

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

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atured manifesto declaring his full allegiance to the Lord Mayor elect, and enjoining acquiescence

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RENFIELDSDIDE SCHOOL BOARD

The monthly meeting took place on Friday afternoon last, in the Board-room of the Benluidsdijkse Edge Schools, when the undermentioned members were in attendance:—Mr Jonathan Priestman, J. P., in the absence of the chairman, Mr C. Wilson; Rev T. Smith, Mr H. Cars, and the clerk (Mr R. G. Barclay).

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL.

The question of the continued irregular attendance of the children of the district was again brought under the consideration of the Board, and it was palpable that more stringent measures would have to be taken in order to secure the attendance of the children of the various schools.

Before arriving at any definite conclusion, however, it was suggested by Mr Cars that the Clerk be directed to inquire and ascertain the reasons of the parents of the children of the various Boards in order to obtain an improvement in this respect.

FINANCIAL.

The Finance Committee recommended the payment of the current month's bills, which amounted to \$37.69.

It was proposed by Mr. CARON, and seconded by Mr. HARRIS, that the treasurer be signed for all said amounts.

DARENT STREET SCHOOL: INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

At a meeting held at Mr. Berran's, J. M. CARON, Inspector, concerning his recent examination of the scholars attending the Darent Street Infants' School, reported as follows:

"The children are well behaved, although they are still rather a weak point, though there were signs of improvement; but the infants had done decidedly better than last year."

"I am much gratified and satisfied with the discipline of the school. Needlework had been well taught, but the boys ought to learn to make their own clothes."

"I have seen the children who are present on the day of the inspection, and he hopes there would not be again as many absentees as last year."

"The parents of the children whose names were procured. After allowing to one or two other matters, the report added that Miss Kibby, the teacher, would receive her certificate in due season."

CONTRACTS.

The clerk intimated that the amount of "governor's" money was \$100 per head on the average attendance. He had not yet received the report on the inspection at the Benfieldside Schools.

The report was regarded as satisfactory.

TRANSFERRING THE PUPIL TEACHERS.

The Clerk read a list of names. Miss Ridley stated that at the Derwent (next year) would shortly be required at the Derwent Street Schools, and also inquiring if the Board would have any objections to allow Miss Harty to remain until after Christmas: The Clerk said that she would be left with her class, by transferring the pupil teachers until he had received the Inspector's report on the Benfieldside Schools.

Mr CARNS observed that they had two pupils who were ready in the Mowd Street School, and as they had obtained Mr Bernay's report, then one of them could be transferred to the Derwent Street School.

MONTHLY STATISTICS.

Mr J. Maloney (Attendances Officer) presents the following statistics relating to the inspection of schools in the district:—

Schools in the District.	No. on Roll.	No. present at all.	Average attend.
Board School—Boys	223	217	185
Girls	221	221	185
Infants 76	76	63	63-6
Derwent Street Infants 94	94	91	91-1
Roman Catholic—Mines 267	267	243	243-0
Infants	79	79	67-6
Shetley Grove	100	108	95-3
Total	1105	1002	899-0
Last return	1039	1057	933-0
Increase	16		
Decrease		65	34

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LOCAL FIXTURES

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No. 17, Consett int. v. Blaby Auckland, at Rugby.
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— 17.—Wolsingham v. Tow Law, at Wolsingham.
Nov. 14.—Tow Law v. Blaby, at Auckland.

— 24.—Tascombe 2nd v. Elswick Leather Works.
Dec. 1.—Tow Law v. Crook, at Tow Law.

JAN. 1.—Consett and District v. Tow Law, at Consett.
Feb. 9.—Tow Law v. Castleide, at Castleide.

HIGH GROUND 2ND V. HEDLEY HILL.—The teams met at High Ground on Saturday, and the result was as follows:
TASCOMBE LEAD 1ST V. CATCATCHER RED 3RD
int.—Played at Catcatcher on Saturday, and resulted as follows:
—Catcatcher—Goal. G. Pace & backings; Robinson Thompson; half backs, Weir and Johnson.
—High Ground—Goal. J. B. Smith; backings, Bulmer & blackies; Tascombe Lead & Goal, Hanson & backings; Northey & Shield; half backs, Horne & backings; forwards, Calver, Donaldson, and South.

