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LOCAL FLOWER SHOWS.

KYO.

The 23rd annual flower show in connection with Kyo Floral and Horticultural Society was held on Saturday, in a large field at Catchgate, granted by Mr Joseph Irwin. The committee were fortunate enough to "hit" upon a fine day, and the enthusiastic patrons of the show assembled in large numbers, especially towards evening. It is calculated that the attendance exceeded last years, and that the receipts taken at the gates amounted to over £40. The executive are to be congratulated upon the successful way in which they organised the show. The arrangements being satisfactorily carried out by the energetic secretary, Mr Geo Bullerwell. All the exhibits were of remarkably fine growth, and it was generally voted that on the whole they surpassed in quality those that have been seen at this show in former years. The entries were in excess of last year, and the competitors included some of the most notable exhibitors of the district. Plants and cut flowers possessed considerable wealth of bloom, and they formed a pretty display. Asters, pansies, dahlias, &c., were beautiful specimens, their colour being most brilliant. There was a full grown collection of fruit, especially that shown by Mr W. Armstrong, Clough Dene, and was the possessor of a great many of the red tickets. The floral bouquets were alike charming and effective in their structure. Vegetables were marvels of perfection, and they astonished the visitors with their immense size and quality. They were considered to be the best collection that has been exhibited at this show. In the collections, Mr John Scott, secured the first prize, and showed skilful horticulture. He produced six kidney potatoes which measured fully eight inches long and four inches wide. The only class in which there was a decrease of exhibits and a faultiness in their quality was that allotted to famers' produce. There was also a large table of bread, for which, along with butter and eggs, special prizes were offered. The judges were:—Flowers, plants and vegetables—Messrs Thomas Battensby, Axwell Park, Andrew Trotter, Blackhill, J. Geggie, Harperley Hall. Farmers' class—Messrs G. Hobson, Harperley Mills, Jos. Lumley, Annfield Plain. Bread, butter and eggs—Mrs Simpson, Hare Law, and Mrs Oxley, Catchgate. Selections of music were played by the Abbot Memorial School Band, under the direction of Mr Joseph Robinson. During the afternoon a number of sports were brought off, the results of the same will be found in another column. There had also to be a bicycle tournament, but only one club—West Stanley Rising Star—put in an appearance, and they secured one of the horns. In the evening a most successful ball was held in the marquee. The music was supplied by Mr Thomas Walker's quadrille band. Appended is a full

LIST OF AWARDS.

AMATEURS CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Three stove or greenhouse plants in bloom (dissimilar)—1, Jacob Rowell; 2, John Scott; 3, George Hobson.
Pot of liliums—1, R Kirsopp.
Two fuchsias, dissimilar—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Burton.
Two petunias, dissimilar—1, J Burton.
Two zonale geraniums, dissimilar—1, J Scott; 2, J Burton.
Two balsams—1, W Armstrong.
Two foliage plants—1, J Burton; 2, J Rowell.
Lilium auratum—1, R Kirsopp.
Three ferns, dissimilar—1, G Hobson; 2, J Rowell; 3, J Burton.
Two begonias, dissimilar—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Rowell.
Window plant, to be grown in window—1, R Armstrong; 2, J Irwin.
Four stands of herbaceous plants, each stand one variety—1, R Kirsopp; 2, Jos Robinson; 3, J Rowell.
Six dahlias, four dissimilar—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Summerbell; 3, G Hobson.
Six blooms of roses—1, J Rowell; 2, G Hobson.
Six French asters, four dissimilar—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Summerbell.
Six globe asters, four dissimilar—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Ward.
Six African marigolds—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Brewis.
Six French marigolds—1, W Armstrong; 2, J G Lawson.
Twelve show pansies, six dissimilar—1, J Ward.
Twelve fancy pansies, six dissimilar—1, J Ward.
Four stands of cut flowers—1, J Robinson; 2, R Kirsopp; 3, J Scott.
Four stocks, dissimilar—1, G Hobson; 2, J Ward.

FRUIT.

Bunch of grapes—1, J Rowell; 2, G Hobson.
Basket of fruit—1, G Hobson; 2, J Summerbell.
Six kitchen apples—1, G Hobson.
Six dessert apples—1, W Armstrong; 2, Geo Hobson.
Pint of gooseberries, flavoured—1, W Armstrong; 2, J Summerbell.
Six heaviest gooseberries—1, W Armstrong; 2, G Hobson.
Pint of white currants—1, W Armstrong.
Pint of red currants—1, J Summerbell; 2, W Armstrong.

VEGETABLES.

