer to the stove. But the sky was growing darker, and the windows were even veiled by the pelting rain that beat against them like hail, and poured down the surface in one broad sheet. Suddenly Rhoda heard steps outside—men's footsteps—and why she did not know, started to her feet and hid herself away in a little alcove where the shadows had grown dark. In a moment more she was sorry for what she had done, for two gentlemen came into the vestry-room. One of them the pastor himself, the other Roland Blair. The later was talking merrily:

"I am glad I happened to meet you, Mr. Weaver," he was saying. "I cordially dislike a wetting, and I did not expect a storm when I made my way into your pretty woods here. I presume I address the Rev. Mr. Weaver? My name is Blair. Well, you've a nice little church. Thanks. I will not sit down; the fire is acceptable, though who would have thought it could be this morning?"

"He has been to meet me," thought Rhoda, with a blush, in her dark hiding place. "I might have known he would."

"You find pretty scenes for your sketch-book here, Mr. Blair," said the clergyman. "It is a romantic spot."

"Pretty scenes and pretty faces," said the other. "The girls are wonderfully fresh and buxom, but I suppose you quite appreciate that fact. A young clergyman has it all his own way in a village—wait, though. Perhaps you are married?"

"No," said the clergyman. "No; I am still single."

"I congratulate you," said Mr. Blair. "Remain so. Your fun is over when you've once tied yourself to one woman. Time enough when you are old to settle down in that way. I like the girls—no man better—but I take care to keep my head out of the noose. Hard work, too, isn't it?"

"I have never found it very difficult," said the clergyman, in a singular tone.

"Come now," said Mr. Blair, "you are wise—you've escaped, so far, and, as I said, keep clear of it as long as you can."

The clergyman made no answer. As for Rhoda, her heart was beating very fast. These were not the sentiments Mr Blair uttered in her ear as they walked alone in the moonlight, or sat under the honeysuckle vines upon the porch.

"I don't know what a man want's of a wife," said Mr. Blair, bursting out again upon the same topic. "Really all this nonsense about domestic felicity is absurd. It must be rather a bore to look across the table every day at the same pretty face."

"You are not a married man, sir—neither am I; and we have little experience in the matter," said Ralph Weever quietly; "but I must say that you regard matrimony in a singular way. As for weaying of a wife because she has grown old, a husband must grow old as well. They grow old together."

"The ladies of your congregation would certainly approve of your sentiments," said Mr. Blair, with a laugh. "I wonder one of them has not captured you before now. I suppose I have talked a little too freely to a clergyman, but my sentiments are those of the world, sir. They think as I do at the clubs. Marriage is quite going out. At least, only the girls that have money are likely to find husbands. However, I wouldn't offend you for the world."

"Nor I you," said Ralph Weaver, rising, "but I must speak my mind. Marriage can never 'go out' among men of honour, and a true woman's pure love is to my mind Heaven's chiefest blessing. One who wins it, meaning to set it aside, is a cold-hearted brute."

"Ah, yes!" said Mr. Blair. "You take things seriously, I see. Well, I suppose one of your profession must. I see the rain is over. Thanks for the shelter. Good afternoon."

Five minutes after a little figure crept unseen out of the vestry-room, and the wind dried hot tears on Rhoda Spinner's cheek as she took her way homeward along the sodden road. For a day or two she was very unhappy. Then it dawned upon her that her lucky stars had led her to that little vestry-room, and that it was well for her to have heard these two men talk.

After a while, thinking these things over, she began to understand that with one who thought a good wife Heaven's chiefest blessing a woman might well be happy.

And so one day she came face to face with Ralph Weaver in a sweet, green lane, and though all that she did was to give him her hand and smile, still, sometimes that is a good deal. And when a girl has been a little cruel to one who loves her, it is not unmaidenly to compensate for it by being very kind, and to know that a man is good and loyal is so much to a woman, so very much more than men know, that from that hour in the vestry-room Ralph Weaver had been much more charming in her eyes than picturesque and debonair Roland Blair could ever be again.

And the end of it was that the parsonage found a mistress.

Notes and Queries.

Contributors to this department will oblige us by having their communications at our office on Wednesday morning. Correspondents will please quote the number of the question they answer as well as the subject.

QUESTIONS.

70.—ST. BEDE.—Some information regarding Monkton during the time St. Bede resided there will oblige.—OLD BEDE.

71.—CARRIAGE PIGEONS.—What is the average speed of Carrier Pigeons.—N.

72.—SMALL FEET OF WOMEN IN CHINA.—What was the origin of small feet in China among females in that country?—N.

73.—"JOHN BULL."—What is the origin of the name "John Bull?"—N.

74.—DRUNKARD'S CLOAK.—Is it true, that in the time of the Commonwealth, the magistrates of Newcastle-upon-Tyne punished drunkards by making them carry a tub with holes in the sides for the arms to pass through, called the "drunkard's cloak," through the streets of that town?—N.

75.—THE SPIDER.—Can any reader of "Notes and Queries" give me any information on this insect? Does it serve any other purpose in the "economy of nature" than that of sucking to death that purifier of the atmosphere—the fly? "McLeigin" will please remember his avowed friendship to this almost indispensable winged creature—the *musca domestica*.—X.

76.—CATS.—Why do cats, on catching their prey, invariably torment them to death before making their feast? I witnessed one a few days ago which appeared to have broken every rib in the mouse's body, after which he commenced to eat off its head, and during the operation the remaining part of the poor victim's body was writhing in the pangs of death. Will anyone point out the utility of this? —X.

ANSWERS.

50.—GIBRALTAR ROCK.—I beg leave to correct an error which has occurred in my description of this rock. The height of this rock is 1,500 feet, and not 15,000 feet as is therein stated.—WM. JOHN CHARLTON.

Parliamentary Summary.

THURSDAY.

In the HOUSE OF LORDS the Canada Copyright Bill was read a second time. The Rivers Pollution Bill passed through committee, after a statement by Lord Salisbury that the only clause of the measure to be retained during the present Session were those relating to forbidding the throwing of solid matters into rivers, and ordering local authorities to cease polluting streams with sewage. Their Lordships adjourned shortly after seven o'clock.

In the HOUSE OF COMMONS the Premier withdrew his motion for appropriating Tuesdays to Government business. The Premier moved the second reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill. A long debate followed, at the close of which the Bill was read a second time. The Lords' amendments to the Artisans' Dwellings Bill were reconsidered and agreed to. The Friendly Societies Bill was read a third time and passed. The other business was disposed of, and the House adjourned.

MONDAY.

In the HOUSE OF LORDS, Earl Fortescue, on the motion for the third reading of the Endowed Schools Act Continuance Bill, recalled the recommendations of the Royal Commission, which reported in the 1869, to their lordships' recollection, and complained that nothing like complete and systematic legislation had been attempted. He urged that provincial boards should be established to draw up clauses which should afterwards be submitted to Parliament. The Duke of Richmond having shown that the question had no reference to the Bill before the House, the measure passed. The Lord President of the Council moved the second reading of the Public Health Bill, which consisted of 340 clauses, and introduced some important amendments of the law. The noble Duke said the Bill did not profess to be a permanent settlement of sanitary legislasion, its intention being to amend and consolidate the present laws. The Duke of Somerset urged that before this legislation was attempted, the boundaries of counties and unions should have been made conterminous. He was afraid that by this and some other bills, which he named, the Government would be rendering themselves liable to the charge of harassing the country. The Marquis of Salisbury, in reply, said he could not accept the doctrine that because the Government were not prepared with some great sanitary scheme they were to do nothing. After a discussion, the Bill was read a second time, and the House adjourned.

In the HOUSE OF COMMONS, on the motion for the second reading of the Employers and Workmans Bill, Lord Robert Montagu moved the previous question. He complained that the Bill gave powers to impose penalties which would render it, if passed into law, an instrument of oppression and injustice. Its principle was, he maintained, aimed at the destruction of Trades Unions. He also denounced the proposal to make breach of contract a crime, and the agreement to break a contract, a conspiracy. Mr. Lowe congratulated the Home Secretary on the way in which he had dealt with the question, and expressed his belief that the Bill would do an enormous amount of good. Lord Elcho considered that the Government had acted rightly in endeavouring to put both master and servant on a footing of equality. Mr. Macdonald took exception to the statement of the member for Westmeath, that the object of the Home Secretary was to break down and destroy Trades Unions. He thanked Mr. Cross for having introduced the two Bills that were on the paper for consideration, and promised him his cordial support in getting them passed into law. Mr. Tennant and Sir C. Forster, also supported the measure. Mr. Mundella approved generally of the legislation proposed, but objected to the Surety clause of the Bill, and said he should have preferred some better definition of the word "coerce." The Home Secretary expressed his gratitude to the House for the way in which the Bill had been received. Referring to Lord Robert Montague's speech, Mr. Cross said it was not only unjust and ungenerous, but it was founded on a total misapprehension of the character and the contents of the Bill. Mr. W. E. Forster joined in the chorus of congratulation with which the Bill had been received. Mr. Hussey Vivian, Mr. Burt, Mr. Newdegate, and Mr. Hopgood, having expressed themselves favourably, it was read a second time without a division; as was also the Conspiracy and Protection of Property Bill.

Local and General News.

QUICK PASSAGE TO AUSTRALIA.—The magnificent steamship St. Osyth, owned by Watts, Milburn, and Co., of Newcastle, has made a passage from Plymouth to Melbourne in 44½ days, including all stoppages. This is the shortest passage on record. The St. Osyth was built by Messrs. C. Mitchell and Co., Walker.

A GREAT CLAIMANT.—The *New York Times* publishes the following despatch received from Ottawa:—"F. W. Witcher, of the Marine and Fisheries Department, has gone to Montreal for the purpose of conferring with Sir A. T. Galt, the British Commissioner on the Fisheries Claim Commission. Mr. Witcher carried with him full statistics of the value of Canada's fisheries, and it is said that the sum which could be legitimately claimed from the United States under the treaty would amount in the aggregate to 80,000,000 dols."

FATAL EXPLOSION ON BOARD A SUNDERLAND STEAMER.—The steamer Marcasite, of Sunderland, from Oporto to Southampton, was towed into Falmouth, on Monday morning, her boiler having exploded on Saturday, killing the captain, second engineer, and two firemen, and injuring the chief engineer and one fireman. The Marcasite was built at Sunderland, and registered at that port in 1872. She is owned by Mr. James H. W. Culliford, Sunderland, being a screw steamer, of 894 tons (gross) burden.

A NEWCASTLE WAITER ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT SUICIDE.—On Saturday afternoon, William Roach, a man about 50 years of age, a waiter, living at No. 33, Eldon-lane, Newcastle, attempted to commit suicide. It appears that he went into a shop at Tyne Dock, and seizing a knife which was lying on the counter drew it across his throat. Fortunately the knife was not sharp, and instead of accomplishing his object of cutting his throat, he only jagged it. The man was given into custody of a policeman, and his wounds was dressed by Dr. Coward. Roach is stated to have been labouring under delirium tremens.

FATAL AFFRAY AT GLASGOW.—A gardener, named Alexander Turnbull, residing at Tollcross, near Glasgow, became involved in a quarrel with David M'Commisky, early on Sunday morning. A gentleman whom M'Commisky had driven to Tollcross, on stepping out of the cab, had reprimanded him for reckless driving, Turnbull interfered and an altercation ensued. The cabman knocked down Turnbull, who became insensibe, and died within half-an-hour. The *post-mortem* examination made last night showed death from violence.

AN OLD LADY KILLED ON THE RAILWAY NEAR BISHOP AUCKLAND.—A sad accident occurred on the Bishop Auckland branch of the North-Eastern Railway on Saturday evening to an old lady named Ritson. Deceased, who was 60 years of age, and was a widow, living at West Auckland, went in the morning to Brandon on a visit to her niece, and intended to return by the six train. When she got to the station the train had left. She walked along the line and was knocked down by a train and seriously injured. She was conveyed to her home at West Auckland and attended by Drs. Richardson and Sutton, but only survived her injuries about six hours.

MR. JOHN BRIGHT AND DR. KENEALY.—Dr. Kenealy delivered a lecture at Birmingham on the Tichborne trial. In the course of the proceedings the following letter was read:—"London, June 19. Dear Sir.—I thank you for sending me a ticket of admission to your meeting, although I shall not be able to avail myself of it. I had the advantage of listening to Dr. Kenealy for nearly three hours in the House of Commons, and do not suppose I should learn more of his views or express any change of opinion if I were to attend your meeting. I must ask you, therefore, to excuse me if I do not come down to Birmingham on the 26th or 28th.—I am, yours sincerely, JOHN BRIGHT."

THE FATAL FALL FROM THE HIGH LEVEL BRIDGE.—On Saturday afternoon, about half-past two o'clock, the body of a man was found in the River Tyne, near the Temporary Bridge. The body was removed to the Dead House at St. Lawrence, at which place it was afterwards identified as being that of a labourer named Jas. Lally, who resided at No. 3, Back Nelson Street, Gateshead. The body was identified by Lally's mother. It was much decomposed, and there were several cut marks on the head. Lally, who had been out of employment for some time, was missing on the 18th inst., the night of the fire at the new Tyne Bridge, and being seen on the High Level at twelve o'clock at night, it is supposed that he was the person who fell from the parapet of the High Level into the river.

