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By order of the Directors,
M. RICHLEY Secretary.
Shotley Bridge, October 9, 1870. 24

TYNESIDE SPIRITUALISM:

BEING A RECORD OF EXTRAORDINARY AND WELL-ATTESTED PHENOMENA WHICH ARE TAKING PLACE ON TYNESIDE.

SEANCE VII.

CHAPTER FIRST.

This afternoon, after enjoying a pleasant walk from Wallsend to Walker, I took the river steamer up to my friend's house, and found his good lady busily engaged in getting all things ready for a seance in the evening. Over a cup of tea we had a conversation about the wonders of Spiritualism of which the following is a brief abstract.—It seems that the spirits of darkness try, as often as they get the chance, to personate good spirits. A notable case of this kind happened some time ago. What seemed to be the spirit of "Mary" was speaking through a medium, imitating her accent and style of language very correctly. The genuine Mary at the same time was working with another medium in the same room. The spirit who was "guiding the circle" detected the evil directly, banished the intruder, and asked the real Mary to take possession. Immediately this was done, and the medium sprang up and sat on the knee of Mary's father, speaking in the kindest manner to him. This "guiding the circle" is, in itself, rather a peculiar thing. A powerful spirit takes possession of some medium. This spirit acts as a kind of policeman. The evil which can come into our hearts, unless we resist it and pray for help, cannot come near angelic natures. "There is a great gulf fixed," and the mere presence of an angelic spirit is sufficient to ward off the evil." Hence when the evil approaches a circle to cause confusion and unbelief, the guiding spirit sweeps it away, and I am told that sometimes this guiding spirit causes the medium to go all over the room, making motions in the air with his hands, as if driving away a flock of sheep. No sooner does he get the evil out and the company completely surrounded by good spirits, than he claps his hands in joy and says, "Now, friends, the evil is gone; you have a good circle, ask me what questions you please." This being done by a man in a trance state renders it all the more wonderful. Another curious thing happened a short time ago. The friends down the water are busily engaged just now organizing a winter's temperance campaign. The other night, one of the friends who comes to the seances was addressing a meeting, and in the course of his remarks he said, that when first he began in the temperance movement some years ago, he had seen some women brandishing sticks and even pokers at him down not far from Heworth Shore, for daring to speak on such a subject. Meshi the French spirit, had been present and heard his address. A seance took place shortly after. Meshi came and caused the medium to go through all the gestures with the poker exactly as our friend had done, and signified that the person who made these gestures, was sleeping in his bed next door. This the company at once verified by looking in.

CHAPTER SECOND.

But let us proceed to the seance. Only some six or seven persons were present, and while we were speaking the medium was observed to be in the trance state. Some one said. "Is it you, George, who has come to speak with us?" Spirit: "Yes, friend. I was all day along with this medium. He went down to see the Channel Fleet, and there I saw among the sailors a number of the soldiers of the Cross of Christ." I asked him if he had got the name and address of the old grey headed man, at whose death bed he said he had been. "Yes, friend," said the spirit, "I will get it to you directly." Here the medium whispered something to (what seemed to be) another spirit beside him, and listened for the reply. Then turning to me he said, "The old man's name was "John Richardson." I asked him where he had lived and he said, "Far away over land, sea, and land. He lived in a small house on the hill side, and the hill formed part of the walls of his house. The town was a large one. On asking the name, he again seemed as if questioning the kindred spirit who was furnishing him with the information, then said, "It is called "Cartageen." Thinking he had made some mistake I said, "Don't you mean "Carthagena." "Friend," said the spirit, "I think I have told you correctly, but I'll ask again." This time he seemed to be taking more pains to catch the sound, then said. "No, friend, my friend who is telling me the name says it is "Cartageen." He then began explaining how one spirit could inform another. All the while I was wondering whether it might not have been the French spirit who was giving George the name of the town in the French language, so I said. "George, could you tell me in what country Cartageen is?" After a short pause he said, "Friend. I'll get to know, then tell you." The spirit who had given him the information had departed, but we'll get it all at next seance. I have just discovered that the French way of spelling Carthagena is Carthageue, and that it is pronounced "Kar-ta-je-n." exactly as the spirit pronounced it. Will my reader therefore, if he has an opportunity, try to find out if this old grey-haired man, who lived in a small house by the hill side at Carthagena, died at the time the spirit has told us, and report to the Editor. Referring to the former seance at which the clergyman was present, he said a spirit had told him the conversation we had together that night after he left. Here I interrupted him by asking if he would kindly tell us where he had gone to that evening. "Yes, friend," said the spirit. Here he minutely described the road he went, and the appearance of the room. Several in the company questioned him very particularly as to the locality, and at last we knew exactly where he had been, and found there had been a seance there that evening. He then returned to his remarks about our conversation after the former seance, and said that the clergyman was wrong in saying that the passage, "Behold I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me" had reference to the babe. It referred to the parents he said, and not to the newly-born babe. This he proceeded to illustrate by asking us the question, "Can sin inherit the kingdom of heaven." We said, "No." "Then," said he, does the clergyman mean to say that a little child, who dies when it is three or four days old, will go to the blackness of darkness? We said "No." "Well," said he, "this clergyman's reasoning would lead you to arrive at that conclusion." "Friends," he said, "I saw that the clergyman did not believe in Spiritualism, but I know a spirit who attends him, and through this spirit I could get to know the text he is going to preach from on Sundays, and what he is going to say about it, before ever he goes into the pulpit." "Surely this would convince him," said Mr. H. "No it would not," said the spirit, "for his mind is set against it." I may also mention, that some evening we intend getting word from this spirit about the sermon and text this clergyman studies, take notes of what he says, and then go to chapel to hear the clergyman preach the sermon we have already heard from the spirit. Extraordinary as this may seem, it is not half so wonderful as some of the facts that have been told me, but which I have suppressed, because I won't receive anything about Spiritualism which I have not seen. Some one asked George if, on departing this life, a spirit immediately entered on the glories of heaven. "No," said George, "there has first to be the passage up to the throne of God." Another asked if there was actually a throne similar to the throne on which an earthly king sat. "No, friend," said the spirit, "throne is only a convenient word used merely to indicate His presence." Then said another, "Where is His presence?" "Everywhere," said George; "and being in His presence is having one's heart like God." "Believing prayer," he said, reached the throne of God; but many prayed for ornament. Many on finishing an "ornamental" prayer, could not tell what was the first thing they had asked. Such praying he said, was worthless. The way was this—if we wanted to speak a word for God to any of our fellow-creatures, we were first of all go to God in prayer, and ask Him to give us words to speak. If we did not do so, we could not expect to succeed. Praying men, he said, were always successful men in doing good, because the mighty spirit guided them. And if we would do good, he said, we were to be filled with the spirit. Wishing to gain some information about the next world, I said, "Can you give us any idea of heaven?" "Yes, friend," said the spirit. "Now," I said, "I understand you can just now see us here quite well." Answer: "Yes, friend," Question: "Can you see as well out in the darkness?" Answer: "Yes, friend; we have no night here. Our glorious sun shines on us continually." Question: "Do you see our sun?" Answer: "No, friend." Question: "Why is this?" Answer: "Because of the brightness of the beams from our own glorious sun." Question: "Is your sun anything like our sun?" Answer: "No, friend." Question: "Our sun has a round centre, and rays of light come from it. Has your sun a round centre?" Answer: "No, friend, we see only beams streaming down everywhere on to the earth—bright burning beams, beyond the power of the body of man to endure—bright burning beams of love." Question: "What then is that mighty sun you speak of?" Answer: "Our sun is the most mighty God—the most blessed, the eternal spirit." Question: "You have already said, that there is a passage to heaven, and another spirit once told us that when she left her body, she was conveyed in a "little boat." Can you make this any plainer to us?" Answer: "The "little boat" was merely figurative language, just as when you say, "Crossing the Jordon;" yet the wafting of a soul upwards is accompanied by a gentle rocking motion; and the spirit who told you it was carried in a little boat, gave you a very correct word-picture of what really is the case. It is the spirits who waft, that cause these gentle rockings every time they make the motion, which raises the spirit nearer this bright land. Let me describe a death bed, and you will understand better what happens. Suppose a person dying, and in an unprepared state. The spirits of light will be on the one side, and whole companies of the spirits of darkness on the other. Both are trying what they can do. The good spirits gain a little. The man says, "I think I will believe on Jesus." The good spirits extend their ranks a little farther round the dying man, but still there is an opening held by the spirits of darkness. The man is, as it were, knee deep in the river Jordon; bye and bye he is waist deep. He believes! The spirits of light instantly surround him, and there he lies guarded on every side by the angels of God. The summons comes from the most mighty Spirit, and he is borne upwards by this circle of spirits of light. While they are ascending, on the one side is the light, and on the other the darkness; but he is safe. Oh! the joy we feel and the songs of triumph we sing, when wafting a soul to the presence of God!" Question: "Suppose a person dies unpenitent what then?"

To the Editor of the Guardian.

Mister Heditor,—Its a lang tyme since ah sent a lettur tiv a nusepapor, and aw divent naw that aw wad did noo, but for that chep thoos getten ti rite aboot speritewlsm, witch hees the impidence te call "Tineside Speritewlsm"—as if the spurits on Tineside were ony differunt frav ony uther plaice. Now aw happen te hev red sum bukes aboot Spiritewlsm, an' fansy aw naw sum oh the quere things ont, at leest a little bit but not mutch. Et hall events sumthin, yet that's ne matter. En for onything aw hev seen, the lettors he rites, an' that's printed i' the *Gardyan*, aw mun say they as the myest silly thit iver a nuespapor printed o' that subjekt, thit didn't call itsel' a speritewlist man. Aw hev laft sumtimes te think oo the nuespapors gull thor reedors wi' sutch tyles. Man, most fokes tak what the nuespapors say fur gospel, but aw dinnet, speshally when tha rite aboot Speritewlsm. Tha naw what the cullies o' reedors all swally, en hof korse tha gie them wat tha like, es dokters dis fisik, en plenti out, ne omehopathik dozes.

Noo aw dinnet see wat Kristyan men an' wimen want te aks sutch daft kwestens ez sum o' them de aks ov the speiits. The forst kwesten tha aks eftor tha get a nyem that tha naw is "Are ye happy?" What a doot tha hev! Ay man, ets awfu'. Awm shure thit ef tha wad reed thor bibles awf es mutch es tha wad like fokes ti believe tha de reed them, en think wat tha reed aboot, tha wadn't aks sutch kwestens as, "Hes tha seen God;" fur that text book says, "No man hath seen God at any time," and, "Thou shalt not liken Him to anything in the heaven above, or in the earth beneath." Iz that not plenty for them? It is for mee. Noo if tha dinnet naw whare ti find it in the Bible, let them gan ti chorch, en thay'll seed paneted on a bord at the for end. Mind aw divent meen the chapel wat sum fokes caul church, for aw nivver seed them paneted up thare; but thare's nee reeson that tha shudent bee.—Yours,

SPEKTATOR.

To the Editor of the Guardian.

Sir,—I may say that as far as my experience goes in the examination into this most difficult of all difficult subjects, Spiritualism, is, that it is one not to be entered into in a trifling manner; nor is it one that should be treated with levity, if any real substantial communication is wanted; nor need any one seek information from the land beyond the tomb, that is not prepared to spend a considerable amount of time and money, to be satisfied of the result. If ever there was truth in the old proverb, that "Truth lies deep in the well, and must be dug for with perseverance," this is fully verified in search of the truths of Spiritualism.

The world has ever been slow to accept any great truths in advance of popular opinion. Had the promoters of the Atlantic Telegraph Company been guided by public opinion, would there ever have been a cable to unite these two great nations. Nor would we have had a steamship to cross the Atlantic. Nay, go backward, we would not have had a steamer made of iron at all, for it would never swim. Nor a locomotive engine to travel thirty miles an hour. Nor would we have enjoyed the glorious blessings of Christ's teachings, had truth not been triumphant to preserve from the grave the teachings of the Master. Spiritualism is now meeting opposition similar to all the above advanced thoughts that have preceded it; yet these have triumphed over error, as all truth must. So in the end will spirit teaching be triumphant over all error, and man will live in love with his fellow-man, and keep Christ's golden rule.

PHOENIX.

THE FOG.—The fog which on Sunday spread over a very wide area was almost, if not quite, as generally felt on Monday, and was certainly much denser. Trains were generally delayed, and near Barnsley a passenger train to that town from Doncaster ran into a goods train, but its speed being slow the passengers were not very seriously injured. Near Horbury a phaeton was upset by the driver getting off his proper road, but the persons in the vehicle were uninjured. In London the heavy mist was partly dissipated in the morning.

SINGULAR RECOVERY OF A STOLEN WATCH AT TYNEMOUTH.—On Monday afternoon, while a boy named Lupton was playing among the rocks at Tynemouth, he picked up a gold watch which upon examination was found to belong to Mr. Thomas Crawford, jun., of Houghton-le-Spring, and which was stolen from Mr. Crawford by a soldier named Peter Cumings nearly two years ago, who after committing the felony, threw the watch over the Castle wall on to the rocks, where it has remained until Monday. Cumings was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for the felony at the time. The watch is in good condition, except the dial which is gone.

Poetry: Original and Select.

A STRING OF PEARLS.

[If there is any poetic gem in the English language more delicate in idea, more aspen-like in its expressions of sensibility, more touching in its pathos, more melodious in its flow, we do not know where to find it. It is by "Fanny Forrester," Mrs Judson. She, too, has gone to join her "loved one" and "Little Charley."]

SWEET MOTHER.

The wild south-west monsoon hath risen,
With broad, grey wings of gloom,
While here, from out my dreary prison,
I look as from a tomb—alas!
My heart another tomb.

Upon the low thatched roof the rain
With ceaseless patter falls;
My choiceless treasures bear its strains;
Mould gathers on the walls—would heaven
'Twere only on the walls!

Sweet mother, I am here alone,
In sorrow and in pain;
The sunshine from my heart has flown,
It feels the driving rain—ah, me;
The chill, and mould, and rain.

Four lagged months have wheeled the round
Since love upon it smiled,
And everything of earth has frowned
On thy poor stricken child, sweet friend—
Thy weary, suffering child.

I'd watched my loved one night and day,
Scarce breathing when he slept,
And as my hopes were swept away,
I'd in his bosom wept—oh, God!
How had I prayed and wept!

And when they bore him to the ship,
I saw the white sails spread,
I kissed his speechless, quivering lip,
And left him on his bed—alas!
It seemed a coffin bed.

When from my gentle sister's tomb,
Long since, in tears we came,
Thou saidst, "How desolate each room!"
Well, mine were just the same that day—
The very, very same.

Then, mother, little Charley came—
Our beautiful, fair boy—
With my own father's cherished name;
But, oh! he brought no joy—my child
Brought mourning, and no joy.

His little grave I cannot see,
Though weary months have sped
Since pitying lips bent over me
And whispered, "He is dead!"—mother,
'Tis dreadful to be dead!

I do not mean for one like me—
So weary, worn, and weak—
Death's shadowy paleness seems to be
E'en now upon my cheek—his seal
On form, and brow, and cheek.

But for a bright-winged bird like him
To hush his joyous song,
And prisoned in a coffin dim,
Join Death's pale phantom throng—my boy
To join that grizzly throng!

Oh, mother, I can scarcely bear
To think of this to-day!
It was so exquisitely fair,
That little form of clay—my heart
Still lingers by his clay.

And when for one loved far, far more,
Come thickly gathering tears,
My star of faith is clouded o'er,
I sink beneath my fears—sweet friend,
My heavy weight of fears.

