The Consett Guardian

DERWENT VALLEY ADVERTISER,
AND NORTH-WEST DURHAM GAZETTE.

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OUR EYES AND OUR EARS.
DEAFNESS CURED. SIGHT RESTORED.
A NEW TREATMENT.
Without Operation, for Cataract and all Diseases of the Eye; Deafness in all its forms; Noises in the Head; Discharges from the Ears cured; Deafness from Influenza cured. Hundreds of letters in testimony of success. Write for testimonials and printed forms of inquiry, which will be sent free.—DR. IRON, Civilian and Aurist, 21, Great George Street, Leeds. At Leeds every Tuesday and Alternate Saturdays, March 11th and 25th. Hours 10 to 7.—Other days by appointment. Artificial Eyes, spectacles, etc.
NOTICE.—Mr Ison and Dr. Iron's Eye and Ear Dispensary, Ltd., Leeds) personally attends same hours as for last eleven years. Sunday: New Clarendon Hotel, Clayton Street, Newcastle, Wednesday, March 22nd; Hours, 11 to 4.30. Queen's Hotel, Stockton, Wednesday April 5th; Hours, 10.30 to 4.30. Three Tuns Hotel, Durham, Saturday, March 18th; Hours, 11 to 6.30.

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STOREY'S GREEN OIL
Absolutely the best Embrocation. Cures Sciatica, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sprains, Stiffness, Swellings, &c. Gives relief after the first application.
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To be had from all Chemists or direct from the Manufacturer—
ALPHEUS MAIN,
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Price, 1s.-1s.6d. and 2s. 6d. per bottle; post free, securely packed, 1s. 6d. and 3s. 6d. 7717

Money.

MORTGAGES from £100 to £20,000 can be obtained at a reasonable rate of interest.—For particulars apply J. O. GARDNER & Co., Accountants, 48, Park Road, Consett. 9034

MR. A. WOLFE, 20, WEST SUNNISIDE, SUNDERLAND, IS PREPARED TO ADVANCE FROM £10 to £20,000 ON PROMISSORY NOTE TO ALL PROFESSIONS, FARMERS, AND OTHERS, STRICTEST PRIVACY GUARANTEED. LOW INTEREST, REPAYMENT TO SUIT BORROWERS CONVENIENCE. NO CAPITAL OR SECURITY LONG AS THE INTEREST IS PAID. NO FEES. DISTANCE NO OBJECT. MORTGAGES PURCHASED. ENDOWMENT AND LIFE POLICIES PURCHASED. Telegrams—Safe Advance, Sun. Telephone 364.

Contracts.

SOUTH BENTLEY BRICK AND TILE WORKS, BENTLEY.
ESTABLISHED 1865.
J. F. SWINBURNE AND SONS, Manufacturers of Best Hard Wire-cut Stocks and Pressed Bricks, Red Paving Bricks, Wall Coping, Red Quarries, Fire Bricks, Fire Clay, Chimney Pots, Air Gratings, Tiles for Carriage Drives, and everything in the trade.
Terms for Cash Delivered by our own Railway Station. 9016

PERSONS WANTED for the ERECTION of 12 HOUSES, or more, at Chopwell for Messrs Dowson and Mansell. Also, DWELLING HOUSE, Coach-house, Stables, &c., for Mr Nixon, at Blackhall Mill.
Plans and Specifications may be seen at the Office of the Council Stables, Leazing, Shotley Bridge, from March 15th until 24th, and Tenders delivered to me not later than 6th. H. JOHNSON, Architect and Surveyor, Ashmount, Shotley Bridge. 9005

LANCHESTER UNION.
THE GUARDIANS OF THE POOR of the Lanchester Union invite TENDERS for the supply of Groceries, Butter, Meat, Coal, Coffee, Draperies, Clothing, &c., for the ensuing half-year.
Also, for CARTAGE of Limestone from the Station to the Workhouse.
Forms of Tenders, specifying the quantities of the various articles required, may be had on application to the undersigned, to whom sealed Tenders must be delivered not later than 12 o'clock before the 22nd day of March, together with samples so far as practicable.
The Guardians do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.
W. H. RITSON,
Lanchester, Durham. Clerk to Guardians.

TANFIELD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL invite TENDERS for the Procuring and Laying about 500 yards of 9-inch Stoneware SANITARY PIPES, together with Manholes, Gullies, and other Connections complete.
Plans and Specifications may be seen and quantities and other particulars obtained, on application to Mr Joseph Routledge, Surveyor, at the Offices of the Council, Stanley, between the hours of 9 a.m. at 1 p.m. on the 17th, 20th, and 24th instant.
Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Sewers," to be delivered to the undersigned, not later than noon on Tuesday, the 28th instant. Approved Sureties will be required for the fulfilment of the Contract.
The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.—By order,
JOHN GEO. RIDLEY, Clerk.
Stanley, March 9th, 1899. 9045

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LANCHESTER.
TENDERS are invited for the supply of LIMESTONE WHINSTONE, and SLAG, during the year ending March 31st, 1900; and, also, CARTAGE of the same.
Forms of Tender may be had from Mr. W. W. Cumming, Surveyor's Office, Lanchester.
Tenders endorsed "Tender for Road Material" to be delivered to the undersigned, not later than March 20th.
The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.
WM. HENRY RITSON,
Lanchester, Clerk.
18th March, 1899. 9044

NEW WESLEYAN METHODIST CHAPEL, DERWENT COTTAGES, near Consett.
TO CONTRACTORS.
TO LET, the several WORKS required to be done in the Erection and Completion of the above Church.
Drawings, Specifications, and Quantities at the Office of Mr. W. Hedley Swan, Architect, Durham Road, Blackhill.
Tenders sent in, sealed and endorsed New Wesleyan Methodist Church, Derwent Cottages, to the Rev. Thomas Hutchinson, Minister, Newburn Terrace, Consett, on or before Monday, the 27th March, 1899.
No pledge is given to accept the lowest or any Tender.
GEO. THOS. WILSON, Architect.
March 13th, 1899. 9051

CHESTER-LE-STREET UNION.
CONTRACT FOR PROVISIONS, CLOTHING, &c.
THE GUARDIANS of the Poor of this Union are desirous of receiving TENDERS for the supply, from 30th day of March instant to the 4th day of October next, both days inclusive, of the undermentioned articles, viz.:—Best Superfine Flour and Wheatmeal, Butter, Meat (to consist of rounds and thick flanks of the best Ox or Bull Beef), Sugar, Tea, Soap, Candles, Cheese, Salt, Lard, Oatmeal, Barley, Oil, Treacle (not less than 20% in proportion), and Oil Heads (not less than 25% in each); Groceries, Now Milk for 12 months from March 30th, 1899, to March 30th, 1900, both inclusive, to be delivered not later than 9 o'clock a.m. on the days of the week named in the summonshall year, and in the winter not later than 11 o'clock a.m. Also, Coals and Coke per ton with haulage; Cartage for the Chelmsley Orphanage; Cartage of Limestone from the Station as per contract form.
Each contractor will be required to enter into a bond, with two sureties, for the due performance of the contract.
Forms of Tender, containing further particulars and estimates of the probable requirements, may be had on application to the Relieving Officer, or to the Master of the Workhouse. An invoice must accompany the delivery of each article, and no payment will be made for articles delivered to the Workhouse unless delivered to and not later than 10 a.m. on Monday, the 13th March instant. No name, mark, or device to be added to any parcel or ticket other than the price of each article.
The name of each person tendering must be stated in a sealed envelope addressed to the undersigned. All samples to be wrapped in brown paper, sealed, and addressed to the Clerk to be supplied, as required, by the contractor signed. The Guardians do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender or Sample.
ROBERT DICKINSON, Clerk to the Guardians.—Board Room, Chester-le-Street, March 7th, 1899. 9050

RACHO SALE.
Largest Productions. Best and most reliable Manure.
THOMAS PERSHOUSE, Sole Agent for Consett and District, begs to announce that he has Agents in all Principal Markets. Newcastle, Langdale Bros. Parent Thomas Pershouse must NOT be confounded with

BEST SCREENED COALS delivered in Consett and Annfield Plain at 9s. per load Shovel, at 8s. 6d. per Load. Orders left at Mr. Emerson's, the Time Gun, Shotley Bridge, or with Mr. Oliver, or Mr. G. Nicholson, Cemetery, Dipton.