A MOTHER DROWNING HERSELF AND TWO CHILDREN.—On Friday morning, at Gomersall a small manufacturing town, about five miles from Bradford, the wife of an engine tenter, named Henry Waddle, drowned herself and two of her children in the reservoir connected with Messrs Mortimer's mills. She was seen at ten o'clock by her husband going in the direction of the reservoir with the children, one aged three, and the other five weeks, but there was no suspicion of her intention. When he went home at dinner time she was missed. A search was made. A child's hood and a handkerchief on the banks of the reservoir attracted attention, and drags were obtained. In a short time the three bodies were recovered. The mother had a child clasped in each arm. She had been in depressed spirits since her confinement. The woman was only thirty years of age.

NEWCASTLE RACES ANTICIPATED.—On Saturday last, an old-fashioned Sunderland attorney, who always goes to the Summer Assizes in new clothes, and who likes to employ an operative (as the working man used to call himself) direct, without the intervention or intermediation of a master, sought out his tailor in good time beforehand, the said tailor being a man to whom Monday sometimes comes oftener than once in the week. The attorney did not find the tailor at home, and did not trouble to seek him where, in all probability, he might readily have been found. But the attorney did find the tailor's tiger if not better half, and taking off his hat, he courteously addressed her. "Madam," said he, "the making of these garments is a matter of some consequence. Time is, indeed, strictly of the essence of the contract. I beg pardon, but you know your husband's weakness, and—pray forgive me—you know also that Newcastle Races are next week." "Oh, sir," eagerly replied the poor woman, "if that's all, you need not be afraid. My husband had *his* races last week!"

ALLEGED EXTENSIVE FRAUD AT SUNDERLAND.—On Monday, at the Sunderland Police Court, a man named John Mullins, described as a metal dealer, was charged with having obtained the sum of £93 5s. 5d. from Messrs. Tyzack and Co., iron manufacturers, at Monkwearmouth, on June 4th. Mr. Longden appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. W. W. Robson represented the prisoner. Mr. Longden, in asking for a remand, made a brief statement, from which it appeared that in May last the prisoner offered the prosecutors a quantity of metal for £3 per ton. The offer was accepted, and the metal was sent to Monkwearmouth Station, where it had to pass through the hands of a man named Ritchie, a gate keeper, with whom the prisoner arranged to falsify the books. The accused subsequently wrote for payment for 46½ tons of metal, and called at the prosecutors' office. He was then told that according to their books only 45 tons 1 cwt. had been received by them. He said there must be some mistake, and promised to look into the matter. The matter was further investigated by the prosecutors, and they found that the actual amount delivered to them had been only 14 tons 1 cwt. The balance paid to the prisoner £93 5s. 5d. over and above the amount due for what metal was

RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES IN JERUSALEM.—A telegram to the *Levant Herald* from Jerusalem states that renewed differences have arisen there between the Greek and Gregorian Armenian clergy. The Greek ecclesiastics charge the Armenians with having infringed the rights of the former by cleaning the windows of the Church at Bethlehem, by entering the peristyle of that church in sacerdotal vestments, and by singing a litany on the Mount of Olives on the occasion of the Feast of the Ascension. The complaints of the Greek clergy have been laid before the local authorities.

DR KENEALY AT BIRMINGHAM.—Dr Kenealy addressed a crowded meeting at Birmingham on Monday evening on Magna Charter and the Tichborne case. Mr Onslow presided. Dr Kenealy concluded a long address as follows:—"Lazarus was thought to be dead, but when the Great Master came and looked upon him he saw that he only slept; and the people of England were thought by their rulers to be dead, but I know that they are only in a temporary slumber. And as Christ called forth Lazarus from the tomb, so I call you to follow me. (Cheers) Come forth like eagles, renewing your strength; come forth like giants, and we shall never cease until the eagles and giants are at the topmost place of England, where they ought to be, and the baser animals are sent to their proper and contemptible receptacle."

AN AMERICAN PERE HYACINTHE.—The New York correspondent of the *Globe* says:—The venerable Cardinal McCloskey and Roman Catholic society here have been thrown into a violent flurry by the discovery that they have had amongst the city priesthood another Pere Hyacinthe. The reverend gentleman who has unfrocked himself and taken unto himself a wife is the Rev. Henry S. Lake, formerly a talented and distinguished member of the Paulist congregation of priests, and more recently assistant pastor at the fashionable church of St. Ann's. The Rev. Mr Lake is the son of a self-made millionaire. Several years ago he astonished New York by abandoning freethinking principles and embracing Romanism. The lady to whom he has just been married is Mdlle. Tressy, the only daughter of one of the wealthiest residents of the old citadale frontier town.

HOW TO CATCH RATS.—Your rat, unless spoiled by too much luxury, is not an easy creature to delude into a trap. He is too suspicious of the ostentations benevolence of a bait. Still, he may be caught, and one of the best traps—one which would pay when rats are at a penny per tail—is made thus: You get a tub and stand it on its own bottom, as a tub ought to stand. Then you put into it a brick and a few inches of water. Over the top you stretch a parchment, in the middle of which you make two cross cuts. On it you sprinkle some grain. Your rat comes and walks to the grain, but the parchment gives way and he slides into the tub. Then he climbes on to the brick and squeaks. His squeak brings his neighbours and relatives, who climb the tub and fall in as he did. Then they fight for the brick, and in the morning all are dead except one or two. You take away the brick, and these also find a watery grave.

ALLEGED UNLAWFULLY WOUNDING AT BENTON SQUARE.—At the Moot Hall Police Court, on Saturday (before John Straker, Esq.), Michael Convey (40), a labourer, residing at Benton Square, was charged on a warrant with unlawfully wounding Elizabeth Barrass, wife of Matthew Barrass, an innkeeper at Benton Square, on the 14th inst.—The prisoner, it appeared, had been drinking in the house, and whilst doing so he (the prisoner) called for a quart of beer, but refused to pay for it. In the course of a scuffle which ensued, the prisoner seized hold of the pot and struck her a severe blow over the left temple with it. Dr. Heslop, of Killingworth, was quickly called to the spot, and on examining the wound, he found that one of the arteries had been cut, and intimated that if he had not been quickly called in the woman would have bled to death. Her clothes were completely saturated with blood.—The case was remanded until next Saturday.

AN INTERDICT.—The following incident in the Disruption struggle opens up a leading trial in Dr Guthrie's character—that of lofty courage joined to deep reverence for his calling and devotion to his Master's work:—"In going to preach at Strathbogie," we use his own words, "I was met by an interdict form the Court of Sessions—an interdict to which as regards civil matters I gave implicit obedience. On the Lord's day, when I was preparing for divine service, in came a servant of the law, and handed me an interdict. I told him he had done his duty, and I would do mine. The interdict forbade me, under penalty of the Calton Hill gaol, to preach the gospel in the parish churches of Strathbogie. I said, the parish churches are stone and lime, and belong to the State; I will not intrude there. It forbade me to preach in the churchyard, and I said, the dust of the dead is the State's, and I will not intrude there. But when these Lords of Session forbade me to preach my Master's blessed gospel, and offer salvation to sinners anywhere in that district under the arch of heaven, I put the interdict under my feet and I preached the gospel."—*Life of Dr Guthrie.*

A JEWISH DIVORCE CASE.—Proof was laid on Saturday in the Edinburgh Court of Session, before Lord Craighill, in an action for divorce at the instance of Leopold Loewenthal, diamond merchant, Richmond Street, Glasgow, against his wife Ida Retzcwoller or Loewenthal, residing at Alt Damm, near Stettin, in the province of Pomerania, Prussia, in respect of desertion. The parties were married in 1865. The marriage ceremony was performed in the first place in accordance with the law of that country before one of the judges of the Royal County Court in Stettin, and it was immediately afterwards renewed and ratified before the Jewish Rabbi, and duly completed, according to the laws and customs of the Jews. In 1869 the pursuer came to Glasgow leaving the defender with his mother, an arrangement having been made that he should send for her as soon as he could provide a suitable house. When the necessary preparations were completed, he sent for the defendant, and she went to her mother's house in Alt Damm on the plea of taking leave of her relations, but she never came to Scotland. The pursuer went to Alt Damm for the purpose of persuading his wife to accompany him to Scotland but her friends denied him an interview with her, and she remains there still. The case was adjourned for futher evidence.

NO WATER.—Mr. R. S. Newall, of Gateshead, writing under date of Friday to a Newcastle contemporary on the water supply, says:—Yesterday and to-day have been two of the hottest days we have had this summer, and we have no water—not even Tyne water. The people on the Windmill Hills are emptying the workhouse well, and when that is done what is to become of them? The Water Company are bound by Act of Parliament to keep a constant supply laid on at such pressure as will reach the top storey of the high houses in the district; and if they neglect to do so, after notice in writing, they are liable to a penalty of ten pounds, and also to every person having paid or tendered the rate, the sum of forty shillings for every day during which the want of supply continues, unless prevented by unusual drought or other unavoidable cause or accident. What happens every year cannot be said to be unusual; so the company cannot take refuge under the excuse of unusual draught. The cause is not unavoidable if they go to Ullswater, where there is plenty of water. I have had given to me to-day a bottle labelled "This draught to be taken at bedtime." It contains a leech about two inches long, which came out of the Water Company's tap—a nice thing to swallow at bedtime! If the public will give the company written notice, and then come upon them for the penalties, it may bring them to their senses. I understand the company have been pumping water from the Tyne for the last two months. Is it effectually filtered?

THE HALFPENNY BOOK POST.—It seems to be but imperfectly understood that there is no legal way of sending a letter, which is not wholly printed through the post for a postage of a halfpenny, except by means of a post card. A notion appears to prevail that, because a post card, which is open to inspection, may have a letter written upon it, any card whatever, and even any piece of paper, if only it be placed in an open wrapper, may be sent through the post with a letter written upon it for a postage of a halfpenny. It seems necessary, therefore, to explain for the guidance of the public—1. That the letter rate of postage must be prepaid for any communication of the nature of a letter, not wholly printed, whether it be placed in a closed envelope or in an open cover, unless a post-card be used for the purpose, or unless the letter be a circular letter according to the definition of a circular contained in the British Postal Guide. 2. That cards having merely a halfpenny adhesive stamp affixed to them must not bare any communication of the nature of a letter, unless it be wholly printed, or unless it be a circular letter. Large numbers of letters, not being circular letters, are from time to time found in halfpenny wrappers, contrary to the express provisions of the bookpost; and, as the officers of the department are instructed to surcharge all such letters with the additional postage, it will save not only trouble to the Post-Office but annoyance, to the public, if care be taken always to pay letter postage for letters other than circular letters, unless they be writen on post-cards.

OVERCROWDED COTTAGES.—Most of our readers are, doubtless, so much accustomed to associate the idea of overcrowding with courts and alleys that they will scarcely be prepared for the assertion that, taking a proportionate amount of population, overcrowding exists to a greater extent in the country than it does in towns. Yet such is the fact, and the medical officers' reports from all parts of the kingdom simply serve to show that overcrowding is not a mere question of density of population in any given locality, but depends rather upon the disinclination of the landlords of low-class tenements to provide suitable accommodation for their tenants. Whether in country or in town, overcrowding is due, to a much greater extent than is generally admitted, to the necessities of the poor, and to the grasping greed of the owners of their dwellings. It is not fair to throw all the blame upon the poverty-stricken tenant; it is not right to visit him alone with the punishment; he is powerless to alter the state of things. The man who should be blamed and punished is the landlord, who derives an income from letting houses in which there is evidently no accommodation for a family. The cottage dwellings throughout the country are, as a rule, notoriously and painfully deficient in space. We cannot give more conclusive evidence upon this point, were evidence required upon a matter palpable to every one, then the fact that in many rural parishes the number of cottages with only a single bed-room is eight, ten, or (as in the case of Hatfield in Essex) even twelve and a half per cent. of the total number of houses.—*Public Health.*

OUR HOUSE FLIES.—*Galignani* says that we are apt to be very severe upon flies when they settle on our noses at some inconvenient moment, or on the fruit we are about to eat; and yet they do us very valuable service, as Mr. Emerson's recent observations prove. If we watch one of these insects at the moment they alight after an excursion in the air, we shall see it perform a series of evolutions not unlike those of a cat engaged in making her toilet. The fly will first rub its hind-legs against each other, then brush its wings with them; next comes the turn of the fore-legs, and lastly, the proboscis is applied to every limb it can reach. All this is not a work of mere cleanliness, as might at first be supposed; in reality, the insect is in the act of preparing its dinner. Mr. Emerson, having placed a fly he had just caught under the microscope, saw that its body was covered with an immense number of extremely minute parasites; and this observation was repeatedly confirmed on other subjects. He next perceived that the insect touched with its proboscis all those parts where there were such lice, and that the various operations performed with the legs had no other object but that of collecting all the parasites into one heap in order to devour them more easily. At first our naturalist thought the latter were its progeny, it being well known that flies carry their progeny about with them; but he soon convinced himself that he was mistaken. Having placed under the microscope a bit of white paper, on which two flies had been seen intent upon eating something, he ascertained that their meal consisted of those same parasites. He then wiped the paper clean and put it away in a place which flies could not get to, and after some time put it again under the instrument, when, to his surprise, he found it covered with the same animalcules. This experiment being repeated in various ways it turned out that flies are the scavengers of vitiated air, where they fatten on the parasites that settle upon them in myriads; while, on the contrary, they grow lean and starve in a pure atmosphere where their favourite game is scarce.