TASVELL LEAD 250 V. CATHCARTS FLED 250—The home team, the Tasvels, were the victors in the first of the two matches played on the ground of the latter. From the home team had the goal of it, and at half-time the Tasvels were leading by 250 to 250. The Stara victors had four books to nil, and goalkeeper never touched the ball. The goalkeepers were not in the game, and the Tasvels. The visitors played hard to defeat, but could not able to cope with their heavier and as a result.

HOBSON WANDERERS V. TOW LEAD—THIS one was played during a fine day. The Wanderers were the victors, in two thirds resulted in a victory for the home team by 250 to 250. The Wanderers were led by (1) Rotham (2), Cawthorne (2), Hogarth (1), Beattie officiated as umpire. Teams: Wanderers: 1. Rotham; 2. Cawthorne; 3. Hogarth; 4. Beattie; 5. Mason; 6. Halfbacks: T. Curry and S. Wright; wing, W. J. Cawthorne and W. Heaton; fullbacks, W. J. Cawthorne and W. Heaton; 7. Watson and R. W. Allison. Tow: 1. H. T. Best; 2. Best; 3. Rev. C. Hughes and J. Hill; 4. Hill; 5. Hill; 6. Hill; 7. Hill; 8. Hill; 9. Hill; 10. Hill; 11. Hill; 12. Hill; 13. Hill; 14. Hill; 15. Hill; 16. Hill; 17. Hill; 18. Hill; 19. Hill; 20. Hill; 21. Hill; 22. Hill; 23. Hill; 24. Hill; 25. Hill; 26. Hill; 27. Hill; 28. Hill; 29. Hill; 30. Hill; 31. Hill; 32. Hill; 33. Hill; 34. Hill; 35. Hill; 36. Hill; 37. Hill; 38. Hill; 39. Hill; 40. Hill; 41. Hill; 42. Hill; 43. Hill; 44. Hill; 45. Hill; 46. Hill; 47. Hill; 48. Hill; 49. 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TOW LAW V. HENDERSON'S WORKMEN. Do these two Ragby clubs meet on Saturday?—**TOW LAW**, and the game resulted, after a fast of four quarters, in a victory for the home team by three tries (one disputed), to one try. The tries were got by W. J. Hall, L. Parker, and H. Mend for Tow Law. Teams:—**TOW LAW**: J. Walton; three-quarter backs, W. J. Hall, H. Starkley, and J. Turner; half backs, H. Drum and L. Parker; forwards, A. Collingwood, Hodgson, W. Emerson, T. Hall, J. Rogers, W. Wilkins, C. W. Hildreth, and T. C. Durnham. Back, T. Thwaites; three-quarter backs, Darcy and Lambert; half backs, Marston, and Buckley; forwards, Kerr, Wet, J. Cooper, Haslem, Walton, Wilson, Ha Cooper, (one short).

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last game resulted in a win for the home team, two tries (one try to the touch, two to the posts) and a couple of drop goals, to give the home team. Thompson and Walton each had a try. The game was splendidly kicked, full of play by G. S. Brown. Castleide played well. Wilson, Lazenby, and Murray well for the home team. Teams—Shotley P. Gibson; three-quarter backs, J. B. (captain) and J. G. Murray; half backs, and W. Wilson; forwards, Dixon, Gibson, Towns, Barrie, Richardson, Nichols, Shelf, Thirwell; one short, Castleide, Beck, Venn; three-quarter backs, T. Adamson, Davidson; half backs, G. Brown and T. R. Forsyth; R. J. Davidson (captain), G. S. W. P. Gibson, J. Robinson, C. Toward, T. R.

CONSELT, WILKINSON.—These clubs Saturday last on the ground of the football field, resulted in a victory for the home team by one try, one dead ball, and four touch downs, one touch down. The winning team was weak, only seven first team men playing, withstanding this disadvantage, the winners played splendidly together. The tries were J. Struthers and W. Beldon, Wilkinson kicked goal; his second attempt, however, failed, the terrific gas blowing against the ball.

—Conselet—Back, Wilkinson; three-quarter, J. Robson, W. Kemptner, and M. Hobbs; backs, J. Struthers (captain) and W. Beldon; W. Turnbull, F. Perkins, W. B. Fiddie, J. Struthers, J. Taggart, A. W. T. Dax, and J. Rigby; full-back, R. B.

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