CYCLES! CYCLES!!—Single Machines at wholesale prices. The very best Machines for £10 10s. is CLEMINSON'S Roadboy. You cannot have better than the best. Also other supplies in his district the celebrated Rudge-Whitworth for £12 12s.; also the popular Psycho for £10 10s., and is sole agent for Swifts. Second-hand Machines from £3 upwards. Write for lists. About 100 second-hand Machines, prices from 30s.—CLEMINSON, Bishop Auckland and Shotley Bridge. 9053

FOR SALE, by Private Treaty, a DWELLING-HOUSE, situate in North-View Terrace, Medomsley, containing Five Rooms and Scullery, self-contained Yard, with the usual out Offices. This House is quite new and built in 1898, pleasantly situated, let at £16 a year; tenant paying the rates. Private Drain and Privies of the very best description. Given up till Friday, March 17th, 1899.—Apply to Mr. Thomas Hedley, Builder, Medomsley, or New Front, Medomsley. 9048

TO BE SOLD privately, FIVE OLD STONE PROPERTIES, Dipton, consisting of Shops and Dwelling-Houses, with Gardens and Outbuildings, Nos. 27 & 27, Dudley House and Shop with large Warehouse, occupied by Mr J. G. Taylor; Large Shop and Dwelling-House, with eight tenanted premises; Two-roomed Cottage behind occupied by Mr T. Parkhill; Two-stalled Stable, with Hay Loft above; also, Piece of Ground at the rear, with Garden and Hall.—For particulars apply J. RIDDLE, Dipton, or DAVID WILLIAMS, Lilly Gardens, Dipton. 9050

Wanted.

GROCERY.—WANTED, an experienced Assistant, must be a good Canvasser.—Bowes and Co., West Stanley. 9034

WANTED, WATCHES, CLOCKS, and JEWELLERY to repair at reasonable prices. All jobs warranted for one year.—W. YATES, 102, Derwent Street, Consett.

WANTED, every body to send their Boot Repairing to CHAS. ARMSTRONG Slipper, and Clog Maker and Leather Dresser, Stanley. 9049

WANTED, the Public to Contract and District to know the BOMBAY CURRY POWDER, sold by Grocers, Oilmen, &c., at 1s. per lb., with SPLENDID TEA and PRESENTS.—R. BLAND, 102, Derwent Street, Consett. Call and see the Presents, and give us a try. 902

WANTED, for the Medomsley Branch of the above Society, a YOUNG WOMAN to Assist in the Drapery Department, must not be under 18 years of age, and have had some experience.—Apply, for the Langley Park Branch, a YOUNG MAN to Assist in the Warehouse and Grocery Shop, must not be under 17 years of age, wage 18s per week; comfortable home provided.—Apply to the Committee, Annfield Plain, or Mr. Mark Bell, Langley Park Co-operative Society. 9005

WANTED, the Public to know that HENRY HANSOM has NOW OPENED the Shop lately occupied by Mrs Ayton, Butcher, with a choice selection of Dairy Produce, Dairying of every description. Will pay strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage.—Hansom Place, Nos. 14, 15, Shadrapenne Street, Consett. 9041

LANCHESTER UNION.
PUBLIC VACCINATOR.
APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointment of PUBLIC VACCINATOR in the undermentioned Parishes of the above Union, viz.:—Burnhope, Cornsay, Esh, Green Hammerton (within), Hedleyhope, Ireston, Lanchester, Langley, Satley, South Cornsay and South Moor.
The remuneration will be the minimum fee prescribed by the Vaccination Order of the Local Government Board.
Applications should be sent to the undersigned before March 22nd.
W. H. RITSON,
Lanchester, Durham. Clerk to Guardians.

LANCHESTER UNION.
VACCINATION OFFICER.
THE GUARDIANS of the above Union are desirous of receiving applications for the appointment of VACCINATION OFFICER for the Lanchester Sub-District, comprising the Parishes of Benfieldside, Consett, Cornsay, Craghead, Esh, Green Hammerton, Greencroft, Muggleswick, Satley, South Cornsay, and South Moor.
The remuneration will be the minimum fee prescribed by the Order of the Local Government Board, dated 14th October, 1898.
Candidates must be capable of keeping with accuracy and neatness the several Books, Forms, &c., prescribed by the Local Government Board.—Applications, stating age, present employment, &c., accompanied by copies of not more than three testimonials should be sent to me before Wednesday, March 22nd.
Personal canvassing will be deemed a disqualification.
W. H. RITSON,
Lanchester, Durham. Clerk.

To Let.

TO LET, at Blackhall Mill, WOOD SHOP, been used as a Potato Chip Shop; good stand.—Apply, R. Alderson, on the premises. 9042

TO LET, a First-class Three Stalled STABLE, in Derwent Street, Consett, with good Loft above.—Apply; Mr J. Moncaster, the Consett Arms. 9043

GARDEN TO LET, with Vinery, two Cold Greenhouses, situated in Church Bank, Shotley Bridge, with immediate possession. For particulars apply to Mrs Appleton, Thornfree Farm, Muggleswick Grange, R.S.O. 9045

TO LET, HOUSE, COTTAGE, Hay Loft, House, Stable, Coach House, Garden, and piece of Land.—Apply to Wm. Wilkinson, Annfield House, North Bondgate, Bishop Auckland. 9045

TENTS TO LET on Reasonable Terms for Sunday Schools, Sales of Work, Tables and Bar Fittings kept on hand. All orders punctually attended to. Carting done if required by G. HUNTER, Medomsley.

For Sale.

FOR SALE a Litter of PIGS.—Apply, Thos. Bell, Margery Flats, Lanchester.

FOR SALE, a good Bacon PIG.—Apply, Mrs H. Richardson, Caldcoats Cottages, Castleside. 9043

FOR SALE, a large STOCK of UNREDEEMED PLEDGES, Selling off at HALF PRICE. Pawnbroker, Front Street, Tanfield. 9044

FOR SALE, Silver WYANDOTTE COCKERELS (some first Prize Winners), cheap. Also Ducks.—Apply, W. Hall, Pelton Fell, Lanchester. 9046

IMPORTANT. Every Householder can purchase a Sewing Machine Direct. Improved system of purchase for Ready Money. Illustrated prospectus free.—Apply, Secretary, Singer Manufacturing Co., 39, Nelson Street, Gateshead. 9047

FOR SALE or TO LET, a new detached COTTAGE, containing Five Rooms, Wash-house, and usual conveniences, being No. 1, Park Parade, Consett.—Apply at the above address.