THE INVALID'S FRIEND—TODD'S QUININE WINE—This elegant and reowned preparation of genuine English Quinine stands unsurpassed for purity, strength and flavour, and is universally approved by the Medical profession, as a valuable and wholesome bitter, an efficient tonic, and an unequalled stomachic. It has been tested by thousands, and proved to be one of the best, safest and most agreeable remedy known for indigestion, loss of appetite, tic or neuralgia, nervousness, scrofulous affections, ague, debility, spasms, and all derangements of the stomach. Manufactured only by Joe Todd. Chemist Carlisle.

In consequence of the unparalleled success attending the administration of Todd's Quinine Wine in cases of nervousness, debility, indigestion, and all stomach complaints, seme unprincipled tradsemen for the sake of greater profit are endeavouring to decele the public by offering spurious imitation at a low price. It is therefore absolutely necessary to ask for and have only Todd's Quinine Wine, and to see that the name of "Joe Todd" is upon the Government Stamp placed over the cork of each bottle. Manufactured by Joe Todd, Chemist, Carlisle.

"31, Taylor Street, Glasgow, Oct. 1, 1868.—I have tried Mr. Todd'sar Quinine Wine, and have found an excellent preparation as a tonic wherever such is required.—JAMES GIBSON, L.R.C.P.E., L.R.C.S.E." This elegant and renowned preparation of genuine quinine stands unsurpassed as the most reliable and pleasant medicine known in all cases of indigestion nervousness and neuralgia, and more especially in prostration after long sickness, where through its great strength and perfect purity it has gained the universal recommendation of the medical profession. The genuine is manufactured only by Joe Todd, Chemist, Carlisle, and bears his name on the Government stamp.

POWELL'S RHEUMATIC EMBROCATION FOR RHEUMATISM, RHEUMATIC GOUT, NEURALGIA, SCIATICA, etc. Its Marvellous Efficacy is attested by H.R.H. the Duke d' Aumale, the late Earl of Clarendon, the Right Hon. Frances Countess Waldegrave, the Right Hon. the Countess of Radnor, and many other eminent persons, copies of whose testimonials accompany each bottle. Being exclusively for outward use, its action is direct and speedy. Immediate relief attends its application, and all unpleasantness and frequent danger of internal remedies are avoided. Sold by all Chemists, Price 1s. 1½d. and 2s. 9d. Laboratory, 266, High Holborn, London. 385c

FIRE.—Mr. J. L. Pulvermacher (Inventor of the Patent Galvanic Chain Bands, Belts, &c., &c.) begs to inform his numerous Clients and Friends in Town and Country, that, through a fire which unfortunately occurred on Saturday May 22nd, in the upper portion of his premises, No. 194, Regent-street, W., the books containing the addresses of his many correspondents have been destroyed, therefore Mr. Pulvermacher asks the favour of such to put themselves in communication with him, in order that a fresh list of their present addresses may be at once prepared, to prevent delay in replying. The Business is not otherwise disturbed by the occurrence of the fire, and all communications will receive prompt and careful attention, as hitherto, at Mr. Pulvermacher's Galvanic Establishment, 194, Regent-street, London.—

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. 6236

WILLIAM FITZPATRICK,
TAILOR,
CATCHGATE, NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN.

A FIRST-CLASS assortment of CLOTHS for the present season. A large assortment of PIT FLANNELS always on hand.

LOOK HERE! LOOK HERE!!
SHORTER HOURS FOR WOMEN.

BY using WILKINSON'S WASHING SOLUTION your Washing can be done in half the time without either Boiling or Rubbing.—Sold in Bottles, at Threepence each, by all respectable grocers.

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.

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.

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 2s. 8d. per Dozen Quarts.
Edinburgh 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.

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, 5, 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.
THOMAS CRESSWELL,
BOOT AND SHOEMAKER,
RESPECTFULLY announces that he HAS NOW REMOVED from Middle Street to VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT, and trusts by Selling Boots and Shoes of good quality at moderate prices, together with strict attention to Business, to merit the continued support of his Friends and the public.
Repairing executed on the Premises.
Note the address—
THOMAS CRESSWELL,
BOOT AND SHOEMAKER,
VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT,
AND
DERWENT STREET, BLACKHILL. 6928

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 GREAT 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 supplied 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 EDDEN, 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. 6927

Business Announcements.

THIS Space is reserved by Mr. THOMAS SWADDON, Grocer, Consett, for his Trade Announcements.

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

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.

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

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

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

JOHN COLE,
Late of the Queen's Head,
CONSETT,
BEGS to acquaint his Friends and the Public that he has commenced business on his own account at Front Street, Leadgate, as A. L. E, PORTER, and SPIRIT MERCHANT, where he will supply Spirits of the Finest Quality in Bottles or Jars.
BURTON and EDINBURGH ALES, from noted Brewers, in Casks from 9 to 36 Gallons, at reasonable prices.
Delivered by his own waggon.
Orders by Post promptly attended to. 6927

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

SPRING FASHIONS
AT
JACOB DOWSON'S,
BLACKHILL.
AN excellent assortment of CASHMERE CAPES and Sleeveless JACKETS, Beaded and Trimmed with Yak Lace, from 4s. 11d. to 30s. each.
A large lot of FANCY SKIRTS—all the New Designs from 3s. 11d.
The Newest Styles in Ladies' and Children's STRAW HATS, FLOWERS, and FEATHERS in great variety.
RIBBONS in all the New Shades.
COLLARS and CUFFS.
LACE COLLARS.
FANCY SILK TIES.
BELTS and SATCHELS.
A large delivery of SPRING CLOTHING.
TROUSERS and VESTS from 18s. 6d. to 30s.
Men's COATS, 21s. to 35s. each.
Gents SUITS, 55s. each. 6846

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 residence.
☞ Ladies' own Materials made-up. 6726

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 ISRAEL, Newcastle.
Prepared only by JOSEPH ROBINSON, Chemist, Stanley. 6387

Business Announcements.

B. MOODY
WATCH-MAKER, REDHESTER.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the GAME over the Estates of Priestfield, Lintz Green, and Low House, is strictly PRESERVED. Anyone found Trespassing will be prosecuted according to law. 8314

JOHNSON ROBSON,
PAINTER, GLAZIER, PAPER-HANGER, &c.,
40, DURHAM ROAD, BLACKHILL.
A LARGE ASSORTMENT of PAPER HANGINGS. 6919

F. OSBORNE
AUCTIONEER AND APPRAISER,
FRONT STREET,
SHOTLEY BRIDGE.
☞ Valuations effected for Probate, &c. 227

THOMAS CRESSWELL,
BOOT AND SHOEMAKER,
FRONT STREET, LEADGATE,
HAS OPENED the Shop adjoining Mr. John James, Draper, for the Sale of his
NOTED BOOTS AND SHOES,
And requests the favour of an early call from those who desire to purchase a good article at a moderate price.

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. 870a

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
JOHN DAWSON,
Signaled
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.

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. 709

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,
6958 Leicester and Mansfield.

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, Shetlags, Hollands, Diapers, Calicoes, Shirts, Shirtings, Linseys, Winceys, Black and Coloured Cable and Parmata Cords, Black and Coloured Merinoes, Black and Coloured Alpacas, Black and Coloured Tibbits, 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, Swissand Muslin Work, Black and White Lace, 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.

Business Announcements.

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

Public Notices.

LOOK OUT for the MECHANICS' PIC-NIC, at DIPTON, on SATURDAY, 17th July, 1875. 7068

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

LOOK OUT for the WEST STANLEY LODGE OF ANCIENT SHEPHERDS' TEA and SPORTS on July 24th, 1875.—For further particulars see handbills. 7029

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

JOHN RICHARDS, } Secretaries.
GEORGE RIDLEY, }

Beamish, 24th June, 1875. 7067

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.

NORTH DURHAM LIBERAL REGISTRATION ASSOCIATION.

POLLING DISTRICTS.

PERSONS entitled to be placed upon the Register of Voters for the Northern Division of the County of Durham, in the above Polling Districts, will be supplied with Forms of Claim, and every information on application as below:—

CONSETT ....Mr. John Elliott.
LEADGATE ....Mr. G. Hawdon, Pont Terrace.
LANCHESTER ......Mr. J. Forster, Biggen Terrace, Esh; or Mr. John Elliott, Consett.
SHOTLEY BRIDGE..Mr. Henry Carss.
Mr. Chas. Mosley Benfieldside.
TANFIELD ....Mr. George Ridley. 7070

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872—1874.

ADDITIONAL EXCISE LICENSE,—BEER OFF.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

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

I, JOHN COLE, now residing at Leadgate, in the Township of Iveston, in the County of Durham, Wholesale Beer Dealer, DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that it is my intention to apply at the Special Sessions for Licensing purposes, to be holden at the JUSTICE-ROOM, in LANCHESTER, on the Eighth day of July next, for an additional Excise License to Sell, by Retail, at a House situate at Leadgate, aforesaid, Beer to be consumed off the Premises, in pursuance of the Acts, 26th and 27th Vic., cap. 33, sec. 1, and 37th and 38th Vic., cap. 49, sec. 31.

Given under my hand this 11th day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy five.

7047 JOHN COLE.

THE LICENSING ACTS, 1872—1874.

ADDITIONAL EXCISE LICENSE,—BEER OFF.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

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

I, JOHN POUNDER, now residing at Foundry Row, Blackhill, in the Township of Conside and Knitsley, in the County of Durham, Wholesale Beer Dealer, DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that it is my intention to apply at the Special Sessions for Licensing purposes, to be holden at the JUSTICE ROOM, in LANCHESTER, on the Eighth day of July next, for an additional Excise License to Sell, by Retail, at a house situate at Foundry Row, Blackhill, aforesaid, Beer to be consumed off the Premises, in pursuance of the Acts, 26th and 27th Vic., cap. 33, sec. 1, and 37th and 38th Vic., cap. 49, sec. 31.

Given under my hand this 10th day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-five.

JOHN POUNDER.

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.

Public Notices.

HAY! HAY!! HAY!!!

A MEETING OF FARMERS will be held in the QUEEN'S HEAD INN, CONSETT, on TUESDAY, 6th July, 1875, at Seven o'clock, for the purpose of taking into consideration the price of Hay this season. 7073

NORTH DURHAM LIBERAL REGISTRATION ASSOCIATION.

A MEETING of LIBERALS of the Shotley Bridge Polling District, will be held in the TEMPLARS' HALL, BENFIELDSIDE, on TUESDAY EVENING, July 13th, 1875, at Seven o'clock, for the purpose of Electing a Central Committtee for the District. All Liberals are invited. 7081

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

OPENING OF THE NEW ORGAN IN THE WESLEYAN CHAPEL, CONSETT.

CONTINUATION OF SERVICES.

ON SUNDAY, July 4th, the Rev. R. STEPNEY, of Bishop Auckland, and late of Shotley Bridge Circuit, will preach in the Morning at Half-past Ten and Evening at Six o'clock.

Mr. NICHOLSON, of Newcastle, will preside at the Organ on each occasion.

☞ A Collection will be made at the close of each Service in aid of the Organ Fund. 7064

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858.

LEADGATE LOCAL BOARD.

IN PURSUANCE of the 60th Section of the Local Government Act, 1858, I DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that JAMES RADFORD, Esquire, will attend at the Board-room, Leadgate, on FRIDAY, the Ninth day of July, next coming, at Ten o'clock in the Forenoon of the same day, for the purpose of Auditing the Accounts relative to, and connected with the said Board, and that Seven Days previous to the said Audit, all Books of Account, Contracts, Bills, or Receipts, or other Documents therewith connected, mentioned, or referred to in such Accounts, will be deposited at the Board-room aforesaid, and may be inspected thereat, on application, between the hours of Ten a.m. and Four p.m. by all persons interested therein, who are at liberty to take copies thereof, and extracts therefrom, without Fee or Reward.

Given under my hand this Eighteenth day of June, 1875.

M. COUPLAND,
7037 Clerk to the Board.

Contracts.

BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

TENDERS are invited for KERBING, CHANNELLING, and FORMING portions of Tin Mill Street, St. Mary's Street, and Walton's Row.

Plans and Specifications may be seen by applying to JOHN HESLOP, Surveyor, Blackhill, by whom Tenders, marked "Streets," will be received up to the 19th inst.

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

7083 JOHN HESLOP, Surveyor.

TO BUILDERS.

PERSONS desirous of Tendering for the whole or any part of the WORKS required in the ERECTION of a United Methodist Free Church, at Dipton, County of Durham, may obtain all particulars of Mr. JAMES GRAY, 56, South Medomsley Cottages, Dipton, by whom Tenders will be received up to the 10th July, 1875. The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

Dipton, 16th June, 1865. 7031

TO BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS.

