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By order of the Directors,
M. RICHLEY Secretary.
Shotley Bridge, October 9, 1870. 14

THE GUARDIAN.

SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 1874.

THE GREVILLE MEMOIRS.

The question which has been formally raised as to how the PRINCE OF WALES's debts should be paid has brought up again the oft-remembered contract between the last and the present bearer of that title. Nothing could be more opportune for that reason than the publication of the journals of the late Clerk of the Council, Mr. C. F. GREVILLE, who for the long period of forty-four years—from 1821 to 1865—had the closest opportunity of seeing the inner side of Court life. His descriptions of the characters of the last of the four George's vies with that of THACKERAY in sarcastic severity. Indeed, it goes far to clear the memory of THACKERAY from having been a foul libeller of those who were dead, and who, even if living, would have been unable to vindicate their own honour. Here we have the Clerk of the Privy Council describing his sovereign as bad when he was not mad, and mad when his badness rose to the height of absurdity and self-contradiction a few breaks and fractions as a child, his language was at times so violent that it can only be excused on the plea that there was a touch of hereditary madness about him. Thus Sir William Knighton, the keeper of his privy purse, for some reason or other fell under his displeasure, and he seems to have mistaken himself for HENRY II. and KNIGHTON for BECKETT by his foolish acclamation, "Will no one assassinate KNIGHTON?" It illustrates the manners and customs of royalty forty years ago to remember that the Duke of LORNE's, who only died last week, was actually insulted by GEORGE IV. because he proposed the previous question in the House of Lords in opposition to the motion to bring QUEEN CAROLINE to trial. The king turned his back on him at the next *levee*, and on his visit to Ireland treated him with such studied contempt that nothing but a strong sense of duty could have induced the Duke to pay his court to such an ungracious sovereign. Indeed, with the fourth GEORGE it seems as if all the vices of the previous GEORGES had culminated and come to a head. There is truth in the satire.

> "Vile king GEORGE the First was reckoned;
> Viler still was GEORGE the Second;
> Save nothing good was ever heard
> Of that poor dotard GEORGE the Third;
> But when king GEORGE the Fourth descended,
> Thank God the race of GEORGES ended."

A glance at these Greville Memoirs impresses us with the thought that we were nearer a revolution at the time of the Reform Bill than the country has ever been. Indeed, the wonder is how we escaped so well as we did. We sometimes indulge in rather Pharisaical contrasts between ourselves and other countries, as if it were owing to something inherent in Englishmen that we have escaped the revolutions which have broken out elsewhere. The explanation is much more simple, that the changed manners of our court circle have removed one of the scandals which threatened to break up what is called the admirable balance of our constitution. The more delicate that balance is the more essential it is that it should be carefully shielded. It will not bear a rude strain on the part of the sovereign. To QUEEN VICTORIA is due the indirect compliment which ARCHBISHOP WHATELY once paid to LEOPOLD the KING of the Belgians that he was the greatest enemy to be Republican party—since it was a Constitutional king like him which made Republicanism impossible. We may felicitate ourselves in any case that we live in the Victorian not in the Georgian era; and if there are any doubts as to the greatness of the change for the better, a glance at these Greville memoirs will set this point at rest.

OUR LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

It is perhaps natural that the English people should not evince any great enthusiasm over the birth of another Prince of his blood royal, considering the numerous scions of royalty they already possess; nevertheless there has been much kindly sympathy expressed here for the young royal and imperial mother at Buckingham Palace. I follow the official bulletins in the adjustment of these adjectives; but according to Continental custom we should speak of the 'imperial royal' lady. Perhaps, however, our court officials choose to consider that there can be nothing higher than royal, and that any foreign term must have a lower significance. Be that as it may, it is worthy of remark what family affection is exhibited by the members of the imperial family of Russia. The Princess Maria had been in England only a few months when her father came to visit her; and now her mother and her bro her have come to watch over her in her indisposition, and to welcome the advent of the infant Prince. who no doubt will be thought at least as much of by his Russian as by his English relatives, especially as he is the prospective heir to a minor German State.

Beyond a few more or less important extra-parliamentary utterances there are no signs of political activity. Ministers however, must be looking forward to the coming session, and the first preparatory Cabinet Council will probably be held in the second week in November. I hear a rumour which I hope may prove true—that the Home Secretary will bring in a bill to alter the present law as to crimes of violence and to impose the penalty of the cat on the scoundrels who beat women. I am persuaded that this is the only true remedy for such outrages.

The Metropolitan Municipal Association is going to work in earnest to procure a municipal government for London as a whole. It has widely issued a circular, signed by Lord Elcho, the chairman of the association, to metropolitan householders, asking for signatures to a memorial and subscriptions to its funds. The sinews of war seem necessary in this as in every other enterprise in this country; and as Englishmen are fond of 'backing their opinions' with money, I have no doubt there will be sufficient pecuniary support to this very excellent project. But the names of Lord Elcho and the Honourable A. Kinnaird will not, I hear, be sufficient to carry the necessary measure through Parliament. The matter is one that Government ought to deal with.

Hospital Saturday has come and gone, and you will have seen the result of the collection before you receive this, so I will merely remark that Saturday was only the closing day of a movement which has been going on for weeks by means of collecting boxes fixed in public places or carried about by boys; and that this movement has by no means been confined to the working classes as seemed at one time intended, for the general public was appealed to in many ways to contribute, and responded largely to the appeal. And then, of course, the proceeds of the *morning performance* which Mr Chatterton generously gave, in aid of the funds, at his three London theatres were in great measure contributed by the higher classes.

A few more days and the third of 'the annual series of International Exhibitions' will come to a close. This, I believe, is the third and last time of asking the public to support these exhibitions under present conditions. An effort will be made to render them more popular and attractive, but at present it is very doubtful whether any exhibition will be held at all next year. Meanwhile the International is dying out painfully. The reduction of the price of admission to three-pence has not answered, and now the price is to be 'only one penny' except on Wednesdays when one shilling is to be charged. Would it not be well to admit the public free? Or perhaps giving people a penny a head for going might be found to answer. The place now looks intolerably dreary. There is very little to see, and very few people come to see it.

"Mrs. Prodgers and the Cabman" has now become a standing joke in the London Police-reports. Her hand is against every cabman, and every cabman's hand is against her, though Cabby cannot always get the whip-hand of her. The last appearance of this irrepressible lady at a police-court was a triumph for her. To end a long story short, Cabby summoned her for refusing to pay him sixpence, part of his alleged fare. He said the distance was over three miles, and she that it was under three miles, and the disputed difference of six-pence was the subject of the summons. The Cab-drivers Association took up the case; Cabby and a constable took the ground measured; Mrs Prodgers disputed this measurement; then the assistant gaoler of the court was ordered to take the pedometer, and he reported that it was under three miles; this counsel for Cabby disputed this, and then the magistrate directed another measurement by an experienced hand; to this Cabby objected, and thereby gave up his claim, and Mrs Prodgers was triumphant. Really we are much indebted to this lady. Her continual warfare with cabmen may have grown into a kind of monomania, but she is doing good service to cab-hirers by thus drawing attention to the tricks of drivers and the uncertainty of the law. Hirers of cabs will be continually subjected to over-charge and gross insolence till we have either a system of measuring distance by the rotation of the wheels—which is perfectly practicable—or the measurement of our main thoroughfares distinctly marked by distance-posts. Meanwhile tables of fares from and to certain well-known places ought to be posted up in every cab.

The extraordinary letter which the late lamented Mr. Coppen wrote a few hours before his execution will have been read with varied feelings, and on its deeply religious tone I shall make no comment. I will but remark that the strangest passage is that in which he says he might have done worse than murder his wife! His newly acquired religion appears scarcely orthodox on this one subject at all events.

One by one our oases in the London desert are disappearing. Stockwell Green is now threatened and probably ere long be built upon. It is but a small place, but is an ornament and attraction in a pleasant neighbourhood and it tends to make the Clapham-road look like a street of London. John Square, it appears, is to be let alone, Baron Grant's offer to treat it as he treated Leicester Square having now been positively rejected. *Apropos* of the latter square, it has been found that to play the fountain costs at the rate of £1,000 a year, and therefore the water is to be cut off. This is a pity, for London is very deficient in public fountains, and even those in Trafalgar Square are seldom at full play, and are often not playing at all. But with only our water-companies to supply us with water at the present high rate of charge, it is to be feared public fountains are not practicable here, and we must put up with the deprivation; though it is only after we have enjoyed the ornament, perhaps, as in Leicester Square, that we really feel its absence as a deprivation.

A new paper is to appear under the title of the *Leader*, to be edited by Mr. Compton Reade. I presume it is to be something after the style of the paper with the same title which was published some fifteen years ago, and which was at one time edited by Mr. Horace St. John, and at another by Mr. Figgins, chief of the *Daily News* and now the Examiner of Stage Plays. By the way, the latter gentleman is somewhat severe in exercising his new duties, and there is little chance of immorality, sedition, or scurrility being promulgated on the stage under his rule. If we had such a censor for our music-halls, it would perhaps be well, for some of the comic songs sung at these places are disgraceful. Yet comic songs and the regular music-hall business does not seem enough for these establishments, for several of them are beginning to infringe on the province of the theatres.

TERRIFIC GALE.

GREAT DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

SEVERAL LIVES LOST.

The very heavy gale of wind which sprang up on Tuesday night, and prevailed throughout Wednesday, appears to have been general all over the country. In Leeds a Baptist Chapel in process of erection in York Road, was blown down, this being the second time a similar accident has befallen it. A labourer was killed near Stockton-on-Tees, and a woman at Hull, where the Bessemer saloon steamer was driven ashore, but was afterwards got off uninjured. Off Ardrossan a large ship was wrecked, and some fourteen persons, including the captain's wife, perished. A fatal shipwreck also occurred at the Isle of Man.

COMPLETE LEVELLING OF TENTS ON THE TOWN MOOR.

Among the publicans of the north there are recollections of disastrous gales on the Town Moor, carrying dire destruction among the little town of canvas tents and marquees that is reared on the approach of our race meetings; but never was the havoc created by rude Boreas so complete as that experienced by the proprietors of such places of shelter and entertainment in the early hours of Wednesday morning. Scarcely half a dozen yards of canvas was left whole, nor was a pole or a stick to be seen upright, with the exception of the cage-like remains of the three or four old-fashioned long tents on the skirts of the course. These were, however, entirely stripped of their covering, and otherwise fared as badly, as far as regarded the occupants of the tenements, as their more modern rivals, the marquees. Many had, as soon as the full extent of the disaster was made known, taken steps to remove their stock and wreck rather than stay through the day in the hopes of mitigating their loss by such sale as they could get for their drinks over a counter exposed to the full fury of the wind. Others, however, choose the latter alternative, but business seemed to be anything but brisk with them. A Byker Bar fared as badly as it felt the full force of the blast rather keenly, as a house in course of erection near Hardy's field was completely blown down, and in the streets leading out of Westgarland Road damage was done to some buildings in the course of erection. During Wednesday many of the trains arriving in Newcastle from a distance were considerably late owing to the gale.

A WOMAN, A MAN, AND TWO CHILDREN INJURED AT GATESHEAD.

At an early hour on Wednesday morning, the inmates of the house, 68, Albert Street, Gateshead, were startled by a terrific crash, caused by the high wind blowing down the chimney upon the roof, and sending it tumbling into the bed-room below. The house was occupied by Thomas Hamilton, waterman, and Thomas Percy, moulder, together with their families. Hamilton's children—John, aged seven, and Thomas, aged five—were sleeping in the bedroom which the roof came upon them, and it was with the utmost difficulty that they were rescued alive by their distressed parents, who found them entirely buried beneath the *débris*, which covered the room to the height of several feet. Both children were severely cut and bruised. Mrs. Thorp who occupied the back of the premises, was cut on the head by a falling stone. The furniture of the poor people is, of course, all destroyed, and the top of the house is entirely open to the skies. The gable of a building in course of erection near Bensham Grove race was blown down in the forenoon, and a young man named Edward Wood, aged 19, was struck on the head and knocked down. He was rescued to Newcastle Infirmary, where, it was found that he had sustained a severe fracture of the skull.

NORTH AND SOUTH SHIELDS.

From daylight on Wednesday morning until afternoon, it blew a terrific gale from the west; and the river in shields Harbour was like a sea, almost stopping traffic. During the height of the gale the the large ship British India, belonging Liverpool, lying loaded at Smith's Buoys, North Shields, broke from her moorings, and driven with force down the harbour on to the sands. On her way she did damage to some vessels and steamboats the latter's funnels and rigging carried away. She was afterwards got hold of by three tugs and towed off the sands, but the gale was so strong that she had to bring up. The schooner Boyne, belonging Banff, the Russian schooner Eli; the brig Quebec Packet of Newcastle; and the ship Daniel Rankin, with another vessel broke their moorings and sustained damage. A large wherry was upset and the cargo lost. Several rafts of timber also broke adrift. Other cases of drifting and damage are reported. In the towns damage is done to houses by dislodging of chimney, tiles and slates. The chimneys and gable ends of several houses at Tynemouth were blown away.

JARROW AND NEIGHBOURHOOD.

In the morning when the gale was at its height, the houses in the Ferry Boat Estate, in Road Street, Monkton Road, Richard Street, and Gateshead Road, Jarrow, suffered greatly, some of them being completely wrecked. The damage to the property at Hebburn New Town is also considerable, and at Messrs. Roy and Richardson, builders, are the greatest sufferers. In the old part of Jarrow the roof of a house was blown in while the family were in bed, but fortunately all of them escaped with a few bruises. Mr. Richardson's chemical works, Jarrow, and Messrs. Sproat and Harley's foundry, Hebburn are reported to have sustained much injury, and all the outside men at Mr. Palmer's yard, Howdon. Hebburn, Wallsend, and Walker were going about idle, the planks on the scaffoldings were flying about like paper. Messrs. Clark's shops in Jarrow were compelled to keep their shutters up. A brig, the Cognac packet, Captain Post, of Shields, was driven from her moorings at Jarrow Quay, and blown completely over, her keel even being visible. The crew clung to the weather side, and were in jeopardy for some time. After drifting for some distance, the vessel righted, and was brought to by her anchors.

DURHAM.

The gale on Wednesday morning was very heavy in Durham, and the temporary circus building in the field near the Assize Courts was completely razed to the ground. Nearly all the seats were torn up, and a man who was sleeping in the circus was slightly injured by the *débris* falling upon him.

A MAN KILLED AT STOCKTON.

In Stockton, at the Malleable Ironworks, about eight o'clock, a man named William Morrow, aged 57 years, was engaged lifting fire-clay out of a truck, when the chimney of a puddling furnace fell, killing him dead on the spot.

BISHOP AUCKLAND.

In the Bishop Auckland district considerable damage was done to property. The most serious, however, was at Old Shildon, where some large church schools are being erected in a field near the Vicarage. The wind carried off the roof work, and blew down the greatest portion of the turret and a portion of the gable. At Stanhope a large top stone was blown from the police station, and at Spennymoor a number of windows were blown in, and several new buildings damaged. No damage was done in the town.

SUNDERLAND.

On Wednesday morning, about half-past six, the body of a seafaring man was found in the river near the Ferry landing, he having apparently been blown off the ship during the night and drowned. About half-an-hour after, the body of a second man was picked up by the master of a steam-tug, about a hundred yards below where the first body was found, and likewise lying close to a landing-place. He also is supposed to have been blown into the river. One of the bodies was subsequently identified as that of an Italian labourer, named Charles McEwen, a man between 50 and 60 years of age, who was employed at Messrs Tyzack and Bell's iron-works, Pallwell Road. The man was addicted to drinking.

CONSETT.

A fearful gale of wind prevailed at Consett and the neighbourhood during the whole of Wednesday. The National schools in course of erection at Consett were partially blown down, but no one was injured. Some narrow escapes from falling chimneys, &c., occurred. In one instance the coping at the top of a house was thrown across the street and through the windows of an opposite house. The farmers suffered severely, whole stacks of hay, &c., being blown away. Trees were uprooted in every direction. Business was entirely suspended during the greater part of the day.

DUNDEE.

An almost incalculable amount of damage was done to property at Saltburn-by-the-Sea.

A Central News telegram says a heavy storm swept the Tyne coast at seven on Wednesday morning. Considerable damage is anticipated.

The gale of Tuesday night has done great damage to the telegraphic wires at many stations. North of Birmingham, only a few wires are in working order.

A Dundee correspondent telegraphs:—On Tuesday, a furious westerly gale raged over Scotland. The gables of two buildings in Dundee were blown down. Communication between Forfar and Fife is stopped, and fears are entertained for the vessels at the mouth of the river. The telegraph wires are destroyed all over the country.

Two fishermen at Deal were swamped with their boat and drowned during the gale.

THE NEW BOROUGH.

Jarrow-on-Tyne is the newest borough in the North. It is indeed not yet formally constituted as a municipal borough, but the Charter of incorporation has been promised by the Privy Council in a few days, and the first election born of North Country towns will have a municipality of her own. Jarrow has beaten West Hartlepool. When a few details have been settled Jarrow will receive its Charter. West Hartlepool has not yet established her claim to the dignity of incorporation. The reason must be sought for not in the town but in their inhabitants. The men of Jarrow are men who have their eyes open to what is going on in the world, who understand the standing of a borough as a body corporate, who are abreast of their times, and who are really desirous of making the most of their position and opportunities. The men of West Hartlepool, on the contrary, are content to trudge on aimlessly in the old ruts, saving pence, but losing pounds, feeling no pride in the rates by a single penny at the time that they are drawing heavy bills upon the future in the shape of the hundreds of children whom they are rearing without giving them even the most rudimentary education. West Hartlepool was founded by a Tory; Jarrow by a Liberal; and the young men who laid the corner-stone of the former, while the latter profits by the inspiration of the party of Progress. Hence, in the race for the proud position of a borough, West Hartlepool, although favoured with many years' start, has been beaten last year by Barrow and this year by Jarrow.

Jarrow deserves the honour which she has fairly won. Although the last borough incorporated, she is far from being the last in point of municipal activities in Eng and, more than one half have fewer inhabitants than Jarrow. To go no further than our own district, we see the lovely Tynemouth with just one-quarter the population of Jarrow, and the City of Ripon with less than one-third. These two North Yorkshire Parliamentary boroughs, sandwiched between them they return two members to the House of Commons, possess an united population of less than 12,000. The population of Jarrow at the last census was 22 000. When Darlington was incorporated the population was only slightly in excess of that of Jarrow. On Tuesday the movement in favour of incorporation was unopposed. The inhabitant were unanimous in their desire for a Charter; the Local Board of Health supported the proposal, and Mr Charles M. Palmer, the creator and maintainer of Jarrow, was one of the first witnesses examined in support of the application. The only opposition arose from the dislike felt by the ratepayers of certain outlying agricultural districts to be included within the borough boundary. The unanimity made the granting of a Charter almost a matter of course, and the only question in doubt is that which is still left unsettled, namely, the exact limits of the new borough. In a few days the decision of the Privy Council as to the boundary of the new municipality will be received, and then the ratepayers of Jarrow will be able to set about electing their Town Council which will practically revolve the government of their great and growing town.