TO FARMERS.
SULPHATE OF AMMONIA can be supplied at the Gas Works, Shotley Bridge, price 10/6 per ton.—M. Richardson, Gasworks Office, Shotley Bridge. 9048

FOR SALE, 30 BUILDING SITES at the rear of Derwent Street, Consett.—Price and full particulars can be had by applying to Mr. Wm. Pearson, Co-operative Society, Annfield Plain. 9050

IMPORTANT TO BUILDERS and others.—Preliminary announcement. Will shortly be SOLD, at the Consett Iron Works, LOT 1, known as Rocken's Ground, near the Railway Station, Consett. 9045

FOR SALE, Gentleman's BICYCLE, Woodgate detachable non-slipping tyres, tangent spokes, main, "The Champion", 21/2 lbs when new, all accessories complete, in splendid condition, good bargain, owner giving up cycling; price £6 15s.—Apply, 1, Sargent Terrace, Consett. 9045

Business Announcements.

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Our DRAPERY DEPARTMENT, which is well stocked and carefully selected, includes SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, FANCY BLOUSES, SHAWLS, FLANNELETTES, CRAVATS, SCARVES, SHAWLS, GLOVES, TIES, FRONTS, &c, suitable for the Season.
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Their Drapery, Millinery, and Clothing Stocks are second to none in the District. 9780

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FOR SALE, Two HOUSES, in Belle Vue Terrace, Price £80 each. Four HOUSES in Bertram Street, Price £80 each. Two HOUSES, Building Sites (Corner of Bertram Street), the central Business Premises, Consett, with its per yard—For further particulars or purchase, apply R. HEDLEY, Auctioneer, Valuer, and Estate Agent, Consett. 9049

A WELL-KNOWN FACT. TURNER, Cycle Agent, Consett, has the best Agencies for CYCLES: Psycho, "Omnium," "Rudge," "Hobart," "Referee," "Palmer," "Humber," "Swift," "Premier," "Singer," &c., from £5 to £20 5s. Call and inspect before purchasing elsewhere. Second-hand Machines from £2 upwards. Large and varied assortment of Accessories.—W. E. TURNER, Cycle Agent, Front Street, Consett. 9049

FOR SALE, a full sized horizontal Concert Grand PIANO, in Rosewood Case; very strong patent repetition action, Oppelo Head Frame, 72 octaves, Check and Soft Action improvements. In capital condition and order. Cost 80 guineas. Will be sold cheap.—Apply, Steinway Near York.—Can be seen any time during business hours at 70 on Monday night.—Apply, Secretary, Consett. 9049

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All employees at this Office are debarred from taking part in the competition.

The prize money will be paid to the winners on the Monday after the announcement of the result.

If any other question should arise which is not covered by the above rules, the decision of "Off-side," the football editor, will be final.

	Goals
Consett Swifts	Stanley .....
Ledgside Park	Middlesbrough .....
Byer Moor	Park Reserve .....
Tantobie	Shotley Bridge .....

Name .....

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MATCHES.

ANFIELD PLAIN CELTIC RESERVE beat WHICKHAM on Saturday by five goals to one.

DURHAM ROVERS v. BURNOPFIELD UNITED.—Played at the Lists, and ended in a draw of one goal each.

MIDDLESBRO' WORTH STARS v. HAMSTERLEY WANDERERS.—Played at Middlesbro', and ended unfavorably, and ended in a win for the home team by two goals to one.

LIBERTY WORKS v. HAMSTERLEY WANDERERS.—These teams met at the Lists on Saturday weather. The Lists won the toss, and W. Lowes set the ball in motion for the Hobson, and not long after the start T. Simpson made a good run and scored for the Hobson. The Lists rousted the Lists, and Hemble soon made the scores level. Soon after the same the Lists had the Lists ahead, and half-time arrived with the scores standing as above. In the second half the Lists visitors played more determinedly in the second period, and Tweddell scored twice from runs by G. Hewitt, and when time was called the scores read—Lists, four goals; Hobson, one goal. Rovers' team—Goal, Hazratlie; backs, Penworth and Brodie; half-backs, Tweddell, Sutton and Hemble; forwards, Brown, Ellis, Pace, Kennedy, and W. Nevin.

TYNESIDE LEAGUE.

ANFIELD PLAIN CELTIC v. ALLEN VALE PARK.

These teams met on the ground of the former on Saturday, and a large number of the enquiries as to the cause. The ground was in a very soft condition, but a strong wind was blowing down the field, which materially spoiled the game. When the whistle sounded the teams faced each other as under:—

Anfield Plain—Goal, S. Forster; backs, J. Mulcahoy and A. Moore; half-backs, T. Doyle, T. Rowell, and P. Ball; forwards, J. Coyle, H. Forster, Hewson, Mulcahoy, and Daly.

Allen Vale Park—Goal, A. Park; backs, J. Wallace and T. Walker; half-backs, W. Hunter, T. Walton and J. Brannen; forwards, J. Robinson, J. Grant, T. Trueman, T. Brown.

Referee Mr Pinder, Newcastle.

The spin of the coin resulted in favour of the home team, who decided to kick down the incline with the wind in their favour. After a few exchanges in mid-field the home men got away in a body and invaded their opponents' goal, but the ball was sent back to their lot. The war was well placed, and when on a prominent position J. Coyle got his leg over it, and the ball was sent past the Park managed to reach the centre line, where it was met by the defence and sent to Celtic. Moore was entrusted with the kick, blasting merely in front of the goal. The Park threw away in fine style. The Plain men were soon down on the home goal, and the scores were equalised. The scores were 1 each when Brannen got hold from the throw-in and dribbled down in his own wards' who rushed away in a body, but Celtic were soon back again, and Forster put the ball over the defence, but it was sent back to be returned by T. Walker, and another fruitless attack was made by the Celtic men. Gillmeder getting hold from the goal kick was again sent to Forster, who put the ball in, but could not penetrate the defence. The Park forwards now made a rush down the field, which ended in Trueman scoring from the first good few visits. Celtic now centre but the Celts got away, but the Park defence was too strong for the visitors to waken up. A bit of scrimmage then equalised. Both teams were now doing their utmost to get a goal to secure victory, as play was awarded to the nearness of Jof. Coyle from a free kick.

Anfield Plain Celtic ..... One goal
Allendale Park ..... One goal

DERWENT VALLEY LEAGUE.

BYER MOOR v. SHOTLEY BRIDGE ROVERS.

At Byer Moor on Saturday, the above teams met in a League match, and a good game. The home team lacked the service of Bee, Scott and Hardy, but in their stead Mr. Hodgson captained the Moorites, and with his men he was able to put a very strong team in the field in his favour. Morris started for the Rovers, and from the kick-off the Rovers were all over the home goal, and all attempts at good play were frustrated by the Moor men, who were in fine form. The Welsh had one disallowed for off-side, while Brown and Ellis were somewhat unlucky in their shots, and Scott (the Shotley goalkeeper) was kept busy engaged, and saved in splendid fashion on several occasions. Spoor, Hodgson, and Dixon were somewhat off their game, but which went through the line, making the score 1 to 0 in favour of the Moor men. Soon after the restart Hodgson put in a fine centre, the leading over the bar, Leighton Brown, and Dixon were unlucky with their shots, Dixon's rebounding from the upright. Continuing to press the home team and through other attacks, but the Rovers were disallowed, and at half-time the scores were:—

Byer Moor ..... Two goals
Shotley Bridge ..... Nil

With only two goals against them the Rovers were confident of success, and the Moor men were also in the same mood, as they had been beat themselves out in the first half, being of opinion that "A bird in the hand was worth two in the bush," and so admirably did they manage to keep their goal intact that the Rovers were unable to register, and when Mr Dyer mooted his final note the result was:—

Byer Moor ..... Two goals
Shotley Bridge ..... Nil

DURHAM AMATEUR CUP.