Oh, but to feel thy fond arms twine
Around me once again!
It almost seems those lips of thine
Might kiss away the pain—might soothe
The dull, cold, heavy pain.

But, gentle mother, through life's storms
I may not lean on thee;
For helpless, cowering little forms
Cling trusting unto me—poor babes!
To have no guides but me.

With weary foot and broken wing,
With bleeding heart and sore,
The dove looks backwards sorrowing,
But seeks the ark no more—thy breast
Seeks never, never more.

Sweet mother, for thy wanderer pray
That loftier faith be given;
Her broken reeds all swept away,
That she may lean on heaven—her heart
Grows strong in Christ and heaven.

Once, when young Hope's fresh morning dew
Lay sparkling on thy breast,
My bounding heart thought but to do,
The *work* at heaven's behest—
Come at the same behest!

All fearfully, all tearfully—
Alone and sorrowing,
My dim eye filled to the sky,
Fast to the cross I cling—oh, Christ!
To thy dear cross I cling.

Varieties.

Extracts from JUDY.

A Sure Way of Rising in the World—Living over a canal!

How to Address the Commissioners of Sewers—Have a drain?

Scholastic.—The First French Course—Soup.

What the Bank Authorities never Allow their most Distinguished Visitors to Do—Take notes.

Domestic Economy—Weak tea and no fire!

Bacon's Works—Biliousness and sick headache.

The Song for People Suffering from Toothache—"How happy could I be with *ether*."

The Spanish Republic is still in possession of Irun: in spite of this, however, it has not succeeded in raising any tin.

Something more Idiotic than Carrying Coals to Newcastle—Taking water to Wells.

If there are sixty seconds in a minute, how many are there in a barrel of oysters?

Extracts from FUN.

A BIT OF "SHOP."

CONTRIBUTOR.—Fired with emulation by the recent luminous trail drawn across the western firmament by the meteoric Shah—

EDITOR.—Beeeoautiful!

CON.—Another royal effulgence is about to dawn upon us, like a new morn risen on midnoon.

ED.—Milton.

CON.—To slightly alter, and perhaps improve, our metaphor, the King of the Sandwich Islands has imparted to the sweet seas that lap our sleeping isle—

ED.—Anonymous.

CON.—A cuttle-fishlike inkling of his approach.

ED.—Won't do; cuttle-fish only inks the water behind it.

CON.—Indeed, in the waters of anticipation with which the mention of his sable majesty has copiously drenched our journalistic mouth, we fancy we can already taste him.

ED.—Sucking that pen again, as usual!

Extracts from PUNCH.

A NOVEMBER CRACKER.—*Mrs Pope*: "That's that young Gladstone with his dratted fireworks!—a mischievous little wiper!—frightenin' of an inoffensive old party like me!!"

HELPING HIM ON.—*Oldest Inhabitant* (to Nervous New Curate): "Now, you may sit down and read a bit to me, and then you may give me a shilling, and then you may go."

Local and General News.

The Mexican Congress has passed a constitutional law for the creation of a Senate.

The Archbishop of Canterbury and York have fixed Monday, the 30th inst., for special intercession in behalf of Christian missions.

We regret to announce the death, in his fortieth year, of Mr. Tom Hood, son of the late Thomas Hood, the well-known poet and humorist.

A fire occurred at the City Saw Mills of Mr. H. Newsum, of Lincoln, on Tuesday morning and caused a loss estimated at about £15,000.

The trial under the Stroud election petition was commenced on Monday before Mr. Baron Pigott, this being the fourth heard within the year.

On Saturday night a fire occurred in the foundry of Messrs. Yates, Blackburn, and entirely destroyed the pattern shop. The damage is estimated at £10,000.

The Broughton Colliery, Wrexham, was discovered to be on fire on Sunday night. No one was in the pit, but a number of horses have been burnt to death.

It is said that the King of the Sandwich Islands will pay a visit to Washington next year, and there are rumours of a cession of his dominion to the United States.

The Forest of Dean masters held a meeting on Monday and decided to continue the strike in their collieries. They will indemnify each other against loss.

The Amalgamated Association of Miners is threatened with a secession of North Wales miners, who are discussing the formation of a new union for their district.

At Thurles, Ireland, on Sunday night, a man named Ryan was stabbed to death as he was proceeding home with some relatives. Two arrests have been made.

A breakfast was given on Monday to Mr. George Charlton, Mayor of Gateshead, by the friends of temperance in Newcastle and district, at the Central Hall, Hood Street, Newcastle, on the occasion of his re-election as Mayor for the sister borough.

A letter has been received in Dundee from Lady Franklin, in which the public are reminded that the offer of the reward of £2,000 offered by her a few years ago to any one who should bring to her, or to her executors, the records of her husband's Arctic expedition, still remains in force.

On Saturday Lady Stirling-Maxwell, while waiting the return of Sir William from a shooting party, fell on the fire, and was severely burned on the head, chest, and hands. Three of the fingers had to be amputated. Her Ladyship is still very ill. The accident occurred at Keir.

HOW TO OBTAIN PURE WATER.—A correspondent sends the following method of purifying water:—"A small teaspoonful of powdered alum in a pailful of water (four gallons), and stirred round at the time, will precipitate any impurities and throw it down to the bottom, and make it equal to spring water."—*Newcastle Daily Chronicle.*

MR. GLADSTONE AND INFALLIBILITY.—At the Catholic Chapel, Malton, on Sunday night, the Rev. Father Middlehurst preached on infallibity, and referred to Mr. Gladstone, who, as "a man who had spent a lifetime in study, had at last got into such a muddle that he had come to the level of a little child, and worse."

The christening of the infant Prince—Albert Alexander Alfred Ernest William—the son of the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh, took place on Monday at Buckingham Palace, in the presence of the Queen, the Empress of Russia, (who were two of the sponsors), the Prince and Princess of Wales, and other members of the Royal family.

ROMANTIC BIGAMY CASE.—At the Birmingham Police Court on Friday, Elizabeth Reader was charged with bigamy. Thirteen years ago she was married to Reader, who two years after left her. He went to America, and in a skirmish with Spaniards was stabbed and left for dead by his companions. The prisoner heard of this, and believing she was a widow, married again in 1868. On the 3rd inst., Reader returned. The case was adjourned.

EXTRADITION CASE.—Luigi Canale and Nurano Starani, two Italians, were charged on remand, before Sir Thomas Henry, at Bow Street on Tuesday, under the Extradition Treaty with Holland, with the crime of murder. The prisoners were arrested in North Shields, where they had arrived on board a ship from Rotterdam. It happened that the prisoners had met a cattle driver in Rotterdam, and, after having some high words, they assaulted him, causing injuries which afterwards resulted in death. After hearing this evidence, Sir Thomas Henry altered the charge of murder into one of manslaughter, and committed prisoners to take their trial in Holland.

DOMESTIC PERPLEXITIES.—A Correspondent of the Drawer is involved in domestic perplexities. He writes:—"I got acquainted with a young widow, who lived in the same house with her stepdaughter I married the widow. My father paid me a visit shortly after the marriage, when he fell in love with the stepdaughter of my wife, and married her. My wife became the mother-in-law and also the daughter-in-law of my own father; my wife's stepdaughter is my stepmother, and I am the stepfather of my mother-in-law. My stepmother, who is the stepdaughter of my wife, has a boy, he is naturally my stepbrother, because he is son of my father and of my wife's stepdaughter, so is my wife the grandmother of the little boy, and I am grandfather of my stepbrother. My wife has also a boy; my stepmother is consequently the stepsister of my boy, and is also his grandmother, because he is the child of my stepson; and my father is the brother-in-law of my son, because he has got his stepsister for a wife. I am the brother of my own son, who is the son of my stepmother, I am the brother-in-law of my mother, my wife is the aunt of her own son, my son is the grandson of my father, and I am my own grandfather."—*Harper's Magazine.*

MR. STANSFELD, M.P., AND SIR HARCOURT JOHNSTONE AT SCARBOROUGH.—A large and enthusiastic meeting was held at Scarborough on Thursday, to further the repeal of the Contagious Diseases Act. Sir Harcourt Johnstone, Bart, M.P., occupied the chair, and the platform was filled by representative men of all parties, the ministerial and medical professions being specially well represented. Sir Harcourt Johnstone said the question had too long been put aside because people disliked to face it. As soon as he brought himself to look fairly into it, he was convinced that the total repeal of the Acts was absolutely necessary, and this would be the verdict of the country in proportion as the subject was really examined. The welfare of the country required that these Acts should be dragged into the light of day, and this done, repeal must follow. It was a great satisfaction to him to find his constituents so earnest in the matter, as the struggle would be hard, though its end was sure.—The Right Hon. James Stansfeld, M.P., in a powerful and eloquent speech, replied to three charges made against him in a London newspaper, and shewed that that paper had misquoted the report of the Royal Commission. He exposed the gross injustice of the operations of these Acts, and denounced the demoralizing effect they would have on the country if allowed to remain in force. He declared for himself he would know no rest, nor would he give any rest, until they were finally expelled from the statute book of the nation.—A strong expressed petition to Parliament, and memorials to the Prime Minister and others, were unanimously adopted.

On Monday morning high mass was offered at Cork Cathedral for the repose of the souls of Allan, Larkin, and O'Brien, who were executed at Manchester for the murder of Sergeant Brett.

ALARMING FIRE IN NEWCASTLE.—At a late hour on Tuesday night, an alarming fire broke out in the midst of a number of workshops congregated together upon a piece of ground between Bath Lane and Westgate Road. The fire threatened at one time to result in an immense conflagration, but was fortunately extinguished before comparatively little damage was done. The whole of the ground in question belongs to Messrs Herdman and France, joiners and builders; and besides occupying workshops upon the site, they have also a number of workshops let off to others. A great amount of damage was done, but no estimate of the value could be formed.

A KING SOLOMON WANTED.—A mysterious basket, addressed to the stationmaster at Clapham Junction, on being opened was found to contain a living child. The stationmaster declining the gift, a porter volunteered to accept it, and took the basket and child. On lifting the child £800 was found in the basket. The story goes that the stationmaster then demanded the basket and its contents, which the porter very properly refused to give up. One can hardly doubt to which of the two the mother would entrust her child.

ENGLISH CATHOLICS AND THE INFALLIBILITY OF THE POPE.—In a letter to the *Times* on the Vatican decrees, Mr. Martin Archer Shee makes two quotations from an official statement of the seventeenth century and from a solemn declaration of English Catholics in the eighteenth century, signed by the vicars apostolic and nearly all the clergy and laity in England. The first quotation is:—"It is no matter of faith to believe that the Pope is in himself infallible, separated from the Church, even in expounding the faith. By consequence, Papal definitions or decrees, in whatever form pronounced, taken exclusively from a General Council or universal acceptance of the Church, oblige none, under pain of heresy, to an interior assent." The second is simply, "We acknowledged no infallibility in the "Pope."

EXTRAORDINARY HAILSTORM.—The *Glasgow Evening Star* says that one of the heaviest hailstorms experienced for many years in the west of Scotland burst over that city on Thursday morning. Almost without a warning a cloud-bank descended over the streets, transforming the light of a fair November day into night-like gloom. One or two vivid flashes of lightning, succeeded by loud peals of thunder, were quickly followed by a storm of hail, which although its duration was less than five minutes, was sufficiently heavy to cover the ground to the depth of an inch and a half. The hailstones were remarkably large, many of them apparently being fragments of ice. Others were as large as marbles, and descended in places with such force as to break panes of glas. For five minutes, another Glasgow paper says the village of Holytown was enveloped in midnight darkness, and the people set a crying, thinking that doomsday had arrived.

ACCIDENT ON THE RAILWAY NEAR DURHAM.—On Monday afternoon an accident occurred on the Durham and Sunderland branch of the North-Eastern Railway, within a short distance of Durham, at a point where the Derness Valley Branch leaves the main line. It appears that Mr. W. F. L. Graham, of Darlington, who discharges the duty of accountant to the North Brancepeth Coal Company, left Bishop Auckland by the two o'clock train in order to be present at the funeral of Mr. Hill, a surveyor under the company. The funeral was fixed for three o'clock, and the train passes Langley, where Mr. Hill resided, about 2 40, Mr. Graham thinking that he would be late for the funeral, instead of going on to Durham opened the carriage door and jumped out the train running at a quick rate at the time. He fell against the train, and was then hurled between the six foot way. Some platelayers who were at work a short distance off witnessed the accident, and a telegram was sent to Mr. Page, stationmaster, Durham, who sent an engine and carriage for the injured man. He was removed to the county hospital, where the house surgeon, Mr. Bridick, found that he had a severe wound on the left side of the head, which was much cut and grazed. One of his arms was also injured and besides being bruised in various parts of the body, he was very much shaken. He is now lying in a precarious state.

THE PAINFUL SCENE IN A NOTTINGHAM CHAPEL.—Several summonses, arising out of the extraordinary proceedings which took place in Zion Chapel (belonging to the Congregationalists) Nottingham on Sunday week, came on for hearing before the local magistrates at a special sitting on Friday afternoon. Great interest was manifested in the proceedings, and the court was crowded to excess. The first case called on was that in which Mr. George Brown and Mr. Frank Pogson were charged by Mr. W. S. Lankford with behaving violently and indecently in the chapel on the evening in question. It appeared that in July last the pulpit became vacant by the retirement of the minister and Mr. Lankford was requested to officiate temporarily. On the 30th September a chapel meeting was held, nine persons only being present, at which it was resolved that Mr. Lankford should be asked to accept the pastorate permanently. He consented to do so; but, at a subsequent meeting, held on the 28th of October, which was more numerously attended, the appointment of Mr. Lankford was cancelled by a large majority. He, however, being supported by a portion of the congregation, appeared determined not to give up the pastorate. On Sunday morning week he ascended the pulpit and conducted the service, with but little interruption, but in the evening he was forestalled by his opponents. On trying to enter at the vestry door it was closed upon him by the defendant Brown. Mr. Lankford then went to the front entrance, and on getting inside the chapel found that the pulpit was occupied by a Mr. Hewitt, whose services his opponents had obtained. Mr. Lankford thereupon mounted a seat in a pew near the pulpit and gave out a hymn, in which part of the congregation joined but at the same time the defendant Pogson commenced to play an entirely different tune on the harmonium. The whole subsequent proceedings were most disorderly. Mr. Lankford endeavoured to preach, but his voice was drowned by the harmonium and the singing of his opponent, and the whole service—if service it can be called—was conducted amid the most disgraceful uproar. After hearing a witness, the magistrates decided to dismiss the case on the ground that Mr. Lankford, after his appointment had been cancelled, had no right to attempt to conduct the service. Notice of appeal was given. Cross-summenses which had been taken out against Mr. Lankford and three of his supporters were then withdrawn on condition that the chapel should be closed, and the keys handed to the chief constable, until the matter could be settled by arbitration.

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THE GUARDIAN.

SATURDAY, NOV. 28, 1874.

MR. GLADSTONE AND DR. DOLLINGER.

THE Press must be the Fourth Estate of the realm and something more, for three Estates together cannot send an ambassador or authorize a single diplomatic agent down to the humblest vice-consul. But the press has not only its diplomatists, it also sends them here and there and gets information in one place as to what is going on in another which makes it seem almost as ubiquitous as Sir BOYLE ROCHE's bird. What a New York editor would think of interviewing Dr. DOLLINGER as to the inner meaning of Mr. GLADSTONE's pamphlet? In the diplomacy of every-day life it is enough for the London envoy to get hold of London intelligence, and to leave to his brother diplomatist to get hold of Bavarian intelligence in the capital of Bavaria. But here we find the ubiquitous correspondent of the *New York Herald* unearthing at Munich underground information as to what is going on at Carlton Terrace or at Hawarden Castle. The surprising part of the whole thing is that the information is so reliable. Ambassadors, is is said, go abroad to lie for their country's good; but it too often happens to them in the words of the poet:

> "Who hides the truth shall be the dupe of lies."