Six kidney potatoes, white—1, J Robinson; 2, J Ward.
Six kidney potatoes, coloured—1, J Robinson; 2, J Ward.
Six round potatoes, white—1, J Summerbell; 2, J Robinson.
Six round potatoes, coloured—1, M Bates; 2, J Summerbell.
Two cucumbers—1, J Burton; 2, J Champney.
Three turnips—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Summerbell; 3, J G Lawson.
Six onions, shown as grown—1, G Hobson; 2, J Summerbell.
Three leeks—1, M Bates; 2, J Brewis; 3, G Pace.
Three carrots—1, Jas Wilson; 2, J Scott; 3, J Ward.
Three parsnips—1, Geo Hobson; 2, Jas Wilson; 3, J Summerbell.
Three roots of red beet, 1st prize a bottle of whiskey (given by Mr John Dodd)—1, Geo Hobson; 2, Jas Wilson; 3, T Bowes.
Two plants of celery—1, Geo Hobson; 2, J Brewis; 3, J Ward.
Early cabbage—1, G Hobson; 2, Jas Wilson.
Red cabbage—1, 5s (given by Mr W. Taylor, Annfield Plain), J Summerbell; 2, 2s 6d (ditto), J Robinson.
Savoy cabbage—1, Summerbell; 2, G Hobson.
Cauliflower—1 (given by Mr Jos. Lumley), J Robinson; 2, Jas Wilson.
Twelve pods of beans—1, W Armstrong; 2, J Summerbell.
Twelve pods of peas—1, J Ward; 2, J Rowell.
Twelve eschalots—1, G Hobson; 2, J Robinson.
Three stalks of rhubarb—1, G Hobson; 2, Jas Wilson.
Collection of vegetables, six varieties, not named—1, timepiece, value £1 (given by Mr A. Brown, Annfield Plain), J Scott; 2, teapot (given by Messrs Moffatt Bros., Gateshead), J Summerbell; 3, a leg of mutton (given by Mr John Robinson, Catchgate), M Bates; 4, 3s 6d (given by Mr Joseph Irwin, Catchgate), G Hobson; 5, 2s 6d (given by Mr Jos. Lumley, Annfield Plain), R Kirsopp.

FARMERS' CLASS.

Six ears of white wheat—1, Mrs Rutherford; 2, T H Smith.
Six ears of red wheat—1, T H Smith.
Six ears of barley—1, T H Smith; 2, Mrs Rutherford.
Six ears of early oats, short—1, T H Smith; 2, Jos Lumley.
Six ears of tartar—1, T H Smith; 2, Mrs Rutherford.
Three swede turnips—1, W Shipley; 2, T H Smith.
Three yellow turnips—1, W Shipley; 2, J Wilkinson.
Three white turnips—1, T H Smith; 2, J Wilkinson.
Six white potatoes—1, Mrs Rutherford; 2, T H Smith.
Six hen eggs—1, J G Lawson; 2, Mrs Wilson.
Pound of butter, to be salted—1, a copper kettle (given by Mrs Coates, Dipton), Mrs Wilson; 2, teapot (given by Mrs Hobson, Harperley Mills), Miss Greaves; 3, 4s (given by Mrs Jos. Irwin, Catchgate), Mrs Jos Irwin.
The following prizes were given by Mr George Hobson:—
Three purple top swedes (Hobson's Choice)—1, J Wilkinson; 2, J T Mitchinson.
Three green top swedes (Hobson's Choice)—1, T H Smith; 2, J Wilkinson.
Three green top yellows (Hobson's Choice)—1, J Wilkinson; 2, J T Mitchinson.
Three white, green, or grey stone—1, Mrs Rutherford; 2, T H Smith.
White loaf, made from Hobson's extra supers—1, Mrs G R Hobson; 2, J Scott.
Brown loaf, made from Hobson's whole meal—1, Miss Irwin; 2. Mrs G R Hobson.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Two stove or greenhouse plants, in bloom—1, J Scott; 2, R Kirsopp; 3, J Burton.
Two fuchsias, dissimilar—1, J Burton; 2, R Kirsopp.
Light fuchsia—1, J Burton; 2, R Kirsopp.
Dark fuchsia—1, J Burton; 2, J G Lawson.
Three cut roses—1, R Kirsopp.
Pot of liliums—1, R Kirsopp.
Lilium auratum—1, R Kirsopp.
Zonale, in pot, single—1, J Burton; 2, J Scott.
Tricolour geranium—1, J Robinson.
Double geranium—1, J Scott; 2, J Burton.
Balsam—1, W Armstrong.
Window plant, to be grown in window—1, R Lambert; 2, Thos Burton.
Four stands of hardy annuals, each stand one variety—1, J Robinson; 2, J Summerbell; 3, R Kirsopp.
Three plants of antirrhinums, shown as grown, dissimilar—1, J Brewis; 2, J Ward.
Three dahlias, dissimilar—1, J Summerbell.
Three gladioli, dissimilar—2, J Burton.
Six French asters, three dissimilar—1, R Kirsopp; 2, J Summerbell.
Six globe asters, three dissimilar—1, J Ward; 2, R Kirsopp.
Six French marigolds—1, W Armstrong; 2, R Kirsopp.
Six African marigolds—1, J Brewis; 2, R Kirsopp.
Four stocks, dissimilar—1, J Ward; 2, J Burton.
Three spikes of phloxes, dissimilar—1, W Armstrong; 2, Jos Robinson.
Six pansies, dissimilar—1, J Ward.
Six fancy pansies, dissimilar—1, J Ward.