FOURTH ROUND.

CONSETT SWIFTS v. LEADGATE PARK RESERVE.

These teams met on the Vicarage Field at Consett before a very large attendance. The ground was in capital condition, but a strong wind greatly interfered with the play.

Consett Swifts—Goal, T. Coleman; backs, Jas. Finnigan and E. Charlton; half-backs, J. Rafferty, W. Harrison, and H. Wake; forwards, R. Rafferty, J. Little, Jas. Finnigan, P. Smith, and J. Dempsey.

Leadgate Park—Goal, J. Calvert; backs, W. Walton and A. Aitkin; half-backs, D. Carr, and G. Temple; and D. Dawson, forwards, W. Teasdale, C. Walton, W. Crowther, T. Cook, and J. Bird.

Referee, Mr. J. Mitchinson, Gateshead.

The Park started with the wind and sun against them, and Dempsey pressed, but C. Walton saved with a good clear. Rafferty placed in, but Aitkin saved, and Dempsey was again dangerous. Crowther was declared off-side on getting the pass in. Rafferty and Little ran up, a corner resulting, Carr cleared, and Dempsey had a run. Then Crowther got off and shot in, Joe Finnigan saving. Temple headed back, and the ball went out. The Swifts attacked and forced a corner, which came to nothing. However, the home men came again, and Little pulled Dawson down in front of his own goal. Consett again pressed, Calvert saving from Little. Dempsey ran down and shot, but Jos. Finnigan, Carr and C. Walton got away, the latter putting in a good shot which Coleman cleared. Getting the pass in C. Walton got away grandly, and the latter had a good shot, which Coleman fisted. After a run to the home end the Swifts came away with H. Rafferty in front with a long shot. Wake put over the bar sans sitter, and then Crowther got away on the left, centring to Cartmel returning. Dempsey had a run and shot, Coleman saving. Then Jos. Finnigan effected a great save, but was fouled by Charlton, the free kick to the Swifts close in looked dangerous, but Carr got the ball away. Soon over. Cook and Birtler had a run, Charlton returning, and Dempsey had a shot, which Calvert saved. Smith had a shot, but Wake, the latter putting in a good shot which Calvert cleared. Getting the pass in C. Walton got away grandly, and the latter had a good shot, but Coleman saved. There was a run to the home and the Swifts came away. Little and H. Rafferty had a long shot, Wake put over the bar sans sitter, and then Crowther got away on the left, centring to Cartmel returning. Dempsey had a run and shot, Coleman saving. Then Jos. Finnigan effected a great save, but was fouled by Charlton, the free kick to the Swifts close in looked dangerous, but Carr got the ball away. Soon over. Cook and Birtler had a run, Charlton returning, and Dempsey had a shot, which Calvert saved. Smith had a shot, but Wake, the latter putting in a good shot which Calvert cleared. Getting the pass in C. Walton got away grandly, and the latter had a good shot, but Coleman saved. There was a run to the home and the Swifts came away with H. Rafferty in front with a long shot.

STOCK AUCTION MARTS.

...There were forward at this ...day a fair good show of stock... fat cattle, 6 bull stirks, 12 ...ws, 4 calves, etc. The catage of ...rts was int. A large company ...and there was a fair trade with a ...e. Although sheep were nearly ...many than last week it was a very ...od trade throughout. Mr. Jos. ...Messrs Dixon, 213 Bolden, 47; ...n cast to 414 lbs.; Mr W. Dodds, ...ld cattle, 4 cwts. 418 lb 66 to 67s; ...Mr R. Anderson, 419 lb 64 to 67s; ...large Bolam to 415 lbs.; crosses, 25 ...bull stirks to 49; gold heifers to ...to 413 lbs. Sheep: Haggs to the ...the Chartaw Colliery Company, ...to each. Lodge of grass parks, ...0 per acre Poultons, 32/6d per ...the pair Tobias, 31s and 32 6 ...

...Mr Vickers had forward on ...ory cows and heifers, 17 fat cattle, ...sheep and haggs. Fat cattle sold ...2s 6d; fat cattle to 415 lbs. Mr ...ells Hall, Harperley, 418, from Mr ...Lanchester, Woodlands, Oakenshaw ...haggs to 45s, from Mr T. Nesbitt, ...from Mr J. Thompson, Edge. ...ks were an exceptionally good ...a better demand prevailed, and ...ed low. For fat cattle and sheep, ...was a large attendance of buyers ...from all parts, in fact one of the ...ed markets of the season. Trade for ...ckets is quite so good as at last sale, but ...ices were effected, especially for ...latter end of the sale, as buyers ...ared at the earlier part. In the ...fat cattle a keen demand was ...d South buyers took the principal ...ot at 5½d, especially to Derby and ...Fat cows were also in request, ...and spirited bidding, and realised ...ices. Calves were in short supply, ...ow. Sheep: Prime wethers realised ...to 42s 6d, for a very grand cow ...Hopgill, Hexhead. Fat sheep, ...ton, Mr Thos. Young, Broomgyle, ...was a large attendance of buyers ...day; fat ewes, 45s 6d, top, the Earl ...Cattle: Bullocks to 42s Cwt. ...Mr. Young, Broomgyle; heifers ...Mr. Wm. Hall, Hedley Hall, Leadgate; fat bulls to 42s 6d, top, ...Mr. Wm. Taylor, Low Friarhead; fat bulls to 42s 6d, top, ...Mr. Joseph Knaggs, Low Urpeth. ...Sheep: Fat ewes, 45s; bullock, 41/6 ...Mr. Wm. Hall, Hedley Hall, Leadgate; fat bulls to 42s 6d, top, ...Mr. Joseph Knaggs, Low Urpeth. ...Sheep: Fat ewes, 45s; bullock, 41/6 ...Mr. Wm. Hall, Hedley Hall, Leadgate; fat bulls to 42s 6d, top, ...Mr. Joseph Knaggs, Low Urpeth. ...Sheep: Fat ewes, 45s; bullock, 41/6 ...Mr. Wm. Hall, Hedley Hall, Leadgate; fat bulls to 42s 6d, top, ...Mr. Joseph Knaggs, Low Urpeth.

ILL-USAGE TO A FIT PONY

VICTORIA GARESFIELD.

...LTY "HOUSED THE WHOLE ...NEIGHBOURHOOD.

...ttended County Police Court, on ...Charles Hammond and John ...who resides at Victoria Garesfield, ...d in the dock charged with ill-...pony.—Mr. H. Ord appeared ...d Mr. Hammond, whilst Mr. J. J. ...appeared for the defendants. ...ceived on behalf of the R.S.P.C.A. ...Mr. Robinson, of Ryton, about ...ing on Wednesday the 15th ...he saw the two defendants ...outside the stables at Victoria ...illery. The pony was harnessed ...h, and one was used for riding. ...Hammond with a whip in his ...not see it used. Witness ...either of the defendants use ...Hammond afterwards went to ...head, and Robinson commenced ...ide the pony round the yard. ...ide was thrashed with the ...the pick broke. Witness also ...e strike the pony with another ...he pushed into the animal's ...that it would make the ...se saw blood upon the animal. ...Robinson had the stick down ...ad an iron bar, and said that ...ing to go this time. ...afterwards thrashed the pony ...ide with the iron bar, and ...in the side with the same, ...subsequently fell down, and with ...blood issuing from the animal's ...Hammond continued for about ...and was released by several ...