The commodity they deal in they get back with interest. This is why ambassadors are so little to be relied on. They get not the facts as they are, but such garbled versions of them as the Court to which they are accredited wish them to send home. But, in the case of these newspaper envoys, they seem to get hold of the stick by the right end. The art of interviewing is carried to such a point in America, that pumping is not the word to express the way in which they extract secrets. Hydraulic pressure is the only metaphor for the squeeze with which they get out every drop of information. The screw is turned on so gently but so irresistibly that out it comes like the water through the gold as in the celebrated Florence experiment to prove the incompressibility of water. There is Dr. DOLLINGER put into the vice and telling us not only all we Englishmen knew already as to Mr. GLADSTONE's motives in writing the pamphlet on the Vatican decrees, but also a good deal beside which we only suspected. Much as the press has canvassed during the last fortnight this ever memorable manifesto which has raised more theological dust than any other since the Durham letter of 1850, we doubt if any one has thrown so much light on it as Dr. DOLLINGER in his interview with the correspondent of the *New York Herald* last week. He there points out that it is Mr. GLADSTONE's revenge for being checkmated by the Jesuits in his Irish University Bill of March 1873. It is not forgotten that it was the Irish vote on that occasion that defeated Mr GLADSTONE. Rome spoke with her old *urbis et orbis* imperialism, and the whole of the Irish members at the bidding of the hierarchy caved in and left Mr. GLADSTONE in a minority. He resigned, and though Mr. DISRAELI was not prepared to take office till a dissolution, it was the beginning of the end; it was the Weisemburg surprise, to be followed by the Sedan surrender of a few months afterwards. All this is very shrewd, and hits the mark, and the surprising thing is that a German divine should see it as shrewdly as if he were a Pall Mall lounger. What is more surprising still is that it should all come out under the pump-handling of a New York correspondent; and it confirms our impression that the diplomacy of the future lies with the Fourth Estate of the realm.

THE NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.—Some idea of the magnitude of the recent operations of this company on capital account will be gathered from the reports which have been issued at the close of each of the last few half years. The various schemes into which they have entered, involving a vast outlay of fresh capital, may naturally have risen some serious apprehensions in the minds of timid and conservative proprietors; but in no case would it appear that any fresh undertaking had been entered upon without a due regard to their best interests, and the result has in every case been to strengthen a position which appears unassailable, and is perhaps unequalled elsewhere in England in the exclusiveness which the line enjoys in the district served. Ever since the consolidation the progress of the company has been uninterrupted, and they have for some time remained at the head of all larger dividend paying concerns. The last dividend of 7¼ which compares with 8½ per cent. in the previous year, is the worst which has been earned for some years, but in addition to the extra pressure of working cost, which has been common to all companies, the North-Eastern have had to contend against other adverse influences of an almost local nature. The main cause of the diminution of dividend was doubtless the large increase in working expenses, the per centage of receipts absorbed having risen from 51¼ in the corresponding half-year to 55½ in that just ended. In the wages alone the half-year's increase was no less than £50,000. From the early part of May [illegible] the half year, the strike of the [illegible] in the Cleveland district, and [illegible] owners and workmen in the [illegible] other branches of [illegible] dependent upon, mining [illegible] result to the company [illegible] £25,000 per [illegible] of nearly the same amount

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

Arrangements had been made to baptize the infant son of the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh in the private chapel at Windsor Castle, but owing to the indisposition of the Empress of Russia it was resolved that the ceremony should take place in the drawing-room of Buckingham Palace. The departure of the Empress for a warmer climate had for some time been resolved upon, and her stay at the Palace was protracted solely from her desire to assist at the Christening of her grandson. Her decision to quit Buckingham Palace immediately after the ceremony, considering the long absence of the Queen at Balmoral, has been much commented upon.

Cabinet Councils have been rather frequent of late and the conclusion that the outside public naturally draws from this is that ministers are preparing for the approaching session, so that possibly it may be a more active one on their part than has been generally supposed. It is, however, highly probably that Mr. Disraeli's unfortunate allusion, at the Guildhall banquet, to Count Arnim's re-arrest—for that it was this event that was referred to there can be little doubt—and subsequent explanations, have also been discussed in the ministerial conclave.

There has been as long as most of us can remember more or less manifestations in London of a desire for municipal government for the whole metropolis. At last there appeared to be a dim prospect of obtaining it, and at least a bill was prepared to be introduced next session by Lord Elcho. Then it was understood that the Government would take up the matter. But the present Ministry cannot very ardently desire any such reform, and they know full well that the London Corporation, which in many ways, direct and indirect, is a very powerful body, would use their utmost endeavours to frustrate any such reform. The result of deliberation on the subject has been, I believe, the determination on the part of the Government to take no active part in the matter, to leave it to Lord Elcho, and to render him just such support as may be discreet and safe—or, as I would put it, just enough to secure the rejection of the Bill.

It would be a rather startling statement to say that the slave trade exists in England, but, though this would be gross exaggeration, it is true that girls have been bought in lands washed by the Mediterranean, and have been brought over to this country as domestic servants. Of course as soon as they land on British shores they are nominally and legally free—"as soon as the slave touches English soil his shackles fall off" is the old theory—but still the fact remains if we may believe the statements of the Anti-Slavery Society, that girls have actually been *bought* abroad and brought over here as servants. There is a very great and increasing difficulty in procuring domestic servants, but nothing will justify the course to which I have referred, and it is to be hoped that the Anti-Slavery Society will rigorously inquire into the whole matter.

Mr. C. Read, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Local Government Board gives us rather a dismal account of his Parliamentary experience. Going into statistics, he says that he had to go eight miles in order to vote 140 times. Think of that, ye inconsiderate electors! Only fancy a man walking eight miles in the course of six months, an ordinary man might quail at the prospect, but Mr. Read, the gentleman farmer, with his ruddy health could get through it. But at what a cost! The late hours in the House and the work of the day were more than Mr. Read had bargained for, and the work of the session had turned his hair iron-grey. If this is the result of legislative work, we shall certainly soon have, if not potent, certainly grave seigniors in our own Parliament. If a man must get iron-grey in one session, what must be the result of his tresses in the course of a career like that of Palmerston or Russell? But, once bleached, we suppose the member of Parliament is safe. Iron-grey in one session, pure white in the next; he cannot go further, unless, indeed, he becomes bald; and I wonder how many sessions it would take an ordinary member to become "as sich," as Mrs. Brown would say.

We are threatened with more than one *rechauffe* of the Tichborne trial. The Pittendreigh libel case will necessarily involve a tedious repetition of very much that we have heard before, and of which we have become heartily wearied; and if Dr. Kenealy be prosecuted by the Government for libel, as it is said he will be, if the Bencher's of Gray's Inn decide to disbar him, it will not be the Doctor's fault if he do not in one form or another reproduce a great part of the Tichborne evidence. In fact his defence will to a great extent necessitate this. Apropos of action for libel, I hear that Mr. Welby Pugin has several in store for us, and some of them will be directed against "big" papers. The prosecution of the *London Lantern* is but a beginning.

There can be no dispute as to the importance of the prosecution of the six gentlemen on the charge of fraud in connection with the Eupion Fuel Company; but for this very reason I venture to question the propriety of the prosecution in view of the circumstances under which it is conducted. The case has been brought before the magistrate sitting at the Mansion House, and there have been already no less than twelve sittings, with elaborate arguments by a large number of counsel, and with Alderman Lusk as the sole judge "of first instance," to adopt the French phrase. What an enormous expense must thus be occasioned I leave the reader to decide, but the chief point is that here is a long protracted prosecution before a gentleman, Alderman Lusk, who does not pretend to any legal knowledge, and who in the end can do no more than commit the defendants for trial or decide that they must be discharged. This unnecessary torture and is very unsatisfactory to the public.

I think Mr. Balguy, the Woolwich magistrate, has done a good thing in remonstrating against the present rage for prosecuting schoolmasters or parents, if perchance they raise a wheal on a child's flesh. He would not convict a schoolmaster who happened perhaps to have missed his aim, or to have brought down his hand with uncalculated weight; and he uttered a few healthy expressions about the sentimentalism of the age, which pretends to see cruelty in all real corporal punishment. When some of us were young, this view of things would have been looked upon as effeminate, and it will always be a question how much British pluck has been developed by sound floggings at our public schools.

A project has been for some time in existence to establish an aquarium, winter-garden, and concert hall in London. A site was decided on in Westminster, but the Dean and Chapter, who are ground landlords, refused to part with the land, and so far the scheme fell through. But another site has been found, and negotiations for its possession have so far progressed that £20,000 has been paid on account. There is a good prospect, therefore, of the scheme being realized, though its accomplishment may take several years.

The death of Mr. Tom Hood (the father was named Thomas, the deceased Tom) has not come with any surprise on friends who knew how seriously ill he has been for some time. But a few months ago his handsome and genial face looked the picture of health, but his malady rapidly became of a character that showed that recovery was hopeless. *Fun* will not lose much by the death of its editor. Genial a man as he was, he had in his composition scarcely a spark of the humour of his father, who sang "the Song of the Shirt" and "the Bridge of Sighs." Tom Hood the younger leaves no such monuments.

EXTRAORDINARY MARRIAGE CASE.

A curious point of Armenian ecclesiastical law was raised by a case which came before Vice-Chancellor Malins on Friday afternoon, in the form of a petition in the matter of Alison's trusts. It appeared that Mr Charles Alison, the late Envoy of Her Brittannic Majesty at the Court of Teheran, had taken under his protection a young Armenian lady named Vardine Rafael, and when he died on the 29th of April, 1872, left her his fortune, which was considerable. On the 28th of September, 1872, the young lady went through the ceremony of marriage with Mr Henry Vardy Ongley, the British Vice-Consul at Teheran, at a Roman Catholic Church, the reason for resorting to a priest of that faith being that no Armenian clergyman could be induced to perform the ceremony after it had been ascertained that Miss Rafael was *enciente* at the time, such a marriage being invalid by the ecclesiastical law of the Armenian Church, as well as according to Mahomedan law. Ten weeks after the marriage, Madame Ongley (or Miss Rafael) was delivered of a female child, the paternity of which was unknown. This petition was filed by the lady, asking to have the legacy left her by Mr Allison paid out of court, and alleging that the so-called marriage to Mr Ongley was no marriage at all. This was, in fact, the real question for the court to decide; and upon this question a great deal of evidence by experts in Armenian ecclesiastical law was submitted to his Honour, from which it appeared that the reason why no marriage with a woman in the condition of this lady could be legally solemnised was, that a woman so circumstanced represented two persons. Mr Higgins, on behalf of Mr Ongley, contended that the vaildity of the marriage could not be affected by the ecclesiastical law of the Armenian Church, if the marriage was legally solemnised according to the laws by which Mr Ongley, as a British subject, was bound. The learned counsel had not concluded when the hearing was adjourned.

THE RATEABILITY OF CHAPELS.

At the Greenwich Police Court on the 29th ult., Edmund Brown, treasurer to the trustees of the Wesleyan Chapel sifuate in Mary Ann's Buildings, High Street, Deptford, appeared to an adjourned summons taken out by the Greenwich District Board of Works, to show cause why an order should not be made for the payment of a sum of £27 10s., being the amount apportioned to be paid in respect of the paving of the above street.—Mr. Spencer attended in support of the summons, and Mr. Howard (Ingle and Co.) for the defence. Mr. Howard said he objected to the order asked for being made. He relied on the decision given in the court of Queen's Bench by Lord Chief Justice Cockburn and Justices Blackburn and Lush (reported in L. R., vol. iii,), in the case of "Angel v. the Vestry of Paddington." In that case there had been a church erected in the parish which occupied nearly the whole of one side of the street. Both sides of the street had been paved, the cost of which was wholly charged on the owners of land and houses on the other portion of the street. The case came before the magistrate, who decided that the vestry had done right. Against this decision an appeal was entered, and in the case quoted the Lord Chief Justice had upheld the decision, on the ground that the church was neither within the meaning of land nor house which were liable to rating. In this opinion Justices Blackburn and Lush also concurred.—Mr. Spencer said that although it was contended that a chapel was not liable by statute to be rated, he thought the word "chapel," as in the present case, admitted of a different application to that of "church," as contained in the judgment just read.—Mr. Balguy said he did not perceive any difference, and should like to hear the distinction.—Mr. Spencer said that in the case before the court the whole of the space paved and charged for was not the chapel merely but adjoining schools belonging thereto. The deed of trust appointing the trustees had not been produced, but it was admitted that the deed gave the trustees the power to sell the chapel on obtaining the sanction of the Wesleyan Conference. Mr. Howard said the same power was exercised by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in respect to the sale of churches. The chapel and schools had never been assessed to the poor-rate, and he contended that they could not be made liable for any rate made for the improvement of a part of a parish.—Mr. Spencer produced a witness to prove that part of the building was used as a school both on Sundays and week-days, and that fees were received from the latter, and paid to the secretary of the school, who paid the same over to the trustees who were also the trustees, of the chapel.—Mr. Howard said there was free entrance to and from the chapel and school, and that no profit was made by the fees paid for boys and girls, as the school would not support itself but by the aid of the congregation worshipping at the chapel and the capitation grant allowed by the Government.—Mr. Balguy concurred in the defence set up, and dismissed the summons, refusing, however, to make an order for defendant's costs.

George Poplett, a farm labourer, was committed for trial on Saturday at Kingston-on-Thames for the murder of his wife by stabbing her with a pig-killing knife.

A fire broke out in the French College, Blackbrook, near Dublin, early on Saturday morning, while the students were in bed. A wing of the building, in which were the library and dormitories, was entirely destroyed. The loss is variously estimated at from £5,000 to £20,000.

SPECIAL PRAYER.—The Reverend W. M. Punshon, President of the Wesleyan Conference, has lately issued a circular requesting special prayer for Christian Missions, of which the following is a copy:—"It is proposed that Monday, Nov, 30th, shall be devoted to special intercession and thanksgiving on behalf of the Missionary work of the churches. The gracious memory of last year's concert of prayer on this subject remains; and as we have again the opportunity of observing a day for the purpose, on which we are sure that Christians of other churches will meet us at the throne of Grace, I venture to suggest that, wherever practicable, at least some part of the day may be thus set apart in all our circuits. A call to specific prayer can never be unwelcome to Methodists, and we shall surely hail the cause of Christian Missions as one on which we need the 'grace of supplication' to be abundantly poured out from above."

LETTER FROM THE POPE TO CARDINAL CULLEN.