THE CONSETT IRON COMPANY (LIMITED) invite Tenders for the ERECTION of a Viewer's House at Medomsley.

Plans and Specifications can be seen on application to Mr. HEDLEY, Medomsley, near Ebchester Station; or to Mr. J. GRAHAM, Architect, Tow Law.

Sealed Tenders to be addressed to the Consett Iron Company (Limited), Blackhill, R.S.O., Durham, on or before the 2nd July next.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

Consett Ironworks,
15th June, 1875. 7052

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1858.

DISTRICT OF LEADGATE.

HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT.

TENDERS are invited for CEMENTING about 560 Superficial Yards of Footpath in Leadgate.

Specifications and other information may be had at the Board-room, Leadgate, on application to Mr. THOMAS LONGSTAFF, Surveyor, between the hours of One and Five p.m., and Tenders in Writing, marked "Tender," will be received by the undersigned at his Office, situate at Westwood House, Shotley Bridge, up to TUESDAY, the 13th day of July, 1875.

By order,
M. COUPLAND, Clerk.

Westwood House, Shotley Bridge,
30th June, 1875. 7075

THE CONSETT LOCAL BOARD invite Tenders—

First—For the Erection of about 250 Yards of Fencing, marked "Fencing;"

Second—The Cutting and Laying a Sewer from Mount Pleasant towards the Brickworks, and lifting and re-laying about 90 Yards of Sewer in Church Street—marked "Sewer."

Plans and Specifications may be seen at the Board-room, on and after MONDAY, the 21st inst.

Tenders, addressed "Consett Local Board, Consett," will be received up to MONDAY, July 5th.

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

By order of the Board,
JOHN ELLIOTT, Clerk.

Local Board Office, Consett,
17th June, 1875. 7046

For Sale.

FOR SALE, a nice little COW; been calved Seven weeks.—Apply at Rowland's Gill Railway Station.

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

FREEHOLD BUILDING SITES FOR SALE, pleasantly situated.—Apply to JOSEPH PORTER, Boundary Cottage, by Lintz Green. 7026

FOR SALE, a WOOD HOUSE, 15 feet by 8 feet; also a DOG-KENNEL, 3 feet by 2 feet.—Apply to WILLIAM RICHARDSON, 30, Durham Road, Blackhill. 7060

FOR SALE, Two In-calving HEIFERS and One Newly-calved COW (Irish).—Apply to JOSEPH ANDERSON, Hurbuck, or JAMES ELLISON, China Hall Farm.

FOR SALE, BY TENDER, a Good DWELLING-HOUSE, situate in Durham Road, Blackhill, containing Eight Rooms and other outdoor appurtenances; a Painter's Shop, with a large Yard, in the occupation of James Lovat, painter; and a Joiner's Shop, in the occupation of John Lamb, joiner and cartwright. These are commodious premises, and suitable for Builders, Ale and Porter Merchants, Hackney Coach Proprietors, &c.

Also, at Cutlers' Hall, near Highgate, Two COTTAGES, Two Rooms each, one story high, with Outoffices and Gardens back and front, in the occupation of Messrs. Robert Laing and John Dowsey.

Offers by Tender will be received up to TUESDAY, July 14th, 1875, by THOMAS LONGSTAFF, Leadgate.

Sales by Auction.

By Mr Joseph Oley.

SALE OF FURNITURE at 26, BENFIELDSIDE ROAD, on MONDAY, July 12th, 1875, belonging to Mr. ALEXANDER IRONSIDES, who is leaving England. See particulars in handbills.

Mr. JOSEPH OLEY, Auctioneer.
10, Wood Street, Shotley Bridge. 7071

By Mr. J. Murray.

VALUABLE FREEHOLD PROPERTY FOR SALE SITUATE AT MOUNT PLEASANT CONSETT.

MR. JOHN MURRAY is instructed to SELL BY AUCTION, on MONDAY, July 5, 1875, at the QUEEN'S HEAD, CONSETT, all those Five SHOPS with Good DWELLING-HOUSES attached; also a Stable with Joiner's Shop above. These premises are now let at a Yearly Rental of £105.

Sale at Seven o'clock p.m. 7063

By Mr. Adam Brodie.

SALE OF FURNITURE (REMOVED UNDER DISTRESS FOR RENT) AT ROWE'S NEW BUILDINGS, VICTORIA STREET, CONSETT.

MR. ADAM BRODIE will SELL BY AUCTION at Rowe's New Buildings, Victoria Street, Consett, on MONDAY, July 5th, 1875, a large quantity of useful and substantial HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE (removed under distress for rent), comprising—1 Mahogany Chest of Drawers; 1 Oak Chest of Drawers; 1 excellent Bookcase; 3 Iron Bedsteads; 2 Four-poled Bedsteads; 1 Oak Dining Table; 6 Chairs; 1 Arm Chair, together with a great variety of miscellaneous articles too numerous to mention.

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

By Mr. William Raw.

42, DURHAM ROAD, BLACKHILL.

VALUABLE BUSINESS PREMISES FOR SALE.

MR. W. RAW, honoured with a commission from Mr. JOHN WRIGHTSON, Grocer, Blackhill (who is retiring from Business), will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, on WEDNESDAY, July 14, 1875, all that very valuable COPYHOLD PROPERTY situate at 42, Durham Road, Blackhill, being one of the very best Business Situations in the place, containing large Front Shop, Parlour, Kitchen, Pantry, and other Conveniences on the ground floor; excellent Sitting-room, Three good Bedrooms, and Water Closet on the second floor; together with Stable and well-stocked Garden behind.

The Property is now in the Occupation of the Owner, and the Purchaser can have immediate possession.

This is a first-class opening for an enterprising Business Man. No one need wonder that Business Places close to the Consett Ironworks should be in so great demand and increase so rapidly in price, seeing that those works are the most prosperous and flourishing in the country.

Mr. WRIGHTSON will, on application, show the Property, and further particulars may be obtained from him or the AUCTIONEER.

Sale to commence at Four o'clock p.m.
Sale Office, Blackhill, Co. Durham. 7072

FOUNDRY ROW, BLACKHILL.

MR. WILLIAM RAW having been honoured with instructions from Mr. ANTHONY SIMPSON, Grocer, &c. (who is retiring from business and leaving the neighbourhood), will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION the whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE on his premises, FOUNDRY ROW, BLACKHILL, on MONDAY, July 12th, 1875, comprising—large Mahogany Dining Table; Mahogany Tea Table; Painted Cheffioneer; Oak Dining Table; 2 Kitchen Tables; 6 Kitchen Chairs; 2 Arm Chairs; 9 Bedroom Chairs; 1 Mahogany Press Bedstead; 1 Iron Tudor Bedstead; 1 Camp Bedstead; Good Eight-day American Clock; 1 Mangling and Wringing Machine, nearly new; 1 excellent Sewing Machine; 1 Iron Bed Chair, with cushions; 1 Kidderminster Carpet, nearly new, 18½yds.; other Kidderminster Carpets; 7yds. of Cocoa Matting, nearly new; Oilcloth; Stair Carpet; Brass Stair Rods; Oilcloth, 8ft. square, nearly new; large Cupboard; Form; 3 Fenders; 3 sets of Fireirons; 1 Hat Rail; Letter Balance; 2 Maps; Dressing Table and Washstand; Mahogany Swing Dressing Glass; Hooks for Wardrobe; 1 Feather Bed; 2 Flock Beds; 1 Down Bed; 2 Straw Mattresses; 2 sets of Chamber Ware; lot of Ornaments; 30 volumes of useful Books; several Pictures, including "Rev. Jabez Bunting, D.D.;" Poss Tub and Staff; Washing and other Tubs; Kettle, Frying, and other Pans; Jugs; Ware, China, and Glass; also large Shop Coffee Mill, in excellent condition; Sugarcutter; and several other useful Household Articles.

Sale to commence at One o'clock precisely.
Sale Office, Durham Road, Blackhill. 7069

Lost.

LOST or STOLEN from WOODLANDS, several FANCY PIGEONS. Anyone giving information leading to the conviction of the thieves will be liberally rewarded.—Apply to Mr. HAANSBERGEN, Woodlands, near Consett. 7056

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, a Four-roomed HOUSE at Leadgate.—Apply to ROBERT JOHNSON, Iveston. 7078

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

TO LET, a HOUSE.—Apply to Mr. GEO. HAWDON, Pont Terrace, Leadgate. 7080

Wanted.

WANTED, Two APPRENTICES to the DRESS-MAKING.—Apply to Miss REES, 2, Cort Street, Blackhill. 7079

WANTED, Good GENERAL SERVANTS.—Apply at Miss ATKINSON'S, Register Office, 14, Bensham Road, opposite the Catholic Church, Gateshead.

WANTED, 20 to 30 Good DRYWALLERS, at the Smiddy Shaw Reservoir of the Consett Water Works Company. Good wages.—Apply to Mr. J. E. HANNAH, on the Works, at Waskerley, near Darlington.

DRAPERY.

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

On Wednesday, an office lad, named Alex. Proudlock, employed at the Iron Works, had his leg fractured whilst attempting to climb upon an engine at that place.

THE BURGLARY AT CONSETT CO-OPERATIVE STORES.—Owen Donachey (18), labourer, pleaded guilty to breaking and entering the shop of the Consett Industrial and Providential Society (Limited), and stealing therein two coats, three pairs of trousers, and other articles, their property, at Consett, on the 17th of May, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

The hotel robberies still go on as brisk as ever in the North of England. The money is left very often on shelves and in drawers, the proprietors' movements are watched carefully by an interested party, who seizes the first opportunity to bolt with the proceeds of a week's business. A good fire-proof safe can be bought of J. R. HALL, St. Nicholas'-square, Newcastle, for £5, which would prevent the loss of hundreds. 6629

THE Annual PIC-NIC in connection with the Consett Wesleyan Sunday School will be held on SATURDAY, July 10th, 1875, in a FIELD near HOWN'S GILL BRIDGE, by way of Consett Old Station. TEA will be provided. Music, Games, &c.

The Consett Guardian.

SATURDAY, JULY 3RD, 1875.

Local and District News.

THRASHING MACHINE ACCIDENT AT SPEN.—On Monday afternoon, about five o'clock, as Sarah Robson, aged 20, employed at Horsegate Farm, Spen, was working at a steam thrasher, she slipped, and, one of her legs getting entangled in the drum of the machine, was mangled in a fearful manner. Medical assistance was procured, but she died the same evening about ten o'clock.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES AT THE SPEN.—The Primitive Methodists at the Spen held their anniversary on Sunday and Monday last. On Sunday afternoon the Sabbath school children recited Scriptupture, dialogues, and pieces of poetry, and in the evening the Rev. J. Hulme, of Stanley, conducted the services. The choir was in attendance. Mrs. Banks presided at the harmonium. On Monday a tea party was held in the school-house, when upwards of 300 persons partook of the social cup, the ladies who gracefully presided over the tables being Miss Wells, Miss A. Wells, Miss Hewitson, Miss Pall, Miss Errington, and Miss Rodham. The tea was provided by Mrs. Banks and Mrs. Barns of the Spen.

TANFIELD.—The anniversary of the "Pride of Tanfield" Lodge of Oddfellows, B.U., was held on Saturday last. The members, wearing their new regalias, and headed by the Hobson Brass Band, proceeded to Tanfield Church, where the Vicar (Rev. J. Mathwin) preached a very appropriate sermon, after which the members, again headed by the band, marched to Stanley, Tanfield Lea, Tantobie, and thence to Tamfield, to the lodge-room, where they sat down to a substantial dinner, provided by Mr. M. Irwin in his usual *recherche* style. It is only a year since this lodge was opened, and the large influx of its members affords a sufficient guarantee of the utility of such beneficial institutions, and the interest taken in them by the inhabitants of the neighbourhood.

Chateau Loudenne, with its acres of vineyard slopes stretching down to the Gironde, has just been purchased by Messrs. W. and A. Gilbey for 700,000f., principally with the object of establishing a vast depot where they can collect their extensive purchases of clarets—the property being almost in the heart of the Modoc district—and ship them direct to England. By this means the charges incidental to the transmission of these wines up the river to Bordeaux and thence down the Gironde again will be saved, and clarets be delivered at London, duty paid, at a lower price than, owing to the the heavy charge for railway carriage and the city octroi dues, they are procurable at Paris.