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...and there was no case against his ...ant, as a matter of ...in the discharge of his duty. ...ld not considered it necessary ...that he had ill-treated the ...towards the end of the journey ...ad been discharged, whilst his ...ad been driving. ...on, on behalf of Robinson, said ...done his job, but would ...work. The animal was there- ...ank to Mr. Robinson. ...Bench that the pony would ...ing that Robinson had ...that force was necessary. At ...ime the animal was not ...ck to discharge its cleaning ...ts magisterial duty, ...although he had not been ...to the pony, he considered that he was as much ...ch as Hammond. The ...efore he would be dismissed ...ay, and he guilty of ...before he would be discharged ...ld be fined £1 and costs, or in ...ail penalty, viz., 40 days' hard ...The defendants was fortunate ...to get off so lightly.

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PROPOSED NEW INFECTIOUS HOSPITAL

SUCCESS OF MR. GEO. THOS. WILSON OF BLACKHILL.

On Thursday of last week, a special meeting of the Rural District Council Joint Hospital Board was held in the Board Room of the Union Buildings, Lanchester, under the presidency of Coun. J. Moss (vice-chairman). The other members present were Mr. Peter Watson, Mr. Fairles, Messrs James Oliver, J. R. Elston, P. Pattinson, R. Storey, W. Taylor, Geo. Thos. Bulmer, J. W. Winter, Geo. D. Powell, J. Gibson, W. Young, Jas. Wood, Jas. W. Grey, and the Clerk (Mr. W. Hutton).

The business was the consideration of the plans and specification of a new hospital proposed to be erected by the Board, at a cost of £8,000. The architects, Messrs. Wilson & Blackhill, Mr. J. W. Rosedale, C.E., Consett, Mr. T. E. Robinson, Mr. Jas. Wilson, Mr. J. E. Parker, Newcastle, and Mr. W. Alfred Beadle, Newcastle.

The plans from each of the architects were placed before the meeting, and carefully considered. The plans were all of a splendid character, but those submitted by Mr. Wilson were such that they could not really be beaten, and the Board had no hesitation in unanimously accepting the members for the plans to be laid taken in the Board Room. The plan of the ground floor of the building was one that at once commended itself to the designer thoroughly free from pretension, and spoke volumes for Mr. Wilson as an architect. After the plans had been gone through, the members were not slow in intimating that they considered the plan of Mr. Wilson sent in were those submitted by Mr. Wilson.

Father Bertin said that Mr. Wilson had the architect for the whole district, and he had been engaged in the building of the old one. This was seconded by Mr. Elston.

Mr. Oliver seconded the motion.

A vote was taken, which resulted in 13 votes for Mr. Wilson's plans and two for Mr. Blackhill's.

The plans sent in by the other architects were placed in the hands of Mr. Rosedale, and from any one an official could communicate with Mr. Wilson, the successful architect.

Mr. Bendin, J.P., Mr. Davidson, Mr. Thos. Bulmer, Mr. Davidson, £2, £2.

It was intimated that Mr. Wilson was the only one of the architects who was according to the conditions of the competition, and he was loudly applauded.

The Chairman said it gave him great pleasure to have to inform that he had been unanimously elected by the Board to carry out the execution of the plans that he had sent in, and he only hoped that the building when completed would be a credit to the district. Mr. Wilson thanked the members for the honour they had conferred upon him, and he only hoped that he might prove satisfaction.

The Chairman said he was requested to ask Mr. Wilson if he would allow the plan to be kept in the Board Room. It was agreed to keep them in the Board Room. It was a splendid piece of work, and the members could not but admire it when allow it to grace the wall of the Boardroom.

Mr. Wilson said he was very pleased to hand over the plan to the Board.

Mr. Oliver proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Wilson for his gift.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Slosan, and carried by acclamation.

Mr. Wilson intimated that he would get on with the work at once.

The following is a description on the design, which was handed to each member:—

"The building is divided into a series of detached blocks, connected by corridors, the number of inmates, and staff have been considered, and the number of rooms in the various blocks determined. The general arrangements of the ground floor plan have been settled partly by the existing buildings now under the control of the Joint Board, and where possible I have utilised them and shown new ideas and improvements where I have been suggested by the Board, or through experience and opinions of the author, or by knowledge gained in practically working out the details of similar buildings. And from this I find that the following conditions are imperative:—Perfect isolation, perfect ventilation, and the possibility of perfect hospital hygiene. Assuming that the wards are 14 ft. 6in. wide, they are arranged to be connected by means of a corridor, it is found that the width of the wards in connection with the latter should be reduced to a minimum. This is done by means of a small recess in the corridor, in connection with the hospital proper. For the sake of economy, the corridor is made 5 ft. wide, but to complete the service where the wards are connected, a much wider corridor is required, and this is placed in the "Pavilion" system of hospitals, and is essential to the "Block" system. It is found that the wards are rectangular buildings, projecting out from the side of the main corridor. The space between the pavilion wards is 60 ft. wide, and this is found to be the best for building, and the long axis of the wards running north and south, so that the sun has access to them with the same, subsequently full down, and with blind casings the ventilation is unimpeded. Lift-wages continued for about and are arranged for 2 beds each.

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...and there was no case against his ...ant, as a matter of ...in the discharge of his duty. ...ld not considered it necessary ...that he had ill-treated the ...towards the end of the journey ...ad been discharged, whilst his ...ad been driving. ...on, on behalf of Robinson, said ...done his job, but would ...work. The animal was there- ...ank to Mr. Robinson. ...Bench that the pony would ...ing that Robinson had ...that force was necessary. At ...ime the animal was not ...ck to discharge its cleaning ...ts magisterial duty, ...although he had not been ...to the pony, he considered that he was as much ...ch as Hammond. The ...efore he would be dismissed ...ay, and he guilty of ...before he would be discharged ...ld be fined £1 and costs, or in ...ail penalty, viz., 40 days' hard ...The defendants was fortunate ...to get off so lightly.

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...The floors are of wood, and are ...Attached to the pavilion at the south ...ends are the nurses' rooms, and the ...baths can be wheeled for "sun" baths, ...ing protected from the wind. Separated ...and from any one an official could communi-...with Mr. Wilson, the successful architect.

...hospital. In the drainage scheme, the main ...ipe is 6-inch stoneware, laid with ...ly-tar (Bordex's patent) the ...bottoms and sides of the trenches, and ...ed with the same material. The ...pipes are laid on concrete, and ...pointed type laid on and covered with ...ment, and the whole surrounded with ...separate length for efficient ventila-...The sewage will be treated in septic ...tanks. In a convenient position to the main ...and for only those using the hospital, ...would enter at one end and pass through ...ies of tanks, and emerge purified at the ...end of the many rooms. This block will be ...fitted up with the latest improvements ...ing, &c. The laundry block is also proximate ...the laundry is the disinfecting ...with a hearse room.

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TANFIELD COUNCIL ELECTION.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING AT LINTZ GREEN.

On Wednesday evening of last week, a meeting was held in the Co-operative Rooms, Lintz Green, to consider the best interests of the ward, and to select a suitable person to be put in a fair representation. The room was crowded to excess, and the chair was taken by one of the two working-men's candidates. Messrs. W. Hall and Thos. Hall, the two Labour men, were nominated by the workmen of the Lintz Green district, unanimously. Both were addressed by Mr. R. Garbutt, of the Low Farm, Lintz Green.