The Pope having recently received from Cardinal Cullen £2,600 Peter's Pence, has written to the Cardinal the following letter, dated the 11th of November:—

"BELOVED SON,—Health and apostolic benediction. Although your sincere attachment and devotion, as well as that of your clergy and faithful people, to us and this apostolic See were already well known, and proved on many occasions, yet, dearly beloved son, the dutiful tribute of filial piety which in your name and that of your flock you have lately conveyed to us in your affectionate letter, with its accompanying offering, did not afford us the less pleasure and gratification. On the contrary, we receive these repeated testimonies of your love, with the greater goodwill and gratitude, inasmuch as they clearly proceed from sincere faith and affection, and put in the strongest light the constant zeal which you and your flock strive to help us in our tribulation. Besides, in receiving these new marks of your affectionate respect, our consolation was largely increased by the repeated assurances given in your letter of the fervour with which your Catholic people pour forth assiduous prayers for us and the Church, and of the zeal and alacrity with which in their straitened circumstances they abound in works of piety and charity, and contribute to erect and support good and useful institutions, thus showing forth the strength and ardour of a faith which actively worketh through charity. From the bottom of our heart in all these things we thank God, the author of all good, Who gives such strength to His children, and we earnestly beseech Him to fortify more and more every day their good resolutions, and also to bless with abundant fruits your pastoral exertions and cares. Also here, dearly beloved son, we cannot but bestow the highest praise on you and your venerable colleagues, the bishops of Ireland, who in order to provide for the salvation of your faithful people unhesitatingly raised your voices in condemnation of the nefarious doctrines lately delivered to the public in your country, under the pretence of promoting science, by unbelieving men. We firmly trust that your pious flocks, listening with docility to the voice of their pastors, will ever keep aloof from such poisonous pastures and imitate the steadfastness of their forefathers, who constantly and willingly submitted to the greatest and severest trials and afflictions rather than consent to be stripped of the precious treasure of the faith by enemies—of whom St. Maximus of Turin says nothing, is to be dreaded as much as spiritual pirates, who make it a trade to despoil not merely the bodies but also the souls of men who strive to make prey not so much of earthly gold as of the gold of faith, who plunder their victims not so much of worldly wealth as of the wisdom of Christ. Hence, knowing the great dangers to which Catholic education among you is exposed, we earnestly beseech the Father of Mercies to look with a propitious eye on the youth of the country, and by His protection to preserve their faith safe from dangers and evils. For the rest, imploring an abundance of all heavenly graces on you, and your clergy, and all the faithful confided to your care. We bestow most lovingly and worshipfully from our hearts upon you and them our apostolic benediction, as a presage of those graces, and as a pledge of our special love and gratitude.

"PIUS NINTH," Pope."

DOLLINGER AND GLADSTONE.

The special correspondent of the *New York Herald* sends the following letter:—

MUNICH, Nov. 15, 1874.

It was my privilege yesterday afternoon to have a conversation with Dr Dollinger at his residence, No. 11, Von de Tann Street. I found the aged professor in good health, and he having just completed the perusal of Mr Gladstone's pamphlet, and somewhat mixed up with the Bismarck-Arnim affair, was more than usually communicative. It is well-known that Mr Gladstone spent some two weeks at Munich in the past fall, where besides sitting for his portait at Professor Lembach's, he had many interviews with Dollinger, and the following interview may be looked upon as containing the learned Professor's support of the Gladstone pamphlet. I may add that a German translation is to be published in Nordlingen. It was translated by a Munich professor, and will likewise contain a translation of Lord Acton's letter to Mr Gladstone. Speaking of the reception of Mr Gladstone's pamphlet here, Professor Dollinger said:—"The pamphlet has generally been misjudged in Germany, and especially in Bavaria, and it is very curious that there is a certain hostility against Mr Gladstone perceptible in the Augsburg *Allgemeine Zeitung* (which gives the tone of the South-German press). The Germans do not understand the question of ritualism, which occupies the attention of the English so much, and since Gladstone has written in favour of ritualism their prejudice against him is very visible in whatever they say about his new pamphlet which has nothing to do at all with ritualism. The fact is that Mr Gladstone sees clearly the great danger which the Vatican decrees will produce in Ireland, and wherever there is a large Irish population, as in the United States. The Conservative papers of England," continued Prof. Dollinger, "have generally criticised the pamphlet very severely, but then it is perfectly understood that when an ex Prime Minister writes anything it is looked upon as a political work, as a step taken in order to bring himself into the public favour again, and with a view of obtaining again a majority in Parliament. This is, in my opinion, quite unjust. Mr Gladstone is a man of deep religious convictions, at the same time a good patriot, and he judges the situation of England and Ireland with the eye of a statesman who sees the danger resulting from these same Vatican decrees approaching. Now, if the Conservative papers had reflected on the way in which Archbishop Manning has spoken publicly of Mr Gladstone's pamphlet, and on the Vatican decrees, they would, as everybody does I suppose, see clearly that there is a real political interest in the matter and a great danger. At the same time you are aware that the entire representation of Ireland is Ultramontane and guided by the bishops receiving their directions from Rome. Of this Mr Gladstone is perfectly well aware, and I know it from communications made to me by an Irish member. When last year the Irish University Bill was brought into Parliament by the Ministry, the whole Ultramontane Irish party voted against it as one man, and it was perfectly well understood and publicly known that this was by order of the bishops. It was understood that the bishops had received orders from Rome to oppose it by all means in their power so that now the state of things is actually this: Whenever, in future, the Government of England will have something to arrange in Ireland, it will, in the last instance, entirely depend upon the Pope whether the measure succeeds or not, and what will be the conduct of the Irish population. This has never come out so glaringly before, so that Mr Gladstone had already felt the consequences of the Vatican decrees and of the new position which the Pope now takes in the Roman Church. He felt it by his own experience, for, in truth, the downfall of the Gladstone Ministry was sealed by the rejection of the University Bill.

THE CLYDE SHIPWRIGHTS.—On Saturday the committee of the men employed in the Clyde shipbuilding and engineering trade met in Glasgow. A strong feeling was manifested that, under certain circumstances, the proposed reduction of 5 to 15 per cent should be resisted; but as the notices to that effect had not yet been posted in the various works, no action was resolved upon.

SIR ROBERT PEEL.

He was tall and powerfully built. His body somewhat bulky for his limbs, his head small and well-formed, his features regular. His countenance was not what would be generally called expressive, but it was capable of taking the expression he wished to give it, humour, sarcasm, persuation, and command being its alternate characteristics. The character of the man was seen more, however, in the whole person than in the face. He did not stoop, but he bent rather forwards; his mode of walking was peculiar, and rather like that of a cat, but of a cat that was well acquainted with the ground it was moving over; the step showed no doubt or apprehension; it could hardly be called stealthy, but it glided on firmly and cautiously, without haste, or swagger, or unevenness and, as he hastily walked from the bar to his seat, he looked round him, as if scanning the assembly, and when anything particular was expected, sat down with an air of preparation for the coming contest. The oftener you heard him speak the more his speaking gained upon you. Addressing the House several times in the night on various subjects, he always seemed to know more than any one else knew about each of them, and to convey to you the idea that he thought he did so. His language was not usually striking, but it was always singularly correct, and gathered force with the development of his argument. He never seemed occupied with himself. His effort was evidently directed to convince you, not that he was *eloquent*, but that he was *right*. When the subject suited it, he would be witty, and with a look and a few words he could most effectively convey contempt; he could reply also with great spirit to an attack, but he was rarely aggressive. He seemed rather to aim at gaining the doubtful than mortifying or crushing the hostile. His great rivals, Canning and Brougham, being removed, he no doubt felt more at his ease than formerly; and though there was nothing like assumption or pretension in his manner, there was a tone of superiority, which he justified by a great store of knowledge, a clear and impressive style, and a constant readiness to discuss any question that arose. Lord John Russell had not then the talents for debate which he subsequently displayed. Lord Palmerston had only made one or two great speeches. Sir James Graham was chiefly remarkable for a weighty statement. Mr Charles Grant had lost his once great oratorical powers. Mr Macaulay was only beginning to deliver his marvellous orations. O'Connell, mighty to a mob, was not in his place when addressing a refined and supercilious audience. Mr Stanley, the late Lord Derby, surpassed Sir R. Peel and every one else in vivacity, wit, lucidity, and energy. But he struck you more as a first rate cavalry officer than as a commander-in-chief. Sir Robert, cool and self-collected, gave you, on the contrary, the idea of a great, prudent wary leader, who was fighting after a place, and keeping his eye during the whole of the battle directed to the result; you felt—at least, I felt—that without being superior to many of his competitors as a man, he was far superior to all as a Member of Parliament; and his ascendancy was the more visible as the whole strength of his party was in him.—*From Sir Robert Peel: an Historical Sketch by Henry Lord Dalling Bulwer.*

Her Majesty the Queen and the Princess Beatrice arrived at Windsor on Saturday morning, and drove in a close carriage to the Castle. It is understood that the Court will spend Christmas at the Isle of Wight.

LUXURIES FOR COLLIERS.—The great advance in the wages of the coal-miners of England has brought many novel luxuries within the reach of that laborious class, and even a committee of the House of Commons has condescended to inquire whether the colliers do really indulge in champagne. Without pretending to decide whether they do or do not drink the glorious wine of France, we may certainly point to one luxury in which they now share; and that is, the luxury of divorce. Last week Sir James Hannen dissolved the marriage of a coal miner whose wife had left him about 16 years ago. The petitioner was called upon to explain the delay in seeking relief from the court. His excuse was that until within the last three or four years his wages amounted to barely 3s. a day, out of which no saving was possible. Recently wages had risen to more than 6s. a day, and the petitioner had therefore been enabled to put by a little store to pay the costs of his suit. His excuse was accepted, and the Judge Ordinary granted him a decree. The number of divorces rose about 25 per cent last year; and this case seems to show that the increase was due not to more vice, but to higher wages.—*The Law Journal.*

A STORY OF A KISS.—The *Continental Herald* publishes the following story:—"Very recently at Veveyse, in the Canton of Friburgh, a young baker received a visit from two young girls whose object was to settle a bread account. In squaring the account there was a centimo short, and the baker laughingly proposed to liquidate this balance by kissing the elder of the two sisters, who was sixteen years of age, to which she acceded. This amused the youngest girl, who in her turn also received a kiss. When they returned home they recounted the circumstance to their parents as a piece of pleasantry; but the father was by no means disposed to view the occurrence in this light. He immediately went off to consult the cure, who characterised the act as a scandal; the latter went forthwith to the synnic, and this functionary without loss of time mustered the whole Communal Council, and the affair began to assume colossal proportions. A charge of attempt at corruption was launched against the baker, and judicial proceedings were commenced. But the father of the young baker heard of what was passing, and warned his son, who judged it prudent to leave his business and the town and take refuge in Geneva; but justice was not to be defeated, and the authorities of Friburg demanded the extradition of the youth from the Government of Geneva. He was given up, seemingly without hestitation, and was incarcerated in the prison of Chated for 18 days before his case came on for hearing. The charge was eventually refered to the Chamber d'Accusation, who however, declared that it was unfounded."

THE DURHAM ROBBERY OF £600.—At the Middlesbro' Police Court on Saturday, three strongly-built middle-aged men named Wm. Robson, Thos. Tracey, and Robert Ratcliffe were charged with being suspected persons and frequenting public places of resort with intent to commit a felony. Superintendent Saggerson stated to the Bench that he had received information from Inspector Dodds, Gateshead, that Robson, who is a returned convict, and Tracey were two of a gang who were suspected of committing the robbery of £600 at Durham a few days ago, and that it was suspected they were in the neighbourhood with intent to commit robberies. In answer to Robson, who has a piece out of the left ear, and who is known by the *alias* "Mousey," the clerk to the magistrates read a portion of the letter from Inspector Dodds, Gateshead, which ran as follows:—"There are two of a gang of thieves who have been concerned in committing a robbery at Durham in your town at present. They are going to commit a robbery at a public-house where they get a lot of change for the ironworkers' pay." This was followed by the description of the men. Two of the gang are in custody at Stockton for something, but Mr. Dodds did not know for what. Inspector Bellamy apprehended Robson and Ratcliffe, his brother-in-law, at the Nag's Head, on Friday night. Robson said he was a bookmaker, and had come from Newcastle and was going to York. Tracey was apprehended by Inspector Thorpe on Sunday morning. Ratcliffe, who works in Middlesbro', was dismissed, but bound to appear when called upon. Robson and Tracey were remanded to Northallerton for seven days.

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FOUND.—A Lemon and White Fox Terrier DOG, on the 14th inst. Owner can have it by applying to 15, Newmarket Street, Consett. If not claimed in 7 Days will be Sold.

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TO LET, immediately, a Good SHOP and DWELLING-HOUSE, situate in Consett.—Apply to Mr. T. CRESSWELL, Shoemaker, Middle Street, Consett.

TO LET, for Lectures, Concerts, Sales, &c., the TEMPLARS' HALL, MEDOMSLEY.—Apply to Mr WILLIAM ROBINSON, Grocer, Medomsley. 6038

Wanted

WANTED immediately, an APPRENTICE to the Drapery Business.—Apply to DOWSON and Ross, Drapers, Durham Road, Blackhill.

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WANTED Four APPRENTICES to the Millinery Business.—Apply personally to Miss PERCY, at R. W. SHAW'S Establishment, Leedgate.

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N.B.—Interest is payable half-yearly, and is not required in advance. 6362

Contracts.

ANNFIELD PLAIN GAS COMPANY (LIMITED).

THE DIRECTORS of the above Company are prepared to receive Tenders for the ERECTION of a PURIFYING and LIME HOUSE, at their Works, at Kyo. Plans and Specification can be seen at the Office on application. Sealed Tenders to be sent to me not later than the 30th inst.

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

GEORGE ELSDON, Secretary.

November 4th, 1874.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS WANTED.

THE Building Committee are prepared to receive TENDERS for the execution of the several WORKS, in whole or in part, of the proposed NEW CHURCH (for Beamish district) at WEST STANLEY, Chester-le-Street. Plans and specifications may be seen and forms of tender obtained on application to Mr. T. DARNEY, Stanley National School, on any day (Saturdays and Sundays excepted) from 10 to 4 o'clock. Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Stanley Church," to be sent to Mr. GEORGE RIDLEY, Stanley, Chester-le-Street, not later than SATURDAY, Dec. 5, 1874. The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted. 6417

Public Notices.

THEATRE ROYAL, CONSETT.
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ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30th, 1874,
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Public Notices.

MID-DAY PRAYER MEETING, from 12·15 to 1·15 DAILY (see Bills).
Treasurer, Mr. GLEDSTONE, N.E. Bank.

LECTURE ON METHODISM.

MR. J. WARDLE (of WITTON GILBERT) will deliver his most popular LECTURE on "Methodism: its Origin, Organisation, and Development," in the WESLEYAN CHAPEL, Consett, on MONDAY, November 30, 1874.

Chair to be taken at Seven o'clock p.m., by Mr. JOHN POTTS, Elm Park.

SERVICES OF SONG
Will be given by the
CONSETT & BLACKHILL WESLEYAN CHOIRS
As follows:—

In the Town Hall, Shotley Bridge, on TUESDAY, December 1; and in the WESLEYAN CHAPEL, Castleside, on WEDNESDAY, December 2, 1874.

Each Service to commence at Half-past Seven o'clock. For particulars see Programmes.

SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

THE REV. THOMAS HIND, of GATESHEAD, will deliver a LECTURE in the WESLEYAN CHAPEL, Shotley Bridge, on THURSDAY, Dec. 3rd, 1874. Subject:—"The Martyr Church of the Alps; or, The Struggles of the Waldenses."

Chair to be taken at 7·30 p.m.

ADMISSION, ONE SHILLING. Tickets may be obtained from Mr. R. TAYLOR (Shotley Bridge) and Mr. J. W. DAVISON (Consett). Proceeds in aid of Missions.

NOTICE.

I, THOMAS WETHERELL, of COOPER'S SQUARE, DIPTON, will not be answerable for any Debt or Debts, contracted by my wife, MARY WETHERELL, after this notice.