Never since Palmer superseded St. Bede, and made his shipyard an object of greater interest than the well-preserve. chair of the venerable historian, has Jarrow been other than a busy centre. The ceaseless clang of hammers all day, the intermittent glare of blast furnaces all night, and the unmitigated smoke-cloud which overshadows always, these are too prominent among the characteristics of Jarrow to render it a pleasant place either to the tourist or the resident. The very thrive of dirty, activity, redolent, not with the sweet odours of Araby thyme, but with the smell of oil and of smoke. If Darlington is not as all Abroad, it would not be unlike Jarrow, and to our Darlington readers we need say nothing more, to convey an idea of the treeless waste of dee-lation which exists in the boundaries of the new borough. Mean streets of two storeyed houses, all built to a pattern, and all alike, ending in fields partially laid out in building lots, and deserts of mud stones, bricks, and mortar heaps. The ruse to be seen in the distance, Palmer superseded them with chimneys; there are no trees, the skeletons of trees, weird wasted trunks denude of all verdure alone remain. Jarrow has a river frontage of several miles. It would be a river, if it were a river Don—so called, we presume, in mockery of the great Russian stream which empties itself into the Sea of Azov. But Jarrow Burn is not a river; it is only a ditch. Why it should be honoured with such a title we do not know; on the opposite side of the water stream lies a large and contemptuously called Iguts, and the Don has no other advantages to atone for its insignificant dimensions. Tradition says that in ancient times the Roman galley was often seen on its waters, and it is certain that it ran within a short distance of the Monastery in which the venerable Bede wrote his days. The Roman galley has given place to the Tyneside Keel, and chemical works pollute the stream in which possibly even the Monks used to bathe as they drove in their Lent. St. Bede's monastery itself has shar-d in the universal transformation. Part of the old walls, sooty-grimed and weather-worn as an ash, still stand, and the rest are rapidly tumbling into ruin. The new frontage of which Jarrow boasts is almost entirely occupied. Palmer's works cover the ground a mile along its banks, shutting off all access to its waters, while the rest of the riverside is taken up with ballast heaps deposited before modern Jarrow came into existence. Upon the summit of these hills, enterprising chemists have erected their works, and from their lofty position shower odours not of Araby the blest upon the surrounding population. There remains the alkaly, a wide expanse of mud, left bare by the tide, over which once murderers dangled in chains, but which now the haunt of a few of the wide-winged sea gull not yet exiled from their ancient haunt. Jarrow, it was pleaded before the Commissioners, has built 3,726 houses, besides constructing 17½ miles of streets, and 10½ miles of sewers in the last ten years. We do not dispute the figures—only the whole place has still a half-grown ungraceful, ungainly, unfinished. It has 22 schools —some of them very small ones—and 12 places of worship, but it has no other possessions, we may mention, than these. Not a library—an hospital, a drill shed, a small park, and a High Street, which does duty as Jarrow's Bottle Row, it being the favourite lounge for the unemployed population. Nevertheless Jarrow is improving. It got a new railway station lately, and is going so it got rid of its asthmatical old locomotive, which ocasionally required the passengers to give it a start by pushing it behind. It is a bad place for sewers, apers, owing to the character of the bulk of its population, but it has now two weekly papers, which deserve more success, than, we fear, the borough of Jarrow is likely to give them. In times—possibly before the century closes—the old ferry boat, which plies between Jarrow and the other side of the river, will go to the general scour of the modern improvement. The spirit sig- began to convert stood a wreck of "volo," and s- tinctly heard. I- langsyne which The same spirit on several fo- in the same h- judge from th- spirit left, an- heard seeing t- the night?" thoroughly c- from laughing so freely with a- Mr. H. said t- not?" "Is Bede me; yer richt Scotchman ha- just to the sam- people in the o- Inverness, I sa- asked him if t- first time duri- replied. "ma- said "palchis, him about som- replied that t- phatrick." "I- other places. pronounced t- medium a- one- Gaelic accent T- tlon nobody in fact I had bet- good nicht to m- said "Whe-? "Whan this mo- and the Scotch- screen. I said w- He stayed so s- were wishing t- several chemis- attempt at mor- was vexed at t- intimate friend the chemist, and he was not at all w- us all! I have George Young, lying sick in- gone, the spirit time held poss- intimate friend medium "C-" was a most ex- chair at a se- said, "I have ad been in so- feed me for t- real, here was of many wond- been there, a- other things h- him a kitchen, Young of the person, by carr- and up a bank a- a full-sized ca- sitting reading he recollected p- up a long ro- Gateshead brid- the one scen- street of Gate- which the sh- same periodica- remedies for t- severe headache- ing this, instan- rubbing the fo- floor. On finis- was completely f mine and ta- from the brain o- the minds of S- Spiritualism, a- what to say to that he was w- face of the m- spirit of Geor- spirit, "if ever- ening, and if- If he knows w- it leaves the bo- spirits can't- He locality, but told me I was "Do you not- is the eternal is right" said- exists from a- ever, and ever- asked him if- it when in the- ghastliness of- "My friend," ure spirits close both ears, or- hey do not m- ny other scie- you to heaven- e goodness—h- I then said, h- rine of the- side two hund- replied, "Prie- and well and- the locality, but- Superintendent Stewart, were on the spot and at once got to work. A long ladder was placed near the front window, and through great exertion from their perilous position in an exhausted and almost insensible condition. The boy was not only rescued, but every effort was made to discover and rescue him. About eight o'clock his remains were found much burnt. The fire continued to burn until about seven o'clock in the morning, and the premises were entirely gutted. Search was then made for the remains of Garret and his wife, and they were soon found, were scarcely recognisable. The property, which is insured, belongs to Mr. Stephen Weldon, of Shotley Bridge. The cause of the fire is at present unknown.

FIRE AT NORTH SHIELDS.

THREE PERSONS BURNT TO DEATH.

On Monday morning, at an early hour, a fire occurred at North Shields, and unfortunately caused the death of three persons. Situated on Skipsey's Quay, Clive Street, a short distance from the Wooden Bridge, are a number of tenemented houses, access to which is gained from Clive Street by means of a long narrow passage. One of those—three stories in height—was occupied on the first floor by Wm. Garrett and his wife Ann Garrett, and the upper flat, consisting of three or four rooms, by John Baines and his wife; and two children and a boy named Edward Wood, between the years of age, son of Mrs Laines. Garret and his wife occupied one of the rooms by themselves. About a quarter past two o'clock this morning, Police Constables Potts and Chuzside observed smoke issuing from the house. They knocked loudly at the door of Garrett, but receiving no answer, and being aware of an entrance, but were met by such a dense issue of smoke and flame that they were compelled to retreat. Speedily the fire-engine and escape arrived on the ground, and under Superintendent Stewart, were on the spot and at work. Their first endeavour was to save life. There were no signs of Garrett and his wife, and the worst fears as to their fate were entertained. As to Baines and his wife, however, and the boy Spoors, they were heard responding. A long ladder was placed

An American paper says that a large quantity of old iron from the scene of the Crimean war is being converted into ploughshares by a New Jersey foundry.

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TYNESIDE SPIRITUALISM:

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

SEANCE IV.

Since writing seance third friends have suggested that the Spiritualism was but the thoughts of the circle, telegraphed to the brain of the medium through the chain formed by the hands being joined. Let us see if this theory will explain what follows—

We, in company with a chemist and a grocer, entered late. The seance had began. An Irish medium was standing on the floor, and a spirit (companion of "Neshi") who spoke a foreign language speaking through him. The company had been much puzzled for many weeks to make out what this spirit said, and were relieved when I entered for they thought I would be able to interpret. Having satisfied myself that it was neither French nor German, I began speaking the few words of the modern Italian I knew, for I thought the general sound of his voice resembled that language. The spirit signified that it knew what was said and began to converse freely, although I only understood a word here and there. The words "mori," "volo," and several others of Latin origin I distinctly heard. Now here was a spirit speaking in a language which not a soul in the house understood! The same spirit has come through the same medium on several former occasions, and has always spoken in the same language, so far as the audience can judge from the similarity of sound. This foreign spirit left, and, to the relief of us all a voice was heard saying in good broad Scotch, "Hoo are ye a' the nicht?" So broad was the accent and so thoroughly Scotch, that I could scarcely refrain from laughing at the idea of an Irishman speaking so freely with an accent so difficult to acquire. Old Mr. H. said to it "I hear it is you, McDonald, is it not?" The Scotchman answered, "Aye! aye! it's me; yer richt." Mr. H. then told us that this Scotchman had been often here before, and spoke just in the same way, although there were no Scotch people in the circle. On learning that he came from Inverness, I saluted him in the Gaelic language and asked him if he could speak it. The spirit for the first time during the evening became animated and replied, "ma galore" (good enough.) To this I said "palchis," meaning plenty. On questioning him about some places in Invernesshire, he at once replied that he knew "Tuimnahourich," "Craigphatrick," "The falls of Foryers," and several other places. In pronouncing Tuimnahourich, I pronounced it Tim-na-hourick, whereupon the medium at once corrected me by giving it the true Gaelic accent Tu-im-na-hourich. This pronunciation nobody in the circle could possibly know. In fact I had forgotten it myself. On bidding us good night he grasped me warmly by the hand and said, "Will ye come back again anither nicht?" I said "When?" Pointing to the medium he said, "When this medium comes." "Very well," I said, and the Scotch spirit said in the broadest Scotch accent, "Guid nicht wi' ye a'," and left the medium. He stayed so short a time because so many spirits were wishing to get down to speak. A friend of the chemist next came, and as it was her first attempt at moving a medium, she was only able to use signs. Her name she said was "Alice," an intimate friend of his. The medium took hold of the chemist, and greatly to his perturbation of spirit, led him into the middle of the room in the midst of us all! I have since been informed by the spirit of George Young, that this spirit of "Alice" was a lying spirit, and not "Alice" at all. After it had gone, the spirit of George Young, who had for some time held possession of a young man in the room, intimated that he was going to take the spirit of the medium "C." away with him for a little. This was a most extraordinary thing. "C." sat in his chair as if asleep, and on awaking he looked up and said, "I have been away somewhere." He said he ad been in some kitchen. The other particulars I need not give. Now, granting that Spiritualism is real, here was an outstanding wonder in the midst of many wonders. The spirit of a man who had been dead for years conveying the spirit of a man living in the flesh to a distant place and showing him a kitchen, &c. But the same spirit of George Young did something quite as wonderful to another person, by carrying him in the spirit along a bridge and up a bank to a tobacconist's shop, where he saw a full-sized figure of a highlander, and the shop girl sitting reading a periodical. On coming to himself he recollected that he had been along a bridge and up a bank, so off he set to prove it, and came to Gateshead bridge, which he remembered resembled the one seen in his vision. Going up the main street of Gateshead, he came to the very shop in which the shop girl was still sitting reading the same periodical. Mr. "C.," on returning to the normal state of consciousness, complained of a severe headache. The spirit of one Dr. James hearing this, instantly entranced him, and made "C." rub his temples with his hands, pushing the hair backwards. He then joined hands with old Mr. H. and caused him to go through a number of military evolutions in an erect posture on the middle of the floor. On finishing these exercises, "C.'s" headache was completely cured. I said to the Dr. that a friend f mine said that all these manifestations proceeded from the brain of the medium himself, acted upon by the minds of those present; and that there was no Spiritualism in it at all. I said I should like to know what to say to that friend of mine to convince him that he was wrong. (Here a smile passed over the face of the young man who was possessed of the spirit of George Young.) "Ask him," said the spirit, "if ever he had a good thought put into his mind, and if he knows who put it there. Ask him if he knows what a spirit is and where it goes after it leaves the body." Here the medium asked me my opinion as to where it went. I said I did not know he locality, but seemingly it went into the air. He told me I was wrong and immediately asked me "Do you know what God is?" To this I replied, "He is the eternal spirit, everywhere present." "That is right" said the spirit. The most mighty God exists from ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, for ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and ever, and ever. I then asked him if a man who had studied chemistry, or some other scientific subject, and was very fond of it when in the body, would have an opportunity of gratifying his scientific propensities in heaven. "My friend," said the spirit of the doctor, "there are spirits close at hand who could speak learnedly, both on chemistry and other scientific subjects; but hey do not mind these things." "Chemistry or ny other science," he said, "will not take any of you to heaven. The only qualification for this state s goodness—being washed in the blood of Jesus." I then said, how does it happen that this new docrine of spirit possession was not known on Tyneside two hundred years ago?" To this the doctor replied, "Friend, can you tell me how many on Tyneside, 200 years ago, know the truth of God as contained in the Holy Scriptures." "Besides," continued he, "it is not *new*. It has been in all ages, and will continue and increase in these latter days to the end of time. What was that which happened at Pentecost? What was that which was instrumental in converting that persecutor Saul? What was that which enabled the prophets to speak? In short it is everywhere throughout the Bible." I then said some one told me it was a species of Mesmerism. To this he replied, "No, it is not. The spirits," he said, "get hold of the mind of the medium and prevent it from acting. Then, when his is done, the mind of the spirit occupies, in the medium's body, the function that the medium's own mind does. Mr. S. then said, "Doctor, will you nswer me a question?" "Certainly," said the octor, "but I can tell you before you ask what ou are going to say." I whispered to Mr. S. to allow the spirit to tell, and it would go far to prove that there was something real in it. "Then," said the spirit of the Doctor, "you were going to ask me about the parable of the rich man and Lazarus." "I was," said Mr. S. The Doctor then began to explain the eternal gulf that was fixed between the good and the wicked, but his remarks were very short, seeing he had to make way for others. After offering up a prayer to God for His power and presence to be continually with us, he left the medium. The spirit of George Young, which held possession of another medium, then said, "Friend, here is something that will silence your objecting friend, who said we only spoke what was in the mind of some one in the audience. All of you think, and continue thinking on anything you like but death." We did so, and he at once began to describe the death bed of a little boy, to whom God had sent him to administer spiritual consolation. The dying boy he said was very thirsty, and the mother (being under the influence of intoxicating liquors) was quite careless about him. He took possession, and the little one complained no more. Calling his little sister to the bedside, he told her that he was going to be for ever with Jesus, and earnestly requested her to seek to meet Him in heaven. George then continued his address about the cruel mother who was neglecting to give even a cup of water to cool her little dying boy's lips. She was a drunken mother, and at the time was so drunk that she was quite oblivious and indifferent to anything her little dying child said. "I could tell you," said George, "of scenes which I have witnessed down on the earth, which would make the hardest heart melt to tears." This we deemed sufficient to demonstrate that the spirits which possessed mediums could speak of subjects which were not in the mind of any one in the circle, although they knew the thoughts of those composing it. George continued, "Your friend says it is Mesmerism. Now, can you mesmerise?" I said, "Yes." "Well," he continued, "you can't mesmerise a single medium—just try." Having already tried to do so at a former seance, where George was not present, without success, I told him that I was satisfied I could not. At this time, three spirits held possession of three different mediums, viz., the spirit of George Young, who was guiding the circle, the spirit of Hannah, and a stranger spirit, who held possession of the medium C. Hannah looked at it, and seemed as if she knew all was not right, for she kept pointing to it, and waiting till George Young had finished speaking to one in the audience. This strange spirit caused the medium to hang his head, and gave us to understand that it was a very intimate male relative of mine, who had died eleven years and two months ago. It said it was neither an uncle nor cousin. But while I was musing on this unaccountable statement, George Young stepped forward and said to me, "Don't be offended, friend;" and instantly grasping the hand of the medium possessed of this strange spirit he said, "Leave the medium." Next addressing Hannah he also said, "Leave the medium. See how the evil is troubling the outer circle." Again turning to me he said, "Pay no attention to this spirit for it is a lying one. The minds of those composing the circle are beginning to waver, and the evil has got in." In asking for an explanation of this afterwards, it was told me that so long as the minds of those composing the circle were fixed on God, the good spirits got power; but when the minds wavered their power was lessened. George's reference to the "Outer circle" I could never understand, for there was no "Outer circle" in the room, and it seems to me that he referred to an outer circle of good spirits, who were guarding our circle in some way I don't understand. Here I interrupted him by asking if he could give me the name and address of the "Old man," whose death bed he had attended. "That is the one," said I, "you described to us at the second seance." "Friend," said George, "I don't at present know his name and address, but I will get to know, and tell you the next time I come." This I am assured George will certainly do, and I will at once correspond and verify his narrative by facts.

(To be continued.)

WHAT IS PROTESTANTISM?

Bishop Ellicott strikingly remarks, 'At any rate never let us be ashamed of that word which is so often urged against us as a very watchword of disunion; never let us shrink from speaking of our Church as Protestant. Catholic it is in its faith and principles—Protestant in its attitude to false teaching and doctrinal error.' These are weighty words, and worthy more than a mere passing thought. But we cannot hide from ourselves the fact that multitudes who call themselves Protestant have but a very faint conception of what Protestantism involves, and a fainter conception still of the grand history of the past which clings around the word. Deeds of matchless valour, heroism of the noblest type, sufferings by the purest spirits, acts of daring unequalled, devotion to truth the most lofty, patience the most self-sacrificing, have all combined to render Protestantism what it is. Protestantism has been the fruitful soil on which has sprung up and grown to be a great tree that civil and religious liberty under the shadow of which we at present worship God, 'none daring to make us afraid.' It is under the beneficent influence of Protestantism that civilisation is fostered, the arts and sciences grow strong, and the mind of man unfettered and free pursues the path of knowledge; and, above all, it is Protestantism that has given to the wide world the open Bible. Never, perhaps, since the dawn of the Reformation has it been more expedient than it is now that the means of acquiring an accurate knowledge of the real issues which are at stake between Protestantism and Romanism should be spread broadcast through the land. We greet, then, with a hearty welcome the 'New History of Protestantism,' from the pen of Dr. Wylie. An early copy of the first part is now before us, and when we mention that it is issued from the teeming press of Messrs Cassell, Petter, and Galpin, it will be a sufficient guarantee that it will be eagerly looked for by hundreds of thousands of willing readers. We lose no time in recommending our readers to at once order a copy, part one., for themselves, as it will be issued to the public on the 26th instant. It is got up in every way worthy of the house from which it emanates, and is published at a price which places it at the command of every one down to the very humblest in the land. We must not omit to mention that a large presentation plate is issued free of charge to every purchaser of this Part. It consists of a highly-finished engraving of the great painting by Mr E. M. Ward, R.A., 'Luther's First Study of the Bible.' The painting is admirably rendered, and there can be no question as to its being well worthy of a frame for its preservation.

An Odessa paper announces that the rinderpest is raging in Sebastopol and the neighbourhood, and that cattle are falling down dead in the streets.

The trial of Kullmann at the Court of Assizes, at Wurzburg, for the attempt on the life of Prince Bismarck, is expected to take place on October 29th.

A pork butcher, named James Wall, has been fined £100 by the Cardiff magistrates for having in his possession a large number of putrid hams.

The freedom of the burgh of Rothesay will be conferred upon the Marquis of Lorne, on Friday, the 30th inst. The Marquis of Bute has intimated his intention of being present.

According to Mr Robeson, the Secretary of the United States Navy, President Grant has no idea of allowing himself to be put forward as a candidate for a third term of office.

DURHAM QUARTER SESSIONS.

The General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the County of Durham was opened on Monday morning in the Courts at Durham.

THEFT OF A SILVER WATCH AT JARROW.

John McGee, of Newcastle, was charged that he, on the 15th October, did steal a silver watch, the property of Edward Murphy, at Jarrow.—From the statement of Mr Edge, who appeared for the prosecutors, it appeared that he was a relation of the prosecutor, and on the day in question he went to Murphy's house, and while there was nobody in took the watch and decamped. Information was given to the police, and he was afterwards apprehended. He had been convicted before under the name of William Johnson, and was sentenced to undergo twelve months' imprisonment.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Robert Potts (22), labourer, was charged with attempting to kill and murder himself at Sunderland on the 30th of July.—Prisoner was ordered to be imprisoned for four months.

STEALING FROM THE PERSON AT JARROW RAILWAY STATION.

John Francis (28), fitter, was indicted for stealing one purse, three florins, and other moneys, the property of Edward Singleton, at Jarrow, on the 16th September. Mr Blackwell prosecuted and Mr Skidmore defended. From the case for the prosecution it appeared that on Wednesday, the 16th day of September, about half-past two o'clock, Mrs Singleton went to the Jarrow Railway Station, and booked to Sunderland. As she was getting into the carriage the prisoner pushed against her and then ran away. She looked at her satchell and found it open, and her purse which she had put into the satchell gone. She spoke about the robbery, but the train was just starting, and little attention was taken of her complaint. In order to get to Sunderland, she had to change trains at Tyne Dock, and after she had got on to the platform she again saw the accused, whom she charged with robbing her of her purse. He thereupon ran along the tunnel which communicated between the platforms on either side of the line. She called upon the railway officials to stop him, and he was accordingly taken into custody Mrs Singleton then described the various pieces of money of which she had been robbed, and on the prisoner being searched corresponding coins were found about him. The purse and a perambulater ticket was found in the tunnel through which he had passed.—Prisoner was found guilty, and sentenced to imprisonment for four calendar months.