CORNSAY COLLIERY.—A few friends of Mr. Thos. Potter met at his house, Cornsay Colliery, and presented him with a splendid large mirror in gilt frame, on the occasion of his leaving Cornsay as sergeant of police, as a mark of their esteem for the manly and straightforward manner in which he always acted whilst being stationed there. The presentation was made by Mr. J. Cockerill, innkeeper, Quebec, and responded to by the recipient (Mr. Potter) in a pithy speech. The whole of the company were entertained with an excellent repast by Mrs. Potter. After supper the company spent a pleasant time, songs, toasts, &c., being the order of the evening. The party broke up a little before eleven o'clock, every one having spent a pleasant evening, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The mirror was purchased from the establishment of Mr. J. Hart, Newcastle.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY, CASTLESIDE.—On Saturday, sen., the annual tea, in connection with the above school, was held in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, when the scholars and about one hundred persons partook of the repast provided. The tables were presided over by the following ladies:—Misses M. Robson, J. Coulthard, H. Proud, M. Cant, M. Davison, and A. Hetherington. After tea, a public meeting was held, presided over by Mr. W. Robson, of Consett. Addresses were delivered on Sabbath-school work and its success, by the Rev. J. Featherstone, Mr. J. Moseley (temperance missionary, of Bishop Auckland), and R. Pattinson. The children and choir sang appropriate pieces of music, at intervals, which reflect great credit upon their teacher, Mr. Thomas Raine. On Sunday, two able and interesting sermons were preached in the morning and evening. In the afternoon, an address was given to parents, teachers, and children by Mr. J. Moseley. On Monday evening, a lecture was given by Mr. J. Moseley, entitled 'Trials and Triumphs," which was highly appreciated by the audience. The chair was occupied by Mr. Joseph Proud, of Castleside. The services were quite a success, and, in a pecuniary point of view, exceeded any preceding.

GARDEN BREAKING AT SHOTLEY BRIDGE.—Ed. Sheenan, Ed. Clark, Felix Toole, John Rogers, Geo. Riley, Thomas Murray, Geo. Riley, and Daniel Donnelly were charged before the Consett magistrates on Thursday, with entering a garden belonging to James Annandale, jun., Esq., near Shotley Bridge. Sergt. Thom said on receiving information of Mr. Annandale's garden having been plundered he made an examination of the premises and found a pay-ticket lying near one of the gooseberry bushes. On taking it to the pay-office at the Iron Works he ascertained that the number on it corresponded with one that had been given to a lad named Patrick Toole. He at once proceeded to Blackhill, where he saw Toole, who, on being interrogated, admitted having been in the garden in company with the defendants, whose names he gave.—Patrick Toole, the lad alluded to, was put in the witness-box, but, on being put under examination, he denied that he had ever been in the garden with the defendants. The reason he made such a statement was because the officer that was along with Sergt. Thom struck him with a stick, and he was only too glad to get out of their hands.—Sergt. Thom said it was not true that P.C. Watson struck the lad with a stick. He gave the names of the defendants voluntarily.—The magistrates said as there was no direct evidence that the defendants had been in the garden they would be discharged.

ATTEMPT TO SHOOT A GAME WATCHER AT LINTZ GREEN.—On Thursday sen., at the Lanchester Petty Sessions, before E. T. Smith and J. Clavering, Esqs., John Irwin, Robt. Hall, and John Hoskin, three miners, were charged with night poaching on the lands of Mr. Laycock, at Lintz Green, on the 7th June. Mr. A. W. Granger appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Bush, jun., for the defence. The chief witness in the case was a game watcher named John Moss, who stated that he saw the defendants proceeding in the direction of the Dean Wood from Lintz Colliery about half-past eleven on the night of the 7th ult. Moss went and apprised a farmer named David Kirkup, of the Lintz Hall farm, of the matter and then hurried off to the wood, where he found a dog ranging amongst the undergrowth, while three men, whom he swore to as the prisoners, were lying beside some rabbit holes. One of the trio, whom he identified as Irwin, on seeing him four or five yards off, drew a revolver and fired. The ball missed him, and he appeared to be about to fire again, when Moss told him to desist, and shouted to Mr. Kirkup to come on. The latter came up just in time to see the three men take to flight, and he also swore to the defendants as the men, and to hearing the report of the revolver. Mr. Bush, in defence, set up an *alibi*, and called four witnesses who proved that Irwin and Hoskin were in their homes at the time of the occurrence, and could not have been the men Moss found. The magistrates dismissed the case.

ALLEGED THEFT OF A PONY AT DIPTON.—Michael Mulaney, labourer, was indicted at the Durham Sessions, on Wednesday, for stealing a pony, the property of John Jackson, at Dipton, on the 1st of May last.—Mr. Granger prosecuted, and Mr. Ridley defended.—After hearing the evidence the jury found the prisoner not guilty, and he was accordingly discharged.

NORTHERN COUNTIES ROYAL IDIOT ASYLUM.—We are glad to be able to state that Elizabeth Ann Routledge, residing with her parents, at Blackhill, has been one of the successful candidates at the recent election, held at Durham, for admission into this asylum. Out of fourteen candidates from the County of Durham, the committee were only able to elect four as the equivalent of the total subscriptions from the county. The success of Elizabeth Routledge is, in a great measure, owing to the efforts of the ladies' association, formed at Durham, which has received and, we trust, will continue to have liberal support from this neighbourhood.

GROSS CRUELTY TO A HORSE BY A HEXHAM GREENGROCER.—James Coulson, of Hexham, greengrocer, was charged before the Consett magistrates, on Thursday, for cruelly ill-treating a horse. Sergt. Thom said he was on duty at Blackhill and saw the defendant driving a horse which was one mass of bruises and sores. The animal had been driven from Hexham, and appeared to be suffering the greatest agony.—Sergt. Nattress also described the condition of the horse, the ears of which, he said, were almost dropping off with rot.—The magistrates condemned defendant's conduct in working such an animal, and ordered him to pay a fine of 10s. and the expenses.

IVESTON TONIC SOL-FA ASSOCIATION.—This Association held its first annual social gathering in the School-room of the above place, on Monday evening last, on which occasion the members presented a testimonial to their esteemed teacher and conductor, Mr. Jasper Cockburn, in recognition of the efficient and valuable services rendered to them for the past twelvemonths. Mr. Parker, schoolmaster, presided. The presentation, which consisted of a purse of gold, was made by Mr. William Ward, in a neat and appropriate speech.—Mr. Cockburn suitably responded. During the evening the members sat down to a most excellent supper, provided for the occasion by Miss Ann Harper, who was ably assisted by the Misses Bellerby and Robson.

THE FRAUD AT CONSETT IRON WORKS.—On Tuesday, at Durham Sessions, George Elliott (26), furnaceman, was indicted for attempting to obtain by false pretences the sum of 10s., with intent to defraud the Consett Iron Company on the 8th of May last.—Mr. Edge prosecuted; the prisoner was undefended.—In defence the prisoner admitted having altered the ticket, but stated that he did not intend to defraud as the amount would have been deducted on the following Saturday. He had been with the Company since he was 10 or 12 years of age, and nothing was known against him.—The jury recommended the prisoner to mercy on account of the long time he had been in the employ of the Company.—The Chairman said that, taking into account the recommendation of the jury and the time he had already been in prison, he would only be sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

CONSETT PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.—The anniversary services in connection with this chapel were commenced on Saturday afternoon last, when a public tea meeting was held. In the evening a public meeting took place, under the presidency of Mr. R. Telford. The speakers were the Revs. T. Southron, J. Featherstone, and Miss McKinney. The services were continued on Sunday, when three sermons were preached, in the morning and evening by Miss McKinney, the Rev. T. Southron officiating at the afternoon service. On Monday evening Miss McKinney delivered a lecture, the subject of her discourse being "Gideon, the mighty man of valour." At each service a collection was made on behalf of the trust fund. The choir, under their able conductors, Messrs. Sutherland and Pratt, contributed largely to the success of the services. Miss Pescod efficiently presided at the harmonium.

SINGULAR CASE UNDER THE BASTARDY ACT.—The Consett magistrates had before them a somewhat curious case on Thursday, in which a woman named Smith sued for the maintenance of her illegitimate child. Complainant is a married woman, whose husband appears to have left her about six years ago. Shortly after this event she and her children, six in number, went to reside with the defendant, a pitman named Bell, who, along with two other brothers, kept house at Leadgate. An intimacy sprang up between Mrs. Smith and the defendant, and, in March, 1873, the complainant was delivered of a child. In answer to the bench, Mrs. Smith said she was thirty-five and the defendant nineteen years old.—Mr. Wallace, for the defence, contended that the bench could not make an order, as the complainant had not proved non-access on the part of her husband. In the absence of this proof the law presumed that the children of married woman were legitimate.—The Chairman (Mr. Town) said they could not make an order, but Mrs. Smith might take out another summons to prove the non-access of her husband.

PRESENTATION AT LEADGATE.—For some time past Miss McKinney, a lady preacher from Scotland, has been engaged holding religious services in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Leadgate. Her earnestness in the pulpit and her ready and pleasing style of conversing on spiritual topics in private have won for her universal esteem. On Tuesday night, a coffee supper was held, after which Miss McKinney was presented with a handsome purse of gold. At the request of the committee, Mr. George Hawdon was called on to make the presentation, and, in handing to Miss McKinney the purse, made a few appropriate remarks expressive of the pleasure he felt in the performance of his duties that evening. Miss McKinney replied, and, after thanking one and all for the interest taken in her, said that she prized this gift not because of its valuable contents, but it spoke loudly to her that she had the people's affections, and that she prized more than their gold. A high compliment was paid by Miss McKinney and the society to Mr. and Mrs. Hawdon for their gratuitous hospitality towards her. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was brought to a close by singing the doxology.

CONCERT AT STANLEY.—On Monday evening a concert was given in the Catholic School-room, Stanley, in connection with the soiree and sports held in the afternoon, when the following songs and duetts were ably rendered and very much appreciated by the large audience. The Rev. Mr. Matthews occupied the chair.

Song, "O, steer my bark to Erin's Isle," Miss Taylor.
Duett, "Larboard watch," Messrs. McCann and Shiels.
Trio, "The wreath," Messrs. Shiels, McCann, and Edwards.
Songs, "Take it Bob" and "The militiaman," Mr. Howey.
Song, "Pat's representative," Mr. McEwen.
Song, "O, Erin, my country," Miss Turnbull.
Song, "Mollie darling," Mr Ritson.
Song, "Little bunch of roses," Mr. Turnbull.
Duett, "Gipsey Countess," Miss Taylor and Mr. McCann.
Song, "Dear little shamrock," Mr. Edwards.
Song, "Cruel Mary Jane," Mr. Howey.
Song, "Irish emigrant," Miss Taylor.
Song, "The harp that once through Tara's Halls," Mr. Ritson.
Duett, "Nightingale," M. Edwards and Mr. McCann.
Songs, "German musician" and "I don't care if I do," Mr. Howey.
Songs, "Beautiful love" and "My Maria," Miss Carter.

During the evening, two recitations were given in good style by Mr. McIntyre, of Newcastle. The usual votes of thanks were given, and the concert was brought to a close by the company singing, "Hail, smiling morn."

THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE AND THE VOLUNTEERS.—As President of the National Rifle Association, and as Honorary Colonel of one of the smartest and most efficient of our volunteer corps, the London Rifle Brigade, His Royal Highness has taken great interest in the promotion and maintenance of that truly national force which has for its patriotic motto; "Defence not Defiance." Too practical and plain-dealing to flatter the vanity of citizen soldiers, he has yet never unduly depreciated the movement which has placed under arms a large proportion of the country's independent manhood; and he has heartily encouraged the practice of rifle-shooting. Those votes of thanks which are periodically passed to the Commander-in-Chief for having taken the chair in the theatre of the United Service Institution, at meetings of the National Rifle Association, have not been without real significance; for in giving his time to such business the Duke of Cambridge has not stinted also his thoughtful attention and valuable advice. Indeed, an hereditary character for thoroughness in the discharge of multifarious duties distinguishes the Duke in a remarkable degree.—*National Portrait Gallery.*

DREADFUL ACCIDENT TO A LION.—An Ohio paper tells of a fearful accident in a travelling menagerie. Some of the new keepers commenced to torment the lion. Wishing to hear him roar, the brutes spat tobacco-juice in his eyes. This thoroughly maddened him, and his frenzy was terrific. The lion made a tremendous dash against the cage-bars—they gave way—he cleared the cage with a bound—and sprang for the affrighted wretch on the horizontal iron bar. In the blindness of his rage he missed the man, striking his own head against the bar, and splitting himself from head to tail! It was done as evenly as though he had been sawed by an experienced mechanic. The uproar brought the proprietor to the spot. The emergency required promptness. There was no time for reflection or argument. Seizing the cleaved parts of the lion, the great "tamer" clapped them instantly together. They stuck, and the lion was soon restored to consciousness. But imagine the proprietor's agony when he saw that he had put the lion together in the wrong way!—that two of the animal's legs were up, and the other two down. But the lion got well and seems to enjoy himself better than ever. When he gets tired of walking on two legs he flops over on the other two. He is said to be a curious-looking lion.