November 24, 1874.

I, JAMES WILSON, 29, Derwent Street, Blackhill, County of Durham, Do HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I will not be Responsible for any Debt or Debts which my wife, JANE WILSON, may contract in my name, on and after this date, November 26, 1874.

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

DIPTON TO CONSETT.

A CONVEYANCE will leave DIPTON for CONSETT, every SATURDAY Afternoon at Half past One o'clock; returning from Consett at Four.

MATTHEW TODD, Dipton.

TO MANUFACTURERS AND MERCHANTS.

AN ACCOUNTANT, who has had considerable experience, is prepared to fill up some of his leisure time in assisting Manufacturers or Merchants in Office work.—For particulars apply to JOSHUA LAX, Shotley Bridge.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

THE DRAPERY ESTABLISHMENTS in CONSETT will be Closed each Evening at Six o'clock, with the exception of
PAY FRIDAYS at Seven o'clock,
PAY MONDAYS at Seven o'clock,
PAY SATURDAYS at Eleven o'clock, and
BACK SATURDAYS at Half-past Ten o'clock,

This arrangement will commence on the 1st day of December, and last until the 1st day of March.

☞ The Public are requested to make their purchases before these hours.

THE LICENSING ACT, 1872,
35 and 36 Victoria, cap. 94, sec. 40.

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, GEORGE YOUNG, now residing at Delves Lane, Consett, 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, to be holden at the Justice Room, in Lanchester, on the 10th day of December next, for a License to hold an additional Excise License to sell, by Retail, at a House, Beer, to be consumed off the House or Premises thereunto belonging, situate at Delves Lane, Consett, aforesaid, in pursuance of Act 26 and 27, Vict., chap. 33, section 1.

Given under my hand this 23rd day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

GEORGE YOUNG.

BALANCE SHEET FOR CONSETT RACES 1873.

RECEIVED.

	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions collected	96	14	0
Rent for Tents	15	0	0
Ring Entrance	9	10	0
Small Stalls &c.	3	2	0
Entrance Money for Stakes	29	0	0
Stand, second day	0	18	0
Cards Sold	1	0	0
Sale of Stand &c.	15	3	4
	£170	7	4

PAID.

	£	s.	d.
Stakes Paid	110	0	0
Hutchinson for Stand	42	9	7
Printing (Foreman)	0	15	0
Rent for field to Mr. Barron	8	0	0
Hurdles &c.	2	5	0
J. Murray (auctioneer)	0	10	6
Advertising in *Newcastle Chronicle*	5	17	0
Sewell	0	16	0
Stokoe	0	5	10
C. Watson for Posts	1	15	0
Police Pay and Refreshments	3	8	2
Advertising in *Consett Guardian*	2	13	6
Bellman (Heslop)	0	6	0
Benson's Cards	1	18	6
Mr Tait for measuring ground	0	5	0
For breaking McNally's machine	2	6	0
Granger (solicitor)	2	2	0
Jackson	1	0	0
Horse Hire for Canvassing, expenditure &c	5	0	0
	£191	18	1
Money received	170	7	4
Balance due to Mr. Mace	21	10	9

R. COLE, Secretary.

Mr. Mace wishes to state that the reason this sheet was not published sooner was on account of the Committee being in debt, the deficiency being owing to the stand only bringing £15 after having cost £42 9s. 7d., and also to part of the Stewards refusing to work. The gate was lost, but this year a good sum was realised. Mr. Mace holds £37 15s. 6d., which he has collected this year, and after deducting the £21 10s. 9d. owing to him for last year (which part of this year's Committee did not want him to have), and £12 for a Stake he won this year, he holds a balance of £4 4s. 9d., which he will pay on the Treasurer calling.

ALTERATIONS.

NOTICE.

SHAW AND ATKINSON

BEG to announce that their Branch Establishment at ANNFIELD PLAIN will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, and FRIDAY, December 1st to 4th, owing to alterations being made to the Premises.

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JAMES LEYLAND, Secretary.

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Business Announcements.

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RESPECTFULLY announce to the Inhabitants of Blackhill and surrounding District that they will OPEN the Premises lately occupied by Mr. ROBSON, Painter, Durham Road, Blackhill, on SATURDAY, November 30th, 1874, with a large and Fashionable Stock of DRAPERY GOODS, from the London and Manchester Markets, including every Novelty of the Season.

Ready-money Buyers should visit A. DOWSON and Co.'s, which will be one of the most popular Concerns in Blackhill. Every Article is bought and sold for READY-MONEY ONLY. Cash-buyers can, therefore, effect a great saving by making their purchases at his Establishment.

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SPIRITS OF THE FINEST QUALITY,

Which he purposes to dispose of at the following moderate rates:—

Fine Gin, superior quality, ...	2s. 6d. per bot.
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BEGS to return thanks to the public of Leadgate and surrounding district for their patronage during the twenty-six years he has been in business, and respectfully informs them that he has added to his other business the Sale of ALES and SPIRITS. And having made arrangements to be supplied from the best Distilleries in Scotland and Ireland, he is in a position to supply Families equal to any house in town or country. No inferior Ales or Spirits will be kept.

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Price of OLD IRISH WHISKEY, 14s., 16s., and 18s. per gallon. RUM, 15s., 17s., and 18s. per gallon.

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Fine Old Irish Whisky	2s. 6d.
Do. do (extra strong)..	3s. 0d.
Fine Old Scotch Whisky..............	2s. 6d.
Do. do. (extra strong)	3s. 0d.
Prime Jamaica Rums	2s. 6d.
Do. (extra strong)......	3s. 0d.
Blended Rum (extra strong)	3s. 0d.
London Gin	2s. 6d.
Hollands Gin	3s. 3d.
French Brandy (pale)	4s. 6d.
Do. do. (extra strong)....	5s. 0d.
Brown Brandy	4s. 6d.
Do. (extra strong)	5s. 0d.
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Fine Sparkling Edinburgh Ales at 4d. per quart.
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BURTON ALES of the very best quality, usually sold at 8d. per quart, will be sold at 6d. per quart.

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Country Orders punctually attended to.

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

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

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By Mr. Thomas Pyle.

CONSETT WATER COMPANY SHARES.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, at the House of Mr. WOOD, the Neville Hotel, North Road, Durham, on TUESDAY, December 1st, 1874, at 5 for 6 o'clock in the Evening,

Mr. THOMAS PYLE, Auctioneer.

(In Lots to suit Purchasers). 220 New £5 SHARES in the CONSETT WATER COMPANY. For further particulars, apply to the AUCTIONEER, 46, Saddler Street, or to

T. MADDISON, Jun., Solicitor,
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Durham, November 18, 1874.

By Mr. Haggerty.

TOWN HALL SALE-ROOMS, CONSETT.

CONTINUATION OF GREAT SALE BY AUCTION OF DRAPERY GOODS, &c., &c.

MR. HAGGERTY (Auctioneer) respectfully announces to his numerous friends and patrons, that he has received further instructions to continue his Great Bona-fide SALE BY AUCTION of DRAPERY GOODS, READY-MADE CLOTHING, GOLD, SILVER, and ELECTRO-PLATED GOODS for a limited number of days.

Mr. H. takes this opportunity of thanking his friends for their past favours, and hopes they will not miss this opportunity, as the Goods MUST BE CLEARED OUT within a few days to give place to a large stock of BOOTS and SHOES, which have been consigned to him, and of which due notice will be given.

☞ Sale to commence each Evening at 6.30., and on Saturdays at 12 noon and 6 p.m.

Town Hall Sale Rooms, Consett,
November 25th, 1874.

By Mr. William Raw.

TIN MILL PLACE, BLACKHILL.

MR. WILLIAM RAW having been honoured with instructions from Mr. FRANCIS RICHARDSON, will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at Mr. TURNER's, Station Hotel, Blackhill, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 9th, 1874, all that very Valuable FREEHOLD PROPERTY, situate at No. 6 and 7, TIN MILL PLACE, Blackhill, in the occupation of Mrs. SHEFFIELD, as tenant thereof, comprising excellent Front Shop and large and lofty Front Parlour, with good Kitchen and Pantry on the Ground Floor, and 4 good Bed-rooms on the Second Floor, with fine spacious Entrance and excellent Double Staircase; together with a large self-contained Yard, well paved, and all necessary Conveniences.

There is a good Back Street, which has just lately baen finished under the directions of the Local Board. The Property is most substantially built, well finished, and all neatly painted and papered. The Site is good, being on the main road to the Consett Works. Altogether, it is a very valuable and desirable Property, and a most safe investment for Capitalists or Members of Building Societies. On application, Mrs. SHEFFIELD will show the Premises, and further particulars can be obtained on applying to the AUCTIONEER.

Sale to commence at Six o'clock p.m.

Sale Office, Blackhill, Co. Durham.

TO ADVERTISERS.

⁂ Alterations to, or Notices to discontinue, Advertisements must be received at the Office not later than Wednesday.

All orders for advertisements in the *Guardian* should state the number of insertions for such advertisement. When this is not stated the insertion of the advertisement will be continued until an order to stop the announcement is received, up to which time it will be charged for.

☞ In consequence of the great increase in the circulation of the *Consett Guardian*, it is necessary to commence to print the newspaper at an earlier hour. Advertisements intended for insertion should be received at the office not later than ten o'clock on Friday morning.

The Consett Guardian.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH, 1874.

THE PROPOSED NEW ROAD IN CONSETT.

CONSIDERABLE dissatisfaction has been manifested by the ratepayers of Consett at the decison of the Local Board, at their last meeting, to form a road in front of Albert Row, Consett, and that dissatisfaction found vent at the public meeting of ratepayers fully reported in our last issue. The meeting of ratepayers held on Thursday evening, the 19th, inst., was not a mere fraction of the ratepayers—it was a thoroughly representative meeting, and we feel bound to record the fact that it was one of the most influential meetings of ratepayers it has been our privilege to attend in Consett. That such a meeting was held to protest against the road being made out of the district rate is a proof that the question is considered by the ratepayers of great importance, not so much, perhaps, from the road about to be made being made at their cost, but probably many of the ratepayers think that this is but the beginning of a deviation from an acknowledged rule hitherto acted up to in the district under the Consett Local Board, which, if allowed to go unchecked, might form a precedent for the future. Hitherto the proprietors of property adjoining the roads made by order of the Local Board, have not only had to pay for the land, but the expense incurred in forming the road, and the ratepayers naturally feel somewhat irritated that, after paying for the roads in front of their respective properties, they should be called upon to pay their proportion of the expense of forming a road in front of property owned by others. The flagging facing Front Street, Sherburn Terrace, and other properties has been left undone simply because if done it would have to be paid out of a district rate, and the ratepayers, no doubt, feel that if the Albert Road were done at their cost, the other roads, left in abeyance so long, will speedily be completed also at their expense. The question, therefore, is one of great interest to the ratepayers generally, and it is to be hoped that the members of the Local Board will see their way out of the difficulty at their next meeting.

THE LASH FOR CRIMINALS.

THE idea of whipping men for crimes of violence towards women or children is now undergoing a very practical ventilation, as the Home Secretary has circularized all the English magistracy on the subject, in order that he may have the benefit of their opinions, founded on experience. Perhaps a better course could not be adopted in dealing with a very difficult subject. The simple question at issue, as we take it, is whether we are justified in making our criminal punishments vindictive, or whether they should be all reformatory. In former ages there was no doubt felt about this matter, for legal punishments were as a rule vindictive. There was little thought of reforming the individual; it was only sought to deter him by fear from repeating his offence, and to make him a warning to others. We think it is BLACKSTONE who says that men were hanged, not for stealing horses, but that horses might not be stolen; and on this principle society justified itself for inflicting the most cruelly-vindictive punishment for comparatively small offences. The strongest measures were taken to prevent men from becoming criminals, but no effort was made to reform them when they had committed criminal offences. In fact, it seems as if our ancestors believed that the best use to which they could put a criminal was to hang him. In our days there has been almost a complete revulsion of feeling on this matter. We have adopted the reformatory instead of the vindictive principle of treatment, and though we lock up offenders, it is only that we may have the opportunity of working at their moral reform. Our "hard labour" is a farce; it means only a fraction of the exertion which many a working man has to undergo in a day, and it is really not more exercise than is required to keep men in health. We put our prisoners in clean, comfortable cells, warmed and ventilated; we feed them on good wholesome food, supply them with clothing, and allow them to occupy their leisure in reading "good" books. But many people have begun to think that we have gone too far in this direction, and that it is not well to give up all vindictive punishments. Under the influence of this opinion, indeed Parliament a few years ago made a retrograde step when it prescribed flogging as a punishment for garotters, and thus the principle of mere reformatory punishment was given up. After this, it is very natural for people to argue that flogging would be a good punishment for other offences, and they cannot now be met by the argument that we have adopted the reformatory and discarded the vindictive principle. Our own view of the matter is that different offenders require different treatment; that we may well try to reform some without making them suffer more pain and degradation than is absolutely necessary, while there are others whom it is useless to try to reform, and who should be made "dreadful examples" to their class, and inspired with a wholesome sense of fear that will prevent them from breaking the law again. We should be very sorry indeed if the law prescribed flogging as a punishment for all wife-beaters, but we should be glad to see the lash descend on some of these miscreants. Often as we may find magistrates regretting their inability to punish offenders with a whipping, it is only in a fractional part of the cases that come before them; and we think the proper way would be to leave the discretion to the magistrates, as the discretion is now left to the judges in regard to flogging garotters. It is only the irreclaimable ruffian that we would flog; on other offenders we would still try the reformatory principle. Of course we are speaking as to crimes of violence in grown offenders; but the Huntingdon magistrates, in their recent answer to the Home Secretary's letter, have raised quite a different question when they recommend flogging all offenders under fifteen years of age. We should thus be inflicting vindictive punishment upon just the individuals that one might consider the most fitting subjects for the reformatory process.

Local and District News.

The Rev. Thomas Hind, of Gateshead, and formerly of Shotley Bridge Circuit, is announced to lecture in the Wesleyan Chapel, Shotley Bridge, on Thursday evening next, on "The Martyr Church of the Alps; or, The Struggles of the Waldenses."

INDEPENDENT UNITED ORDER OF MECHANICS.—The members of the Derwent Valley Lodge of the above Order held their annual supper on Saturday evening last, at the house of Mrs Jameson, Commercial Inn, Blackhill, when upwards of sixty members sat down to a splendid repast. After supper Bro. Ralph Walton, D.G.M., took the chair, and Bro. W. Bell, S.D., the vice-chair. Bro. Hogg, secretary, read the annual report, which showed the steady increase the Derwent Valley Lodge was making both in finances and members. The proceedings were enlivened by music by the Leadgate Quadrille Band.

ANNUAL SUPPER AT CASTLESIDE.—On Saturday night last, the Castleside Order of Good Design Friendly Society held their yearly meeting, when the books showed the income at £45 2s. 0d.; expenditure for sickness and deaths and other expenses, £41 11s. 6d.; and the number of members 45, which left a dividend of 1s. 6d. to each member. After the routine of business was concluded, the members sat down to supper at the house of Mr J. Milner, innkeeper, after which a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr Milner for the excellent supper he had provided.