UNLAWFULLY WOUNDING AT GATESHEAD.

James McKay (22), shoemaker, was indicted for unlawfully wounding William Graham, at Gateshead, on 13th July last.—He pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

RECEIVING STOLEN MONEY FROM A BOY AT JARROW.

Robert Blackett *alias* Davison, (48), labourer, and George Collins (54), labourer, were indicted for receiving 11s 6d. the monies of David Campbell, well knowing it to have been stolen, at Jarrow, on the 3rd of August. Mr Greenhow prosecuted. From the evidence it appeared that the son of Mr Campbell, a boy of 12 years of age, had taken the sum mentioned from his father's drawer and given it to Blackett, who then sought Collins, the three afterwards going to Newcastle and having a 'spree.' The boy told Blackett how he had come by the money when he gave him it. The prisoners and the boy were subsequently arrested and charged with the offence. The magistrates sent the boy to the Wellesley Training Ship, and committed Blackett and Collins for trial at the Sessions. The jury found both the accused guilty, but recommended Collins to mercy. Sentence of four months imprisonment was passed on both prisoners.

WOUNDING A WOMAN AT BISHOP AUCKLAND.

Charles Theakston (33), tailor, was indicted for unlawfully wounding Jane Hannah Theakston, at Bishop Auckland, on the 3rd of October. He pleaded guilty and was sent to penal servitude for five years.

UNLAWFULLY WOUNDING AT JARROW.

Patrick Dowd (24), labourer, pleaded guilty to unlawfully wounding Thomas Robison at Jarrow, on the 10th of October, was and committed to prison for six months.

STEALING WEARING APPAREL AT WITTON GILBERT.

John Jones (39), labourer, pleaded guilty to stealing two coats, one pair of boots, and other articles, the property of Henry Dawson, at Witton Gilbert, on the 17th September, and was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

ROBBERY ON THE RAILWAY AT FERRYHILL.

Thomas Wood and — Williamson (on bail) were charged with stealing 15 yards of black cloth, 36 yards of mohair braid, and other articles, the property of the North-Eastern Railway Company, at Ferryhill, on the 22nd December. The prisoners were in the employment of the North-Eastern Railway Company towards the end of the year 1873. The robbery took place on the 22nd December in that year, after Wood had left the company's service, but while Williamson was still acting in the capacity of parcels guard. Prisoners were committed to prison for nine calendar months.

ALLEGED FRAUD AT CONSETT.

David Williams (on bail) was charged with obtaining by false pretences £2 15s 3d, with intent to defraud the Consett Iron Company, on the 22nd August. Mr Edge prosecuted and Mr Skidmore defended. The evidence for the prosecution was to the effect that the prisoner, who was in the employment of the Consett Iron Company, went away for a fortnight to see some friends, and at the end of that time received his salary the same as if he had never been away. Matthew Jones, the son-in-law of the accused, was time keeper at the works, and he put in the prisoner's time as if he had worked the whole of the fortnight. Prisoner, therefore, when he came home received £2 15s 3d in wages, whereas, he was only entitled to 10s 7d. The man Jones absconded, but Williams fell into the hands of the police, and he was duly examined before the magistrates in respect to the charge of having received the money on false pretences and committed for trial at the sessions. The defence set up was that if there was any crime Jones was the perpetrator of it and not the accused. —The jury found the prisoner not guilty, and he was discharged.

ROBBERY FROM AN EMPLOYER AT GATESHEAD.

Henry Bell (16), labourer, Richard Hogg (52), sawyer, and Mary Ann Bell (32), spinster, were arraigned for stealing £58 10s, the moneys of Joseph Dawson, at Gateshead, between the 23rd and 27th of August.—Hogg was discharged; Henry Bell and Mary Ann Bell were committed to prison for six months.

INCITING YOUNG GIRLS TO STEAL AT JARROW.

James Noble (on bail) was indicted for receiving 3st 9lbs weight of metal, the property of the Tyne Coal Company, well knowing it to have been stolen at Jarrow, on the 2nd of September.—The case established by the prosecution was that the accused, a rag and bone gatherer, while at Jarrow incited two young girls to steal the iron, for which he gave them a few coppers.—The jury found the prisoner guilty and he was ordered to be confined for six months.

STEALING FROM THE PERSON.

Mary Ann Wilson (30), widow, was charged with stealing 13s and one purse from the person of Stephen Graham, at South Shields, on the 6th of September.—The jury found the prisoner guilty, and, having been sent to penal servitude previously for a period of seven years, the prisoner was sentenced to ten years penal servitude.

Mary Ann Ryan, 26, married, pleaded guilty to stealing a silver watch and guard, the property of John Reay, at Lanchester, on the 25th of June last, and was sentenced to 4 months' hard labour.

WOUNDING A POLICEMAN AT WINLATON.

John Rayne was indicted for unlawfully assaulting Hugh Murphy, a constable of the county of Durham, who was in the execution of his duty at the time as constable at Winlaton. The jury found the prisoner guilty, and he was ordered to be kept in prison for a period of twelve calendar months.

THE CASE OF STABBING AT FRAMWELLGATE.

Michael Condrien (37), pitman, was indicted for unlawfully wounding Joseph Waugh at Framwellgate on the 23rd August. Prisoner being found guilty, was committed to prison for twelve months.

A FRAUDULENT BAILEE AT BISHOP AUCKLAND.

George Ward (59), labourer, was arraigned for that he being the bailee of one revolver and case, the property of Elizabeth Amprose, did fraudulently convert the same to his own use, at Bishop Auckland, on the 20th March, 1873. The jury found the accused guilty, and, having been already a considerable time in prison, he received the mitigated sentence of four months' incarceration in gaol.

THEFT OF A WATCH AND CHAIN AT SOUTH SHIELDS.

William Richardson (on bail) was indicted for stealing one silver watch and one guard, the property of Henry Smith, at South Shields, on the 20th July last. The jury found accused not guilty, and he was accordingly discharged.

WOUNDING AT SOUTH SHIELDS.

George Ramsay (on bail) was charged with unlawfully wounding Arthur Smith, at South Shields, on the 6th of September last. Prisoner was found guilty and committed to prison for twelve months.

WATCH ROBBERY AT LANCHESTER.

William Boyle (69), hawker, was indicted for stealing one silver watch and albert guard, the property of John Reay at Lanchester, on the 25th June last.—Accused was found guilty, and having been convicted before, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

Poetry: Original and Select.

MOTHER SHIPTON'S PROPHECY.

The following remarkable prophecy was first published in 1448, and re-published in 1641. It will be observed that its predictions have come to pass, except that contained in the last two lines, which pertain to the future:—

Carriages without horses, shall go,
And accidents fill the world with woe:
Around the world thoughts shall fly—
In the twinkling of an eye
Water shall yet more wonders do,
How strange—but yet they shall be true.
The world upside down shall be,
And gold be found at the root of a tree:
Through hills men shall ride,
And no horse or ass be at his side.
Under water men shall walk,
Shall ride, shall sleep, shall talk,
In the air men shall be seen,
In white, in black, in green.
Iron on the water shall float,
As easy as a wooden boat.
Gold shall be found and shown,
In land that is not now known.
Fire and water shall wonders do.
England shall at last admit a Jew.
The world to an end shall come
In eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

Varieties.

Extracts from PUNCH.

HEROIC EXPLOIT.—Sir Hercules Robinson has annexed Fiji. A labour worthy of Hercules.

OUTRAGE ON A CLERGYMAN.—*Coarse Protestant* (to Ritualist clergyman): "How are you off for cat's meat?" *Rev. Ritualist*: "What do you mean by cat's meat?" *Coarse Protestant*: "Lights!"

THE ABOLITION OF SECOND-CLASS CARRIAGES.—*First Passenger* (with filthy clay pipe): "I'm afraid you don't like the smell of 'baccy, sir?" *Second Passenger* (with Regalia): "Haw—not other people's—haw." *First Passenger*: "All right, sir. Anything to oblige a gen'l'man Just 'and us over one of your weeds, and I'll put out my pipe!"

EMPHATIC.—*Old Lady* (to Telegraph Clerk): "O, please mister, just write me a telegram to my son John, and tell him to come home directly, and mind and put a dash under 'Directly!'"

WILD SPORTS.—*The Sportsman* (from the wood): "Hullo, Tonsonby, you've had a good place. We've heard you blazing away all the afternoon. How many have you bagged?" *Tonsonby* (a town man).—"O, bother your tame pheasants. I've tree'd a magnificent tom-cat here, and had splendid sport; but I can't hit him. You come and try!"

CAUTION.—A correspondent wants to know whether some safe public method of conveyance should not be provided for persons like his wife, whose temper is so terribly explosive in its character that it is highly dangerous to travel in her company?

THE PERILS OF THE PARK.—The Powder Magazine in Hyde Park ought unquestionably to be removed. There are too many dangerous "sparks" always about in that neighbourhood.

A RAILWAY REVOLUTION.—Scene—Platform on Midland Railway.—*Materfamilias*: "What, no second class! No return tickets! I can't afford to go 'First;' and I wont go 'Third.' What *am* I to do?"

SOCIAL MISERIES.—Time—Sunday morning. Party going to church.—*Uncle* (on a visit, coming down stairs donned in a shooting coat): "Lod, I'm raether late; but I thocht I had lost the key o' ma trunk wi' ma Sunday claes in't." *Chorus*: "Why, Uncle! you're never going to church in such a coat as that!!!"

Local and General News.

Intelligence has been received at Thurso of the schooner Wave, belonging to Newcastle. She was on a voyage from Christiania to Thurso with timber, and has been totally wrecked on the Norwegian coast.

At a meeting of the Northumberland coalowners on Tuesday, it was decided to refer the dispute respecting the 20 per cent. reduction in miners' wages to open arbitration. The notice, which expires on Saturday, will probably be withdrawn, so that the threatened strike will be avoided.

In consequence of an extensive fire having broken out in the Clay Hole Pit, belonging to Earl Granville at Hanley, several hundred men were on Monday obliged to abandon the workings. Fears are entertained that the fire has communicated to the larger measures. Active steps have been adopted for subduing the conflagration.

MR. STANSFELD ON THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES ACTS.—The Right Hon. J. Stansfeld, M.P., addressed a crowded meeting at Bristol on Thursday evening in favour of the repeal of the Contagious Diseases Acts. These laws, he said, had not the sanction of previous public discussion, of a favourable public opinion, or of that discussion in Parliament which the laws of Parliament were intended to provide. The advocates of this policy had stolen a march upon the country. The laws were immoral, unconstitutional, and hygienically wrong. No one dreamed of venturing to entrust their administration to the local police. It was impossible that a human law which sinned against the law of morals could contribute permanently to the physical well-being of mankind. The *doctrinaire* supporters of these acts were the very first men loudly to proclaim that they could not be a success until they were extended to the whole of the country. Having chosen their standard-bearer, the opponents of the Act would support him in Parliament with a persistency of which the present Parliament had had no experience. (Cheers.) He had watched an insidious materialism creeping over the country, and entangling in the meshes of its widesweeping many good men and good women, but he had put his hand to the plough, and never would he desist from this agitation until such degrading laws were blotted out from the statute-book for ever. (Cheers.)

It is announced that Brigham Young is to be indicted for bigamy.

THE NORTH OF ENGLAND IRONWORKERS.—On Saturday, the ironworkers in this district were paid a reduction of 10 per cent. on their wages, which amounts to 25 per cent. reduction in wages since Christmas of last year. The reduction in the wages had been settled by the Board of Arbitration.

A MAN FOUND DEAD ON THE PENSHER BRANCH.—Between nine and ten o'clock on Friday night, Police-Sergeant Caygill found the dead body of Joseph McLaren, sixty-four years of age, the father of a family, living at Hylton, lying on the Pensher Branch of the North-Eastern Railway, near the Claxheugh Rock crossing.

THE DURHAM MINERS' WAGES ARBITRATION.—The hearing of arguments and evidence on both sides in the arbitration concerning the proposed reduction of 20 per cent in the wages of the miners of the county of Durham was brought to a close on Monday, in the Wood Memorial Hall, Newcastle. A few days will elapse before the decision is given.

A MAGNIFICENT WORK.—The Four Gospels, with M. Bida's grand illustrations, engraved on steel will be issued in serial form by Messrs. Cassell, Petter, and Galpin. This celebrated work is acknowledged by the highest authorites to be the most perfect example of an illustrated book ever produced. It has hitherto been only at the command of the wealthy, but now it is brought within the reach of nearly all classes.

A NEW HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES.—Messrs. Cassell, Petter, and Galpin announce for publication, in serial form, a new Illustrated History of the United States, uniform with their Illustrated History of England, just completed. The work will be an impartial and comprehensive record of the rise, progress, and present greatness of the vast Republic of the West, illustrated throughout with wood engravings and maps.

A PORTER KILLED AT CHESTER-LE-STREET.—On Friday night, a fatal accident occurred at Chester-le-Street Station, to a railway porter named George Row. It appears that on the arrival of the 7·45 train for Newcastle, Row had stepped on the footboard of one of the carriages to converse with some passengers, but instead of jumping off on the train moving, he foolishly kept on chatting. On attempting, however, to jump from the carriage whilst the train was in motion, he unfortunately got his feet entangled between the wheels, and was so severely injured that he died at an early hour on Saturday morning at his residence.

ANTIPATHIES.—Some antipathies are so irrational, that they look very much like a monomania. Mr. William Matthew, son of a governor of Barbadoes, was troubled with an unreasonable dislike of spiders, which some of his friends thought was more affected than real. One of his doubters, Mr. John Murray, and afterwards Duke of Athole, meeting Mr. Matthew in company, and desiring to raise a laugh at his expense, left the room for a few minutes. On returning, he walked up to his victim with one hand closed. Believing the clenched fingers hid a spider, Mr. Matthew became furious, drew his sword, and, but for the timely interposition, would have done a mishief to himself or his tormentor. He was only quieted on being satisfied that Murray's hand was empty. A prisoner in the Bastile, who detested mice and hated spiders, had his feelings under better control. Having obtained permision to solace himself with a lute, he was horrified to find attracted crowds of long-legged spiders, and bright-eyed mice, who formed a circle round him as he continued playing. Loth to deprive himself of his amusement, but unable to enjoy it in the presence of such an audience, the musician borrowed the keeper's cat, which he put in a cage, and let loose upon his uninvited visitors, when they were most entranced by the strains of the lute. The cat went in for the mice, the spiders stayed not for ceremonial leave-taking, and the soloist's future audiences were as select as he could wish.—*Chambers Journal.*

THE NEW SANITARY ACT.—A circular has been issued by the Local Government Board explanatory of the Sanitary Law Amendment Act of 1874, many of the provisions which are concerned in the explanation and amendment of the Public Health Act of 1872. To the public some of the most important of the new regulations are those headed as "Certain Miscellaneous Provisions," Section 50 provides that, "upon certain representation to any sanitary authority that the water in any well, tank, or cistern, public or private, or supplied from any public pump, and used, or likely to be used for domestic purposes, is so polluted as to be injurious to health, such authority may apply to the Petty Sessions for an order to remedy it. After summons, the justices may make an order directing the well, tank, or cistern to be closed, or the water to be used for certain purposes only, or providing otherwise as shall appear to them to be requisite to prevent the use of the water for drinking purposes. The justices may also cause the water to be analysed at the cost of the authority. By section 54, the 26th and 27th Victoria, c. 117, section 2, which relates to the inspection of articles of food, is extended to milk, and the proceedings against offenders are facilitated by providing that the justice who is empowered to convict the offender need not be the justice who ordered the article to be destroyed. Section 55 further extends the powers of that Act by enabling entry, inspection and seizure to be made upon premises where there is reason to believe that unsound food is kept or concealed, the previous statute only applying where the food is openly exposed or deposited, or kept in preparation for sale. Section 56 provides for the punishment of persons who, on the letting of houses, knowingly make false representations with respect to infectious diseases therein, by rendering such persons liable to imprisonment or a penalty not exceeding £20."

THE CAMBERWELL MURDER.—The following letter, written by Coppen, was received by his father-in-law through Mr. Ody, the solicitor who defended him in the late trial. The letter was penned within a few hours of the time Coppen was executed:—"Horsemonger Lane Gaol, Oct. 13, five o'clock. My Dear Father, Brother, and Sister-in-law,—For the last time on this earth I write a few lines to you. A few hours hence and this hand, that is now full of life, will be closed in death. Now, my dear relations, will you not accept this warning, and seek your God, that, when you are called, you may be prepared, for we do not know when the hour cometh. Oh, my dear father and all, I feel the Lord has been most merciful to me in allowing me so long a time to seek the forgiveness of my manifold pains. He ordereth all things for the best, when I think what might have been worse. If I had continued my wickedness, and have driven poor dear Emma to misery and despair, so that she would have forsaken her Heavenly Father, and cut off from His Divine grace. I might have followed my my wicked ways and met with a sudden death, without having an opportunity of asking the forgiveness of our Lord Jesus Christ. Oh! dear friends, when you read this will you not study this, and stop and say, am I prepared to meet Him who has so often called me to repentance? Oh! Tom and Charles, His mercy endureth for ever. Now, I think, I will draw to a close, hoping you are all quite well and that you will seek the grace of God, and that at the end we may all meet together in Heaven, where all is joy and happiness and glory. Dear Thomas, Charles, and Alice, please to give my kind love to all enquiring friends, and tell them that I die in true belief of forgiveness of my sins through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen. Accept my kindest love, and believe me to remain yours affectionately and truly,—Jno. W. Coppen. P.S. Read that beautiful Psalm xxxiv., and 4, "I sought the Lord and he heard me and delivered me from all my fears.'"

Lost.

LOST, from West Stanley, on 20th October, a BROWN MARE, about 16 hands high, two white hind feet, with star on the forehead.—Any person returning her to Thomas Foster, Butcher, will be rewarded. 6372

Found.

FOUND, at Ponton Hall, Dipton, on the 17th inst., a Yellow and White CUR DOG. If not claimed within seven days, will be sold. Apply to W. Coward, Stationer, Dipton. 6370

To Let.

TO LET, the HOUSE and SHOP in Front Street, Leadgate, now occupied by Mr. John Wilson.—Offers to T. Bulman, Trimdon Grange, Co. Durham. 6363

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

Wanted.

MILLINERY.

WANTED Four APPRENTICES to the Millinery Business.—Apply personally to Miss Percy, at R. W. Shaw's Establishment, Leadgate.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.—A GRAND PIANOFORTE, in good condition.—For price and particulars, apply to Mr. Joseph Howard, Consett. 6376

FOR SALE, OLD LAND HAY, at £6 per Ton, at Benfieldside Station. Apply to Mr Rowson Evans, Wholesale Fruiterer and Potato Merchant, 12, Middle Street, Consett. 6290

FOR SALE,
8,000 Barrels PETROLEUM OIL,
4,000 ,, PARAFFIN OIL,
LAMP GLASSES, PARAFFIN CANDLES,
All for Sale in Lots to suit buyers. Seasons supply contended for.
T. PRAGNELL, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

FOR SALE, a large quantity of finest White KEROSENE and other good burning oils, very superior to Parafin, and much cheaper; free from explosive properties, and excelling any yet introduced into this market.—Imported by Rosson, Ridley, and Co., Oil Merchants, Trinity Chambers, Quayside, Newcastle. Prices and samples on application. Agents Wanted. 6209

To Lend.

LOANS AND MORTGAGES.

MONEY to LEND, in sums of £50 and upwards, on personal Security, at five per cent. per annum Interest, repayable in one or seven years.

Also several sums upon Mortgages of Freeholds and Leaseholds from 21 per cent. Terms 10 to 21 years. No commission charged.

Apply to Messrs Bevan, No. 10, Lincoln's-inn fields, London, W.C. personally (preferred) or by letter.

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

Contracts.

TO CONTRACTORS.

THE CONSETT LOCAL BOARD invite Tenders for the BUILDING of a RETAINING WALL on Consett Moor.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Board on and after Monday, the 26th inst., from eleven a.m. to four p.m. daily.

Tenders marked "Wall," and addressed to Mr. Dawson, Local Board Office, Consett, will be received up to Monday, November 2nd.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

By Order of the Board,
JOHN ELLIOTT Clerk.