BURSTING OF A BALLOON.—The upper portion of the balloon rolled up into a body at the top of the net, of perhaps ten feet in diameter, the lower hemisphere having the mouth of the balloon attached by a strong cord to the hoop folded together like an umbrella turned inside out by the force of the wind, so that there was but little resistance to the air. At the time of the accident I was about three miles in height; of course I fell almost with the rapidity of a stone through the thin atmosphere for a distance of a few thousand feet, until I had time to throw out all my ballast, bottle of water, and one of my anchors which I could unfasten. The larger anchor rope had received so great a strain upon it during the night that I could not untie the knot either at the hoop or at the anchor. I let it down, however, the whole length of the rope, so that it might strike the ground first, and assist in breaking the shock which I expected to receive on reaching the earth. My leghorn hat, two bags, and even pieces of the balloon were carried away by the great force of the air. It seemed to me as though a terrific hurricane had suddenly sprung up, and that I was being borne round in a vast circle, carried upon the wings of a mighty cyclone. Finding that the earth was approaching me at a most fearful rate, I thought that my last moments had come. The events of my past life came rushing through my mind with great rapidity. I thought that I almost deserved death for my carelessness in neglecting my balloon. Many times on land, sea, and in the air, has death stood near me, but never under circumstances so appalling as on that occasion. At last, on looking into the bottom of the car I found a treasure more priceless to me at that instant than all the gold discovered in California; it was a small piece of glass, part of the bottle which I had broken to cut the guide rope, by which I had escaped from one difficulty only to fall into another much greater. I grasped it, and with it cut the cord which held the lower half of the balloon to the hoop, which then flew up into the upper portion of the net, and formed an excellent substitute for a parachute, which checked the fall and brought me to the ground in safety. The shock was much greater than I had ever received before from my descents. I tried to break the concussion by standing up in my car, and holding fast to the cords which were attached to the hoop. It appeared when I struck the ground as though a great weight had been cast upon me, crushing me suddenly into the bottom of the car. My first sensation was that of a violent pain in my back. I had descended into a large wheatfield; the grain was about ready for harvesting.—*Recollections of an Aeronaut.*

THE GREAT COMMONER.—Mr. Pitt was a younger brother of no great family, as I believe the founder of it was Governor Pitt, his grandfather, commonly known by the name of Diamond Pitt, on account of a vast large diamond which he obtained, I know not how, in the East Indies. It is no scandal to say there was a great degree of madness in the family; one sister is now confined: another described to be so on account of a most profligate life which she led, which prevented her being admitted into any company; and I believe there was a third in the style of the second. . . Mr. William Pitt was by all accounts a very singular character from the time he went to Eton, where he was distinguished, and must have had a very early turn of observation by his telling me that his reason for preferring private to public education was that he scarce observed a boy who was not cowed for life at Eton; that a public school might suit a boy of a turbulent forward disposition, but would not do where there was any gentleness. . . He likewise told me that during the time he was cornet of horse there was not a military book he did not read through. It may easily be conceived what progress an ardent mind with a dash of madness and certainly a most extraordinary imagination must have made, steadily directing his mind and time from his earliest youth, as Mr. Wilkes says, "to the studying of words and running of sentences," for he was *totus in hoc*, not appearing to have applied to any other branch of science whatever. It is remarkable that neither he nor Lord Granville could write a common letter well. Of his imagination he used to say to himself that it was so strong that most things returned to him with stronger force the second time than the first. He was so attentive to forming his own taste that he would not look at a bad print if he could avoid it, wishing not to hazard his eye for a moment. . . . It was the fashion to say that Mr. Pitt was violent, impetuous, romantic, a despiser of money, intrigue, and patronage, ignorant of the characters of men, and one who disregarded consequences. Nothing could be less just than the whole of this, which may be judged by the leading features of his life without relying on any private testimony. He certainly was above avarice, but as to everything else he only repressed his desires and a ... he was naturally ostentatious to a degree of ridicule; profuse in his house and family beyond what any degree of prudence could warrant. . . What took much from his character was that he was always acting, always made up and never natural, in a perpetual state of exertion, incapable of friendship or of any act which tended to it, and constantly on the watch and never unbending. . . . He was tall in his person, and [illegible] genteel as a [illegible] . . . [illegible] ... especially when he affected ... —*The Life of Lord Shelburne.*

Railway Time Tables

NEWCASTLE TO JARROW AND SOUTH SHIELDS.

Leaves Newcastle (Week days) 5·0, 6·50, 7·25 (*), 7·55, 8·0, 9·45, 10·55, 11·6 (*), 12·30, 2·10, 3·0, 3·35 (*), 4·5, 5·5, 6·5, 7·10, 8·5, 9·25, 10·55.

Leaves Newcastle (Sundays)—6 1·0, 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 1·50 p.m.

On SATURDAYS ONLY, a relief train leaves Hebburn for Shields at 2·1 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, 9·55, 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 10 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 *change 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, 1s. 0d.; second, 8d.; third, 6d.; Jarrow, first, 1s. 4d.; second, 1s.; third, 7½d. Return tickets to Jarrow first, 2s. 3d.; second, 1s. 8d.; third, 1s. 2d.

JARROW TO SOUTH SHIELDS AND SUNDERLAND.

Leaves Jarrow (Week days).—6·45, 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 Cleadon Lane 16 minutes after the train leaves Jarrow arriving in Sunderland in about 24 minutes.

Fares from Jarrow to South Shields: first, 8d.; second, 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, 12·45, 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 Stations when required, to set down passengers.

Fares from Newcastle to Manors: first, 3d.; second, 2d.; 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)—6·20, 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, 7·3, 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	4·46
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	5·45
Darlington	„	8·55	3·35	7·0
Stockton	„	9·25	4·5	7·30
Middlesbro'	„	9·35	4·15	7·41
Saltburn	„	10·10	4·50	8·20

GOING WEST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

STATIONS.		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Saltburn	dep.	6·45	11·30	4·30
Middlesbro'	„	6·22	12·5	5·5
Stockton	„	6·34	12·15	5·5
Darlington	„	7·15	1·5	5·55
Bishop Auckland	„	7·48	1·35	6·5
Crook	arr.	8·10	1·57	6·4
	dep.	8·15	2·20	6·8
Tow Law	„	[illegible] 7	2·34	7
Burnhill Junction	„	8·42	2·45	7·5
[illegible]	„	8·52	2·55	7·5
Benfieldside	arr.	9·6	3·5	9·3[illegible]
Newcastle	arr.	10·5	4·30	9·40

CONSETT BRANCH

UP TRAINS.—WEEK DAYS.

STATIONS		1,2,G. A.M.	1,2,G. A.M.	1,2,G. P.M.	1,2,G. P.M.	1,2,G. P.M.
Newcastle	dep.	5·45	10·0	12·30	2·30	5·35
Scotswood	„	5·52	10·7	12·37	2·37	5·42
Swalwell	„	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	7·4
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,G 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	8·25
Knitsley	„	8·12		12·45	4·4	8·36
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill)	arr.				4·20	
	dep	8·27	9·15	1·0	3·35	8·45
Shotley Bridge	„	8·32	9·20	1·5	3·40	8·51
Ebchester	„	8·36	9·23	1·9	3·44	8·57
Lintz Green	„	8·47	9·33	1.19	3·54	9·8
Rowland's Gill	„	8·53	9·38	1·24	3·59	9·13
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	4·0	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	8·55
Lintz Green	„	7·37	4·29	5·55	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	4·56	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		

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LANCHESTER PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, June 24th.—Before M. Kearney (chairman), E. T. Smith, and J. Clavering, Esqs.

Wilful Damage.—John Errington, Robt. Errington, George Dawson, and Edward York were summoned by John Johnson for wilful damage near Stanley, on the 9th June. Fined 1s., 1d. damage, and costs.——John Storey, William Storey, Ralph Teasdale, Robert Bell, William Mitchell, Joseph Lawder, George Lawder, and Thos. Collins, charged by John Cumming with trespassing on lands belonging to the Earl of Durham, were each fined 1s. and costs.——George Trippett and Christopher Attey were charged by Thomas Peacock with a similar offence on the 29th May. They were each fined 2s. 6d., the damage 2s. 6d., and the expenses.——Jacob Armstrong and Christopher Attey were charged by Robert Brown with a similar offence, were fined 2s. 6d. each and costs.——James McDonald was charged by Thomas Robinson with a similar offence on the 6th June. Fined 2s. 6d., the damage 3d., and costs.——Thomas Bailey and Michael McGuire were charged by Messrs. Joicey and Co. with a similar offence on the 9th May. Bailey was fined 1s. and McGuire 2s. 6d. and costs, in addition to the damage.——William Bowsfield and Alexander McIntosh were charged by Thomas Hodgson with wilful damage on the 6th June. Fined 1s. and costs and the damage 6d.——James Boe, charged by George Rippon with a similar offence, was fined 5s. and costs and the damage 5s.——Michael Boe and Gilbert McMullen, charged by P.C. Reay with wilful damage near Annfield Plain, were mulcted in a similar penalty.——George Nicholls and Thomas Richards were charged with trespassing on lands belonging to the Earl of Durham, on the 16th June. Fined 1s. and costs and the damage 6d.

Drunkenness.—John Tossney was charged by Sergt. Stamper with being drunk at Stanley on the 6th June. Fined 5s. and costs.——William White, John Carr, and Patrick Collen were summoned by the same officer for a similar offence. White was fined 5s. and the others 10s. and costs.——Mary Greathead and David Tyson, charged by P.C. Culley with having been drunk at Burnhope, were each fined 5s. and costs.——Michael Coleman, Michael McWillen, and Martin Jackson were summoned by P.C. Reay for being drunk in the neighbourhood of Annfield Plain. Fined 5s. each and costs.——Geo. Pont, Thomas Riley, James Scott, Bridget Oakney, Jane Lowes, Patrick McCunham, Charles Dow, and John Cannigan were charged by P.C. Straker with being drunk at Quebec. With the exception of Scott, who was fined 10s., the defendants were each mulcted in a fine of 10s. and costs.——Richard Knight, Jonathan Waugh, and John Brown were charged by P.C. Curren with a similar offence. Brown was fined 10s. and the others 5s. and costs.——Ralph Caygill, charged by P.C. Beckwith with a similar offence at Cornsay Colliery, was fined 5s. and costs.——A similar charge preferred by the same officer against John Gregson was dismissed on payment of expenses.——William F. Thompson, charged by P.C. Edgar with a similar offence, was fined 5s. and costs.

Breach of the Peace.—George Trippett and Chistopher Attey were charged by P.C. Raine with causing a breach of the peace by fighting in the neighbourhood of Tanfield on the 29th May. Bound over to keep the peace for six months and ordered to pay costs.

Game Trespass.—John Warren, Matthew Mercey, John Williams, and Edward McMann were charged by John Cumming with trespassing in pursuit of game on land belonging to the Earl of Durham on the 6th June. Fined 10s. and costs each.——Three men, named Coxon, Richardson, and Douglas, were charged by P.C. Raine with a similar offence on the 5th ult. They were each fined 20s. and costs.——Joseph Burdon, charged with a similar offence on lands belonging to the Earl of Durham, was fined 20s. and costs.

Pitch and Toss.—John Burdiss, James Burdiss, James Holden, John Carr, Joseph Phillips, and John Sproats were summoned by P.C. Beckwith for playing at pitch and toss near Cornsay Colliery on the 6th June. John and James Burdiss and Carr were each fined 20s. and costs; Holden was discharged; while Phillips and Sproats were fined 10s. each and costs.

Drunk and Riotous.—Arthur Ritson, Joshua Fagan, and James Fagan were charged by P.C. Beckwith with being drunk and riotous at Cornsay Colliery. James Fagan was fined 5s. and the others 10s. and costs.——William Greenhill charged by P.C. Curren with a similar offence on the 12th June, was fined 5s. and costs.——William Dawson was summoned by P.C. Culley for a similar offence on the 19th ult. Fined 5s. and costs.

Alleged Breach of License.—Johnson Elliott, beerhouse-keeper, Burnhope, was summoned for selling drink to be consumed upon premises not licensed for that purpose. P.C. Culley said on the 16th ult. he heard voices in defendant's house, and on going inside he found two men sitting with some porter in front of them. The house was only licensed to sell off the premises.—Defendant said he had just returned from a long journey, and was getting his supper when the officer entered. He was treasurer at the colliery, and one of the men found in his house by the policeman was a delegate, and on the evening in question they had business to transact in connection with the lodge. A bottle of porter formed part of his meal, and he admitted giving the men a drink, but did not receive pay for it.—The magistrates believed defendant's story and dismissed the case.

Permitting Drunkenness.—John Elliott was summoned by P.C. Raine for permitting drunkenness on the 29th May. The officer spoke to finding a man named Trippett drunk in defendant's house. Fined 10s. and costs, the license not to be endorsed. Mr. Granger defended.

Assaults.—John Doud and Michael Doud were summoned for assaulting John Dinning and Ann Dinning at Cornsay Colliery on the 12th June. They were each fined 10s. and costs.——A cross-summons, charging John and Ann Dinning with assaulting John Doud on the same occasion, was dismissed.——John Bee was charged with assaulting Joseph Robinson at Stanley, on the 12th ult. Fined 20s. and costs.

Highway Act.—Michael Boe, James Boe, and Gilbert McMullen were charged with allowing cattle to stray on the highway in the vicinity of Annfield Plain. They were each fined 1s. and the expenses. The cases were proved by P.C. Reay.

CONSETT PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, July 1.—Before A. Town (chairman), and J. Priestman, Esqrs.

Breach of the Peace.—John Walker, for whose apprehension a warrant had been issued, was charged with causing a breach of the peace by fighting near Leadgate. Mr. Longstaff, surveyor to the Leadgate Local Board, spoke to seeing defendant and another man fighting on the highway. Bound over to keep the peace for six months and ordered to pay costs.——Two men, named Garthwaite and Sweeney, were charged by P.C. Firn with a similar offence in Irish Street, Leadgate. Bound over to keep the peace and ordered to pay costs.——Patrick McAloon, charged with a similar offence at Leadgate, was also bound over to keep the peace and ordered to pay the costs.