ROWLEY TOWNSHIP AND THE SCHOOL BOARD QUESTION.—An influential meeting of owners and ratepayers was held on Wednesday, at the house of Mr Potts, innkeeper, Castleside, Mr W. J. Scott, of Consett, presiding, when it was unanimously resolved that, in consequence of the North-Eastern Railway Company (Darlidgton Section) refusing to pay a voluntary rate for the purpose of extending the present Church School, closely adjoining, but in Castleside District, that the township of Rowley adopt the School Board Act. For the information of our readers we may state that some time since a notice from the Education Department, London, was served upon Mr G. Errington, overseer for the township of Rowley, for more school accomodation, and that the Department would be satisfied if the ratepayers enlarged the Castleside Church Schools by voluntary rate, and it appears all parties, except the Railway Company, were willing to do so; owing to the Company deciding not to pay a voluntary rate for that purpose, the township decided to adopt the Act, so that all would be compelled to pay their share.

THE STATE OF COLLIERY VILLAGES IN DURHAM.—At the meeting of the Miners' National Association at Barnsley, on Friday, the question of the sanitary condition of colliery villages came under consideration. Mr Crawford said there were in Durham, villages with two, three, four, or five thousand inhabitants without either drain or cutting to take away impurities (shame) Further, there were tens of thousands of houses with only one single room and an attic, where the parents, lodgers, and upgrown sons and daughters all slept ("Disgraceful.") The tendency of such a state of things was decidedly immoral as well as against all sanitary laws (applause) So far as water was concerned hundreds of persons had to carry water one or two miles, and then it was taken from drains in the fields (shame) He had known a colliery employing 500 men laid idle because no water, good or bad, could be had in the village. There was, he thought, no work in connection with which the National Association could be more useful than in trying to improve the sanitary state of the mining villages. He knew of villages numbering 1,000 workmen which possessed no outhouses of any kind—they might imagine the sanitary state. Mr McDonald, M.P., declared himself ready and willing to arraign the coalowners who permitted such things before the bar of the nation—the House of Commons.

SALE OF CONSETT WATER SHARES.—On Tuesday afternoon last, Mr Edward Pounder, auctioneer, offered a number of water shares for sale at the house of Mr Morson, the Railway Hotel, North Road, Durham. Forty Consett water shares of £5 each were offered for competition. Mr Wearmouth led in with an offer of £5 per share. The biddings rose to £7 1s., at which sum twenty shares were purchased by Mr Edward Castle, Framwellgate Bridge, and twenty by Mr R. Brown, of Croft. Fifty Consett Water Company's £5 shares were next put up, when twenty were bought by Mr Ralph Coxon, at £7 4s., and thirty by Mr Castle at £7 5s. Another lot of thirty Consett shares was next introduced, and Mr Brown bought five at £5 each; Mr Castle ten at £6 18s.; and Mr Eggleton fifteen at £6 16s. Twenty more Consett shares were introduced at £6 10s. per share, and were all bought by Mr Thomas Herbert, Claypath, for £6 17s. each. Another lot began at £6 per share, and ten were purchased by Mr Thomas Herbert at £6 16s. per share, and ten by Mr Woodruff at £6 15s. per share. Thirty-five Consett water shares constituted the next lot, and of this number Mr Lee, of Spennymoor, purchased 20 at £6 14s. each, and Mr Booth, of Claypath, fifteen at £6 15s. each. A number of these shares had not been previously advertised. The biddings were spirited throughout and the company numbered nearly fifty persons.

SALE OF PROPERTY AT MEDOMSLEY.—The property belonging to the late Rev. E. J. Midgley, vicar of Medomsley, were put up for sale by auction, on Thursday last, at the Green Tree Inn, Medomsley. Mr J. G. Smith, of Gateshead, officiated as auctioneer. Lot 1, consisting of a butcher's shop, on the main road at Medomsley, with the vacant ground in front, in the occupation of Mr J. Milburn, was purchased by Mr Graham, of Medomsley, for £50.; lot 2, being a cottage of three rooms, with pantry, &c., behind, and garden ground in front (adjoining lot 1), in the occupation of Mr Thomas Hunter, realised £190, and was purchased by Mr Milburn, of Medomsley; lot 3, a block of property, containing eight rooms and conveniences, with the vacant ground in front and garden behind (adjoining lot 2), in the occupation of Messrs Hetherington, Bainbridge, Watson, and Hunter, was purchased by Consett Iron Company for the sum of £285; lot 4, dwelling-house containing five rooms and two attics, with excellent garden, killing shop, conveniences, &c., situate behind the above properties, in the occupation of Mr John Milburn, was also purchased by the Consett Iron Company, for the sum of £300; lot 5, two dwelling-houses, one of five rooms, with small garden in front and yard &c. behind, in the occupation of Mr William Taylor, used as the Post Office, and the other of four rooms, in the occupation of Messrs Minto and Walton, realised £415, and was purchased by Mr William Moore, of Blackhill; lot 6, two cottages (behind lot 5) each containing one room and attic, with garden behind, in the occupation of Messrs Burns and Batey, were knocked down to Mr W. Hetherington, of Medomsley, for the sum of £145; lot 7, dwelling-house of nine rooms and conveniences, with the garden behind, in the occupation of Mr T. Cuthbertson and his sub-tenants, was disposed of to Mr Cuthbertson Adamson, of Burnopfield, for £405; lot 8, three fields, on the east side of the road to Shotley Bridge, containing eleven acres, or thereabouts, in the occupation of Mr T. Cuthbertson, was secured by Mr Bell, of Shotley Bridge, for £565; lot 9, four cottages running from the main road to the Green Tree Inn, each containing two rooms and conveniences, in the occupation of Messrs Ward, Robson, Laws, and Davison, were purchased by the Consett Iron Company for £230; lot 10, full-licensed public-house, as the Green Tree Inn, containing bar, parlour, tap-room, two bed rooms, two kitchens, cellar, stable, &c., in the occupation of Mrs Robson; three rooms above the stables, in the occupation of Mr John Milburn, with garden behind; also, the cottage of two rooms, in the occupation of William Oman, was purchased by Mr Robson, of Blaydon, for the extraordinary sum of £1,410.

LITERARY EXTRACTS.

WOMEN FIELD-WORKERS.—It is in women's labour in the fields that the real evil of the cottages comes out. Delicacy has there been sapped, and the woman takes her part in the coarseness of the fields. Her presence is no restraint on language. She becomes in all but sex a man among the men. Those husbands and brothers who have the finest instincts among the labourers feel it a deep degradation, even when they must submit to it, that their wives and sisters have to work in the fields. —*"Agricultural Labourers," Cornhill Magazine.*

POETRY OF THE LAST AND PRESENT CENTURY.—There was a time in the last century when poetry seemed dead, when verse-making had become a trade, and when the sound thought sometimes uttered in rhyme might have been more fittingly expressed in prose. But the present age, so notable for what may be called matter-of-fact aims, so eager in the pursuit of knowledge that might seem inimical to the special aims of the poet, is remarkable at the same time for the ideality of its poetry; and among living poets are several whose exquisite gifts lie almost wholly in the direction of the lyric.—*"English Lyrical Poetry," in the Cornhill Magazine.*

THE SOLDANELLA.—Between the forests and the snows lies the most poetical of the mountain regions. There, when climbing upwards, you first feel that the bundle of earthly cares rolls off your shoulders and that you have finally cleared the "slough of despond." There, in the early months, you walk knee-deep in flowers, every one of which is a bit of embodied poetry. When the snow has just departed, the fragile cup of the Soldanella, makes a purple carpeting amidst turf which seems to have been scorched by the frost. Its delicate beauty suggests that is made rather of air than of earthly elements, and yet it ventures where no plant of grosser frame dares to rival it.—*"A Bye-Day in the Alps," in the Cornhill Magazine.*

INSOLENT MANNERS.—A haughty tone, a rude address, bruises no muscles, causes no physical pain, like the pangs of hunger or the misery of drought; but it hurts all the same; and if, as the proverb says, hard words break no bones, they none the less wound that self-esteem which lies at the root of half our sentimental grievances. Subordinates feel this domineering insolence of manner a great grievance when they are subject to it; so do superiors when they have to encounter the pertness of those whom they consider their inferiors. But the grievance in either case is based on exactly the same sentimental grounds, and to those who regard the physical as the sole real thing in life ought to count for nothing.—*Sentimental Grievances.*

PHYSICAL CAUSE OF DREAMS.—Dreams in which motion predominates are accompaniments of a certain state of the blood which, for lack of a better word, we will term thinness. This "thinness" may proceed from opposite causes—it may be the result of austerity, voluntary or enforced, or of indulgence that exhausts. With commonplace personages such dreams leave only disagreeable impressions. Not so with the enthusiast. Here the vision produced by the state of the blood is acted upon by the ardent spirit of the visionary, upon which it reacts, in turn, with consequences most important to the world at large. Such dreams are accepted as revelations; and out of them are constructed dogmas which become, in time, the foundations of social institutions.—*"Dreams," in the Cornhill Magazine.*

THE "STRONG MAN" OF ISLINGTON.—The "Duke's Head," at the south-east corner of Cadd's row, near Islington green, was, in the middle of the last century, kept by Thomas Topham, the celebrated "Strong Man" of Islington. His most celebrated feats were pulling against a horse at a wall in Moorfields; and, finally, in 1741, in Coldbath Fields, lifting three hogsheads of water weighing 1831 pounds to commemorate the taking of Porto Bello by Admiral Vernon. He once hoisted a sleeping watchman in his box, and dropped both box and watchman over the wall into the Bunhill Fields Burying Ground. Towards the close of his life this unhappy Sampson took a public-house in Hog lane, Shoreditch, and there, in 1749, in a paroxysm of just jealously, he stabbed his unfortunate wife and killed himself.—*Old and New London.*

TAKING THE AIR IN LONDON.—The Londoner who feels that he wants fresh air, finds it in a stroll in the park, or on a chair near the blazing flower beds of Rotten Row, or beneath the shade, not yet all departed, of Kensington Gardens. But wherever he goes the world is with him. If he tries to outstay it, it does but change its character. The fashionable pleasure-taking world of the afternoon becomes the working class world of the evening. As he goes homeward the crowd of carriages carrying people back to dress becomes mixed with the first droppings of the later crowd that will carry them out to dine, and this fact probably reminds him that he too must soon be off on the same errand. There is no need to describe a London dinner party in July. It may be pleasant or dull, a scene of animated talk or politely suppressed yawns; but whichever it be it does not suggest repose.—*Cornhill Magazine.*

MR. GLADSTONE AND MR. DISRAELI.—In 1852 the Derby ministry was formed, and here for the first time Mr. Gladstone gave positive proof of his deviation from the principles on which he had originally entered Parliament, by refusing the post offered for his acceptance by the head of that ministry. Mr. Disraeli, whose persistent attacks on Peel were forgiven by many and forgotten by most, held the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer under Lord Derby, and it was on the occasion of his production of the Budget that he and Mr. Gladstone gave the first of many great gladiatorial exhibitions to the House. The Budget was mercilessly handled by Mr. Gladstone, and it was mainly in consequence of his attack that the Derby Cabinet was overthrown. His reputation for ability in finance was largely increased by this signal result of his criticism, and the formation of the Coalition Government under Lord Aberdeen brought with it the appointment which gave him his first great opportunity for practically justifying the expectations he had raised. He served under that Government as Chancellor of the Exchequer, and in 1853 made the first of his great Budget speeches.—*From The National Portrait Gallery.*

There are very extensive schemes either partly advanced or in prospect for increasing the output of coal in the county of Durham, such as that projected some time ago by Mr. Charles Mark Palmer, M.P., and his partners, who have resolved to expend a quarter of a million of money in developing the coal on the Hylton Castle estate, from which they expect within the next two or three years to be able to raise a million tons of coal per annum.

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MANUFACTURE OF COCOA.—"We will now give an account of the process adopted by Messrs. James Epps & Co., manufacturers of dietetic articles, at their works in the Euston Road, London."—See Article in *Cassell's Household Guide*

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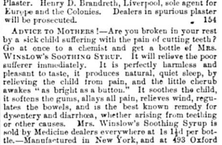

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NEWCASTLE TO JARROW AND SOUTH SHIELDS.

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

Leaves Newcastle (Sundays)—6·10, 8·0, 9·30, 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 at 7·5, 8.0, 9·30, and 10·50 p.m. on SATURDAYS.

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, 10·40.

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

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and 3·5 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.

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

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Leaves Sunderland (Week days).—4·50, 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, 10·30.

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

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

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

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

JARROW TO SOUTH SHIELDS AND SUNDERLAND.

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

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

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

Fares from Jarrow to South Shields: first, 8d.; 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, 8·5, 9·0 (*), 9·15, 9·45, (*c*), 10·15, 11·0, 12·0, 1·0, 1·45 (†), 2·0, 3·5, 4·10, 4·45 (†), 4·30 6·0, 7·0, 8 0, 8·45 9·15, 10·0.

Leaves Newcastle—Central Station—(Sundays).—6·10 (*a*), 8·30, 9.30, 10·5, 1·0 (†), 1·15 2·0 (†), 2·15 3·0 (†), 3·15, 4·0, 5·0, 6·0, 6·35 (†), 7·0, 7·30 (†), 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.

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

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

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

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

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

TYNEMOUTH TO NEWCASTLE.

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

Leaves Tynemouth (Sundays)—7·35, 9·40, 1·0, 2·0, 3·0, 4·30, 6·0, 7·0, 8·0, 9·0, 10·0 (*).

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.

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GOING EAST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

STATIONS.		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Newcastle	dep.	5·45	12·30	2·30
Benfieldside	„	6·50	1·30	4·25
Rowley	„	7· 0	1·40	4·35
Burnhill Junction	„	7·10	1·50	4·45
Tow Law	„	7·23	2· 3	4·58
Crook	arr.	7·35	2·15	5.10
	dep.	7.38	2·25	5·20
Bishop Auckland	„	8· 5	2·55	5·50
Darlington	„	8·55	3·35	7· 0
Stockton	„	9·25	4·5	7·30
Middlesbro'	„	9·35	4·15	7·42
Saltburn	„	10·10	4·50	8·20

GOING WEST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

STATIONS.		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Saltburn	dep.	5·45	11·30	2· 0
Middlesbro'	„	[illegible]	11· 5	2·35
Stockton	„	[illegible]	12·15	2·45
Darlington	„	[illegible]	1· 5	4·30
Bishop Auckland	„	[illegible]	1·35	5· 0
Crook		[illegible]	1·57	5·15
				5·35
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Swalwell	„	5 59	10·14	12·43	2·44	6·49
Rowland's Gill	„	6· 9	10·24	12·51	2·54	6·59
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	6·39
Knitsley	„	6·54	11· 9		4·49	6 45
Lanchester	„	7· 3	11·18		4·58	6·55
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Durham	arr.	7·25	11.40		5· 5	7·20

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Durham	dep.	7·35		12· 5	3·35	7·55
Witton Gilbert	„	7·40		12·19	3·48	8· 9
Lanchester	„	7·55		12·30	3·59	8·20
Knitsley	„	8·12		12·41	4· 4	8·31
Benfieldside (Consett & Blackhill)	arr.				4·20	
	dep	8·27	9·15	12·55	3·35	8·43
Shotley Bridge	„	8·32	9·20	1· 0	3·40	8·48
Ebchester	„	8·36	9·23	1· 4	3·44	8·52
Lintz Green	„	8·47	9·33	1.14	3·54	9· 3
Rowland's Gill	„	8·53	9·38	1·19	3·59	9· 8
Swalwell	„	9· 2	9·47	1·28	4· 5	9·17
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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	4·55	6·20	8·30
	dep.	9·10	5·10		
Knitsley		9·21	5·21	..	
Lanchester		9·34	5·34	..	
Witton Gilbert		9.46	5·46	..	
Durham	arr.	10· 0	6· 0	..	