Local Board Office, Consett, Oct. 22nd, 1874. 6373

Public Notices.

A TREAT FOR CONSETT.

THE Royal Poland Street Temperance HAND BELL RINGERS, will be at Consett, on Saturday, October 31st, 1874.

HORSES expeditiously CLIPPED by Thomas Robinson, Shotley Lodge, Shotley Bridge.

JAMES BELL, Rowley, near Consett, respectfully announces to the Public that he will give the best Prices for Old HORSES or CATTLE, either dead or alive.

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

NOTICE.

THE GAME on High, Middle, and Over Friarside, Blackhill, and Priestfield Farms in the chapelry of Tanfield, is strictly PRESERVED, and Trespassers will be prosecuted.
Carham Hall, June 8th, 1874. 965d

THEATRE ROYAL, CONSETT.
Lessee, ... Mr. Edward Fielding.

[Licensed to Play the Pieces of the Dramatic Authors' Society.]

ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 1874,
And during the week.

MR. AND MRS. WALDRON,
Comic Duettists.
MISS OCLEE,
Vocalist.
MR. LOUIE LEONI,
Female Impersonator.
MESSRS. STANLEY AND KELLY,
Duologists.
MISS FLORENCE MERRY,
Characteristic Vocalist.
FRAKELL FAMILY,
Versatile Magicians.

Wednesday Night, October 28th, will be set apart for the BENEFIT of the NEWCASTLE INFIRMARY, when the total receipts of the House will be handed over to that Institution.

☞ On FRIDAY a Gilt CLOCK, under Glass Shade, worth two Pounds, will be given away.

Mr. Field, Violinist. | Miss Florence, Pianist.

Admission—Front Seats, 1s.; Pit, 6d.; Gallery, 4d.

Public Notices.

A MUSICAL TREAT.

SERVICE OF SONG
IN THE
WESLEYAN CHAPEL, CONSETT,
On THURSDAY, NOV. 5th, 1874.

INCREASE YOUR INCOME.

AGENTS WANTED for the Sale of the Celebrated ASAM PACKET TEAS—the purest, strongest and finest flavoured Teas imported. Terms the most liberal in the Trade. Quality has stood the test of over a quarter of a century. Apply to the ASAM TEA COMPANY, 145, Upper Thames Street, London.
Established 1844. 6367

Business Announcements.

JAMES DINNING,
(Late Foreman to Mr. R. Walker),
HOUSE, SIGN, AND FURNITURE PAINTER,
GRAINER, GLAZIER, PAPERHANGER, AND DECORATOR,
In the Shop lately occupied by Mr. Richard Walker,
MOUNT PLEASANT, CONSETT.

CHEAP FURNITURE.

THE
BEST AND CHEAPEST SHOP
IN THE NORTH
FOR HOME-MADE FURNITURE
IS
SIMPSON'S SHOP,
AT
ANNFIELD PLAIN.

THE simple reason is this: The wood is properly dried by a patent wood-drying apparatus before the Furniture is made, in consequence of which all Furniture bought at this establishment is warranted.

ALSO IN STOCK
IRON BEDS, FLOCKS, RABBIT-DOWN, &c.

Observe:—THE CORNER SHOP,
ANNFIELD PLAIN.

Why is Simpson's Furniture like a puddler at the Consett Ironworks?—Because they both can stand a good heat.

Why is Simpson's Furniture like a brick?—Because they are both fire dried.

Why is Simpson's Furniture like truth?—Because they will bear examining.

Why is Simpson's Furniture like a pair of clean boots?—Because they are well polished. 6361

NOTED FOR GENUINE ARTICLES.

JOHN MADDISON,
GROCER, PROVISION DEALER, AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,
DIPTON,

RESPECTFULLY returns his sincere thanks to the inhabitants of Dipton and surrounding district for the liberal support accorded to him during the many years he has been in business, and begs to intimate that he has now on hand

SPIRITS OF THE FINEST QUALITY,
Which he purposes to dispose of at the following moderate rates:—

Fine Gin, superior quality, ... 2s. 6d. per bot.
Real Irish Whisky, ... 2s. 6d. and 3s. ,, ,,
Fine Scotch Whisky, 2s. 3d., 2s. 6d., & 3s. ,, ,,
Superior Rum ..... 2s. 3d. and 2s. 6d. ,, ,,
Excellent Brandy ..... 2s. 6d., and the very best quality ..... 4s. 6d. ,, ,,

☞ A trial is respectfully solicited.

WILLIAM FITZPATRICK,
TAILOR,
CATCHGATE, NEAR ANNFIELD PLAIN.

A First-class assortment of CLOTHS for the present season. A large assortment of FIT FLANNELS always on hand.

GEORGE PEART,
FURNITURE BROKER & HARDWAREMAN,
BLACKHILL.

IN thanking his numerous Friends of Blackhill and surrounding neighbourhood, for their support and patronage during the fourteen years he has been in business, begs to inform them that in consequence of his increased business, he has taken into partnership Mr Thomas Raine, Joiner and Cabinetmaker, who has had ten years' practical experience in the various branches of the same. G. Peart and Co. are therefore prepared to do business in every description of Household Furniture, Iron Beds, Flocks, Feathers, Paper Hangings, and Rabbit Down. P. & Co. have on hand an endless variety of Hardware at wholesale and retail prices. P. & Co. are also prepared to execute Funeral Orders on the shortest notice.

Observe the Address—
G. PEART & Co.
No. 2, DERWENT STREET,
BLACKHILL. 6115

JOHN THOMPSON,
GROCER AND PROVISION MERCHANT, LEADGATE,

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 intimates 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.

☞ Every article of the very best quality, and at the lowest possible rate.

Price of Old Irish Whiskey, 14s., 16s., and 18s. per gallon. Rum, 15s., 17s., and 18s. per gallon.

	Per Bot.
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)	2s. 6d.
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.
Black Beer	1s. 6d.
Fine Sparkling Edinburgh ..les at 4d. per quart.	
Fine Mild Edinburgh ales at 5d. per quart.	

BURTON ALES of the very best quality, usually sold at 8d. per quart, will be sold at 6d. per quart.
MILD BURTON ALES at 6d. per quart. The above Ales are from the best Breweries in Edinburgh and Burton. 6291

Business Announcements.

FASHIONS.

THE most varied and extensive Stock of FASHIONABLE GOODS for AUTUMN WEAR are now being offered by

SHAW AND ATKINSON,

who beg to call special attention to the quotations below.

All shades in Winceys from 2½d. to 1s. 6d. per yard, including the Crisp, Super, Aberdeen, Saxony, and other makes.

Several pieces of FASHIONABLE COSTUME CLOTHS, which are now so much in vogue, at 1s. 11d. worth 2s. 6d, a decided bargain.

French Merinoes, French Twills, Coburgs, Lustres, Russell and Persian Cords, Mohairs, Tartans, &c., in great variety.

SHAWLS.

Tasmanian, Queensland, Waterproof, Paisleys, Saxonys, Striped Harness, Ottoman, and Black Indiannas, at prices ranging from 4s. 11d. to 70s.

A good assortment of Sealskin, Docskin, Polarines, Blue Waterproof, Victoria, Grey Waterproof, &c., for Ladies Jackets, from 4s. 11d. to 27s. 6d. per yard.

FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

Kiddermin ster, Felt, and Hemp Carpets; 1 yard, 1¼ yard, and 2 yards, wide Cocoa-Mattings; Hearth rugs; Damask and Repp Stair Carpets, Oil Cloths, &c., &c.

MILLINERY.

In this department they pride themselves with having always in Stock the Largest Variety and Newest Styles in French and English Millinery of every discription. They are now showing the New Styles for the present season.

DRESS TRIMMINGS, &c.

They have received a large Stock of Beaded and Plain Yak Laces, Beaded Gimps, Mohair Trimmings, Velvets, Satins, Buttons, Ladies' Scarfs, Ruffles, Gloves, Hosiery, Promenade Scarfs, Infants' Silk Hats, Pelisses, Frocks, &c., &c.

SKIRTS AND MANTLES.

The Newest Designs in Russell and Persian Cords, Satins, Elderdown, Mohairs, and others kinds of Skirts; also, a large variety of Ladies' Black Cloth, Blue, Brown, and Black Beaver Jackest, Mantillas, &c. All sizes in Children's.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.

They have now on hand the largest assortment in the North of England. Men and Boys' Pilot Jackets, Men's Chesterfield and Tiger Overcoats, Men's Double and Single-Breasted Coats, in Tweed, Velvet, Beaver, Melton, Diagonal, Satara, and Doeskin, fashionable shaped Trousers and Vests, Sealskin Vests; Black Trousers; Moleskin, Cord and Tweed Trousers; Boys and Youths' Suits, &c., &c.

TAILORING.

All Orders they may be favoured with in this Department can be executed upon *the shortest notice*, as they keep a large staff of Workmen upon the premises.

SHAW AND ATKINSON,
DRAPERS AND OUTFITTERS,
22, MIDDLE STREET, & 13, FRONT STREET,
CONSETT,
FRONT STREET, LEADGATE,
AND ANNFIELD PLAIN.

MESSRS. WALTON BROTHERS,
Of Clarendon House, Consett,
Having Bought the Good-will and Business of
CABINETMAKING, FURNITURE BROKING,
And UPHOLSTERY,
Recently carried on by
MR. JOHN JENKINS,
TRAFALGAR STREET, CONSETT,

BEG to inform the Inhabitants of Consett and its vicinity that they are prepared to offer to the Public a FIRST-CLASS ASSORTMENT of all DESCRIPTIONS of FURNITURE; also, HAIR, FLOCKS, FEATHERS, BEDS, MATTRESSES, BRASS, IRON, and WOOD BEDSTEADS of various patterns; BED SOFAS, EASY CHAIRS, &c., &c.

PIANOFORTES, HARMONIUMS, and MUSIC STOOLS in great variety, by the best Makers.

AGENTS for DOUGALL'S WASHING and WRINGING MACHINES.

Trusting to meet with the like support and patronage given to Mr. Jenkins, their constant effort will be to gain the confidence of the Public by strict attention to business.

MR. R. C. WHINFIELD,
ELECTRO-RUBBER,
HUMSHAUGH, NORTH TYNE,

BEGS to announce to the Public that at the earnest solicitation of many friends he has commenced the practice of Electro-Rubber and in addition Mr. W. would also call attention to his successful treatment—authorized by many grateful patients—of the following diseases:—Wet and Dry Scurvy, Gravel, Ulcers, Swellings, Scalds and Burns, Boils, Breaks, Headaches, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Sciatic, Carbuncles, Diarrhœa, Whitlows, Coughs, Colds, Sore Throats, Bronchitis, Asthma, Consumption, Inflammation, Ring Worms, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Wool Fire, &c. Having made arrangements to visit Benfieldside once a week, Mr. Whinfield hereby intimates that he purposes to be at Mr. John Hedley's, mason, 18, Concrete Terrace, Benfieldside, on Thursdays, from 11 a.m. til 1 p.m.; and at Mrs. Elsdon's, Sherburn Terrace, Consett, on Fridays, from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m., until further alterations, for consultation.

WHINFIELD'S celebrated DIARRHŒA MIXTURE, for English Cholera, &c., may be had of W. Davison, Castleside, and all patent medicine vendors, at 1s. 1½d. per bottle.

Business Announcements.

GIVEN AWAY
BY THE
LONDON AND NEWCASTLE TEA CO.,
17, West Granger Street, Newcastle.

EVERY PURCHASER OF TEA has a choice of the following Articles:—Butter Dishes, Sugars and Creams, Vases, Tea Pots, Work-Boxes, Ladies' Bags, Copper Kettles, &c., &c.

Prices of Tea:— 2s. 6d., 2s. 8d., 3s., 3s. 6d., and 4s. per lb.
Finest Indian Tea Imported, 4s. per lb. 6235

G. RHOADES,
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CATCHGATE, near ANNFIELD PLAIN.

☞ ORDERS PUNCTUALLY ATTENDED TO.

Gas Fittings of every description, Iron Tubes, Metal Spouts, Pipes, &c. 6228

NOTICE.

JOHN ROUTLEDGE respectfully intimates to his friends and the public generally, that he has re-commenced business in Gibson Street, Consett, near the Co-operative Store, as BUILDER, JOINER, and UNDERTAKER, and dealer in Timber, Plastering Laths, and Hair; and trusts by prompt attention to merit a continuance of their favours.
Consett, May 7th, 1874. 880d

PARAFFIN LAMPS, Globes, Chimneys, Founts, Wicks, &c.
GAS CHANDELIERS and general Gas Fittings, Lead Pipes, &c.
GAS COOKING OVENS. Tables, Stoves, and Ventilating Office Stoves.
Gas Fitting and Plumbing Work.
AMERICAN KITCHENERS of various sizes for Cottage or Mansion
FILTERS at 1s. 6d., 2s. 6d., 5s., 6s., and upwards, in large variety. No house should now be without a Filter.
WASHING MACHINES, Mangles, and Domestic Machinery.
THE ABOVE ARTICLES KEPT IN STOCK BY
J. C. HALLIDAY, 43, GRAINGER STREET, West Granger Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
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B. H FOSTER AND CO.
ENGINEERS, AND MACHINISTS,
NORTHUMBERLAND MACHINERY DEPOT,
38, NORTHUMBERLAND STREET.
Manufactory—167, CENTRAL BUILDINGS, WESTGATE ROAD,
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

Beg to announce that they are prepared to Contract for the supply of Winding Engines, Pumping Engines, Boilers, Machinery Tools, and Fitting of every description, including Steam Gauges, Boiler Covering, Boiler Composition, Patent Lubricators, and Lubricating Packing. Sole Agents for Northumberland and Durham for the Excelsior Direct-acting Steam Pump. Sole Agents for the Self-cleansing High Pressure Boiler. The largest stock of Sewing Machines and Knitting Machines in the North of England.

All Repairs promptly attended to.
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ARTIFICIAL TEETH, with all the most recent improvements, sanction in appearance, comfort for articulation, whilst accurateness of fit and finest quality of material are guaranteed on moderate terms.

Any Patient being dissatisfied after under the influence of Nitro Oxide Gas for Dental operation, shall receive Mr. Boe best attention, and he will be glad to explain and give every information to those who may desire it.

Teeth from 5s. to 15s.; Sets from £1 to £15.

JOSEPH ROBINSON,
CHEMIST BY EXAMINATION,
DEALER IN PATENT MEDICINES, PAINTS, Oils, Colours, Varnish, Perfumery, &c.,
GROCER AND GENERAL MERCHANT,
STANLEY,

BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Stanley and neighbourhood that he has commenced business in the premises lately occupied by Mr Ridley, draper, and in soliciting their patronage and support most respectfully assures those who may honour him with their preference that no effort which his experience can suggest will be spared to meet their requirements.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS
OF GUARANTEED PURITY.
HORSE AND CATTLE MEDICINE.

Paris Gold Medal, 1867.
On Parle Toutes les Langues. Hier Spricht Man Deutsch.

MONSIEUR LEON AND COMPANY,
Late with Lenton, Lepage, &c., Boulevard de Italiens, Paris,
THE LARGEST HAIR CUTTING SALOONS
In the North of England,
No. 17, GRAINGER STREET WEST,
NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE,

Beg most respectfully to inform the Gentry and Public generally that they have commenced Business at the above address, and hope by careful attention to merit a share of their support.

Cutting, from 1s. 6d. per Bottle. This is mostly recommended for the growth of Whiskers and Moustaches. Prepared by Dr. Pierre, Rue Richelieu, a Paris.

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Eau Fontaine de Jouvence, dark, from 2s. 6d. per Bottle. Paris Gold Medal, 1867. By its use Grey Hair permanently regains its original colour; it promotes strength, giving it the healthful splendour of youth. Shake the bottle before using.

SCALE OF CHARGES:—

Hair Cutting and Brushing by Steam	6d.
Gentlemen.	
Hair Cutting and Brushing	6d.
Hair Curling	6d.
Hair Singeing	6d.
Hair Shampooing	6d.
Ladies.	
Hair Cutting	1s.
Hair Singeing	1s.
Hair Shampooing	1s.
Hair Curling and Crimping	1s.
Hair Dressing	1s.

☞ Private Room for Ladies. Ladies waited upon at their own residences. No extra charge. Ladies' own Combings made to style.

Making Coil Chignon	6s. 0d.
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Human Hair Partings. Ornamental Hair, Chignons, and Pricette. A most choice stock of Human Hair, also Combs and Brushes, Sponges and Perfumes.

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No. 17, Grainger Street West,
Only five minuter walk from the Central Station.

Business Announcement.

CAMBRIDGE HOUSE AND LONDON HOUSE
DRAPERY, FURNISHING, AND OUTFITTING ESTABLISHMENTS, MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT.

JOHN POTTS, Proprietor.

IN calling attention to the above Card, JOHN POTTS begs to refer the Public to the heavy in his Business, unequalled in the various Departments quantity or variety, quality or styles.

The various Departments are as follow:—

No. 1.—DRESS DEPARTMENT,
Containing all the Newest Styles for the Season. Homespuns and Winceys in great variety.

No. 2.—MANTLE & SHAWL DEPARTMENT.
Shawls in every make. Jackets in real Seal, Otter, Cloth, Dogskin, &c. Skirts in Satin. Quilted Silk, Stuff, Elderdown, &c.

No. 3.—MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.
All the Newest Novelties and Styles. A large Stock of Flowers, Feathers, Ribbons, Hats, Bonnets, &c., &c.
This Department is under the special supervision and management of Miss Fedard, who has had experience in some of the leading houses in the North of England.

No. 4.—HOSIERY DEPARTMENT.
Ladies and Gentlemen's Lamb's-wool, Angola, Worsted, and Cotton Hose in all the leading Colours and Stripes. Men's Heavy-ribbed Alloa Yarn Stockings and Socks. Guernseys, Drawers, &c.

No. 5.—LADIES' FANCY OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT.
Underclothing, Collars and Cuffs, Ties, Ruffles, Fancy Wool Goods, &c., &c.

No. 6.—WOOL DEPARTMENT.
Wools, Yarns, Worsteds, Fleeces, Dolly Vardens, &c., &c.

No. 7.—MANCHESTER DEPARTMENT.
Calicoes, Sheets, Blankets, Shirtings, Flannels, Muslins, &c., &c.

No. 8.—MEN'S MERCERY DEPARTMENT.
Scarfs, Ties, Collars, Fronts, Umbrellas, &c.

No. 9.—HABERDASHERY DEPARTMENT.
Reels, Thread, Tape, &c., &c.

No. 10.—BOOT & SHOE DEPARTMENT.
Ladies' and Gents' Elastic Side and Laced Boots, Water-proof, Star Nail, Forge, and Sprigged Boots. Pit Shoes, Men's Low Shoes, Slippers, Girls' and Children's Boots. &c., &c.

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Brussels, Tapestry, Kidderminster, Hemp, and Felt Carpets. Hall, Lobby, Stair, and Floor Cloths, &c.

No. 12.—GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT.
Gents' Suits, Coats, Vests, Trousers, Reefers, Overcoats, Hats and Caps, Travelling Rugs, &c. A large Stock of Boys and Youths' Suits.

No. 13.—TAILORING DEPARTMENT.
A large and varied Stock of Cloths, in Super. Doe, and Doeskins, West of Englands, Meltons, Pilots, Heifer; Horse, 6 yea all Harness; Mare exc.. Cart stallion. Wheels and Axle fo Cart Harness; also and an excellent M Sale to commence a

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WINNERS OF ELEVEN PRIZE MEDALS.

HIGHEST HONOURS OBTAINED AT THE VIENNA EXHIBITION.

SOLE AGENT FOR CONSETT AND DISTRICT,
JOHN POTTS,
DRAPER, &c.,
MIDDLE STREET, CONSETT.

IN connection with the above Agency, J. P. is prepared to SUPPLY all the different classes of MACHINES made by the EUROPEAN and COVENTRY MACHINE CO.