Highway Act.—Thomas Wilson was summoned for allowing three horses to stray on the highway near Medomsley Edge. Fined 3s. and the expenses.——Thomas Newton, farmer, was summoned by Sergt. Thom for allowing a cow to stray on the highway between Hamsterly Mill and Derwent Cote. Fined 1s. and costs.

Pitch and Toss.—Charles Hughes was charged with playing at pitch and toss at Leadgate. P.C. Firn said he saw defendant, and two other men, who had already been convicted before their worships, playing at pitch and toss. Fined 5s. and costs.

Assault at Consett.—Marian Struthers was charged with assaulting Jane Hamilton. At the outset defendant, who had a child in her arms, said the case had been brought forward through spite. The child she carried in her arms, her daughter had had to complainant's son.—Complainant, on being sworn, said that day fortnight she was ascending the stairs leading to the Justice-room when she met the defendant, who struck her on the left breast.—P.C. Allen gave corrobative evidence.—Defendant vehemently denied ever having laid a finger on Mrs. Hamilton, who was, she said, a violent bad woman. She would, she said, as soon touch a snake as Mrs. Hamilton. She called P.C. Turner, but on this officer coming forward and substantiating the statement of complainant and P.C. Allen, defendant said the officers were all bribed.—The magistrates considered the assault proved, and fined the defendant 2s. 6d. and costs.

Assault at Blackhill.—Patrick McPartle and Catherine Murray were charged with assaulting James Sheenan at Blackhill. Dr. Carr appeared for the prosecution, and proved that on the evening of Sunday last McPartle provoked a quarrel with the complainant in the house of Mrs. Jamieson, and began to strike him. Sheenan returned the blow, and while these two were engaged in exchanging blows the female defendant seized a poker and struck Sheenan on the back with it. The magistrates considered both cases proved, and fined McPartle 10s. and costs. The female defendant was fined 5s. and costs.

Right of Road Dispute at Medomsley.—Ellen Minto, John Burns, Margaret Davis, and Sarah Lowes were summoned for trespassing in a plantation in the occupation of Deborah Hunter, at Medomsley. Mr. Wallace, Newcastle, defended. William Hunter, son of the complainant, said the plantation in question had been in the occupation of his mother for twenty-eight years. It was in the possession of his grandfather for a period of thirty years prior to that. The defendants and others were in the habit of drying clothes in the planting, to the injury of the trees and undergrowth. He had repeatedly discharged them, but had been told that he had nothing to do with the plantation.—The Chairman: How long is it since you had anything in it?—Witness: About two years; but we have cut grass.—The Chairman: Is it fenced?—Witness: Yes. There is a public road through the west side of it.—Cross-examined by Mr. Wallace: The plantation in question did not form a part of the village green. It was not a fact that the villagers of Medomsley had been in the habit of drying clothes for the last twenty-eight years, nor was it a fact that Mrs. Minto had used the plantation for six or eight years. It was about two years since she commenced to do so. The plantation formed part of the farm. It was not their own property. It was a fact that there was a well in the plantation, but the spring had been tapped by colliery workings. There was no road to the well. He denied that the people had used the well for the last twenty-eight years; they could not, in fact, for it had been dry for some time.—In answer to the bench the witness admitted that the well in question was used by the public twenty years ago.—The Chairman said if the public had access to the well twenty years ago, it would continue to be public property.—Mr. Wallace submitted that the bench had no jurisdiction in the case, as it was a question of title.—The Chairman (to Hunter): Have you got an agreement?—Hunter: Yes; but it is not here.—The Chairman said they had no proof before them that the plantation formed part of Mrs. Hunter's farm, and they would therefore dismiss the whole of the cases.

CONSETT NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

THE SCHOOL BOARD QUESTION.

A meeting of the inhabitants and ratepayers of Consett was held in the upper room of the National Schools, now in course of completion, on Monday evening, for the purpose of forming a committee to raise £500 out of the parish by voluntary contributions, to meet the contracts and extra expenses incurred in the erection of the above school. Mr. William Jenkins, General Manager of the Ironworks, presided.

The Chairman said he had much pleasure in being present that evening with the householders and ratepayers of Consett for the purpose of aiding, as much as he could, the efforts of the ratepayers, and more especially the work of the Vicar of Consett in the completion of the very handsome building in which they were assembled. The immediate object of the meeting was to form a committee to appeal to the ratepayers, householders, and others in the locality for funds to the amount of £500, to pay off the balance of the expenses incurred in these National Schools. It was obvious, from the very small number of householders and ratepayers present, that much lukewarmness existed in Consett in the cause of elementary education, and perhaps they might not be surprised at this, seeing that up to the present time the householders and ratepayers, as a body, had not been in the habit of contributing, either voluntarily or otherwise, towards the cause of education in the township. The education of the children had been left to the large employers of labour, and to the zeal of the clergy and ministers of the neighbourhood. But it must not be forgotten that the working men of the Roman Catholic section contributed liberally out of their earnings, through the hands of their pastors, towards a special fund for the education of their children. They would, on the completion of the National Schools, have ample school accommodation for all children of school age in Consett, and that of itself was a most satisfactory feature. In the township of Leadgate, also, there was a large amount of school accommodation, but it was doubtful as to whether there was a sufficiency for the children in that township. In the township of Benfieldside it was generally admitted, and had been clearly shown, that there was a great lack of school accommodation to meet the number of children of school age there. He might say that in each of these three townships the large employer of labour, the Consett Iron Company, had contributed, and was still contributing, its full share towards the schools in the district; and if it were clear to the minds of the directors of the Company that facilities could be obtained for bringing into the schools the whole of the children of the neighbourhood, they would cheerfully contribute still more. Looking at the fact, however, that the mechanism of the Education Department was available, and by it much relief would be given to the clergy, and to the representatives of the Consett Iron Company, in the application of School Boards, the directors were unwilling to go to any greater extent in the way of expenditure upon school building, so long as it was clearly proved that many hundreds of children in the neighbourhood were altogether absent from school, and an enormous number who only partially attended. In the township of Consett they had three large schools. First, the British Schools, the property of the Consett Iron Company, and which were repaired, kept in order, and supplied with fuel by them free of cost. There were also the large schools built by Father Smith for the Roman Catholics, mainly out of the contaibutions from the earnings of the working men. There was likewise the very handsome building in which they were assembled. About three years ago, notice was given to the authorities in the township by the Education Department that there was a scarcity of accommodation for children of school age, to the extent of about 300 or 400 children, and it became requisite that further school buildings should be erected, either by the formation of a School Board, or by voluntary effort. The householders and ratepayers were silent and did nothing, but, much to his credit, the Vicar of the parish, some two or three years ago, moved in the direction of providing a Church school, and the result was the building they were now in. Towards this building the directors and shareholders of the Consett Iron Company, as individuals, had contributed liberally, and, he might say, handsomely, notwithstanding the inactivity of the ratepayers themselves; but the company, as he had already stated, feeling that they were now relieved, in a great measure, by the instrumentality of School Boards, could not see their way to make a special contribution. £1,200 had been subscribed by voluntary contribution, and there were £500 or £600 still wanting to complete the rooms. Their chief object there that evening was to organise some scheme for obtaining the latter sum; and, although they were only a few assembled together, he trusted that the few would be active and zealous in their attempt to liquidate the debt for these schools, which would so very largely relieve the expenditure of the ratepayers in the township.

The Vicar of Consett (Rev. F. Steggall) then moved the following resolution:—"That this meeting cordially approves the provision of school accommodation in Consett, by the erection of National Schools, and hereby undertakes to do all in its power to raise the amount required for the completion of the work."—Carried.

Mr. Douglas, Consett House, proposed "That a local subscription list be opened, and that a committee be formed to canvass the district thoroughly for the purpose of obtaining donations."

Mr. John Routledge, Blackhill, seconded the proposition, remarking that the inhabitants of Consett were much indebted to Mr. Steggall for his efforts in providing a school, for had he not done so they would have been compelled to form a School Board and erect new schools.—The motion, on being submitted to the meeting, was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman said he noticed on the placard calling the meeting, that the ratepayers were invited to give and elicit opinions with regard to the desirability or otherwise of establishing a School Board. The Elementary Education Act of 1870, continued Mr. Jenkins, was established for two special purposes, the first being the setting up of schools, and the second the filling of them when they were set up. He had already shown that in Consett sufficient school accommodation was provided, and, generally speaking, deficiencies in school accommodation had everywhere to a large extent been supplied all throughout England. The setting up of schools was to be done universally and compulsorily. This was the first step, and it had been taken all throughout the land. The second step, however, was more difficult. In order to get children to school there must be some one to send them, and the only senders provided by the Act of 1870 were the School Boards. He found, by reliable statements in some of the newspapers, that in every town with upwards of 100,000 inhabitants, a School Board had been appointed; and, in 98 per cent. of all boroughs where School Boards had been appointed, they had adopted compulsory bye-laws. Of the 10,000,000 inhabitants of boroughs in England and Wales, seven-eights were at that moment subject to compulsion. He took it to be the bounden duty of householders and ratepayers in the town of Consett to see that all children of school age attended school. He took it also that there was now school accommodation for all; but when he enquired closely into the facts as to the number of children attending, the shortcomings were most lamentable. He believed that in Consett, Benfieldside, and Leadgate townships it could be easily shown upon, a careful canvass, that there were not less than about 800 children who either never went to school at all, or only very partially attend. This should not be. It was not owing to the want of pecuniary power on the part of the parents; the fault lay at the doors of the intelligent ratepayers, and he repeated this with the hope that by some mode some efforts would be applied to limit this very awkward state of things. He had been told, in a very friendly way, by one of the leading ratepayers in the town, that he had given great offence by his advocating the cause of a School Board. If he had given offence he was very sorry for it. If, however, there were hundreds of children, in this wealthy district, who did not go to school at all, he repeated that he would continue to recommend most strongly the adoption of School Boards in the neighbourhood. He was glad and also proud to say that no working men in England had had more regular or more profitable employment than those working in Consett and neighbourhood for the last six or seven years, and it was idle to say that persecution would follow the acts of a School Board in compelling children to go to school. He understood that in the Roman Catholic schools alone there were vacancies for somewhere about 270 children, who were running about the streets and were never at school. He had been told, also, that there was a very strong objection on the part of other sections of the ratepayers in Consett to use any efforts, through a School Board or otherwise, to bring these unfortunate children to school. He was convinced that there was no occasion for hostility in the way of religious feeling. In the conducting of the Consett British Schools he could not in any way see what objection any parent or any ratepayer could have, whatever their religious creed might be, in sending a child to those schools, where ample provision was made for all the children of the township. In conclusion, Mr. Jenkins urged upon the householders present to turn over the matter in their minds, and, whether it might be by School Board means or otherwise, that their strong and united efforts should be applied to filling their schools, seeing that in doing so the cost to them, as individual householders and ratepayers, would be brought to as low a minimum amount of expenditure as could be found in any part of the country.

The Rev. M. Morris said he heartily sympathised with the object of the meeting, and should be very glad to assist to pay off the debt which had been incurred in the erection of the schools. At the same time, however, he wished the meeting to understand that he was not in favour of compulsory education. With him it was not a matter of money, but principle. There was now, he said, plenty of school accommodation in Consett, and it was only the Roman Catholic portion of the children that did not attend school. A School Board, he argued, would cause no end of contention. He was confident that a School Board could not compel the attendance of the children when the Roman Catholic priests failed to do so. In conclusion the speaker said rather than pay one-eighth of a penny for denominational teaching, he would allow the bed to be taken from under him.

Mr. Ormerod hoped the meeting would not take Mr Morris's opinion as expressing the views of all the Nonconformists of Consett. He believed that there were a great many Nonconformists who were in favour of a School Board. There were, he said, hundreds of children in the district who were kept at home for no other purpose than to carry meals to the Works, who could neither read nor write, and who did not know the name of the street in which they lived. School Boards might, he observed, in some measure be an evil, but of two evils they should choose the least, and the lesser one, he contended, would be a School Board to enforce the attendance of children. He did not think that children should be kept in ignorance to satisfy the scruples of a few Nonconformists.

Mr. Thomas Batey denied that the Nonconformists were in the minority, and challenged the School Board advocates to give them a chance of proving it.

Mr. John Murray said he did not care how the children were educated so long as they were educated. If the Nonconformists objected to a School Board, why didn't they build schools of their own?

Mr. Batey said the Nonconformists were pretty well satisfied with the school accommodation that had been provided by the Vicar. What they objected to was the formation of a School Board. It had been stated that they were between 200 and 300 Catholic children in Consett who did not attend school. Now, he had been as much about Consett as a good many, and had never seen those children. He contended that if they had a School Board for the compulsory attendance of children they would be no better than at present.

Mr. John Routledge, while admitting that the Education Act had benefited the people of this country, said as long as the 25th clause was in operation it would be objectionable to Sectarians.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman brought the meeting to a close.