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Knitsley	„	8·30	4.38
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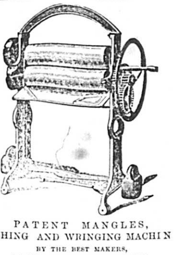

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BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

The ordinary meeting of this Board was held at Shotley Bridge, on Wednesday afternoon. The following members were present—Mr Chas. Wilson (presiding), Mr Tregelles, Mr Priestman, Mr Carss, Mr Wheatley, Mr James Annandale, jun., Mr W. Wilson, Mr John Dickinson, Mr Joseph Eltringham, Mr John Annandale, and Mr George Eltringham.

SANITARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Mr Tregelles, as chairman of the above committee, presented the following report:—(1). With regard to the medical report of last meeting of the Board the Sanitary Committee understand the offensive drain in the Middle Court of Wood Street is on Mr Richardson's property, and the Inspector reports that it is connected with a nuisance, the removal of which was ordered in November of last year. The Sanitary Committee advise that the Board use all its power to have all these nuisances, which were mentioned in the report to last meeting, put an end to. (2). The Inspector is requested to report and examine on an alleged nuisance at Mrs. Gradon's property in Derwent Street. (3). The Inspector reports that Mr Hewitt has altered the houses in Silver Street on a plan rejected by the Board. The Board is requested to consider whether this can be allowed; the committee supposing that no such alteration can be made except after plan has been approved by the Board. (4). The Committee again remind the Board of the third clause in their last report, and to that part of the 4th clause respecting the ashpit used by Mr Oley and others. (5). It is reported that some sinks on the west side of Wood Street are not efficiently trapped. The Committee recommend that the Inspector be requested to see if this is the case, and be authorised to give notice in every case where this is so. (6). The Committee call attention to that part of the 5th clause in their last report respecting Silver Street. It is reported that a wall is built across the south end. (7). The Committee recommend the Board to come to a decision with respect to the nuisance at Snows Green Cottages, named in their last report. (8). The Committee, is informed that the contract has been let for the excavation required at the back of Sir T. Tancred's cottages, but the work has not been begun. The Inspector reports that No. 2, Walton's Row, occupied by Mrs Glancy, is unfit for human habitation, and the Committee recommend that steps be taken to close it.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

GENTLEMEN,—So far as regards the removal of ashes &c., with the exception of two or three cases, which have my attention, your district is in very good order. As requested by your sanitary committee last night, I visited S. Walker's, Derwent Street, Blackhill, this morning. He had not any complaint to make respecting the internal arrangements of his house. The only complaint he had, that the ashpit was wet and sometimes during wet weather there was an oozing out near his back-door. I also saw the landlady, Mrs Gradon, and recommended a drain, which she did not altogether agree to. I also at the same request inspected the low side of the new part of Wood Street. I found three sinks untrapped, the first the property of Mr M. Gibson, occupied by Mr J. McIntosh, the next two are belonging the property of Mr Southern, Newcastle—Mr T. McAdam, agent. There is also a privy in bad repair, the property of Miss Taylor, Blanchland—Mr Wm. Raw agent. The remaining part of my report will be found in your Sanitary Committe's report.—I remain, your obedient servant,

P. OSBORNE, Inspector.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

GENTLEMEN,—I have invited parties to tender for the drainage of Messrs. Annandale and Mr William Thirlwell's properties at Shotley Bridge. The tenders have not been received. I expect them in a day or two. As instructed by the Board, we have laid in an 8-inch pipe drain from the main sewer in Wood Street, to the point indicated in the plan, to receive the above drains. Mr Lishman's drain has not been examined. I will request Mr Lishman to open a part of the drain for inspection. In the meantime I don't think any person will suffer in consequence of this drain. I have not prepared a plan of the works necessary for the formation of Silver Street.—I don't see how I can do so, satisfactorily, till the Board arrive at a conclusion in reference to the houses. The day-men have been engaged on the several roads and sewers as stated in time sheets.—Your obedient servant,

JOHN SMITH, Surveyor.

THE NUISANCE IN MIDDLE COURT, WOOD STREET.

Mr PRIESTMAN said the Sanitary Committee had heard of the nuisance simultaneously with Dr Renton, who, in his report to the last meeting, said it was the probable cause of a serious case of fever at the place.—The Inspector said there were four cases of fever, only one of which, however, terminated fatally.—Mr CARSS, as agent for the property, said the occupant of the house had been ill, or the nuisance would have been abated.—The matter was allowed to stand over, Mr Carss promising to attend to it.

SILVER STREET.

The CHAIRMAN said at a previous meeting the following motion was passed in reference to the property in Silver Street:—"That unless an intimation is sent to the Clerk of this Board within fourteen days that the plan already passed by the Board for alterations in Silver Street, Blackhill, will be carried out, immediate proceedings will be taken to enforce the closing of the houses."—Mr CARSS said according to the Sanitary Committe's report the alterations were not being carried out in harmony with the wish of the Board.—Mr PRIESTMAN: Mr Hewitt has altered them on a plan rejected by the Board.—Mr TREGELLES said the matter had been discussed on Tuesday evening, at the meeting of the Sanitary Committee. The conclusion the Committee arrived at was that Mr Raw, the agent, was wrong in proceeding with the work before obtaining a plan stamped and passed by the Board, and in their opinion he was liable to a penalty.—Mr PRIESTMAN said on a previous occasion the Sanitary Committee made a report as to what they considered essential to make the houses fit for human habitation. Mr Raw, the agent, agreed to that report, but the owner, on account of the cost, would not allow the work to be carried out, and subsequently presented quite a different plan, which was rejected by the Board, but which had since been acted upon by Mr Raw.—Mr CARSS: Was there a plan submitted by the Sanitary Committee to this Board?—Mr PRIESTMAN: No.—Mr TREGELLES: Mr Raw produced a drawing, which was approved of.—Mr PRIESTMAN: Was that made on the basis of the Sanitary Committee's recommendation?—Mr TREGELLES: Yes.—Mr CARSS: Tenders for the work were advertised for.—Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM: I myself tendered for the work as originally approved of. Mr Hewitt, however, refused go on with the work, as it would cost too much money. Mr Raw then submitted another plan, which we rejected.—Mr CARSS: It appears Mr Raw has proceeded with his plan in spite of the Board.—Mr DICKINSON: Has he acted upon the plan which this Board rejected?—Mr JOHN ANNANDALE: Yes; it was too costly.—The CHAIRMAN said Mr Hewitt might be proceeded against for having houses unfit for human habitation.—Mr CARSS said they might also summons Mr Hewitt for carrying out the work contrary to the wish of the Board. It would be well to ascertain whether or not the plan proposed by the Board contained anything contrary to the bye-laws of the Board.—The Clerk said all alterations had to be carried out in accordance with the recommendation of the Board. He recommended that the matter should stand over until the alterations were completed, in order that they might see whether the houses were fit for human habitation.—Mr PRIESTMAN said the Sanitary Committee were decidedly of opinion that nothing short of the Committee's recommendation would make the house habitable.—Mr JOHN ANNANDALE: Could the Board not close the lot of them for overcrowding?—Mr CARSS: No; the magistrates might order the overcrowding to be abated, but they could not be closed on that account.—Mr DICKINSON wished to know if anything had been done to prevent the overcrowding at Blackhill. He considered the Inspector should be instructed to make an examination of the houses. Unless they first proceeded against the parties for overcrowding, the Board could not close the houses.—Mr PRIESTMAN said they did not object to the houses on the ground of overcrowding, but as being unfit for human habitation.—Mr JOHN ANNANDALE thought a mistake had been made in not closing the houses in the first instance.—Mr DICKINSON thought it little use complaining of the houses, if they allowed them to become overcrowded without any interferance on the part of the Board.—After some further discussion, Mr PRIESTMAN moved, and Mr TREGELLES seconded—"It being reported that Mr Hewitt has built privies and wall in contravention of the bye-laws, the Surveyor be instructed to stop all further works until Mr Hewitt submits a plan and obtained the approval of the Board."—The Clerk suggested that Mr Hewitt should have notice to attend the next Board meeting and show cause why the privies and wall should not be removed.—The motion, with the Clerk's suggestion, was then agreed to, the only dissentient being Mr Dickinson.—The question of overcrowding was then considered, and it was decided that the houses not having been made suitable for human habitation proceedings be taken to have them closed. —The other portion of the Sanitary Committee's report was then considered. The Inspector was instructed to give notice to parties to trap their sinks in Wood Street, Shotley Bridge. With regard to the nuisances at Snows Green Cottages, the Chairman said the matter would be attended to.—Mr PRIESTMAN said the Sanitary Committee considered that the earth at the back of Sir T. Tancred's Cottages in Bottle Bank, Blackhill, should be excavated in order to make them habitable.—Mr CARSS: Notice has already been served on the agent?—Mr PRIESTMAN: Yes.—Mr CARSS: How long ago:—Mr GEORGE ELTRINGHAM: Three months since. —Mr CARSS moved that notice be served on Mr Raw, the agent, to proceed immediately with the work according to the notice already given, otherwise the Board would proceed with their work.—The motion was seconded by Mr TREGELLES, and carried.—The Inspector said he found a great deal of overcrowing in Blackhill. On visiting Mrs Glancy's house he he found the sexes mixed, and the places altogether in a disgraceful state.—The Clark was requested to communicate with their medical officer, in order that Mrs Glancy's house might be closed.

THE SURVEYOR'S SURETIES.

A letter was read from Mr Heslop, the newly-appointed surveyor, naming Mr John Dixon, junr., builder, and Mr Joseph Eltringham, builder, both of Blackhill, as his sureties.—Mr DICKINSON said he was sorry to have to take objection to Mr Eltringham, as being a member of the Local Board. No person, being a member of the Board, was legible to become surety for any other person connected with the Board.—Mr CARSS: Where is your authority for that?—Mr DICKINSON (not heeding Mr Carss' remark) also objected to Mr Dixon becoming surety for Mr Heslop.—Mr CARSS said he had previously heard that objection would be taken to Mr Heslop's sureties. He had looked at the law bearing on the subject, but there was nothing to prevent Mr Eltringham becoming surety.—After some further conversation it was decided to accept the sureties, subject to the opinion of the Local Government Board.

FOOTPATH IN DURHAM ROAD.

The Surveyor reported the footpath at the north side of Durham Road to be in a dangerous state.

The CHAIRMAN (reading from the minutes) said at a previous meeting it was resolved, on the motion of Mr Thompson, seconded by Mr Dickinson, "that notice be given to each occupier along the Durham Road that the Board will, after the expiration of one month, proceed to level the footpath as far as the kerb and channel extends, unless the same be done previously by the occupiers."

The CLERK said some portions of the footpath had been completed.

The Surveyor was instructed to carry out the decision of the Board.

Correspondence.

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A RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION FOR CONSETT.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—It is quite apparent that the Consett Local Board, as at present constituted, are not so particularly anxious about the interests of the ratepayers as could be desired, and it is equally certain that the Local Board have the power to oppress the ratepayers if they choose. What we need is the immediate establishment of a Ratepayers' Association to keep the members of the Local Board representatives in reality, not in mere name. At present the ratepayers are powerless; formed into an association they would be powerful. There is plenty of work, and it will require all the energy of an active and ever-vigilant Ratepayers' Association to save the pockets of the ratepayers, and to use their best endeavours to elect in future such members as will prove faithful to their constituents. Who will join and assist in establishing a Ratepayers' Association?

A RATEPAYER.

SCHOOLING.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—Some months ago I observed a letter from one "Traveller" in your columns under the above head. I hoped that the police would have been on the look-out for the gang of which he wrote as infesting "the road between Ebchester and Burnopfield, a little to the east of Westwood village, at the point where Medomsley and Hamsterley footpath crosses it." I now complain that the "schoolers" are as bad, or even worse than ever, and, as a natural consequence, gaining confidence. inasmuch as they are uninterrupted by those whom it is their duty to (at least prosecute, if not) put a stop to such. A friendly appeal is useless. Respectable people ask "Where are the police?" I say, "Coming on the road like John Gilpin's hat." Some ungrateful person adds, "Yes, and as useless." I hope further communications under this head will be unnecessary.

WANDERER.

THE PRESENTATION AT BLACKHILL.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—I presume many of your readers would be tickled with the *sensational* letter of the committee of the Blackhill Teetotal Brass Band, *so-called*, which appeared in the columns of the *Guardian* of the 14th inst. I designate the letter *sensational* on the ground that writers of fiction can write letters or books, founded on imagination. Writers of this class dispense with facts and logic without scruple. It is highly amusing to read how this committee lectures the subscribers to the cornet for not having read the subscription list, where they would have found the object of the list clearly defined. The object of the committee is to show that deception has been practised, and yet they prove that the object for which subscriptions were sought was clearly defined. *O tempora! O mores!* In justice to Mr Farrage, Mr Dibley, and others, allow me to state the facts of the case. Mr Dibley having led the *so-called* Blackhill Teetotal Brass Band for a considerable time, Mr James Farrage suggested to Mr Parnaby, the present chairman of the B. T. B. B. committee, the propriety of presenting Mr Dibley with a cornet. Mr Parnaby endorsed the suggestion, and wrote out a list or heading and gave the first subscription. The matter was then brought before the band, the members promising to give towards the cornet. Mr George Farrage was apppointed to collect subscriptions and act as treasurer. Meanwhile dissensions arose, and Mr Dibley and several bandmen retired from the *so-called* Teetotal Band. The original promoters of the list continued their laudable work of collecting subscriptions. By-and-by the Benfieldside Brass Band was formed, Mr Dibley being elected leader. The committee allege that they always repudiated presenting Mr Dibley with a cornet; this is false, as the Band promised to subscribe. After the subcriptions had been set on foot, several of the bandmen wished to impose conditions, which would have destroyed the original design of a gift, to which others of the bandmen objected; hence, the pretence of repudiation. Now, sir, the fact of dissensions having arisen, cannot detract from the services of Mr Dibley to the band. Moreover, the Benfieldside Band having selected him as leader is corroborative testimony of the value of Mr Dibley. Therefore, the gift of a cornet of the value of fifteen guineas is but a graceful tribute to his worth. I may add that Mr Dibley was leader of the Blackhill Band for eighteen months, and surely there was nothing outrageous in presenting him with a cornet. From the tone of the committee's letter, I infer there is some jealousy respecting Mr Dibley. Talent and worth generally raise envy in contracted minds. The adage remains true, "The best fruit is always stolen." I advise the Blackhill Band to look to their laurels. I have no doubt under the guidance of Mr Dibley, the Benfieldside Band will soon out-strip the parent Band. The offshoot presents a vigorous growth. Apologising for trespassing on your space,

I remain, yours respectfully,
ONE OF THE PROMOTERS OF THE SUBSCRIPTION.
Benfieldside, Nov. 17, 1874.

LEADGATE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

To the Editor of the Consett Guardian.