No. O MACHINE, guaranteed to Sew the finest and all required in a Family ..... 6½ Guineas.
No. 1 MACHINE, for Dressmaking and Light Tailoring, with Arm to Sew on Sleeves and Round Cuffs ..... 8 Guineas.
No. 3 MACHINE, same as above, with large Table, Flap, and Box Cover for Top ..... 9 Guineas.
No. 6 CABINET MACHINE, from ..... 12 Guineas
No. 6 CABINET MACHINE, Walnut, Rosewood, &c. ..... 16 Guineas.
No. 7 HEAVY MACHINE, for Tailoring, highly recommended ..... 9 Guineas.
The Speedy, One-Thread, Hand Machine, complete, and quite noiseless ..... 55s.
The Little Rapid Knitting Machine, complete ..... 6 Guineas.

Also, several SECOND-HAND MACHINES, of various makes, will be SOLD CHEAP.

MACHINES LET OUT ON HIRE, on Terms that make the Machine eventually become the Property of the Hirer.

Sales by Auction.

By Mr. John Jenkins.

TOWN HALL SALE-ROOM CONSETT.

MR. JOHN JENKINS will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the above Sale-room, on MONDAY, October 26, 1874, the remaining part of his large Stock of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising Mahogany Lobby Drawers; Ash and Bedroom Drawers; Mahogany Loo Tables; Mahogany Sofas, in Hair-seating; Mahogany Chairs; Birch and Cane-bottomed Chairs; Mahogany and Ash Presses; Mahogany Cheffioneers and Bookcases; excellent Walnut Suite; Wood and Iron Bedsteads; 2 Eight-day Clocks, in Cases; Fender and Fireirons; Lustres and Vases; Feather and Flock Beds; Swing and Mantlepiece Mirrors; Arm and Rocking Chairs. Also, a quantity of HARDWARE, comprising Pans, Kettles, &c.; together with a large assortment of Articles too numerous to mention.

Sale to commence at One o'clock.

The above Goods will be Sold without reserve to give room to Mr. HAGGERTY, Auctioneer, who will open the Sale-room with a large and extensive Stock of Drapery Goods, Ready-made Clothing, Gold and Silver Watches, Guards, Alberts, Electro-plated and Fancy Goods of every description, on Friday, Oct. 30th, 1874. 6371

By Mr. William Raw.

PLANTATION ROW, LEADGATE.

MR. WILLIAM RAW, having been honoured with instructions from Mr. MATTHEW BLAKEY, who is declining Housekeeping, will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, the whole of his Valuable HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, At 3, Elliott's Cottages, Plantation Row, Leadgate, on SATURDAY, October 31, 1874, comprising High Chest of Mahogany Drawers, a valuable piece of Furniture; Excellent Eight-day Clock, in beautiful Mahogany Case; Mahogany Couch; Mahogany Easy Chair; Rocking Chair; 6 Polished Birch Chairs; large Mahogany Dressing Glass, with Drawer; Dressing Table; Round Tea Table; Lady's Work Table; Kitchen Table, with 2 Drawers; 3 Kitchen Chairs; 3 Stools; Flour Box; Iron Bedstead, with Mattress; Feather Bed; 2 Feather Bolsters; 4 Pillows; with a number of Blankets; Sheets; Linen; &c.; Kidderminster Carpet, 16 yards square; Hearth Rug; Pair of Bronzed Fruit Ptates; 2 Military Horse Ornaments; 5 Pictures; 3 Brass Candlestcks; and other Chimneypiece Ornaments; Knife and Spoon Box; 5 Smoothing Irons; Electro-plated Teapot; Knives, Forks, and Spoons; Kitchen Fender and Fireirons; Poss Tub and Staff; Washing and other Tubs; Girdle; Frying Pan and other Pans; 3 Fire Shovels; Blazer; 2 Clothes' Horses; Bakeboards; large Jars; Bottles; Copper Kettle; Door Mats; and several other useful Articles. Also an excellent Galvanic Battery.

Sale to commence at Twelve o'clock precisely.
Sale Office, Durham Road, Blackhill, Oct. 20th, 1874.

By Mr Joseph Oley.

IMPORTANT SALE OF FAT STOCK.

MR. JOSEPH OLEY, having received instructions from Mr. HENRY RITSON, begs to announce that he will offer for SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at BENFIELDSIDE FARM, near Shotley Bridge, on MONDAY, the 2nd November next.

93 PRIME FAT SHEEP.
10 FAT IRISH KYLOES.

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

PICKERING NOOK.

MR. JOS. OLEY is honoured with instructions from Mr. MATTHEW HENDERSON, who is decling the Grocery Business, to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY, October 26th, 1874, at Pickering Nook, the whole of his SHOP FIXTURES, Cows, Horses, Spring Cart, Harness, &c.

SHOP FIXTURES, &c.,

Consisting of Counter, with Drawers, 14ft. long; Bacon Counter; Nest of 16 Drawers; a lot of Shelving; 2 Flour Boxes; Flour Scales, Beam, and Weights, by Bartlett; Pair of Brass Counter Scales, by Bartlett; Pair of Copper Scales; 2 Coffee Mills; Currant Sieve; Canisters; Treacle Cask; a number of Barrels and Casks; with sundry other Articles.

COWS, HORSES, CARTS, &c.,

Consisting of Milch Cow, recently Calved; In-calving Heifer; Horse, 6 years old, 15 hands high, quiet in all Harness; Mare and Foal; Spring Cart, in excellent condition; Gig; Water Cart; Pair of Wheels and Axle for Spring Cart; Set of Spring Cart Harness; also an Iron Bedstead and Mattress; and an excellent Mangle.

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

By Mr. Thomas Wetherell.

☞ THIS SALE WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, AND NOT AS PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED.

VALUABLE FREEHOLD ESTATE AT SUNNISIDE, in the Parish of Brancepeth, in the County of Durham, to be Sold in Lots suitable for Building Purposes.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at Mr. CRABTREE's, Crown and Thistle Inn, at Towlaw, on THURSDAY, the 5th day of November, 1874, at Three o'clock in the afternoon psesisely,

Mr. THOMAS WETHERELL, Auctioneer,

In such Lots as may at the time of Sale be determined upon, and subject to such conditions as will then be produced, all that Valuable FREEHOLD FARM, or BULDING LAND, containing in the whole 134A. 0R. 9P., or thereabouts; together with a Farm Honse and usual onstead and Outbuldings; also Six Cottages; all situated at or near to Sunniside, in the Parish of Brancepeth, in the County of Durham.

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The Tenants will show the Land on application.

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The Consett Guardian.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH, 1874.

Local and District News.

PENNY READINGS AT DERWENT COTTAGES.—Penny readings were held for the first time for the season in the School-room, Derwent Cottages, on Saturday evening, when readings, recitations, and addresses were ably given by Bros. G. Armstrong, J. Gibson, Aaron Davison, J. Milburn, and J. Tyndale. Melodies were sung at intervals by Bros. M. Armstrong, Aaron Davison, and Sisters Nicholson, Jane Harwood, and Mrs Ornan. Bro. Francis Davison presided over the meeting, after which a hearty vote of thanks being given to the respected chairman, the meeting broke up, all being highly gratified with the proceedings.—*Correspondent.*

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—The Recent Changes of the Temperature.—It is important that such changes as have recently taken place in the temperature of the atmosphere should not be treated with indifference. The public should be watchful of the effects which they have on the body. The skin and the nervous system suffer severely—erysipelas, rhumatism, colds, sore throats, and many other complaints, are frequently generated through the above causes. When symptoms show themselves, they should be properly attended to. Holloway's Ointment and Pills are wonderful remedies, and eradicate the above attacks immediately they appear. The Ointment should be rubbed into the parts affected, and the Pills taken according to the printed directions.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLASTFURNACEMEN.—Meetings were held at Consett on Thursday and Friday last, to explain the objects, &c., of this association, when Mr R. Coates, the general secretary, attended with Mr Davis, of Ferryhill, by invitation from the Consett lodge of blastfurnacemen, which had, seven months ago, seceded from the Amalgamated Association of Ironworkers. At both meetings the general secretary explained at considerable length the objects of the association, and the principles on which the rules (which have been registered under the Trade Union Act, 1871), have been drawn. At the close of both meetings, resolutions were unanimously passed that the Consett lodge should join the National Association of Blastfurnacemen. Votes of thanks were given to the chairman (Mr Knock) and to the deputation, Mr R. Coates (general secretary), and Mr Davies, for so readily responding to the invitation to come and explain the objects of the association. The Consett lodge numbers some 300 members.

ENTERTAINMENT AT BURNHOPE.—On Saturday evening last, an entertainment was given in the School-room, at the above place, by the Witton Gilbert Good Templar's choir, under the leadership of Mr J. T. Miller, assisted by a few friends. There was a good attendance.

CONSETT MUSIC HALL.—Mr Fielding has, we are glad to state, determined to set apart the whole of the receipts on Wednesday evening next for the benefit of the Newcastle Infirmary. We trust that the public of Consett and district will on that occasion fill the house, and that Mr Fielding will have the pleasure of handing over to the funds of the Infirmary a large sum.

HANDICAP FOOT RACE AT CONSETT.—On Tuesday afternoon, a handicap foot race, 140 yards, took place in the Consett Running Grounds. First heat—P. Hughes, Consett, scratch; John McNally, Consett, 6; Patrick McAlhone, Blackhill, 15; B. Williamson, Consett, 2. Williamson won by a yard. Second heat—Hugh Turner, Consett, 8; Charles Cohan, Consett, 1; Michael McAllhaton, Consett, 5; Daniel McDermot, Consett, 12. Turner won by two yards. Third heat—Patrick Burns, 1; J. Bocherty, 4; M. Marron, 6. Marron won easily. Final heat—Hugh Turner, 1st, £2; Marron, 2nd, £1; Williamson, 3rd, 10s.

AN OBSTINATE PUBLICAN AT LANCHESTER.—At Lanchester Petty Sessions, on Thursday, before M. Kearney (chairman), E. T. Smith, and John Clavering, Esqs., John Appleby Jobson was summoned for non-compliance with an order of the magistrates. Defendant is the owner of a public-house and five cottages, at South Moor. Some time ago, he was summoned by Mr Gronnd, Inspector of the Lanchester Rural Sanitary Authority, for not providing sufficient privy and ashpit accommodation to his property, and ordered to provide two new privies, and two ashpits. This order he had not complied with, and as twenty days had elapsed since the expiration of the order, he was now ordered to pay a fine of 5s. per day, together with the costs, in all, £7 1s 6d.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A BOY AT IVESTON.—On Wednesday morning, an accident of a shocking nature occurred at Iveston to a boy named William Henry Thubbron, son of Mr William Thubbron, late farmer, of Castle Dene. The lad, it seems, was in the service of Mr James Shearer, butcher, and on the morning in question proceeded to water his master's horse at an adjoining trough. While doing so, the horse reared up, and fell upon the boy, who, on being picked up, was found to be seriously injured about the head. He was subsequently attended by Drs W. M. and Geo. Renton and their assistant, Mr Hopper, but died on Thursday afternoon. An inquest will be held on the body to-day (Saturday).

MORE VICTIMS TO DRINK.—On Tuesday morning, Mr Graham, coroner, held an inquiry at the Hat and Feather Inn, near Derwent Cottages, touching the death of a man named Terrance Rafferty, 35 years of age. The evidence went to show that the deceased was last seen alive about five o'clock on Saturday evening. He was then lying on the roadside leading from Derwent Cottages to Ebchester, and appeared to be drunk. He appears to have remained here during the night, his dead body having been found at the place indicated the following morning about eight o'clock. A verdict of died from drink and exposure was returned.—An inquest has also been held at Consett Waterworks by Mr Graham, on the body of William Reay, a navvy, in the employment of the Weardale and Shildon Waterworks Company. Deceased, it seems, left the Moor Cock Inn about nine o'clock at night, in order to proceed to his lodgings at Meeting Slack, being then in a state of intoxication. On his way he appears to have fallen into a hole about ten feet deep, where he lay until half-past six the following morning. He was bruised about his head, and subsequently died. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

THE ALLEGED FRAUD AT CONSETT IRONWORKS.—At the Durham Quarter Sessions, on Tuesday, David Williams (on bail) was charged with obtaining by false pretences £2 15s. 3d., with intent to defraud the Consett Iron Company, on the 22nd August. Mr Edge prosecuted and Mr Skidmore defended. The evidence for the prosecution was to the effect that the prisoner, who was in the employment of the Consett Iron Company, went away for a fortnight to see some friends, and at the end of that time received his salary the same as if he never had been away. Matthew Jones, the son-in-law of the accused, was time-keeper at the works, and he put in the prisoner's time as if had worked the whole of the fortnight. Prisoner, therefore, when he came home, received £2 15s. 3d. in wages, whereas, he was only entitled to 10s. 7d. The man Jones absconded ... but Williams fell into the hands of the police, and he was duly examined before the magistrates in respect to the charge of having ... received the money on false pretences and committed for trial at the sessions. The defence set up was that if there was any crime, Jones was the perpetrator of it and not the accused.—The jury found the prisoner not guilty, and he was discharged.

DIPTON PRIMITIVE METHODIST NEW CHAPEL.—The services in connection with the opening of the Primitive Methodist new chapel were commenced on Saturday last by a public tea, at which 340 persons were present. A public meeting was afterwards held,—Mr J. Cato, of Byker, presiding,—when appropriate addresses were delivered by Geo. Charlton, Esq. (Mayor of Gateshead), Revs. Thomas Southron, R. Shields, and J. Hulme. After votes of thanks had been passed to the chairman for his services, a special vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to those ladies who had collected the amount to defray the expense of the bible, hymn-book, and pulpit cushion. On Sunday, the morning and evening services were conducted by Mr G. Charlton, and the service in the afternoon by the Rev. R. Shields. The amount received at the tea was £13 9s, and the collections at the Sabbath services amounted to the handsome sum of £27. As an instance of the interest felt in the proceedings we may state that the Wesleyan Methodists gave up their evening service to join their Primitive Methodist brethen, and finding the new chapel full, they returned to their own place of worship, and after the services was over had a collection in aid of the new chapel.

LANCHESTER REVISION COURT.—On Friday, Mr J. C. Heath, Revising Barrister, sat at the Police Court, Lanchester, to revise the lists for the polling district of Lanchester, in the northern division of the county of Durham. The Liberals were represented by Mr S. Storey and Mr Bowey, of Sunderland, while Mr R. Simey, of Sunderland, Mr Allan and Mr George Salkeld, appeared on behalf of the Conservatives. The business was unusually heavy, and lasted far into the evening. A somewhat peculiar case occurred in the township of Greencroft, in which five persons of the name of Bell, Ross, Melmore, Harrison, and Cockburn, claimed votes for cottages erected by them on a piece of waste quarry land at a place called Hanging Stone, on the edge of Lanchester Common. The claimants were supported by the Liberals, and objected to by the Conservatives. Bell, on being sworn, stated that he had a cottage and a quarter of an acre of land. He had erected the cottage, and had obtained the site and land "for a consideration," from one "Jemmy Bellerby," a landowner in the township. On being pressed, he admitted that he had paid five shillings as the consideration, but he had no receipt to show that he had paid that amount, neither had he any title deeds, and he had held possession for "nigh upon three years." The other claimants were in a similar position, with the exception that they occupied only the ground their cottages stood upon, and that they had paid nothing for the sites. After some conversation, the Revising Barrister said he would have to strike the claims off, but if they brought the proper deeds for their property next year, he might be disposed to allow the claim. The case while it lasted created a good deal of amusement in the court.

On Thursday evening a boy named Scott was severely burnt at Consett Ironworks by the upsetting of a bogy containing slag.

MAJORITY OF HENRY THOMAS SILVERTOP, ESQ.—On Saturday, this young gentleman, eldest son of H. C. Silvertop, the squire of Minsteracres, attained his majority, and the interesting event was celebrated in a befitting manner. A noon, a deputation of tenants, consisting of about thirty gentlemen, waited upon the young squire, and presented him with a congratulatory address, neatly printed upon white satin, and enclosed in an elegant casket. They also presented him with a magnificent silver cup, mounted upon ebony, the cost of which was nearly £100. The cup bore an appropriate inscription. A deputation from the North of England Coursing Club next presented the young gentleman with a very handsome gold-mounted riding whip. Mr J. J. Bagnall, Mr Snowdon, and Mr Jacob Anderson attended on behalf of the club, and Mr Bagnall made the presentation.—Mr Henry Thomas Silvertop responded, expressing the pleasure he had in receiving the various gifts, not so much on account of their intrinsic value, but on account of the respect they were that day showing his beloved father through himself.—A luncheon was then taken of in the dining room of the hall, Mr H. C. Silvertop presiding, and Mr Henry Thomas Silvertop occupying the vice-chair. Complimentary toasts were afterwards given, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent at the hall, the Minsteracres Brass Band playing an excellent selection of music during the proceedings.

WESLEYAN METHODIST LOCAL PREACHERS' MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION.—The local preachers in the Shotley Bridge Circuit, connected with the above association, had a tea and public meeting at Consett on Tuesday afternoon and evening. The tea was dispensed in the school-room adjoining the Wesleyan Chapel, and the tables were laden with the dainties usual on such occasions. The various articles were supplied by Mr. Wm. Jenkins, baker, Consett, and were fully up too, if not above, those usually supplied at tea parties. The number that partook of tea amounted to over 100, and the tables were presided over by Mesdames J. Lowes, T. Batey, J. Howard, and Jos. Routledge; and Misses Dawson, M. E. and J. A. Batey, J. Elliott, and M. Bell.—In the evening, a public meeting was held in the chapel, at which the origin and object of the above association were explained, the claims of local preachers advanced, and the work which that order of men had done briefly stated. The chair was occupied by J. T. Pattinson, Esq., of Newcastle; and addresses delivered by Wm. H. Stephenson, Esq., J.P., and Mr. W. D. Lawson, of Newcastle; and Mr. T. French, of Gateshead. The Wesleyan choir sang a selection of music during the meeting, which was favourably received by the audience. At the conclusion of the meeting, which was a very agreeable and interesting one, a collection was made in aid of the association, amounting to over £5, and a vote of thanks passed to the chairman and speakers. There was a large attendance.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST BAZAAR AT ALLENDALE COTTAGES.—The Primitive Methodist Society has been in existence at the above place for nearly a period of five years. It was primarily instituted by two local preachers residing at Allendale, one of whom commenced and conducted meetings in his own house for above five months; as the little body, however, increased so rapidly in numbers, it was deemed requisite to secure more ample accommodation. The society accordingly applied to the Consett Iron Company to grant them the use of one of the houses at Allendale, in which to worship and conduct a Sabbath school. The Company, with their usual consideration, kindly placed a house at the service of the society, in which they have hitherto worshipped; but lately, through the increase of congregation and scholars, the room has become much too small, and in order to meet the modern requirements of Primitive Methodism in the district, which has become largely populated of late years (it being roughly estimated that, at the present time, there will be a population at Allendale and Westwood, of upwards of 1,200 people), it was considered indispensable to build a commodious chapel and school-room at Allendale, which is now erected, and which, it is understood, will be completed and opened out in a fortnight. To assist the trustees in realising the requisite funds for building the chapel &c., the ladies of the congregation resolved to hold a bazaar, which was inaugurated on Saturday last, and was continued over Monday and Tuesday with considerable success. Miss Bragg, of Lintz Green Hall, was appointed to open the bazaar, but on account of the recent death of that lady's father, the unhappy bereavement caused her absence. The Reverend T. Southron, of Blackhill, kindly substituted Miss Bragg, by opening the bazaar with a hymn, after which the Reverend John Featherstone engaged in prayer. The Rev. T. Southron then gave a short but pathetic address. They had, he said, laboured arduously, and their praiseworthy efforts had been successful, for they had collected together a large assortment of useful and valuable articles, the proceeds of which were to be devoted towards a noble cause, and he hoped God's blessing would attend them. Mrs. Southron next came forward, and in a pleasing manner congratulated all connected with the bazaar, upon the imposing aspect it displayed, and after a few remarks on the characteristics of such worthy and charitable objects, that lady declared the bazaar open. No. 1 table was presided over by Mrs. Wigham and Mrs. Watson, Westwood. No. 2 table by Mrs. Longstaff and Mrs. Hetherington, Westwood; Mr T. Llyod, of Allendale, presided at No. 3 table; and No. 4 stall was presided over by Mrs. Stubbs, Westwood. No. 5 stall was presided over by Miss Davison and Mrs. Richardson, Allendale; and No. 6 stall by Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Collins, Allendale. The confectionery stall, which consisted of innumerable delicacies, to suit every taste and fnacy, was also presided over by Mr F. Robinson, of Allendale. The tea tables were very courteously presided over by Mrs Collins, Mrs. Delph, and Mrs. Lloyd, who were kindly assisted by Mr Barret. A large number of visitors patronised the bazaar, among whom we observed—Mr and Mrs W. H. Hedley and family, Manor House, Medomsley; Miss Wood and Miss Foster, Shotley Bridge; Mrs. Southron, Shotley Bridge; Mr Southron, South Shields; Mrs. Close and Mr J. Close, Medomsley; Miss Cuthbertson, South Moor Farm, Medomsley; Miss Hunter, Grange Cottages, Medomsley; Miss Douglass, Prudhoe; Mr Little, Medomsley; Miss Foreman, Allendale; Miss Thompson, Mickley; Miss E. Milburn, Medomsley; Mrs. Davison, Allendale; Miss Swinburne, Medomsley Edge; Miss Teasdale, Fines Houses, Medomsley; Miss Beck, Burton's Terrace, Medomsley; Miss Barret, Broomhill; Miss Coulthard, Allendale; Mrs. Rutherford and Mrs. Ord, Milkwellburn; Mrs. Smith, Broomhill; Miss J. Stokoe, Westwood; the Misses Stoddart, Ebchester; Miss M. J. Wheatley, Allendale; Miss J. Stubbs, Westwood; Miss Barron, Allendale; Miss Hunter, Allendale House; Miss Wood, Derwent Lodge; Miss E. Noble, Westwood; Mr R. Collins, Allendale; Mr T. Pearson, Newcastle; Miss Allan and Miss Wear, Dipton; Miss Moffit, Westwood; Miss Dixon, Newcastle; Miss Wigham, Westwood, &c. &c. Mr E. Urwin presided at the harmonium in his usual able style. The choir sung several excellent pieces throughout the evenings, which tended to contribute very materially to the pleasure of the visitors. One of the chief amusements connected with the bazaar was a small galvanic battery, conducted by Mr R. Charlton, which attracted great attention, especially from the gentler sex, who excited quite a competition to be the duration of time each one could hold the handles connected with the wires of the instrument. Mr T. Watson, of Dipton, also had a microscope, which seemed to excite the curiosity of such as were possessed of a scientific turn of mind; and Mr R. Longstaff varied the pleasure by a stereoscope. The articles that remain unsold will, we understand, be held over until the Christmas Tree. We may add that Mr Isaac Elsdon, of East Castle, kindly presented a handsome clock for the use of the chapel; and W. Watts, Newcastle, also gave one for the school-room.