BEAMISH, PONTOP, and CONSETT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A schedule of the prizes to be awarded at the above Society's show, which is fixed to be held at Birtley, near Chester-le-Street, on Wednesday, August 25th, has just been issued by the secretaries, Messrs. Ridley and Richards. It contains 80 classes, of which 12 are for shorthorned cattle, 7 for Leicester sheep, 19 for horses, 1 for donkeys, 3 for swine, 2 for butter and eggs, 12 for poultry, and 24 for dogs. This year the Society's display of silver plate and cups numbers no less than twenty-nine, nearly the whole of them being presented by the gentry of the district. In the class for shorthorns, Lieut.-Col. Joicey gives a piece of plate, value £10 10s., for the best bull above two years old; while a piece of plate, value £5 5s., is given by the Marquess of Bute for the same class of animal above one and under two years of age. For the best cow for breeding purposes the people of Pelton present a cup, of the value of £7 7s., and they also give a £10 10s. cup for the best female shorthorn, The inhabitants of Birtley give two pieces of plate, value £5 5s. each, for the best breed of heifers. Mr. W. M. Annandale offers a piece of plate, value £5 5s., for the best shorthorned breeding animal of any sex or age, the property of a tenant farmer. The butchers of the district again provide a £5 5s. prize in the shape of a piece of plate, for the best pair of grazing heifers of any breed, under three years old, the property of a tenant farmer. For the best cow, of any breed, for dairy purposes, the ladies of Birtley present a piece of plate, value £5 5s. For Leicester sheep, of which there is generally a splendid show, two pieces of plate are given, one by C. M. Palmer, Esq., M.P., for the best shearling Leicester tup, while the other is presented by the Birtley Co-operative Society for the best pen of three Leicester ewes. In the classes for brood mares for agricultural purposes Major Hunt again offers a cup, and Mr. John Calvert provides a piece of plate, value £5 5s., for the same description of animal. A piece of plate is also given by Captain Joicey for the best brood mare for agricultural purposes, the animal to be the property of a tenant farmer. A silver cup, value £10, is given by Jos. Laycock, Esq., for the best pair of mares, belonging to the same owner, while the Licensed Victuallers of the district give a similar cup for the best pair of geldings for dray purposes. The Marquess of Bute gives a piece of plate for the best brood mare for the field, to have a foal at her foot or to be in foal at the time of show, and open to the United Kingdom. In the hunting classes, a silver cup for the best mare for breeding weight-carrying hunters, to have a foal at her foot, or to be in foal at the time of show, the property of a tenant farmer in the district of the Society, is presented by Messrs. Lambton and Co.; while two valuable prizes are given by the Society, and the other by Lindsay Murray, Esq., for the best hunter mare or gelding, qualified to carry up to twelve stones. A silver cup is likewise contributed by Mr. Chas. D. W. Balleny, for the best four-years old weight-carrying hunter mare or gelding, confined to the counties of Durham and Northumberland. For leaping, the Society again provide a silver cup for the best mare or gelding. The ladies' subscription cup will again be offered for the best hackney suitable for a lady; and for the best hackney mare or gelding a piece of plate, presented by Thomas Taylor Smith, Esq., will be given. Captain Parkins contributes a piece of plate for the best cob or pony, mare or gelding, not exceeding 14 hands; and single harness horses of either sex, to be trotted on the show-ground, are provided with a £5 5s. piece of plate by Mr. William Hedley. For the best sow, of any breed, a silver cup is given by Mr. Thos. Ironsides; while the Birtley Co-operative Society provide £5 for fat pigs, under fourteen months old, the property of a cottager residing within the district of the Society. There are the usual valuable prizes for dogs, one of the principal features of the show. In addition to the cash prizes, Major Cowen gives a piece of plate, value £5 5s., for the best pointer dog or bitch; and Dr. George Renton again provides a piece of plate for setters. In addition to the above, which comprise the special prizes, second and third prizes are provided by the Society. All entries are to be made to the secretaries on or before Saturday, the 14th of August. The list of prizes contains every information likely to be of service to intending exhibitors, and it will be supplied on application to the secretaries, Mr. Ridley (Stanley), or Mr. Richards (Beamish).

Cricket

All cricket communications intended for insertion must reach this office before mid-day on Thursdays.

BURNHOPE v. WEST PELTON.

The above match was played on the ground of the former, at Burnhope, on Saturday sen., and resulted in an easy victory for Burnhope by 32 runs. The following is the score:—

BURNHOPE.

J. Gair, b Barrass	7
W. Smith, b Vernon	17
M. Lawson, c Humes	0
H. Howels, hit wicket	2
C. Henderson, b Barrass	2
W. Mason, b Vernon	10
J. Mason, b Cummings	16
G. Lawson, b Cummings	3
J. Howels, b Humes	1
W. Robinson, b Cummings	0
M. Hutchinson, not out	1
Extras	7
Total	66

WEST PELTON.

R. Barrass, l b w	0
R. Humes, b Gair	2
A. Barrass, run out	0
F. W. Vernon, run out	5
H. Barrass, c Mason	1
J. White, c Smith	0
R. Owers, run out	6
J. Kell, c Hutchinson	2
J. T. Cummings, not out	3
W. Ledger, c Mason	2
D. Dick, c Mason	0
Extras	13
Total	34

LINTZ ALBION v. ROYAL ARTILLERY.

A match was played at Newcastle between the above Clubs, and resulted in a victory for the former. Subjoined is the score:—

LINTZ.

J. Booth, b Smith	18
D. Beardsmore, b Patmore	0
J. Nevins, b Patmore	23
N. McLean, run out	1
B. Harrison, b Patmore	28
G. Stobs, b Patmore	0
J. Yorke, b Patmore	0
M. Stods, run out	10
W. Ferguson b Redford	11
G. Weedy, c and b Redford	0
R. Nevins, not out	0
Extras	11
Total	102

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

W. Bowery, b Booth	1
S. Higson, run out	0
J. Scragg, b Beardsman	3
J. Naylor, b Stobbs	6
T. Cunningham, run out	4
B. Patmore, b Booth	1
T. Long, b Booth	0
T. Barker, b Booth	3
J. Smith, run out	0
F. Redford, b Booth	1
O. Reeves, not out	0
Extras	25
Total	44

A return match was played between the above Clubs, at Lintz, and again resulted in a victory for the Lintz Club. Score:—Lintz, 83; Royal Artillery, 50.

Correspondence.

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

THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AT CASTLESIDE.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

Sir,—That wonderful letter in the *Guardian* last week, signed by W. F. Muschamp, Castleside, is scarcely worth answering, on account of the nonsense and falsehoods it contains; but, as your readers may be misled by the contents, and being one of the abused "eleven," I feel bound to contradict its false statements. In the first place, the respectable ratepayers that were against a School Board had a perfect right to hold what meetings they wished. Mr. W. F. Muschamp, being in the minority, had no right to intrude. If he had been the gentleman he wishes your readers to believe, his "etiquette" ought to have taught him different. He says that some one with an oath told him to leave the room. That is a dowaright falsehood. I feel sorry if Mr. W. F. M. is so impregnate with the fragrance of shag and steaming whisky-toddy that he fancies all rooms alike. I can most positively deny that neither of the above commodities was in use at the meeting. The next time Mr. W. F. M. writes about "Fatherland," "Englishman," "England's greatness," "Education," &c., I hope he will stick to the first great principle that constitutes an Englishman, namely, truth. It is the first time the quiet villagers of Castleside have been held up before the public in such a way, and I hope it will be the last; if not, Mr. W. F. M. may expect a warmer dish next time.—Yours sincerely,

A Native.

Markets.

Newcastle Corn Market, Tuesday.—There was a small supply of wheat from the country, and a moderate coasting and foreign arrival. The trade ruled firm, and in the business done the prices of this day week were rather exceeded. Barley, beans, and peas unchanged. Malt dull. Oats moved off at previous terms. Flour rather dearer, but demand limited.

Hexham Corn Market, Tuesday.—Wheat was in thin supply at our market this morning, and met a fair sale at last week's rates. Barley and oats also a small show, and there was no quotable change in prices.

Newcastle Cattle Market, Tuesday.—The show of stock presented for sale exhibited a decline of 243 beasts, but an increase of 2,480 sheep and lambs as compared with that of last week. Respecting quality, that of cattle varied considerably, while both sheep and lambs were only middling, especially the latter. The supply of beef comprised 1,636 head. The number of sheep and lambs was 9,790. Lambs, the demands for which was in an exceedingly sluggish state at ½d. per lb. cheaper than last week, and at no former period did they come to hand in such poor condition in race week. Pigs: 435 were shown. Beasts, prime heifers, per stone, 11s 0d to 11s 6d; secondary sorts, 9s 6d to 10s 3d; good oxen, 11s 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 welders, per lb., 9½d to 10d; middling, 8d to 8½d.

Durham Provision, Saturday.—Oats, 7s 3d to 8s 9d; barley, 8s 3d to 9s 0d; wheat, 11s to 11s 6d; beans, 11s 3d to 13s 6d; peas, 11s per boll. Beef, 9d to 12d; mutton, 9d to 11d; lamb, 1s; veal 10d to 11d; bacon, 5d to 7d; hams, 7½d to 8½d; pork, 9d to 10d per lb. Chickens, 1s 6d to 2s 6d; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 9d; hens 1s to 2s each; butter, 1s 6d to 1s 9d per lb.; eggs, 11 for 1s; gooseberries, 3d, and strawberries, 1s per quart; cherries, 4d to 6d per lb.; onions, 1s 6d per peck.

Durham Potato, Saturday.—Potatoes, 8d to 9d; new, 2s to 2s 4d per stone.

Newcastle Hay and Straw, Tuesday.—Old land hay, 160s to 210s; new land hay, 180s to 230s per ton; wheat straw, 2s 2d to 2s 7d per thrave

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Bowel Complaints, Diarrhœa.—When these diseases prevail immediate recourse should be made to this Ointment, which should be well rubbed two or three times a day upon the abdomen, and the intestinal irritation will gradually subside. All inflammation will be subdued and excessive action restrained. This treatment, assisted by judicious doses of Holloway's Pills, is applicable to all forms of diarrhœa and dysentery attended by heart sickness, griping, flatulence, and other distressing and dangerous symptoms. After rubbing in the Ointment a flannel binder should be worn, and the patient should be restricted to a farinaceous diet for a few days till the urgency of the disease has been diminished by the preserving employment of these remedies.

Opening of a New Organ at Consett.—On Thursday afternoon, the organ recently erected in the Wesleyan Chapel, at Consett, was publicly used for the first time. The instrument, which does great credit to the builders, Messrs. J. Nicholson and Son, of Newcastle, the celebrated organ-builders, contains two full manuals and pedal organ, the stops being as follows:—Great organ, CC to G, 56 notes; open diapason, 56; Rohr flote, 56; salcional, 56; and octave, 56; the flute harmonic and flageolet being provided for. The swell organ is from CC to G, 56; violin diapason, 56; lieblich gedact, 56; and gems horn, 56; with the oboe and bassoon prepared for. Pedal organ:—Bourdon, 30; two couplers and two composition pedals. During the afternoon the choir sang several anthems, &c., being accompanied by Mr. Nicholson, whose manipulation of the instrument elicited the warmest approbation. The tone throughout is exceedingly pure, full, and broad. The diapason is musical, and pleasant, the lieblich and salcional are very delicate, and the violin and diapason swells resemble closely the effects produced by stringed instruments. The full effect of the whole is exceedingly good, and the congregation is to be congratulated on the acquisition of an instrument, which is of much higher intrinsic value than the sum for which we understand it has been built. At the conclusion of the dedication services, the congregation and friends adjourned to the Schoolroom, contiguous to the Chapel, where a most excellent tea had been provided by the following ladies:—Mrs. William Waugh, Mrs. John Bell, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. T. Curry, Miss Pescod, and Mrs. Maxwell, who were ably assisted by Mrs. Jones, Miss Bell, and the Misses Maxwell. In the evening, the Rev. J. Bush, chairman of the district, preached a sermon to a large congregation.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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

BIRTHS.

Consett—At Shakespeare Street, on the 26th ult., the wife of Mr. J. Dawson, plumber, of a daughter.

Blackhill—At 15, Bessemer Street, on the 25th ult., the wife of Mr. R. Walton, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

Lanchester—At the Register Office, on the 28th ult., Richard Caborn to Sarah Carr, both of Blackhill.

Collierley—At St. Thomas's Church, on the 15th ult., by the Rev. Dr. Hurst, vicar, Robert, eldest son of Mr. John Scott, of Kye West House, to Ann, eldest daughter of Mr. William Porter, Annfield House.

Tanfield—At the Parish Church, on the 26th ult., by the Rev. J. Mathwin, Mr. Thomas Clement, to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Mr. Joseph Batson, both of Tantobie.

On the 27th ult., by the Rev. J. Mathwin, Matthew Johnson Pyle, eldest son of Francis Pyle, to Jane Bulmer, third daughter of Robert Bulmer, both of Tanfield Lea.

DEATHS.

Annfield Plain—On the 22nd ult., aged 73, John A. Bulmer.

Marley Hill—Died in peace on the 21st ult., aged 22, Frances Ann, daughter of Mr. Dixon Brabban, of California, and granddaughter of Mr. James and Mary Ann Brabban. 7077

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