Mr. W. Strother, of Lintz Green, moved in a most enthusiastic welcome, said it afforded him great pleasure to see such a large and many present and he trusted that their enthusiasm would be the first step to a triumph to a seat on the Council. (Applause) The present was a very important time, and the ratepayers should see that their interests were safely guarded. They could not allow things to drift as they had done in the past. They must have men who could themselves the Progressive Party. (Applause.) The Council had been one large area, and although their wards had been left out in the cold, and their interests against nine on the south side. They must have a change, and he considered it a great extent, for the new Council would be elected for three years, and not for two years, as at present, and not for the south ward. What they wanted was men who would look after the interests of the ward, and who were fairly represented. (Applause). They essential interests of the Tanfield ward. The immediate locality on the Council, to whom questions of drainage and the water supply, and on that account he sought their hearty support. (Applause.) He was sure they hoped that if they thought him a fit and proper person to represent them, they would give him their support. (Applause.)

Mr. R. Lowes next addressed the meeting. He said that the two men who had been selected before them had been unanimously elected as a small force for keeping food, coal, and other matters of the parish, to bring forward the claims of the ward, and to look after the interests of the ratepayers of their confidence. (Applause.) It was not necessary for him to say much, as he trusted to prove that they had a knowledge of the requirements of the district, and were not in their long residence in their midst which he would do. (Applause.) He was sorry he was a progressive as any other candidate. He was not going to make any large promises as to what he would do. He would only say that Council would at all times receive their best attention, and that they would look after the welfare of the district would receive their best attention. (Applause.)

Mr. M. Hardy, Lintz Colliery spoke in favour of the candidature of Messrs. Hall, and also seconded the name of Mr. Bradford, who was not present. He said that he had pleasure in seconding the nomination. The object of the meeting he placed in the three men before them, and he trusted that the Labour men would do their utmost to send those three gentlemen to the Council. (Applause.)

Mr. Andrew Watson, Lintz Colliery, seconded.

Mr. T. Weston, of Priorside, in support, said that he was sure that they were all very desirous, and he knowledge they possessed of the requirements of the district, and he was sure that they would be a credit to the North Ward in a more acceptable and thorough manner than any other men that he could put forward. He had pleasure in supporting the vote of confidence. (Applause.)

On being put to the meeting the motion was carried unanimously, and was received with thunders. The meeting was also addressed by Mr. Thos. Hall, who said that he was very pleased to see the noble meeting the Joint Committee of the ward, and he hoped that they would all do their utmost to make canvassing more complete.

WEARDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

SPECIAL RATE DISPENSED WITH.

The monthly meeting was held on Friday, Mar. 3rd, a fortnightly meeting—The Clerk reported that the Treasurer's balance of £2,000 would be available at the end of the half-year, consequently the rate of 1s. 6d. in the pound once there would be no necessity for a special rate. Mr. Bainbridge, Medical officer for the various districts were congratulated. A letter was read from Mr. Peter Watson, that there would still be a few cases to which they were prepared, if the Ballsburn Bridge contributes half or £175, whichever was the less. Mr. Bowden remarked that he thought it could be erected for about £150. Mr. Bowden remarked that the Council were not bound to accept the lowest tender. Mr. Bainbridge said that the Plan of a proposed bridge at Bridge End, which was passed by the Council. Last year a strong expressed himself against the scheme, there would still be a heavy charge for the expense was too great.—Ultimately it was agreed on the suggestion of Mr. Mossman that the County Council and Tow Law Urban Council be asked to meet the Council to see what they will contribute to the scheme. Mr. Bainbridge, Mr. Bowden, and Mr. Mossman were appointed to meet the deputation. Mr. Bainbridge reported that the Medical Officer of Health for Wolsingham and Stanhope, had visited the Isolation Hospital at Frosterley, and found it in a satisfactory condition. Mr. Bainbridge reported that the Medical Officer of Health for Wolsingham and Stanhope, had visited the Isolation Hospital at Frosterley, and found it in a satisfactory condition.

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CHAPTER XI.

THE STRUGGLE WITH THE MAD FAKIR AND HIS THREE HYENAS.

As the mad Fakir, for mad he most assuredly was, rushed forward, brandishing his pole, Fotheringham stood on the defensive, in order to protect, so far as was possible, both his helpless companion and himself.

The Fakir, who, when Fotheringham knew him in the past, was a clear-headed, sharp-bargaining Arab merchant, whose very strict observance of religious rites heavily laden with wares, which he knew how and where to dispose of to the best advantage, did not recognise his former slave, or wonder of his best and swiftest *kérire*, or riding camel (the slower one, that was used for transport only), being called "*Andora*"), until he was within a few yards of him, and had raised his weapon for a moment, owing to his sudden rage, crying out the while, in tones of unmistakable fury:

"Infidel dog! I have heard we have at last found you!"

Fotheringham's blood boiled at this brief yet insulting epithet, and he was about to reply in the same strain, when, as he looked into the chest of the foremost of the three hyenas, he saw that it was foaming at the mouth, and also to give no sign of fear, for he knew that the moment he showed the jaws, that, with a howl of mingled rage and agony, it would commence the contest.

Therefore, with his bow blood-dripping blade, he recovered his guard in time to success fully parry a blow delivered at his head by the Fakir; but, at the same instant the left-hand hyena sprang at his throat, and knocking him backwards by the force of the impact, he would have fallen, had not the savage beast's teeth, which were already in his upraised right arm, prevented him from doing so, and thus from being of any further service to him.

The Englishman's position at this moment was indeed a critical one, but also a most desperate one, and he knew that unless he could succeed in shaking off the two terrible foes that were now attacking him, he must perish miserably.

But that the blow would doubtless have been fatal, for Fotheringham had now no weapon in his right hand, but only his left, and a hyena suddenly rung out and a bullet from a rifle whistled through the air, and struck the animal, causing him to drop his pole with a shattered bowel of misguided intestines.

A moment later the hyena whose grip was on his throat, seeing that there was no possibility with the great gaunt hyena lying dead on the ground, and the arm, the Fakir had leapt over the body of his fallen friend, and, as he did so, the friend had so vigorously "hooted" was the signal for the rest of the pack, the grim fangs all bared for biting), and, grasping the long, sharp-pointed weapon, he fiercely raised it high above his head in order to plunge it through the body of the fallen beast

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SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

The MEDICAL OFFICER reported as follows:—The Attendance Officer's report for the year just read, showing an average of 87 per cent., for certificates of the highest order, is one which I consider was also read from Miss Harley, pointing out that in one department the attendance had for this week dropped to 50, and regretting that there were 28 cases of measles. In accordance with article 126 of the Code, your Committee recommend that immediate correspondence be opened with the Education Department with a view to secure some assistance under this article in aid of the Derwent Street Infant Department.

The Attendance Officer (Mr. Hall) reported that the attendance was still very low; 7 per cent., the same as last month. The measles epidemic was still affecting the average, Benfieldside infants being the worst.

Mr. Ramsay said the attendance in Miss Harley's department was very serious, and showed that they were not yet done with the measles epidemic.

The Clerk read the article referred to by the Medical Officer, which dealt with the question of grant if a school was closed in consequence of an epidemic.

The Chairman thought the article referred to applied to the Urban Council.

Mr. Sloane said it would apply to the School Board as well.

Mr. Ramsay stated that they must bear in mind the school was not now closed.

The Clerk read the article, but it was not anything about closing schools.

Mr. Dowson said seeing the attendance was so low, it was a question whether it could be said there had been a close of the school. There were 22 children off school to-day (ninth session).

The Chairman said if the Medical Officer closed the children should be excluded that would be sufficient for them as a Board.

Mr. Sloane: If the Medical Officer said either to close the school or excluded the children from school, then it was a close of the school. The Medical Officer should be consulted, and he received a notice signed by two members of the Council ordering the school to close.

Mr. Robinson said the Derwent Street School was closed something like six weeks, and he considered it would be impossible to make up the minimum number of attendances. The attendance in Miss Harley's school would also be affected, but if they received a grant they would be entitled to be excluded as it would keep them right.