SIR,—It is—especially at the present stage in the history of Co-operative enterprise, when the scheme in its practical and most comprehensive form is, I believe, almost universally acknowledged to be one of the best known, as it certainly is one of the most available to working-men generally as a means whereby they may, in a great measure, assuage and ameliorate the otherwise generally hard and precarious nature of their social condition—to be regretted by all true and earnest Co-operators that there does not exist in all societies of the above characterthat amount of harmony and good-will so necessary to the best possible success thereof; for the fact, sir, I think, must be quite plain, to the minds of every reasonable and right-thinking individual, that without those most important and essentially-necessary social attributes there can be no possibility of a satisfactory progress in any society whatever. It is, then, sir, to the few considerations I have just above enumerated, that I desire particularly to direct the attention of my fellow-co-operators belonging to the Leadgate Industrial and Provident Co-operative Society, because, in no other institution of the kind of which I know—though much I regret to say it—has there existed for such a length of time a greater amount of petty spite and prejudice than in the one just named, and that, too, principally on the part of some of those forming the committee of management, towards our head shopman; and though the cause of it all may be traced to a variety of sources, yet in my humble opinion the most grievous of those does not warrant the continuance for one moment of such a state of things. A rectification of the whole might be easily effected, would those directly implicated therein only exercise one towards another that amount of forbearance and good fellowship which, as co-operators, they are in duty bound to do whilst the matter is being fully and fairly discussed by the general body of members in meeting assembled. Then, but not till then, may we expect anything like a co-operative spirit to exist among us. But the fact is, sir, that there are some of those composing our managing committee who don't appear to be much inclined towards a conciliatory end, otherwise they would not set at nought resolutions passed by the general body of members, as they have done, in the present instance, by giving our manager fourteen days' notice to quit his situation before bringing the case before a general meeting as they ought to have done, and as was embodied in a resolution passed at a general meeting held on the 24th of October last. Now, sir, if such bare-faced presumption be allowed to pass unchecked, we may just as well prepare for a general dissolution of our society at once, as I am quite aware that there are a great many of my fellow-members very dissatisfied with such proceedings on the part of our managing committee, not because they believe our manager justifiable in all his doings in connection with our society, but merely because, like myself, they don't at all admire the principle of "Jeddart justice," or, in other words, they don't wish to condemn a man before being fairly tried. Hoping you will give this a place in your valuable little paper, I beg to remain,

Yours truly,
FRANCIS TURNER.
East Castle Colliery, Nov. 16, 1874.

Local Police Courts.

LANCHESTER PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, Nov. 19th.—Before A. H. TALMADGE, HENRY SMITH, and JOHN CLAVERING, Esqs.

OFFENCES AGAINST THE BYE-LAWS.

John Donnolly, of Clay Bank, was summoned for causing a nuisance in his house by keeping pigeons. Mr Hawdon (Inspector to the Leadgate Local Board) proved the keeping of the pigeons. The refuse was allowed to accumulate and caused an offensive smell. He produced the bye-laws, which provided that all premises should be kept free from filth, &c. Moreover, the pigeons went on to the top of the houses, and boys pelted them with stones, breaking the slates. In answer to Mr Smith the Inspector said the neighbours had complained of the smell proceeding from the pigeons.—Defendant was fined 5s. and costs, and ordered to remove the pigeons.—A mason named Oliver was charged with allowing a house to be occupied that was unfit for human habitation. Mr Hawdon stated that several months ago Mr Oliver allowed the house to be occupied. The house was not fit for occupation as it was not plastered. The top of the house was also defective. There was also an objectionable cow-byre in front of the house.—Defendant said the house was not let; neither had he received rent for it. The room in question was 15ft. square and 8ft. high, and built of stone. He did not know what the Local Board required.—He was fined 5s. and costs.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.

Joseph Graham was charged by P.C. Reay with being drunk at Annfield Plain on Saturday night last. He did not appear, and was fined 10s. and costs.——James Lambert was charged by P.C. Nicholson with being drunk and disorderly at Stanley on the 8th inst. He was fined 5s. and costs. ——George Watt was charged with a similar offence at Stanley by P.C. Nicholson. He was fined 5s. and costs.——Thomas Errington was also charged with being drunk in Stanley by P.C. Nicholson, on the 6th inst. He did not appear, and he was fined 10s. and costs.——Catherine Hennessey was charged with being drunk at Oxhill, on the 2nd inst. by P.C. Russell, into whose face she spat on being ordered to go home, and she also caused a general challenge to fight any of the women about. The magistrates censured her conduct strongly, and fined her 10s. and costs.——Henderson Bell was charged by P.C. Reay with being drunk at Annfield Plain, on the 13th inst. He was fined 10s. and costs.

REFUSING TO QUIT.

John Nowley was charged by Sergt. Morland with refusing to quit the public-house of Mr R. Nixon at Flint Hill, on the 7th inst. He did not appear, and as he was very violent to the officer, he was fined 20s. and costs.——Patrick Stintson and Thos. Dorkin were also charged with refusing to quit the public-house of Mrs Haw, at Quebec, on the 7th inst. He was fined 20s. and costs.

STEALING A BOOT.

George Charlton, a wretched-looking old man, was charged with stealing a boot, the property of George Forster, at Leadgate, on the 10th of November. The prosecutor is the occupant of the crossing cabin on the North-Eastern Railway at Leadgate, and filled up his time with shoe-making. On the 10th of Nov. the prisoner was in the cabin, and was seen to take particular notice of a pair of boots which were lying in a corner. After he left one of the boots was missed, and on his being apprehended by P.C. Watson he admitted having stolen the boot. He was found guilty, and previous convictions being put in against the prisoner, he was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES AT DIPTON.

Patrick McCluskey, an elderly man, was charged with obtaining by false pretences, by means of a pay note, the sum of £4 5s. the property of Francis McLean, at Dipton, on the 19th of June, 1873. He was remanded, bail being refused for him.

ALLEGED THEFT OF A SEALSKIN CAP.

John Turner, a young man, was charged with stealing a sealskin cap, the property of Wm. Vesper, at Dipton, on the 10th inst. Sergt. Morland said the cap had been recovered by him from a boy at Annfield Plain, but he had only apprehended the prisoner since the sitting of the court commenced, and he had not had time to get his witnesses down. The prisoner, however, admitted the offence. He was remanded.

THURSDAY, November 26.—Before M. KEARNEY (chairman), HENRY SMITH, and JOHN CLAVERING, Esqs.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.

John Dodds and John Brown were summoned for having been drunk and disorderly on the 14th inst. The cases were proved by P.C. Straker, and defendants were each fined 5s. and the expenses.

James Gannon, charged by Sergt. Morland with a similar offence at Dipton, on the 13th inst., was also ordered to pay a fine of 5s. and costs.

Philip Gannon, a youth, was charged by P.C. Coates with having been drunk and disorderly at Dipton. The officer deposed that on the night of the 13th inst. he saw the defendant leave Smith's public-house in a drunken state.—Defendant denied being drunk. On the night in question, he said, all the drink he had was a quart and a pint.—Mr Smith said it was very strange that publicans were not summoned for supplying drink to drunken men.—The Chairman, in imposing a fine of 5s. and costs, observed that it was disgraceful to hear a young man like the defendant say that he had had such a large quantity of drink without being intoxicated.

Thomas Connolly was charged with a similar offence, on the 14th inst. P.C. Best, of Iveston, proved the offence. Fined 5s. and costs.

Andrew Ray and Joseph Barkley, charged by P.C. Tranmer with a similar offence, were each fined 10s. and costs.

George Watt was charged by Sergt. Stamper with having been drunk and disorderly at Stanley, on the 14th inst. Fined 10s. and costs.

John Henderson, charged by the same officer with a similar offence, was also fined 10s. and the expenses.

Francis Blakey was summoned for a similar offence, on the 16th inst. The case was proved by P.C. Nicholson. He was ordered to pay a fine of 10s. and costs.

Thomas Little was charged by P.C. Reay with having been drunk and disorderly at Annfield Plain, on the 22nd inst. Fined 5s. and costs.

Martin Jackson, charged by the same officer with a similar offence at the same place, was fined 10s. and costs.

John Hamilton was charged with drunkenness at Annfield Plain, on the 20th inst. The case having been proved by P.C. Reay, the defendant was fined 5s. and costs.

Thomas Gowan and Joseph Jackson were charged with having been drunk and riotous on the 14th inst. They were each fined 10s and the court expenses.

BASTARDY.

William Golden was summoned for the support of Mary Jane Caygill's illegitimate child. Defendant did not put in an appearance. From the statement of complainant, it seems that defendant seduced her under a promise of marriage. He had since married another woman, with whom he resided at Crook. The magistrates made an order for 3s. 6d. a week for sixteen years, with the usual costs.

William Cooper was summoned by Alice Lock for the support of her illegitimate child. Defendant admitted the paternity of the child, and was ordered to pay 3s. 6d. per week for thirteen years.

CURIOUS CHARGE OF TRESPASS AGAINST SPORTSMEN.

Crossly Dale, surgeon, and Thomas Walton, both of Medomsley, appeared to answer a summons charging them with trespassing in pursuit of game.

Thomas Milburn said he was a farmer, and resided at Low Bradley, of which he had been tenant twenty-six years. On the 21st of the present month the defendants were on his farm in search of game. Witness never gave them permission to shoot over the farm. The game was not reserved by Mr Allgood, the owner, and nobody except Mr William Walton, sen., had any right to shoot over the land. He produced a letter to that effect from Mr Gibson, solicitor, of Hexham, the agent for the property.

The Chairman (reading the letter) said it appeared that Mr William Walton was the only person who had the privilege of shooting over the farm.

Mr Dale, in answer to the charge, said Mr William Walton invited him for a day's shooting.

The Chairman: Was Mr Walton shooting with you?

Mr Dale: Yes.

The Chairman: The question arises whether Mr Walton had any right to take his friends with him.

Mr Milburn said in his agreement with the owner the game was not reserved, and nobody had any right to shoot but himself.

The Chairman: If there was no reservation of the game, it belongs to you. You seem, however, to have sanctioned the leave given to Mr William Walton by Mr Gibson.

Mr Milburn: I gave no authority to anyone. Mr William Walton offered me £1 for the game, but I refused. I do not want any person to come over my land that has been convicted for poaching.

The Clerk (Mr Watson): Have you a lease?

Mr Milburn: No.

Mr Dale was about to call witnesses, when

The Clerk said: What is the use of witnesses? Mr Milburn has sworn there was no reservation of the game, and that Mr William Walton had no right to give leave to anyone.

Mr Smith: Have you a yearly agreement.

Mr Milburn: I have no agreement; there is only a sum of money mentioned.

The Clerk: When did you become tenant?

Mr Milburn: Twenty-six years ago.

The Chairman: Do you recollect whether the game was reserved or not?

Mr Milburn: It was not.

The Clerk: Was there an agreement in writing?

Mr Milburn: There was at that time.

The Clerk: Where is it?

Mr Milburn said he thought Mr Gibson, the agent, would have it.

Mr Smith: Was the agreement in writing or a printed form?

Mr Milburn: It was written by Mr Browell.

Mr Smith: Was the agreement for one year?

Mr Milburn: For six years.

Mr Smith thought they should have the agreement produced.

The Chairman: Was there a fresh agreement?

Mr Milburn: No.

The Chairman said the tenancy having continued the terms of the agreement would remain in force.

After some further conversation the chairman said they would adjourn the case for the production of the agreement.

Mr Dale asked if it would be necessary for him to attend next week.

The Clerk: Certainly.

Mr Dale thought it a hard case. He had been invited to shoot, and he should like to know why Mr William Walton had not been summoned.

The Clerk (to Mr Milburn): Why have you not summoned Mr William Walton?

Mr Milburn: I do not object to him shooting, but I will not allow persons to go over my farm who have been convicted.

Mr Dale: Do you mean to say that I have been convicted?

Mr Milburn: You have not, but Walton has.

ASSAULT.

Edward Nelson, who was represented by his wife, was charged with assaulting George Brown, innkeeper, near Waterhouses. Complainant stated that he put the defendant out of his house for causing a disturbance. About ten minutes afterwards he returned and struck complainant a blow on the forehead. He was fined 10s. and costs.

ALLEGED THEFT OF A SEALSKIN CAP.

John Turner, on remand, was charged with stealing a sealskin cap belonging to William Vesper at Dipton. Defendant had been in custody above a week, and the magistrates considering that he had been already sufficiently punished, he was discharged.

REFUSING TT MAINTAIN A WIFE.

John Dixon, miner, of Medomsley, was charged by Mr Thompson, Clerk to the Guardians, with refusing to maintain his wife, Maria Dixon.

Mr Bagshaw, master of the Workhouse, proved that Mrs Dixon was admitted to the House on the 19th inst., and she was still an inmate.

The Chairman: What is the reason you do not support your wife?

Defendant: She left me in the house with a child six weeks old.

The Chairman: Did you turn her out?

Defendant: No.

The Chairman: Do you mean to say she left of her own accord?

Defendant: Yes; she left two children behind?

Mr Thompson: Did your wife come back to you?

Defendant: She came to the door four or five days after, but that was after dark, when the door was locked.

The Chairman: Are you going to take her back again?

Defendant: Nobody can "fend" with her. His mother, who was eighty years of age, and lived with him, was afraid of her life.

The Chairman said a wife and mother-in-law invariably disagreed.

Mrs Dixon was then called, and stated that her husband behaved very badly to her. He paid too much attention to his mother.

Defendant agreed to pay the expenses and take his wife back.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

Patrick McCluskey was placed in the dock on a charge of obtaining by false pretences the sum of £4 5s., at the Lintz Colliery. After hearing the evidence the magistrates dismissed the case.

LECTURE ON METHODISM.—We beg to remind our readers that Mr J. Wardle, of Witton Gilbert, lectures in the Wesleyan Chapel, Consett, on Monday evening next. The lecture is worth hearing, and we trust there will be a large audience.

SERVICES OF SONG.—The united Wesleyan choirs of Consett and Blackhill are to give a concert at Shotley Bridge, on Tuesday, and Castleside on Wednesday next. We have had the pleasure of listening to these choirs, and promise those of our readers who intend to be present on either of these occasions a rich treat.

THE CONSETT MUSIC HALL.—The Great Variety Company, who have performed nightly at the Consett Music Hall during the past week, have met with a most enthusiastic reception each evening, and their performances have been the general theme of conversation in the town. Mr Fielding may well be congratulated on his successful introduction of such talent amongst us.

EARLY CLOSING—Our readers will observe, from an announcement in our advertising columns, that the drapery establishments in Consett will, until further notice, be closed each evening at six o'clock, with the exception of Pay-Fridays and Pay-Mondays when they will close at seven; and on Saturdays at eleven o'clock. The public are requested to make their purchases before these times, and thus enable the assistants to finish their work at a reasonable hour.

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Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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

BIRTHS.

HILL TOP—On the 25th inst., the wife of Mr M. Johnson, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

LANCHESTER—At the Wesleyan Chapel, on the 16th inst., by the Rev. A. Edman, Mr J. Summerbell, of Iveston, to Miss C. Gibson, of Annfield Plain

THORNLEY—On the 11th inst., at the Parish Church, by the Rev. G. O. Wilkinson, assisted by the Rev. H. M. Simpson, William Wheatley, M.R.C.V.S., London and Edinbro', to Mary Ann, youngest daughter of the late Ralph Henry Barlow, Towlaw.

WOLSINGHAM—At the Register Office, Mr. J. Gardiner, of Boltsburn, to Miss Frances Middleton, of Stotsfieldburn.

STANHOPE—At the Wesleyan Chapel, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. George Oyston, Mr P. Walton, of Shallowford, to Miss Mary Hodgson, of Westgate.

DEATHS.

TEMPLETOWN—On the 25th inst., aged 11 months, William Coates Lowson.

BLACKHILL—On the 26th inst., George Holley, grocer. On the 22nd inst., aged 76 years, James Hagan.

SHOTLEY GROVE SCHOOL—On the 25th inst., aged 5 weeks, Mary Edith Collinson.

LANCHESTER—At Branch Villa, on the 23rd inst., Alfred R., son of William Dixon, road surveyor.

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