REVOLTING CRUELTY TO A GAME COCK.

CRUELTY AS AN ACCOMPLISHMENT.

At Shotley Bridge Petty Sessions, on Monday, the magistrates on the bench being H. C. Silvertop (chairman) and Annandale Town, Esqs., Ralph Robson, seedsman, of Hexham, was summoned for "that he did cruelly ill-treat, abuse, and torture a certain animal, to wit, a game-cock, by dragging it, by means of a whip lash twisted round its neck, until it was dead." Mr Temperley, of Newcastle, prosecuted on behalf of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; defendant, who did not appear, was represented by Mr Taylor, solicitor, of Hexham. A police-officer was about to be sworn in order to prove the service of the summons, when Mr Taylor said he admitted that the summons had been served on Mr Robson, who had since been called into the South of England on business.

Mary Gardiner, examined by Mr Temperley, said she was a married woman residing at Cutlers' Hall Road, near Shotley Bridge. Between four and five o'clock in the afternoon of the 23rd of September she was opposite her own door when she observed Mr Robson driving down the road in a conveyance. A game cock ran across the road, and Mr Robson struck at it with his whip. The cord of the whip got fastened round the bird's neck, and it was carried down the road.—The Chairman: Where was the fowl when Mr Robson struck at it?—Witness: On the side of the road.—Mr Temperley: How far did he carry the bird?—Witness: I watched him until he got out of sight.—Mr Temperley: Did Mr Robson try to take the bird off the end of his whip?—Witness: No; he drove straight on.—The Chairman: Had Mr Robson passed the bird when he struck at it?—Witness: Yes; after he struck at it he dragged it behind him.—Cross-examined by Mr Taylor: Mr Robson was driving, I believe? Yes.—It was a very valuable horse? It appeared to be.—Was the horse going fast at the time? Yes.—The fowl ran in front of the horse, and Mr Robson had a "shie" at it, eh? No; the hen was by the road-side when he struck at it.—If Mr Robson hadn't had a "fly" at it, the horse would have gone over it? No.—Might not the bird have frightened the horse? No; the horse was past the bird before Mr Robson struck at it.—The conveyance was going down the hill at the time? Yes.—Mr Robson would therefore not be able to stop the horse very quickly? He might have done so had he tried, as the conveyance was then in the "slack."—Did you call after Mr Robson? No; I had nothing to do with it.—Mr Temperley: After the bird was picked up by Mr Robson did you see it flutter? Yes.—The Chairman: He never tried to stop the conveyance? No.—Did he attempt to take the bird off the end of the whip? No.

Hannah Robley said she was a married woman, living at Cutlers' Hall Road. On the 23rd of September, about four o'clock in the afternoon, she was standing at her own door. There was a game-cock on the road, and as Mr Robson passed he struck at it with his whip. The lash of the latter became fastened round its neck, and it was carried along the road.—Mr Taylor: Mr Robson was going down the bank rapidly at the time? Yes.—Did the bird run across the road when he was driving down? Yes.—And he then had a "shie" at it? Yes.—The Chairman: But when did the defendant strike at the bird? After the horse had passed it.—Mr Taylor: Did the bird cause the horse to stumble at all? No; that I saw.

Sarah Ann Thom said she was daughter of Police-Constable Thom, the officer in charge of the Police-court at the foot of Cutlers' Hall Bank. On the afternoon of the 23rd ult., she was standing near the gates leading to the Court when she observed a gentleman coming down the hill in a conveyance. He had a whip hanging over his shoulder. At the end of the whip was a bird, which was dashing against the wheel of the conveyance. It sometimes touched the ground, and fluttered up when it did so.—Cross-examined by Mr Taylor: As far as you could see it was alive? Yes.—It might have been dead? I think not; its wings were moving. It touched the ground four or five times in passing where I was standing.—Mr Temperley: Did Mr Thompson try to get rid of the bird by shaking the whip? He was swinging it across his shoulder.—Did he try to stop the conveyance at all? No.—Did you hear anybody shout to him? Yes; some schoolboys shouted, but he did nothing but laugh.—What did the children shout? Mr Taylor: Never mind what they shouted; that is not evidence.

John Ilderton said he was a tinsmith, and lived at Shotley Bridge. On the 23rd of last month he saw Mr Robson enter the village with a horse and trap. Witness saw something hanging to the end of his whip, and on going across to the Commercial Inn, where Mr Robson had stopped, he found it to be a dead fowl. Mr Robson was talking to the ostler and the landlord. The latter replied that he did not want anything to do with it, as he might "get into the hat." Mr. Robson said it was "all right." Cutlers' Hall Road was 400 yards from the Commercial Inn.

James Farrage, the owner of the bird, said he remembered the 23rd of September. Hearing that a gentleman had killed one of his game cocks, he proceeded to Shotley Bridge. On making inquiries at the Commercial Inn he was told that Mr Robson had gone to Newcastle. Subsequently, however, he found Mr Robson in one of the rooms, and on speaking to him about the bird Mr Robson threatened to "hoy" him out of the room.—This closed the case for the prosecution.

Mr Taylor submitted that before Mr Robson could be convicted it was necessary to prove that he had wilfully ill-treated the bird. The latter had run in front of his horse, and in order to prevent his horse stumbling or the bird being hurt, Mr Robson "shied" at it with his whip, and, being a good marksman, caught it up in the manner described. He would call Mr Jefferson, landlord of the Commercial Inn, who would tell them that the horse Mr Robson was driving was a very spirited animal, which would account for Mr Robson not being able to stop before reaching the Commercial Inn.

Joseph Jefferson said he kept the Commercial Inn at Shotley Bridge. On the 23rd of September Mr Robson engaged a horse and trap. The horse was a very good one, and he would not take £100 for it. Witness was of opinion that Mr Robson would be unable to stop the horse without a whip.—The Chairman: Do you generally use a whip to stop a horse? No; but I could have stopped it with the whip.

Pattinson Osborne, auctioneer, Shotley Bridge, spoke to seeing the dead bird.

The Chairman, after consulting with his colleague, Mr Town, said they were of opinion that the charge of cruelty had been proved. It had been proved that defendant did not attempt to stop the conveyance, nor did he try to release the bird from the whip, which he might easily have done had he so wished. Defendant was then ordered to pay a fine of 20s and costs, in all £3 0s 9d.

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FUNERAL OF MR CHARLES BRAGG.—The funeral of Mr Charles Bragg, of Pilgrim-street, Newcastle, took place on Wednesday, in Jesmond Old Cemetery. The corpse was conveyed per rail from Lintz Green, where Mr Bragg died on the 17th inst., to the Central Station, where the funeral *cortege*, consisting of three mourning coaches, containing the principal family mourners, eight cabs, and a large number of members on foot, representatives of the Society of Friends (of which deceased was a member) from various parts of the country, was formed at half-past ten o'clock. The employees from Mr Bragg's establishment in Pilgrim Street also took part in the procession which went by way of Clayton-street and Newgate Street to the place of interment in the Old Cemetery at Jesmond. Prominent amongst the mourners were Mr John Bright, M.P., for Birmingham, who is a relative of Mr Bragg, and Mr Henry Morris, of Manchester. The deceased gentleman was in his 73rd year. The arrangements in connection with the funeral were carried out by Mr Slater, funeral furnisher, Newgate-st, Newcastle.

A Parisian definition of a beautiful woman—The paradise of the eye and the purgatory of the purse.

Why is a selfish friend like the letter p? Because, though he is the first in pity, he is the last in help.

When a Wisconsin editor remarked recently that "the lilac bushes are budding," a Minnesota editor, with the thermometer at fourteen degrees above zero in his sanctum, coolly replied, "You lilac Satan."

After dinner one day, at a Liverpool *table d'hote*, a young man was relating how he had miraculously escaped from a fearful shipwreck. "Yes," said he, "fifteen of my friends were on board. The vessel went down, and they were all lost." "But how," asked a listener, "was your interest was painfully excited, "did you manage to escape?" "Oh," was the calm reply, "I was on board another vessel!"

A FATHER'S REVALLITION.

A vixen wife who, for the horsewhip's smart,
Ran to her father, heaped full half her part;
"What is fault," said he, "come, state the case."
"I threw some coffee in my husband's face.
For which he beat me!" "Heaven, did he? 'slife
He beat my *daughter!* zounds! "I'll beat his *wife!*"

One day a little boy's mother gave him a long lecture on a misdemeanour of which he'd been guilty. When his father came home at night he also began to talk to him on the same unpleasant subject, whereupon the little fellow looked up honestly, and said, "Father, I know, ma has talked to that." The father took the hint.

A little five-year-old, who was suffering from a bad cold, went to pay a visit to her aunt, and greatly to her amusement and to her mother's shame could read better than any of the other girls even if they were eight years old. "That is well," remarked her aunt, "but would it sound better put some one else said it?" "Yes," answered the little one, with a very sober countenance, "I think it would 'cause I've such a bad cold I can't say it very well."

A certain French baron, whose scientific tastes led him to collect the skulls of celebrated persons, one day received a visit from a man with whom he was accustomed to deal. "What do you bring me here?" asked the baron, as the man slowly unwrapped a carefully enveloped package. "The skull of Shakespeare." "Impossible!" "I speak the truth, Monsieur le Baron. Here is proof of what I say," and the knife, producing some papers. "But," objected the baron, drawing aside the drapery which concealed his own singular collection, "I already possess that skull." "He must have been a rogue who sold you that," was the remark of the honest dealer; "who was it, monsieur?" "Your father," said the baron, in a mild tone; "he sold it to me about twenty-nine years ago." The broker was thoroughly disconcerted, but presently he exclaimed, with vivacity, "I comprehend. He good enough to observe the small dimensions of the skull on your shelf. Know the narrow occiput, the unlevelled forehead, where intelligence is still mute. It is of Shakespeare before he was known as a child about twelve or fourteen years old; whereas this is the skull of Shakespeare when he had attained a certain age and had become the genius of which England is so justly proud."

HONTAGES OF TIPPU SAHIB.—Tippo was a cruel man, for as he was brave; but neither his bravery nor his obstinacy could blind his judgment; and he now saw, with rage in his savage heart, that further resistance would be useless. He accordingly sent forth vakeels, with whom Lord Cornwallis agreed to treat, but pushing on his works all the while; and when the second division had completed the last vestige of Tippo's scruples passed away, and peace was sued for. but granted on severe terms: 1. That Tippo should cede to us half of his dominions to the allied powers. 2. That he should pay three crores and thirty lacs of rupees (about 1,500,000 sterling). 3. That he must release all prisoners of war. 4. That his two sons should be delivered as hostages for the due performance of the treaty. The latter article, the two princes, each mounted on an elephant, richly caparisoned, proceeded from the citadel to the camp of Lord Cornwallis, where they were received by his lordship with all his state in full uniform, and a guard of honour. The eldest, Abdul Kalik, was about ten, and the youngest, Mooza-ud-Deen, about eight years of age. The princes were attired in white muslin robes, with silk turbans, richly adorned with pearls. "Educated from infancy with the utmost care, the spectators," says Lloyd, "were astonished to find in them all the graces to accost all the politeness and attention of maturer years. The kindness with they were received by the British commander appeared to afford them the highest satisfaction". Some presents were exchanged on both sides, and the whole transaction exhibited a scene at once noble and affecting, and its resting, for these two princes were perhaps the last hostages given and taken in war.—*British Battle Fields.*

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

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Railway Time Tables.

NEWCASTLE TO JARROW AND SOUTH SHIELDS.

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

Leave Newcastle (Sundays)—9-0, 9-30, 9-30, 2-0, 6-0, 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, Felling, 8, Jarrow, 25, 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, 5d.; third, 3d. 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.

SOUTH SHIELDS TO JARROW AND NEWCASTLE.

Leaves South Shields (Week days)—4-55, 7-0, 8-0, 8-30(*), 9-0, 10-0, 10-30, 11-45, 12-30 (*), 1-30, 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, 9-56, 2-10 5-0, 7-15, 8-20, 9-35.

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—High Shields, 3; Tyne Dock, 9; Jarrow, 14; Hebburn, 19; Pelaw, 24; Felling 30; and Gateshead, 35 minutes after the above times, arriving at Newcastle about 40 minutes after the time they leave South Shields.

ON SATURDAYS

Relief trains leave JARROW for NEWCASTLE at 2-5 p.m. 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 19 minutes after the above times, arriving at Newcastle about 25 minutes after they leave South Shields.

Fares from South Shields to High Shields or Tyne Dock: First, 3d.; second, 2d.; third, 1d.

Jarrow: First, 6d.; second, 4d.; third, 3½d.

Pelaw, Felling, Gateshead, or Newcastle: First, 1s.; second, 8d.; third, 6d.

SUNDERLAND TO SOUTH SHIELDS AND JARROW.

Leaves Sunderland (Week ays)—4-50, 6-50, 7-50, 8-50 9-55, 10-55, 11-40, 1-0, 2-0, 3-55, 5-0, 6-5, 7-5, 8-0, 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:—Seaham Lane, 7; Tyne Dock, 13; High Shields, 17, minutes after the above times, arriving at South Shields about 20 minutes after the time they leave Sunderland.

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

Fares from Sunderland to Seaham 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. 6d.; second, 1s.; third, 7½d. Return tickets to Jarrow: first, 2s. 3d.; second, 1s. 8d.; third, 1s. 2d.

SUNDERLAND TO NEWCASTLE.

Leaves Jarrow (Week days)—5-25, 7-15, 8.18, 9-23, 10-8, 11-18, 12-53, 2-33, 3-23, 4-28, 5-28, 6-28, 7-33 8-28, 9-15, 11-18.

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

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

Fares from Jarrow to South Shields: first, 8d., second, 5d.; third, 3½d.; High Shields, first, 8d., second, 6d.; third, 3d.; Tyne Dock, first, 6d.; second, 4d.; third, 2d.; Cleadon Lane, first, 1s.; second, 8d.; third, 4½d.; Sunderland, first, 1s. 6d.; second, 1s. 2d.; third, 7½d. Return tickets to Jarrow, first, 2s. 3d.; second, 1s. 8d.; third, 1s. 2d.

NEWCASTLE TO TYNEMOUTH.

Leave Newcastle—Central Station—(Week days) 6-10 (*), 7-0, 8-0, 8-30 (*), 9-0, 10-0, 11-0, 12-0, 1-0, 1-45 (†), 2-0, 2-30 (†), 3-5, 4-10, 4-45 (†), 5-15, 5-50 (†), 6-10, 6-45 (†), 7-10, 8-10, 9-0, 10-0, 11-30 (*).

Leaves Newcastle—Central Station—(Sundays)—8-0 (*), 8-30, 9-30, 10-30, 11-30, 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 23, and North Shields 26 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 5.05 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 Station 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. 6d., second, 1s. 3d., third, 10d.

Percy Main: First, 10d., second, 8d., third, 6d. Return, first, 1s. 3d., second, 1s., third, 8d.

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

Wallsend: First, 1s., second, 9d., third, 3½d. Return, first, 1s. 2d., second, 10d., third, 7d.

Walker: First, 1s., second, 9d., 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, 10-30, 11-30, 12-30, 1-0, 1-30, 12 45, 2-50 (*), 3-15, 3-0, 3-30, (*), 4-5, 5-0, 6-35 (*), 7-30 (*), 8-0, 8-30, 9-30, 10-30 (*), 11-30 (*).

Leaves Tynemouth (Sundays—7-35, 9-40, 1-0, 1-45 (*) 2-0, 3-0, 4-0, 5-0, 6-45 (*), 6-0, 6-35 (*), 7-0, 7-45 (*), 9-0, 9-45 (*), 10-45 (*).

These trains leave intermediate stations as follows:—North Shields 3, Percy Main, 6, Howdon 11, Wallsend 16, Walker 19, Heaton 23, and Manors 30 minutes afters bove 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 10-30 p.m. train runs to all Stations up and including Walker on Saturdays, and does not reach the Central Station until 10-45 p.m.

Fares from Tynemouth to North Shields, first, 4d.; second, 3d.; third, 2d.; Percy Main, first, 6d.; second, 4½; third, 3d.; Howdon, first, 8d., second, 6d.; third, 4d.; Wallsend, first, 10d.; second, 8d.; third, 6d.; Walker first, 1s.; second, 9d.; third, 6d.; Heaton, first, 1s.; second 9d.; third, 6d.; Newcastle (Manors or Central), first, 1s. 3d.; second, 1s.; third, 8d.

STOCKTON AND DARLINGTON RAILWAY

GOING EAST.—WEEK DAYS ONLY.

STATIONS.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Newcastle ..... dep.	6-45	11-30	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 ..... { dep.	7-38	2-25	5-20
	arr. 8-10	2-55	5-50
Bishop Auckland ..	8-55	3-35	7-0
Darlington	9-25	4-6	7-33
Middleton	9-45	4-26	7-53
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
Middleton*	6-3	11-48	2-35
Stockton	6-34	12-15	2-45
Darlington	7-15	1-5	4-30
Bishop Auckland ..	7-43	1-36	5-0
Crook ..... { dep.	8-10	1-57	6-25
	arr. 8-25	2-20	6-35
Tow Law	8-27	2-32	6-45
Burnhill Junction ..	8-42	2-45	6-9
Rowley	8-52	2-55	6-19
Benfieldside	9-6	3-6	6-20
Newcastle	arr. 10-5	4-30	9-35

CONSETT BRANCH.

