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of the boys, and I have been enjoying the beautiful spring weather before we start, whilst they are getting ready for the coming year. The oldest, and perhaps father of a family, after he finishes his daily toil, mounts his iron steed, and makes his partner in life's struggle good night. I would send to me a few days ago. "There is nothing so good as riding a bicycle in a house, sooner than the bus, and I am getting a bicycle or a motor car, and I would rather see our young men with bicycles than leading a dog on a string. A young man wishing to make his mark in life, in any given season, must be prepared to leave his horse in the stable."

I was sorry to hear that a bicyclist came to grief on Sunday afternoon, in passing down the village. It is machine came in collision with the curb-stones, throwing him with great force, cutting his head.

During the past few months there has been a full and quiet season on the young flocks in entering the country, but the quiet was broken on Saturday morning by the noise of coaches and the rumbling of carriage wheels. A young man, building on Conssett's has wood and at last won the heart of a village maiden, who determined to bring things to a fine issue on Saturday morning, by taking a trip to Lancaster. The wedding party was held at the bride's home, many young people being present.

BEAMISH, PONT-AP, AND CONSETT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

An adjourned meeting of the Beamish, Pont-AP, and Conssett Agricultural Society was held on Saturday evening of the 20th inst. at the National Hall, for the purpose of organising the arrangements for the forthcoming season.

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poultry: Mr. Douglas, Newburg; Mrs. Cole-
 wren, Blayden, and Mrs. T. L. Blayden, Blayden,
 Carter, Hedgesville, and Mrs. J. Robinson,
 Blayden. The hens were placed in the
 better and egg classes. The meeting was
 terminated.

VICTORIA GARESFIELD.
 MEMORIAL SERVICE.—On Sunday evening, 8
 M. Johnson, of White-Le-Hand, preached a funeral
 discourse in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Victoria,
 in commemoration of the death of the late Mr. George
 Garesfield. The Rev. Mr. Johnson, in his address,
 read the following remarks on the life and character
 of the deceased gentleman: "The late Mr. George
 Garesfield was born on the 12th of December, 1812,
 at Thoresland, chap. 1v., 12 and 14 verses, and
 was educated at the same place. He was a
 member of the Primitive Methodist Society, and
 gave an interesting sketch of his life, and of his
 services to the cause of the Primitive Methodist
 Society. He was a member of the Primitive
 Methodist Society for 16 years, and had held several offices in
 connection with it. He died on the 10th of
 December, 1878, at the age of 66 years."

CORNWAY.
The Public Hall is yet to be wind. Many the local gentlemen of the neighborhood have taken special interest in the project. It is stated that they have procured the necessary material for the erection, and that Mr Hodgson has drawn the plan.

WOLSHINGHAM.
The funeral of the late Mrs Kaplan on Friday the 11th inst. was held at 10.30 a.m. at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. D. D. Kaplan, on Fife Street at Wolsingham churchyard. The proceeds were private.

WEARDALE.
SMASH AT PARSON BIER'S INCLINE, STANHOPE.—One day last week a heavy truck on the incline at Parson Bier's quarry, Stanhope, and the truck got amain down the bank, but were turned off at the safety switch by the bank-driver. The truck was damaged.

NEW BANNER FOR THE MINERS' UNION.—The members of the Waterhouse Miners' Union have purchased a new banner. They have been supplied with the necessary funds by the railway board. In addition to this sum the secretary gratefully acknowledges the receipt of donations of £1 from Mr. J. J. Jones, £1 from W. P. Paine, M.P., and £1 from Mr. David

FLOWERS SHOW.—The balance sheet of Waterhouse and Fish flower show is now issued to subscribers. The total amount of \$700,000 in cash, embraces balance in the bank from 1899, \$20,000; members' subscriptions, \$188,146 6d.; exhibition at gates, \$250 10s 1d.; entrance fees, \$1,000; and other receipts, \$1,000. Total, \$700,000. Balance carried forward, \$1,000. Paid in prizes, £200,146; working expenses, £132,116 4d.; balance in bank, £200,000; increase in cash over 1899 of £250,000. To the credit of the show, £1,000. Total, £1,000. The show made more money than it cost, £250,000 more in prize, making a total of £200,000. The stock and industrial departments receive the full share of the increased prize-money. The success of the show has been a great triumph for the society, attributed to the untiring efforts of the late president Mr. J. G. Crofton, Esq., and his wife, who have assisted by the secretary and a committee.

L.A.N.CHESTER.

ON PRIZES.—Mr. LANCHESTER.

We are the first stock, implements, &c., on the lot.

The "Astridge Cows Farm," victors of the late 1890's, was sold by G. Taylor-Smith, J.E. There was an estimate amongst the agricultural community, speculators, and others coming from far and near. Very satisfactory results were shown in the sale, showing the big demand for the goods there was sufficient money amongst those present to have purchased the whole of the Coleridge estate, Broadwood estate.

EDMONDIS.

We beg to call the attention of our readers to a new advertisement in another page of the visit of R. W. Wray, to Metropolis, on Sunday next, at 10 o'clock, at the Metropolitan Hotel, London. He is a very popular minister, who has been out of the country about 15 years, and it is now here on a visit to his friends. We would advise our readers not to miss this opportunity of hearing him lecture.

TANFIELD LEE

TOW LAW. The Presbyterians palpit, Tow Law, was occupying his Sunday by Rev A. Stirling, of York. He had been invited to compete at the Tow Law Commercial Hotel, Glasgow, yesterday afternoon, Greenfield Farm, situated near Tow Law, but the property was not sold. His wife, Mrs. Cathie Low, Tow Law, on Wednesday night, advertised for sale, one or two cottages, and some other small cottages for sale. One was sold to Mr. McPherson for £55. The remaining three did not meet the reserve bid.

LOCAL MAN IN AMERICA.—Mr J. Hill, who left Tow Law about five years ago, as "Bradlock, Esq., United States, died at that place on April 14th, aged 48 years, after an illness of six

days. He leaves a widow and large family.

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