Mr. Ramsay said he would look the question up, and confer with the Education Department.

Mr. Robinson said he understood that Dr. Alley had already excluded certain children from attending school, and he thought the Clerk might see Dr. Allen relative to the question.

The Clerk stated that with respect to the article referred to, the School had been closed the Inspector had been satisfied.

Mr. Robinson said that parents would not send their children, knowing that the school was an epidemic lingering in the district. The feared there was a certain amount of danger.

The Clerk said Miss Robson informed him that she believed all the children in her school had been exposed to the measles.

The Chairman said the matter might be referred to the Education Department, who had the power to grant a certain amount of money equal to the loss.

Mr. Robinson: The Clerk might write the Education Department respecting the question, and ask for advice.

Mr. Ramsay pointed out that they should get the positively sure that the article referred to applied to the closing of schools before they made any application to the Commissioners or to the Education Department.

Rev. E. W. Jenkins said that Miss Harley had asked her to close the school after a short space was so low.

Eventually, it was resolved that the Clerk should place himself in communication with the Education Department, respecting the article alluded to, and ascertain if it applied to Derwent Street and their other infants schools; also to see Dr. Allen and obtain a clear idea of the position.

The report was adopted.

FINANCE.

On the motion of Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. W. Ramsay, the accounts amounting to £123 18s 6d were passed for payment.

MORE ABOUT THE MEASLES.

The Clerk stated that when he arrived home from the meeting on Wednesday he found a letter lying from Miss Harley, stating that 28 children were away, enclosing another letter from Dr. Alley, stating that he had given an order ordering the Derwent Street School to be closed for another week. That was under attention.

PROPOSED SCHOOL BOARDS' ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from Mr. E. J. Hardy, asking to be elected as a meeting of the representatives of School Boards of the north-country, in London, previous to the annual meeting of the Association of School Boards; it was stated that the question of establishing an Association for Northumberland and Durham had been under consideration for some time. He saw no consistent way in which to refuse the Board that the Chairman of the Newcastle School Board (Mr. W. E. Plummer, and the Chairman of the Gateshead School Board (Rev. Canon Moore Edie) had agreed that such a meeting should be held on Monday, March 21st, at the offices of the Newcastle School Board; and he (the Chairman) would ask the Board to send representatives to the meeting.

A short discussion ensued, as to the advisability of sending representatives, and it was eventually resolved that Mr. W. Ramsay, Rev. E. W. Jenkins, and the Clerk should attend the meeting.

THE LOAN OF DERWENT STREET SCHOOL.

A letter was read from Mr. Robert Phillipson, of St. Aidan's Street, Blackhill, asking for the use of Derwent Street School on a Saturday night from seven to nine, for the purpose of holding another meeting in connection with the "Sons of Derwent" Lodge of Good Templars.

The application was considered to be a legitimate one, and the Clerk to deal with, and make arrangements with Mr. Phillipson.

THE COTTAGE HOMES AT SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

A QUIET WEDDING.

The following letter was read:—

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FATAL ACCIDENT AT STANLEY.

On Saturday afternoon, Mr A. T. Shepherd, deputy coroner, held an inquest at the police station, West Stanley, respecting the death of Wm. Lister, 15 years of age, who was killed at the Stanley Pit on Friday night. Mr Lee was in charge of the case on behalf of the Durham Miners' Association, and Mr Walker, Government Inspector of Mines, was also managing owner of the colliery, were present. The circumstances under which the unfortunate lad met his death were stated in the evidence as follows:—

Wm. Lister, father of the deceased, said he was a miner and resided at Beckwith Street, Stanley. His son was 15 years of age, and on Friday, 3rd inst., was employed at Stanley Colliery. An accident occurred on Thursday, but they were not told of it. He had been employed at the pit for about six months, but not as a driver all the time.

In reply to the Government Inspector witness said he knew the place where the accident occurred and he knew nothing wrong about it.

Henry Wright said he was waggonwayman on the night shift. He knew deceased. He last saw him about fifteen minutes to 12 on Friday night. Deceased was then about one yard from the bottom. Witness was coming to the landing with a set of full tubs. About a minute before after deceased's body was told that the boy had happened an accident. He went to the place, which was about half way through the landing, and found a young man holding deceased. The tubs and pony were standing by the side. The boy was lying on his face, with his head in the vertical direction. The building was packed with a large and distinguishable the only drawback being that the room owing to the rapidly increasing coal was provided and constructed as Rona, which was appreciated. The following ladies presided over the various duties, &c.:—Miss E. Leyborne, Miss Davidson, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. A. Wright, Mrs. Stelling, Mrs. J. Wright, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. H. Herwin, Mrs. W. Leyborne, Mrs. Herwin, sergeant. Violin selections were given by Miss Thos. Herwin and Miss Thos. Herwin, and Mr. S. Bland. The accompanists were Miss Bring and Miss Pearce, Blackhill. The principal part of the proceedings was that by which was really worth was Mrs. Rona, a large amount of praise for the manner in which she carried out the work. Mrs. Rona, in the acetylene gas, which was Mr. Williams, Blackhill, and splendid effect. The first tableaux" It represented an old singing his love, and singing a sweet tune, when a fairy came to the right of the group, broken. Cinderella, who had withdrawn was splendidly personated by Miss Lily Hall, and the prince by Miss Nurse." This group represented the principals of a British ballet. "Rob of Aren." Robert Hall, F. Gibson, Hall, Messrs T. Hall, T. Batts, Master T. Hall, Fox P. Blake Brindle, K. Hall, and A. Glendenning, host and hostess was Mr and Mrs Hall. The "At Home" was closed at 12 by Rev. J. B. Spend the proceedings, and Messrs. Hall, Stelling, and Wrights have been very satisfactory.

COLLISION NEAR VICTORIA CROSSINGS.

A serious accident occurred on Gateshead and Derwenthaugh Railway, near the Victoria Crossings, by which a number of waggons of whilst two sets of waggons were proceeding in opposite directions a collision took place at a curved line some time after 9 o'clock. The road is exclusively by the above-mentioned company for the conveyance of minerals, and in proceeding in the direction it is very likely to have been run, a single line for some short distance, and in the course of the journey it is necessary to cross the mokan occurred at the bank of the Tyne, and was in the rear of a number of waggons. It was not until were close together that the engine-driver, though the steam was shut off and the brakes applied, could not be avoided. The driver on the locomotive was thrown off his seat by the violence of the shock, and the inevitable casualty of the train, and the engine-driver was such as to cause considerable damage. The front of one engine was smashed and also that of some dozen waggons of the latter were broken, and altogether or more were practically unin-

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STANLEY POLICE COURT.

WEDNESDAY, March 8th.—Before Mr. Jonathan Green, (presiding), and Mr. H. Curry Wood.

DRUNKENNESS.

Hannah J. Gelson, on a charge of drunkenness, was fined 1s and costs, the following charges of drunk and disorderly were disposed of:—Benjamin Taylor, 2/6 and costs; Mary Stephenson, 5/- and costs; Jane Hutchinson, 2/6 and costs; James Stephenson, 5/- and costs; Charles Colson, 2/6 and costs; Robson Fenwick, 2/6 and costs; Thomas Smith, 2/6 and costs; Ralph Dixon, 2/6 and costs; John Patterson, 2/6 and costs; Richard Dunn, 2/6 and costs; Robert Dunn, 2/6 and costs; Wm. Atkinson, 2/6 and costs; Hugh Morgan, 5/- and costs; Thomas Hall, 2/6 and costs.