UP TRAINS.—WEEK DAYS.

STATIONS.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Newcastle ..... dep.	6-45	10-0	12-30	2-30	6-35
Scotswood	6-52	10-7	12-37	2-37	6-42
Swalwell	6-59	10-14	12-44	2-44	6-49
Rowland's Gill	7-9	10-24	12-54	2-54	6-59
Lintz Green	6-15	10-30	12-59	3-0	7-5
Blackhill	6-25	10-45	1-12	3-12	7-20
Shotley Bridge	8-12	12-41	4-8	3-19	6-24
Benfieldside (Consett and Blackhill) dep	6-40	10-55	1-25	3-25	6-30
Knitsley	6-54	11-9	4-39	3-39	6-45
Lanchester	7-0	11-15	4-45	3-45	6-51
Witton Gilbert	7-10	11-27	5-5	4-5	7-1
Durham ..... arr.	7-25	11-40	5-20	4-20	7-20

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Blackhill	8-38	9-33	1-14	3-54	9-2
Lintz Green	8-47	9-33	1-14	3-54	9-3
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Knitsley	8-30	4-38
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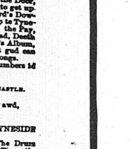

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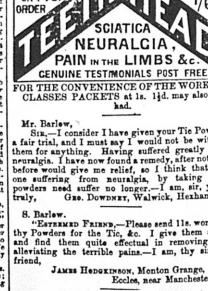

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ANOTHER "SCENE" AT THE BENFIELDSIDE LOCAL BOARD.

The ordinary meeting of the members of this Board was held in the Town Hall, Shotley Bridge, on Wednesday afternoon, Mr John Annandale (in the absence of the chairman, Mr Wilson), presiding. The Chairman was about to read the minutes of the preceding meeting, when

Mr CARSS rose, and said: Before we proceed with the ordinary business, I wish to refer to a subject that was under discussion when the Chairman abruptly left the chair at the last meeting. The question was then asked who erased Mr Willis's name from the rate-book. I think it an important matter, and one that must be settled at once.

The Clerk (Mr Booth): Is the rate-book here?

Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM: It was here last month.

The Clerk: Which rate-book is it?

Mr CARSS: It is the one that was used at the late election. The name of Mr Willis was inserted in the rate-book by Mr Wilson, and the name has since been erased, and the question is—who erased it? To my mind, it is a subject of the utmost importance, and I think that this Board ought to have the matter thoroughly investigated. Mr Carrs then quoted from the Public Health Act, showing that it was an offence to alter the public documents of the Board, and parties so offending might be sent to prison, with hard labour for two years, or sentenced to five years penal servitude. Mr Carss concluded by moving "That the rate-book be laid on the table."

Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM seconded the proposition.

The Clerk: I was not here at the last meeting. Was the rate-book produced then?

Mr CARSS: Yes.

The Clerk: Was the name of Mr Willis on the rate-book for the last election?

Mr CARSS: The name was inserted by Wm. Wilson. That name has since been erased. The question is, who made the erasure?

The Clerk: Is the name in the poor rate-book?

Mr CARSS: No.

Mr Clerk: Then it should not be in the Local Board rate-book. I cannot see what good can result out of this inquiry. Whether the erasure had been done by the Chairman, or by his authority, was quite an immaterial matter, as the election was now over. The Chairman was bound to compare the Local Board rate-book with the poor rate-book, and make every necessary alteration that the circumstances might require. The Chairman (Mr Wilson) was unavoidably absent that day, and, therefore, could not say whether he made the erasure or not. There was nothing penal in it, however, if the Chairman did so. It was quite a different matter to tampering with voting papers.

Mr CARSS: Just so. I, as a Liberal, was blamed for tampering with voting papers. Mr Wilson, as a Tory——

The CHAIRMAN: That has nothing to do with it.

The Clerk: Politics had nothing whatever to do with the prosecution.

Mr CARSS: You keep quiet, sir. You are only a servant of this Board. I have been pursued to death by a political party for alleged tampering with voting papers, but another political party—(interruption and disorder)—but another political party, I say, has actually fabricated the rate-book.

The Clerk: You have no right to make any such assertion, sir. You are perfectly out of order, and I wonder very much at the Chairman allowing this discussion.

The CHAIRMAN: The other members ... assist me in preserving order.

The Clerk: If Mr Carss means his obser tions to apply to any member present, he had bett mention names.

Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM: There is a motion before the meeting, and Mr Carss has a right to speak to that motion.

The Clerk: Let us have the thing discussed properly.

Mr GEORGE ELTRINGHAM (to the Chairman): Put the motion. (Disorder).

Mr CARSS: Allow me, Mr Chairman——.

The CHAIRMAN: Sit down, and let us get on with the business.

Mr CARSS: Allow me, sir, to ask you if you had anything to do with the late prosecutions.

The CHAIRMAN: I had nothing whatever to do with the prosecutions. (Interruption).

Mr CARSS: My object in calling attention to this matter was that the thing might be thoroughly ventilated, and that the public might know that the Board did not connive at acts contrary to law. Mr Willis's name was inserted on the rate-book, a voting paper was delivered to him, he recorded his vote, and the name was erased. Now, I want to know why this was so.

The Clerk: Is the rate-book here?

Mr CARSS: It was here last meeting. It will be in the box along with the other papers.

Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM: At the last meeting of the Board, I asked the Chairman who had erased the name, and he replied that he knew nothing about it.

The CHAIRMAN said there was no doubt about the name having been put in the rate-book, and subsequently erased. The question was—who did it? The book did not pass through the hands of many individuals.

Mr CARSS: The Clerk is the custodian of this book, and I should like to know why he allowed the name to be erased.

The Clerk: So far as that goes, Mr Carss has had as much opportunity of erasing it as anybody else.

Mr CARSS: When I examined the rate-book, your clerk, Mr Whinney, was always present.

The Clerk considered it was quite an irrelevant matter whether Mr Willis voted or not at the last election.

Mr CARSS: It is not a question affecting the election, but a question of morality. Are we to allow a person connected with this Board to make votes——

The Clerk: If you mean your remarks to apply to me, sir, I say that you are speaking that which is not true. (Uproar).

Mr CARSS: You are the person who ought to give an answer.

The Clerk: If I had seen a mistake in the poor rate-book, it was my duty to have compared it with the Local Board rate-book. I cannot say who inserted the name.

Mr Wilson: I did.

The Clerk: Very well; it is very likely that the name was struck out when examined with the poor rate-book.

Mr CARSS: Nothing of the sort.

The Clerk: You seem to know a good deal about it. Perhaps you will kindly tell the Board who did erase the name.

Mr CARSS: I shall do that with pleasure, and I hope the reporter——(Confusion).

The Clerk: There is not the slightest pretence for saying that it was a fabrication of the rate-book, or in any way similar to the offence with which you were charged. (More confusion).

Mr CARSS: The first meeting after the last election, the Chairman of this Board allowed himself——

The Clerk: If you think that you have a case against anyone, you had better proceed against him.

Mr CARSS: You keep quiet, sir. I am in possession. Now, Mr Chairman——

The CHAIRMAN: Tell us who struck out the name.

Mr CARSS: After receiving the summons to appear at Lanchester for alleged tampering with voting papers, Mr Eltringham and myself examined the rate-book, and found the name of Mr Willis——

The Clerk: Had we not better get on with the business of the Board.

Mr CARSS: Silence, sir! For shame of yourself! to set up your impudence in that way!—The whole of the members here began to talk at once in a very loud manner, and at length

Mr CARSS said: Do the members wish to hear me? ("Yes," and "No.")

Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM: It is only proper that he should be heard.

The Clerk: He has no right to occupy the time of the meeting in this way.

Mr CARSS: Just you keep quiet, Mr Booth. You are not a member, but only the factotum of this Board. (Uproar). After receiving the summons to appear before the Bench, Mr Eltringham and myself came and examined the list of voters, the voting papers, and the rate-book. We found Mr Willis's name there. (Interruption). When I was summoned a second time before the magistrates, we again examined the rate-book, and found that the name had been erased. (More interruption). Now, Mr Booth, I will put this question to you: Were you and Mr Willis at the office of Mr Bush, in Newcastle, between the time I was summoned to Lanchester, and when I was again summoned to Shotley Bridge?

The Clerk: No; I was not in Mr Bush's office. You think I have been a party to the late prosecutions, but such is not the case. If you think you have any cause of complaint, either against myself or anybody else, you had better go to the magistrates and get a summons.

Mr CARSS: What I complain about is this—that, at the first meeting after the last election, the chairman (Mr Wilson) allowed himself to be pumped full of wrath before coming to the meeting, and, "like ocean into tempest tost, to waft a feather or drown a fly," he let off his ginger-beer tempest in denouncing someone for tampering with the voting papers. Why did not the Chairman manifest the same vehemence on learning that some one had tampered with the rate-book? I consider that in denouncing this act, I have done a public duty, and I shall now leave the matter to the consideration of the ratepayers.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr Willis was entitled to vote according to law.

Mr JOSEPH ELTRINGHAM: He was not on the new rate-book.

The CHAIRMAN: He should have been.

Mr CARSS (waving his hands): You do not understand it.

The Clerk: I shall only make one remark. It is a totally different matter tampering with voting papers, and the crossing out of an obvious mistake in the rate-book. If Mr Carss wishes to confuse one act with the other, or place them under the same category, it is a mistake, and it is merely throwing dust in the eyes of the people to say that they are the same. If Mr Willis's name was not in the poor rate-book, then it should not have been in the Local Board rate-book. If it was found, in going through the Local Board rate-book, that Mr Willis's name had been inserted in mistake, the Chairman was quite justified in crossing it out, or instructing some one else to do so.

Mr CARSS: He did not.

The Clerk: How it came to be crossed out is a matter perfectly immaterial to the last election. As I said before, it was quite a different matter to tampering with voting papers.

Mr CARSS: It was an immoral act. Put that down, Mr Reporter—is was an immoral act.

The Clerk: It seems clear to my mind, from the question which Mr Carss put a short time ago, that he connects me with the late prosecution——

Mr CARSS (interrupting): I did not say that you were.

The Clerk: I assure Mr Carss that I had nothing whatever to do with it. The matter was taken up outside of the Board, and I carefully abstained from mixing myself up with it in any way. So far as Mr Carss's defence was concerned, I may say that he had the utmost facility given to him examining the voting papers

Mr CARSS: It was no privilege, sir. I had a right to it, and what was a right is not a gift.

Mr WILSON said his name had been pretty freely mentioned during the discussion, and he considered that he had a right to make a few observations. In the first place, he might state that he himself had inserted Mr Willis's name on the rate-book at the request of his brother, who was the collector, and whose writing he (Mr Wilson) usually did. The insertion of the name had nothing to do with the last Local Board election. He was not aware who had erased the name, nor had he, in fact, ever seen the rate-book from the time of his inserting the name until that day.

Mr GEORGE ELTRINGHAM: Had Mr Willis a vote?

Mr Willis: Mr Willis requested my brother to put him on the book, whether rightly or wrongly, I am not prepared to say.

Mr GEORGE ELTRINGHAM: Mr Carss and myself examined the voting papers and rate-books. We saw Mr Willis's name on the rate-book, and called Mr Whinney's attention to it. The next time we went to examine the book, the name was erased. What guarantee had the ratepayers that the same thing would not be done on a future occasion?

Mr WILSON: It is no use Mr Carss setting himself up as the "I am" of the place. I should like to know why Mr Richardson's name is put on the rate-book in respect of the pump-room at Shotley Spa. I am lessee of the grounds and buildings, and occupy the pump-room with my own furniture, yet Mr Carss refuses to put my name on the rate-book.

Mr CARSS: You know nothing about it.

The Clerk: Perhaps Mr Carss will answer Mr Wilson's question.

Mr CARSS: I could make the explanation, but will not gratify Mr Booth's curiosity. Perhaps Mr Booth will gratify our curiosity, by telling us who erased Mr Willis's name.

Mr WILSON: It is very likely you have done so yourself. As I said before, I never saw the rate-book from the time of inserting the name until to-day.

Mr CARSS: We only have your word for that.

Mr WILSON: My word is as good as yours.

The Clerk: Nobody is more anxious than myself to have the rate-book correct, and to have the name of every person entitled to vote on it. He could not understand, however, why Mr Carss, as assistant overseer, had placed the servant of Mr Wilson on the rate-book as the occupier of a cottage in direct communication with the pump-room, the rates for which were paid for by Mr Wilson, and refused to put Mr Wilson on.

Mr CARSS: I am much obliged to Mr Wilson for the information. How was I to know that Mr Richardson's cottage communicated with the large room.

Mr WILSON: You charged me with an ulterior motive in putting Mr Willis's name on the rate-book; I shall now make the same accusation against you. (Laughter).

Mr CARSS: I know he will not vote for me. (Renewed laughter). Richardson's name comes off next year.

The Clerk: I am glad to see that Mr Carss acknowledges he was wrong.

Mr WILSON: Perhaps he will tell us who struck the name out.

Mr CARSS (coaxingly): Now, tell us who did it, Mr Wilson.

Mr WILSON: I ask you who did it.

The Clerk: I think you will all be unanimous that it is high time the minutes were read.—The ordinary business of the meeting was then proceeded with.

WATCH ROBBERY.—On Wednesday, at the Durham Quarter Sessions, William Boyle (69), hawker, was indicted for stealing one silver watch and albert guard, the property of John Reay on the 25th June last.—Mr Edge prosecuted and Mr Hamilton defended. Mr Edge, in opening his case, stated that the robbery was committed while the prosecutor was in a public-house in Newcastle. He could not swear to the prisoner, as the person who took his watch ran away as soon as it was taken, but on the 3rd July the prisoner offered the stolen watch for sale to prosecutor in a public-house at Annfield Plain. Prosecutor told him that the watch was one that had been stolen from him, and the prisoner made off, and subsequently offered it for sale to a man named James Johnson, telling him that he might have it for 20s. if he would say nothing about it. Prosecutor afterwards met the prisoner at Dipton, and gave him into the custody of the police.—The prisoner then said that he had purchased the watch from Abraham Peters, of Newcastle.—Accused was found guilty, and, having been convicted before, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.—A meeting was held in the British Schools, Consett, on Thursday evening, in connection with the Consett branch of the above Society. There was only a small attendance. William Jenkins, Esq., of Consett Hall, occupied the chair, and made a few remarks respecting the desirability of every house having a copy of the Word of God.—Mr C. P. Douglas, the secretary, read a short report touching the operations of the Consett branch.—Mr David Imrie, treasurer and depositary, said he believed the collectors would bear him out in saying that every Protestant house in Consett had a bible. There was a class which they could not reach, and he thought they were not responsible for them not having the Word of God in their houses. During the year he had sold at his depot 194 bibles, ranging in price from 6d. to 3s.; 252 testaments at 4d.; 6 testaments at 2d; 1 bible in Welsh; 1 bible in Greek and English; and 2 large English bibles. This year the Consett branch had paid to the parent society £22 6s 10d for purchases, and £21 19s 11½d as free contributions—the free contributions being an increase of £8 2s 11½d over last year.—Mr John Routledge moved, and Mr T. Carr seconded, that the following officers be appointed for the ensuing year:—President—Wm. Jenkins, Esq. Vice-presidents—Revs. F. Steggall and A. Bailie. Treasurer and depositary—Mr D. Imrie. Secretaries—Rev. M. Morris and Mr C. P. Douglas. Collectors—Mrs Pescod, Mrs Cooke, Mrs Bailie, Mrs Proud, Mrs Morris, and Mr Rees. Committee—Messrs. T. Little, John Lowes, sen., J. T. Little, J. Rees, John Routledge, Jos. Cross, Robert Frazer, G. Powell, M. J. Elliott, James Batey, and John Lowes, jun.—An instructive address was then given by the Rev. Mr. Frayer, of London, after which the Rev. F. Steggall, in moving a vote of thanks to the collectors, made a few remarks. A vote of thanks was then passed to the Rev. Mr. Frayer, and a collection taken in aid of the Society amounting to £1 16s 8d.

CONSETT RACES.

Stewards—Messrs. R. Murray, Mr McGurk, Lee, and Barron. Judge, Mr Armstrong; starter, Mr Davidson, clerk of the scales, J. Morgan; clerk of the course, S. Mace.

The third annual race meeting held at Consett took place on Monday, and in every respect showed an improvement over the two gatherings which have been celebrated at this thriving West Durham town. Those who shivered under the chilly influences of the Scotch mist which curdled the blood of the spectators, and wrapped the county in such an impenetrable mantle that objects could scarcely be descerned at more than one hundred yards distance at the meeting of 1873, were in a position to fully appreciate on Monday the bracing atmosphere, and the splendid view obtained from the elevated position of the course, the eye ranging away over the Northumbrian Moors across the Derwent, until in the far distance the outlines of the Cheviots stood out bodly against the horizon, and terminated the view. With such cheering influences in the ascendant, it was not surprising to find a larger number of people present at the gathering than heretofore, and every part of the running ground from which a view of the proceedings could be obtained was fully occupied. The course was the same as that used on previous years, viz., at the junction of the Consett and Durham roads, and although the position has many advantages, we must say that it is too small for the purpose it is used for, requiring, as it did, four circuits and a distance to be traversed in order to make the journey of two miles. The races were fixed to commence at two o'clock, but it was nearly half an hour after that time before the four competitors of the five entries turned out to do battte. When it was seen that Darlington Lass was amongst the starters she was at once installed favourite, and eventually even money was accepted about her to some amount. A few who remembered that she had won a race at Morpeth of more ten soverigns value, and was therefore ineligible for the present contest, fielded strongly in favour of the Twin and Little Joe, who had about an equal number of supporters at the figures we have quoted below. Darlington Lass was objected to before the start, and after scoring an easy victory her owner had the mortification to find her disqualified and the stake awarded to Little Joe, who came in second. Next in order came the principal race of the day, and a great deal of interest was evinced in the probable meeting of Rose of York, Lilly Bell, and Numa Pompilius. The first-named, however, did not journey to Consett, and when her number was not placed on the telegraph board there was a rush to back Lilly Bell, whose performances at the late Houghton Feast races were still fresh in remembrance. A good many fancied Numa Pompilius, who looked pretty fresh, and when it was seen that Mr Richardson, the well-known gentleman jockey (of Scarrington renown), had the mount on Carlowrie, some good investments were made in favour of the latter. The appearance of a couple of bandages on his forelegs did not at all improve the public feeling in favour of the son of Cramond, and when he was seen to go short and dotty in his preliminary, the bookmakers became bold in their offers against him. The race for two-thirds of the distance appeared to be a match between the favourite and the Flea, the latter of whom had brought her opponents along at a rare bat, and when Mr Brown's mare had extinguished her chance by going on the wrong side of a post, it seemed any odds on Lilly Bell, who appeared to be going strong and well when Mr Allan drove Numa Pompilius alongside of her at the lower turn, and her backers were doubtless counting their winnings at this point. She bolted over the brow of the hill, however, when her chance looked best, and Mr Hepple's old horse then won easily. In the Tradesmen's Plate Dalmeaney experienced little difficulty in upsetting a "pot" entrusted to Lady Jane, and six competitors were then weighed out for the Licensed Victuallers' Steeplechase. In point of looks it appeared to be any odds on Coonghul, who won a steeplechase at West Stanley last week, and who will be familiar to the visitors to the agricultural shows of Durham during the past year, where in the jumping prizes, and while under the appellation of The Doctor, he won twenty-five prizes. He obviously required stiffer work than could be furnished by eight hurdles and a grass track of two miles, and speculation therefore centred on Lilly Bell and Nimrod. To this pair the actual struggle was left, and Lilly Bell making no mistake this time scored an easy victory from Mr Reed's pony. The two other events decided require no further notice than that appended below. A body of police, under the command of Superintendent Oliver, did excellent service on the ground in controlling the large gathering of people, and a word of praise is also due to the various officials for their energy in carrying out the arrangements of the meeting. The following is a return of the running:—

DERWENT STAKES of 12 sov. for harness horses. About 1½ miles.

Mr Wm. Robinson's b h Little Joe, 5 yrs, 11st 5lb .... Mr R. Cole 1
Mr Geo. Young's ch h Pat Maloy, aged, 12st 9lb .... Mr K. Smith 2
Mr Geo. Brown's b h The Twin, aged, 12st .... Mr J. Spence 0
Mr Vickers's Darlington Lass, 4 yrs, 11st 8lb .... Mr Fenwick disq

Betting: Evens on Darlington Lass, 2 to 1 agst The Twin, 3 to 1 agst Little Joe. The latter was first off, and showed the way past the stand, but before reaching the Quarry turn, The Twin rushed to the front, and increasing the rate of progression he showed the way down the side of the turnpike, three lengths ahead of Mr Robinson's horse, a similar interval separating the latter from Pat Maloy, close up with whom was the favourite. Before reaching the far turn, Darlington Lass drew into second place, and waiting on the Twin until half way up the straight, she wrested the lead from Mr Brown's horse before reaching the stand, and went over to the far side with a commanding lead. The Twin was in difficulties immediately afterwards, dropped away, and was pulled up before the straight was reached. Mr Cole made a resolute effort on Little Joe to catch the leader, but it only required the rider of Darlington Lass to ask his mount a question to settle the issue at once, and she won in a canter by eight lengths, six lengths separating Little Joe from Pat Maloy. An objection had been made to Darlington Lass before the race, on the ground that she had won a race of greater value than £10, and this being sustained she was disqualified and the stakes awarded to Little Joe.

CONSETT STAKES of 25 sov; weight for age. About two miles.

Mr J. E. Hepple's b h Numa Pompilius, by Romulus—Simla, aged, 14st 3lb .... Mr Allan 1
Mr Vickers's Darlington Lass, 4 yrs, 11st 12lb .... Fenwick 2
Mr J. Lang's b m Lilly Bell, 4 yrs, 11st 8lb .... Mr R. Ayre 3
Mr G. Brown's b m Flea, aged, 13st 3lb .... Nicholson 0
Mr G. Reynolds's Carlowrie, aged, 13st 13lb .... Mr Richardson 0

Betting: 5 to 4 on Lilly Bell, 2 to 1 agst Numa Pompilius, 3 to 1 agst Flea, 6 to 1 agst Carlowrie. The lot were dispached in a cluster, the Flea at once went to the front, and with a lead of four lengths she cut the work, Carlowrie being next, and at a similar interval came the other nearly abreast. Increasing the pace as she proceeded down the farside, the Flea soon made a gap of about ten lengths between herself and opponents Lilly Bell now being next in order, with Carlowrie, Darlington Lass, and Numa Pompilius following in Indian file, a length separating each. When the lot had traversed about a mile on their journey, Lilly Bell drew up to the company of the Flea, while Carlowrie, who did not seem to relish the rate of progression from the first, dropped back beaten and out of it. Lilly Bell challenged for the lead, but the Flea, when apparently holding her safe enough, ran outside of a post, and she wassoon after pulled up. Mr Allan took Numa Pompillius into second place, and driving him along he began to close rapidly with the favourite, who had dropped almost into a canter as they neared the last turn. At this point, when there was every prospect of an interesting finish, Lily Bell ran wide in making the line for home, and then bolted off down the bank. This allowed Numa Pompillius to canter home an easy winner by a dozen lengths, a similar interval separating Darlington Lass from Lilly Bell, who had been brought back, and was placed third. Carlowrie cantered in a long way in the rear.

TRADESMEN'S PLATE of 15sovs. About a mile and a half.

Mr S. Mace's b h Dalmeany by Cramond—Ellen the Fair, 4yrs, 11st .... Mr Farrer 1
Mr H. ch m Lee's Lady Jane, aged, 12st 10lb .... Mr H. Lee 2
Mr R. Murray's b h Tipperary Boy, aged, 12st .... Mr R. Cole 0

Betting: 5 to 4 on Lady Jane, 6 to 4 agst Dalmeany, 3 to 1 agst Tipperary Boy. The running was made by Dalmeany, who held a clear advantage of three lengths of Tipperary Boy, close up with whom was the favourite. Tipperary Boy fell hopelessly astern after they had gone a quarter of a mile, and Lady Jane trod closely on the heels of Dalmeany as they completed a mile of the journey, the favourite apparently running strong and pulling hard. Rounding the quarry turn, Lady Jane ran against a post, and although she did not materially injure herself, she did appear to try any further in the race, and Dalmeany then drawing away, won "hands down" by six lengths.

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' STEEPECHASE, of 15 sovs; weight for age. About two miles over eight hurdles.

Mr J. Lang's b m, Lilly Bell, by Lambton—Misfit, 4 yrs, 10st 13lb .... Mr Swainston 1
Mr B. Reed's gr h, Nimrod, aged, 11st .... Mr Hessell 2
Mr Bowser's br m, Luna, 5 yrs, 11st 1lb .. Mr Wilde 3
Dr. Simpson's ch h Coonghul, aged, 11st 10lb .. Owner 0
Mr Geo. Young's ch h, Pat Maloy, aged, 13st, ... Mr K. Smith 0
Mr G. Brown's b h The Twin, aged, 12st 5lb .. Darkie 0

Betting: 5 to 4 agst Lilly Bell, 6 to 4 agst Nimrod, 4 to 1 agst Coonghul, 10 to 1 agst any other. At the second attempt the lot were despatched, and the Twin slipping her opponents, negotiated the first fence three lengths ahead. Striking the top bar, however, she came down, and narrowly escaped being jumped upon by the other horses. This accident left Coonghul with the lead, close up with him being Pat Maloy and Lilly Bell, Nimrod being immediately in the track of the favourite, and Luna two lengths off, whipping in. Mr Simpson sent his mount along at his best pace, but as they progressed down the far side he lost the company of Pat Maloy, who dropped back to the company of Luna, while Lilly Bell and Nimrod drew simultaneously forward at the far turn, and on completing the first circuit of the course Lilly Bell took the lead, increased the pace, and at once disposed of Coonghul, who bolted out at the far turn, and then dropped a long way astern of everything, the immediate attendant on the leader being Nimrod, a gap of four lenths separating, while fully fifty yards off came Luna, a similar interval separating the latter from Pat Maly. To Lilly Bell and Nimrod the race was confined, the former making the running at a clipping pace, and both of them fencing in capital form. Mr Reed's gray pony was never able to get on terms with the daughter of Lambton and Misfit, who shook off his challenge as they entered the straight to finish almost without an effort, and won easily by four lengths. Luna was a very bad third, and Pat Maloy a worse fourth, Coonghul walking in with the crowd.

LADIES' PURSE of 8 sovs, for ponies. About a mile and a half.

Mr R. Ayre's Nancy, 9st 1lb .... Mr Lawrence 1
Mr Johnson's Little Polly, 9st .... Mr Jos. Dent 2
Mr Allan's Miss Hutchinson, 9st .... Mr G. Allan 0
Mr Robinson's Evans Lilly of the West, 9st 7lb .... Mr G. T. Archer 0
Mr Farrer's Hot Buns, 7st 7lb .... Owner 0
Mr Herron's South Moor, 9st .... Mr Kane 0

Betting: 2 to 1 on Nancy, 3 to 1 each agst Miss Hutchinson and Little Polly, the remainder of the field presenting an amusing spactacle as they toiled along long distance in the rear of the pair named, their riders hard at work with whip and spur to raise a gallop. Nancy made the running from end to end, and won by four lengths. The others finished after the two leaders had returned to the enclosure.

CONSOLATION SCRAMBLE for beaten horses. Mile and half.

Mr B. Reed's Nimrod, by Springwell, aged, 12st, ... Mr Hessell 1
Mr Vicker's Darlington Lass, 4 yrs, 11st 8lb .... Mr Fenwick 2
Mr George Brown's The Flea, 4 yrs, 13st, ... Mr Nicholson 3
Mr H. Lee's Lady Jane, aged, 12st .... Mr P. Gilroy 4

Betting: 5 to 4 on Nimrod, 2 to 1 agst The Flea, 4 to 1 agst Darlington Lass, and 6 to 1 agst Lady Jane. After half a dozen failures they were despatched to a somewhat straggling start, Lady Jane's rider, who had been well off in all the failures, being apparently unaware that the race had commenced until the other horses had got well in front of him. The Flea made the running with Darlington Lass at her girths, a gap of about a couple of lengths separating the latter from the favourite, Lady Jane being three lengths off last. On reaching the far side the Flea drew out and took a commanding lead, and led her field at a merry bat into the straight, the relative positions of the others remaining unchanged. On commencing the second circuit of the course Nimrod drew forward into second place, and, going down the far side, The Flea appeared to have had enough of the journey, resigned the lead to Mr Reed's pony, and before reaching the bottom turn, had dropped into third place. The remainder of the race requires little description. The quartette performed the last circuit in the order we have named them, a four-lengths interval separating them. On entering the line for home, Darlington Lass made a strong effort to reach the leader, but Nimrod easily shaking off the challenge, won in a canter by four lengths, a similar distance separating second and third, and Lady Jane close up.

This brought the meeting to a close at half-past five o'clock.

On Tuesday afternoon, a number of people assembled on the Race Course at Consett, to witness a race arising out of the meeting of the previous day, the competing animals being Mr Coates's grey mare, Dungannon, Mr James Farrer's black pony, Hot Buns, and Mr Walton's bay Dun, distance, a mile-and-a-half, the first horse to receive £10. A good start was affected. Mr Herbert Rawe, on the grey, having a slight advantage. After making the first circuit of the course, Hot Buns went to the front, but in entering the straight for home Dungannon showed pace, and won by a length and a half.

Local Police Courts.

SHOTLEY BRIDGE POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, October 19th.—Before H. C. SILVERTOP (chairman), and A. TOWN, Esqs.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.

James Donnolly, George Long, William Hagan, John Lees, and Andrew Finnigan, were charged by P.C. Stoner with having been drunk and disorderly at Consett. Donnolly and Long were fined 10s., and Hagan, Lees, and Finnigan 5s. and costs.——James Duffy, Lewis Thomas, and John Strong, were charged by P.C. Bates with a similar offence at Consett. Thomas was fined 10s. and the other two 5s. and costs.——A young lad named Wharton, who was said to have neither father nor mother, was fined 10s. and costs for drunkenness.——Michael Quinn, charged by Sergeant Parkinson with a similar offence was also fined 10s. and the expenses.——John Walker, contractor, of Consett, was charged with being drunk and disorderly at Consett, on the 5th inst.—Sergt. Parkinson gave evidence to the effect that shortly after eleven o'clock at night defendant was drunk and used abusive language to him. He refused to go home, and had eventually to be locked up. On the way to the Station Mr Walker jumped and ran like a mad man. P.C. Stoner gave similar evidence.—Defendant denied the charge of drunkenness, and called Mr Whittaker, publican, Middle Street, who deposed to seeing Mr Walker at ten o'clock. He was then sober. Mr George Oliver also spoke to seeing Mr Walker about half-past nine o'clock, at which hour he was not at all under the influence of drink.—The magistrates considered that defendant was drunk, and inflicted a fine of 5s. and costs.

LANCHESTER PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, October 15.—Before M. KEARNEY (chairman), and JOHN CLAVERING, Esqs.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.

Ralph Thompson, Thomas Barker, and Simon Holt, were charged by P.C. Reay with the above offence at Annfield Plain. Barker was fined 10s., Holt 5s., and Thompson 2s. 6d. and costs.——J. Swift and J. Saint were fined 10s. and costs each for having been drunk and disorderly at Hill Top, on the 4th inst. P.C. Coats proved the case.——John Dunn and Patrick Sheridan, charged with a similar offence at Stanley, were each fined 10s. and costs.——Michael Cridegan, Thomas Metcalfe, and Jonathan Whitfield, were charged by P.C. Nicholson with a similar offence in the same locality.—Cridegan was fined 10s. and the other defendants 5s. and costs.

DRUNKENNESS.

Thomas Lumas, Peter McDonald, Hugh Arkless, Samuel Rudd, and John Clark, charged by Sergeant Morland with drunkenness at Dipton, were each fined 5s. and costs.——John Coxon, Thomas White, and R. Bell, were charged by P.C. Russell with a similar offence Fined 5s. each and costs.

PITCH AND TOSS.

Joseph Chalders, Nicholas Muse, John Moses, Nathan Race, Thomas Allen, Nicholas Irving, Joseph Irving, Henry Star, Thomas Grey, George Rowland, T. Young, Joseph Hepple, and Thomas Owen, were charged by P.C. Little with playing at pitch and toss in the neighbourhood of Hedley Hill, on the 6th October. Fined 20s. each and costs. Mr Maw, of Bishop Auckland, defended.—Luke Kirby, John Teasdale, George Musgrove, John Alder, William Greenhill, junr., William Greenhill, senr., Joseph Haggett, Robert Keirs, Thomas Young, Robert Murray, John Liddell, William Dawson, John Wardropper, Joseph Lovett, and John Vardy, were charged by P.C. Curren with a similar offence at South Moor, on the 3rd inst.—Wardropper, Lovett, and Alder were fined 20s. and the whole of the others 10s. and costs.——Joseph Lovett, Henry Bell, John Brown, George Musgrove and Robert Rodgers were charged by P.C. Tranmer with a similar offence at the same place on the 5th October. Fined 10s. each and costs.——J. Burdess, James Phillips, Benjamin Pattinson, Thomas Pattinson, and Miles Pattinson were charged by Sergt. Reed with playing at pitch and toss at Cornsay, on the 4th inst. Burdess and Phillips were fined 30s. and the others 20s. and costs.——William Barker and Edward Brammer, charged by P.C. Little with a similar offence near Hedley Hill, on the 3rd inst., were each fined 10s. and costs.

WILFUL DAMAGE.

William Knowley, William Riddell, Thos. Carrick, Archibald Mowbray, George Robinson, George Clark, and John Robinson were charged by Elizabeth Jane Surtees with wilful damage near Dipton, on the 27th September. Fined 1s. each, the damage 6d. and costs.——Michael Crane and George Knots were charged with damaging property belonging to the Marquis of Bute near Burnopfield, on the 25th September. Fined 5s., the damage 1d., and costs.——Mary Bambra and Mary Owton, charged by Maria McClean with a similar offence near to the same place, were fined 1s., the damage 2d., and costs.

GAME TRESPASS.

W. Briggs, an elderly man, was charged by T. Towns with the above offence. Fined 40s. and costs.——John Owen, labourer, was charged by John Cumming, agent to the Earl of Durham, with a similar offence near Kimblesworth. Forster, the keeper, found a snare containing a cat. He took out the cat, and re-set the snare, and subsequently saw the defendant go and examine it. He was fined 20s. and costs.

ASSAULTS.

John Foster was summoned for assaulting Thomas Scott, near Cornsay, on the 7th October. Defendant is a cartman, and on the day in question was proceeding along the road near Cornsay, when he observed the complainant and another boy fighting. He got off his cart, and gave both of them a sound thrashing with his whip. The magistrates inflicted a small fine of 1s. and the expenses.——Thomas and Catherine Cunningham were summoned for assaulting James Butler, at Quebec. A summons also charged Thomas Cunningham with wilful damage.—Cross summonses had been taken out, Catherine Cunningham preferring a charge of assault against James and Mary Butler. James Butler was also charged with assaulting Thomas Cunningham, and a third summons charged him with wilful damage. After hearing the whole of the evidence, the magistrates fined Thomas and Catherine Cunningham 5s. each and costs for the assault on James Butler, and ordered them to pay 10s., the amount of the damage, in the other case. The charges preferred by Thomas and Catherine Cunningham against James and Mary Butler they dismissed.

THURSDAY, October 22.—Before Mr KEARNEY (chairman) E. T. SMITH, and JOHN CLAVERING, Esqs.

ASSAULT AT BURNOPFIELD.

William Robinson was summoned for assaulting Margaret Henderson, at Burnopfield. Complainant stated that on Sunday night, October 11th, she was proceeding along the road in company with other two young women, and when getting near the Co-operative store the defendant seized hold of her and threw her down.—The Chairman: Did he hurt you?—Complainant:—No. The Chairman: Had you known him before?—Complainant: Yes.—The Chairman: Had you been in the habit of sweethearting with him?—Complainant: I have been in his company, but not in the sweethearting line. (Laughter.)—Defendant: I have been in her company many a time.—The Chairman: What have you to say—did you throw her down?—Defendant: I took hold of her, but I had no ill in it.—The Chairman: What made you knock her down?—Defendant: I did not knock her down.—Complainant called on a witness, who stated that complainant refused to go with him and he then threw her down.—Mr Clavering: How did he get hold of her?—Witness: By the shoulder; he pulled her down.—The Chairman? Did you pull her down for a lark?—Defendant: Yes.—The Chairman: You had no right to take liberties with the young woman. It is not a very serious assault, and you will be fined 5s. and costs.

RUFFIANLY ASSAULT BY BOYS AT SHIELD ROW.

Thomas Davison, Edward York, and Joseph Errington, the latter of whom only appeared, and who said he was sixteen years of age, were charged with assaulting Peter Marron, an old man. Complainant stated that he was in a public-house on Saturday night last. Errington and the other boys were there. On leaving the house he was followed by the lads, who knocked him down and kicked him severely.—The Chairman: Did they give you that black eye? Complainant: Yes.—The Chairman: Had you spoken to the lads before.—Complainant: No.—Complainant called a married woman who spoke to seeing the assault committed. Previous to that she went into the public-house to seek her husband, when the boys assaulted her in a very rude manner. Had not the men in the house interposed the lads would have badly used her.—The Chairman said it was perfectly shocking that a boy of defendant's youthful age should have been guilty not only of attacking a poor inoffensive old man, but also grossly and immorally assault a married woman. The smallest fine they could think of inflicting was 40s and costs. Warrants for the apprehension of the others would be issued.

SETTING FIRE TO A CHIMNEY AT CONSETT.

William Whittaker, innkeeper, Consett, was summoned for unlawfully setting fire to a certain chimney contrary to the bye-laws of the Consett Local Board. Mr Dawson stated that on the morning of the 15th inst., on opening his own door, he saw a quantity of smoke in Middle Street. On going along the street, he found smoke and soot ensuing from Mr Whittaker's chimney. On going into the house, he found a hamper on the fire. The servant was the only person in the room at the time, and on charging her with putting the hamper on the fire she replied that her master had done it.—The Chairman: Had it been put there for the purpose of lighting the fire?—Mr Clavering: I should think that it had been drawn on the fire, to clear the chimney.—The Inspector: When I found Mr Whittaker, I requested him to send some one to the top of the house, but he laughed and said it was only the soot burning.—The Chairman: You came to the conclusion that the chimney had been set on fire purposely?—The Inspector: Yes.—The Chairman? People clean their chimneys that way sometimes?—The Inspector: Yes.—Mr Whittaker: It is not three weeks since the chimney was swept. Mr Dawson told me if I did not try to put the fire out by sending some one on to the top of the house, he would fetch me up. I put a quantity of water on the fire. It was raining at the time, and, therefore, would have been exceedingly dangerous to have gone on the top of the house himself, or send anybody else up; in fact, he would not have gone up himself for half the value of the house.—In answer to the Bench, Mr Whittaker admitted having put the hamper on the fire. He had put it there in order to get rid of it, not thinking what might be the consequences.—The magistrates imposed a fine of 2s 6d and costs.

SABBATH SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY AT LANCHESTER.—The anniversary in connection with the Primitive Methodist Society of the above place was celebrated on Saturday and Sunday last, by a tea and public meeting, the latter being presided over by Mr J. Robinson, sen., of Lanchester. Addresses were delivered by Mr J. Graham and Messrs Smith and R. Brown, of Consett. On Sunday, Mr Graham preached two sermons, both of which were attended by large congregations.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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

DEATHS.

IVESTON—On the 22nd inst., aged 14 years, William Henry Thubbron, son of William Thubbron, late farmer, of Castle Dene. Funeral on Sunday, 25th inst., from Newmarket Street, Consett, at two o'clock. Friends will please accept this invitation.

LINTZ GREEN—On the 17th inst., aged nearly 73 years, Charles Bragg.

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