REFUSING TO QUIT.

John Henry Sproats, miner, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, on Feb. 18th, refusing to quit the Stanley Inn, and with doing wilful damage by breaking the window of the said inn. Mr Sproats did not appear. Joseph Pendrie, manager of the Stanley Inn, said the defendant was one of the house at about 7 o'clock in the evening. He was drunk, and on being asked to go he refused. Witness put him out twice. Sproats deliberately put his fist through the pane in the door, doing damage to the extent of 2/-. He got no drink from the house. P.C. Pilkington gave evidence as to taking Sproats into custody.—Sergt. Wood, for the defendant was admitted to be drunk, but fined defendant 5/- and costs, or 14 days, for the disorderly charge, and 2/6 and costs, or 14 days, for refusing to quit, and 5/- and costs, or 14 days, for the damage.

Wm. Hart was charged with refusing to quit the Stanley Hotel, on the night of the 13th of February. Evidence was given to the effect that the defendant was drunk and disorderly, and quarrelling with another man. He was requested to leave the place, which he refused to do, and P.C. Millems had to be called in. A fine of 2/6 and costs was imposed.

BOOKING OFF.

Thomas Hall was charged with varnacry by skerring out on the 4th inst. Richard Wilson, George Stoker, Joseph Scott, John Scott, John Alex. Murray, and Margaret Murray.—P.C.'s Ireton and Stubbs gave evidence regarding the defendants engaging in the rake-vans at Ausfield Fair. Fined 10/- and costs, or 14 days' imprisonment.

ASSAULTS AND VOSS.

The following were charged with playing football in the streets, and on being cautioned by P.C. Ireton, on February 19th.—Geo. Hamilton, Glasson, Jas. Fraser, Wm. Laverick, Richard Gee, Dugg, James Dawson, Frank Glasson, John Fair, John Alex. Murray, Richard Cochran, Joseph Dixon, Thomas Shepherd, Thomas Fraser, Robert Fraser, John Graham, Wm. Crane, Isaac Fraser, Wm. Clefferton, Geo. Fraser, George Fraser, Robert Fraser, George Thomas Spence, and Thomas Fraser. Fines of 1/- and costs were imposed on Hamilton, Glasson, Glasson and Humble did not appear to the charge, and were fined 2/6 and costs each for playing football in the main playing at pitch and toss. Thomas Fraser, Wm. Laverick, Richard Gee, Glasson and Humble 7/6 and costs, and the remainder 5/- and costs. The case against was dismissed, as there was a doubt about the identity of the boy.

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ALLEGED CRUELTY TO A PONY.

Thomas Hall, miner, Stanley, was charged with having ill-used a pony at West Stanley Colliery, on the 4th inst.—Mr Curry, who prosecuted, said Mr Curry, Mr Clark was charged with having ill-used a pony. Clark was a driver at the Colliery, and on Brennan ill-using the pony. He got hold of the rein and pulled him out of the road to away from the pony. The cruelty consisted in Brennan striking the pony on the head. Clark stopped him, and Brennan threw down the rein and struck the pony on the head. It seemed to be the worse for the blow back in the afternoon. Clark asked him if that it was not cruelty to strike the pony as he heard some sounds of kicking, and saw the pony deliberately step over twice on three of her legs. If Clark committed any assault it was in protecting the owner's property by drawing the lad away.—Hurry Clark, deputy overman, about three o'clock on the afternoon he saw Brennan using the pole of a shovel to the pony. He was striking it on the head. He was also pulling it about in an unnecessary manner. Brennan clothing the pony. He got hold of the pony's head, and Brennan struck him on the head. Clark pushed Brennan away from the pony. The cruelty consisted in striking the pony on the head.—Mr Clark, stopped him, and Brennan threw down the rein and struck the pony on the head. It seemed to be the worse for the blow back in the afternoon. Clark asked him if that it was not cruelty to strike the pony as he heard some sounds of kicking, and saw the pony deliberately step over twice on three of her legs. If Clark committed any assault it was in protecting the owner's property by drawing the lad away.—Hurry Clark, deputy overman, about three o'clock

TANFIELD ELECTION GOSSIP.

[By "Impartial."]

The electors of the area over which the Tanfield Urban Council exercises jurisdiction have again in the throes of a local parliamentary election. Since last election a change has taken place in the distribution of seats. Then the South or Tanfield ward enjoyed the honour of returning nine members, while the Causey or Stanley ward had only seven to boast. Now, however, a new order of things has come into two wards. North Tanfield has been divided into two wards, North and South, and while the former is now bound to return seven members, the latter six councillors. The change, as is now well known, was brought about by reason of the number of duties now seeking election. Their action was greatly canvassed and condemned at the time, and it is now for the electorate to demonstrate their approval or disapproval of the scheme, either by electing or rejecting the new wards. Personally, of those who have not participated in bringing about the innovation, the number of members allotted to the South ward is far too many. North Tanfield has been divided, and I think it might be divided for the purpose of making it a three-fold division, if those who wish to be entrusted with the management of our social affairs.

Mr. Joe Bottrell, an old and trusted public servant does his work in a quiet, unostentatious, but none the less, effective way. He serves fairly all round, seeks to satisfy the requirements of all, and is known as a moral, businesslike in financial matters. He does not belong to any political party.

Then Mr. Wm. Hume, another gentleman, who has served accentably for three years, possesses one of the qualifications of his colleague, Mr. Redham. His ideas of local affairs are so nearly related to those of Mr. Redham that they are running together. With practice Mr. Hume should make a very acceptable chairman, but that question should be left for the newly-formed authority to decide.

Mr Jos. Dixon is comparatively a young man, who has had a set on the rates and who, if elected, would make an acceptable parliamentarian.

Mr. Geo. Atkinson, a hardy son of the soil, is making ability for the maker during rays of the sun under the roof of the Council Chamber, in which he thinks the best practical schemes are framed, and put into operation. He is a man of the right kind and temperate views. His connection with his comrades will be to see that economy and efficiency are blended in their proposals for expending public money.

Mr. Jas. Bolton, a well and genial innkeeper of Tantobie, hopes to make a good show, and will no doubt be well supported.

Mr. Wm. Harrison, member of the late scratched goat of the greatest number again offers his services to the electors. He is known to the public, he feels sure, deserving a great amount of support. But when the electors must decide between three, however, he is a good man and speaks what he thinks.

Mr. Thos. Hy. Smith, farmer, Tanfield, thinks the time has come for a change on the Council. His business has taught him much practical knowledge of the district, and now he wishes the public to have the benefit of his learning in the Council chamber.

Mr. Tom Pringle, of Tanfield Lea, a man who strives to do justice to all and give consideration of importance to every condition which they demand. He is an old Councillor, and has done excellent work in his best to bring about a better state of things.

Mr. Wm. Hall, a gentleman who has been almost a life-long resident, seeks to offer himself for election. He has resisted the temptation and thrown in his lot with those, who, like himself, are honest and fearless. His soundness of judgment and clearness of intellect should recommend him to the electorate.

Mr. Thos. Robinson, of Tantobie, wishes to secure a seat in parliament, and comes forth with strong claims. Being young, he has

Mr. W. Dulmer, the local Labourhero, who has the position of "Justice of the Peace," and hopes his past supporters will redeem the pledge and do all in their power to secure a return. That is what he expects, and he thinks he is entitled to it. He has been a good policeman and lover justice, both of which are necessary qualifications for a successful Justice of the Peace.

The Rev. T. R. Archdall, vicar of Tanfield, has served the public for three years, and comes forth with strong claims for re-election. Being young

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