FRUIT.

Six kitchen apples—1, W Armstrong.
Pint of gooseberries, flavoured—1, J Summerbell; 2, W Armstrong.
Six heaviest gooseberries—1, W Armstrong; 2, J Summerbell.
Pint of white currants—1, W Armstrong.
Pint of red currants—1, J Summerbell; 2, W Armstrong.

VEGETABLES.

Six kidney potatoes, white—1, J Robinson; 2, J Ward.
Six kidney potatoes, coloured—1, J Scott; 2 (no name).
Six round potatoes, white—1, J Robinson; 2, J Ward.
Six round potatoes, coloured—1, Jos Robinson; 2, M Bates.
Two cucumbers—1, J Champney; 2, J Burton.
Three early turnips—1, J Summerbell; 2, J Burton; 3, W Armstrong.
Six onions, shown as grown—1, J Summerbell; 2, J Brewis.
Three leeks (prizes given by Messrs Henderson, Kirsopp, and Bullerwell)—1, 7s 6d, J Brewis; 2, 5s, J Robinson; 3, 2s 6d, J Scott; 4, 2s 6d, J G Lawson.
Three carrots—1, J Ward; 2, Jas Wilson; 3, J Scott.
Three parsnips—1, Jas Wilson; 2, J Summerbell; 3, J Brewis.
Three roots of beet—1, J Ward; 2, Jas Wilson; 3, J Robinson.
Two plants of celery—1, J Scott; 2, J Ward; 3, G Pace.
Early cabbage—1, Jas Wilson; 2, Geo Bullerwell.
Red cabbage—1, bottle of rum (given by Mr John Dodd), J Robinson; 2, J Summerbell.
Scotch cabbage—1, Geo Bullerwell; 2, J Robinson.
Savoy cabbage—1, Jos Robinson; 2, J Summerbell.
Cauliflower—1 (given by Mr John Dodd), Thomas Bowes; 2, Jas Wilson.
Twelve pods of beans—1, Jos Robinson; 2, J Summerbell.
Twelve pods of peas—1, J Robinson; 2, J Ward.
Twelve eschalots—1, J Robinson; 2, E Vipond.
Three stalks of rhubarb—1 (given by Mr J. Lumley), J Wilson; 2, Geo Bullerwell.
Collection of vegetables, six varieties, not named, none to be grown under glass—1, pair of blankets (given by Mr Jas. Hyslop, Newcastle), Jas Wilson; 2, gothic alarum clock, value 10s 6d (given by Mr W. Carmichael, Newcastle), M Bates; 3, 5s worth of garden seeds (given by Mr R. Charlton, Ebchester), J Scott; 4, 7lbs of beef (given by Mr Thos. Parker, Annfield Plain), J Summerbell; 5, 2s 6d (given by Mr Jos. Lumley), J Ward.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Open to amateurs and cottagers.

Group of miscellaneous plants, arranged for effect, space not to exceed 5ft. by 4ft.—1, 15s, Geo Hobson; 2, 5s, J Burton.
Six roses, three varieties (prizes given by Mr W. Fitzpatrick, Annfield Plain)—1, Jacob Rowell; 2, G Hobson.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

Early cabbage and two heads of celery—1 (given by Mr Wilson Richardson, West Kyo), T Bowes; 2, T Burton.
Three heads of beet—1, spade (given by Monkhouse and Brown), Jas Wilson.
Two cauliflowers and two heads of celery—1, bottle of whiskey (given by Mrs Lumley), M Bates; 2, T Burton.
Bouquet of flowers (prizes given by Mr John Lumley and Mr W. Cuthbert, Annfield Plain)—1, J Robinson; 2, R Kirsopp; 3, J Scott.
Collection of vegetables, five varieties, one of each kind, not named, confined to Catchgate and Annfield Plain—1, Thomas Bowes; 2, T Burton; 3, J G Lawson.

FARMERS' CLASS.

Three swedes, three yellow turnips, and six potatoes—1, steel gripe (given by Mr Jos. Henderson), W Shipley; 2, T H Smith.
Three yellow turnips—1, bottle of rum (given by Mr M. Handy), W Shipley; 2, J Wilkinson.
White loaf—1, 5s (given by Mrs Coates), Mrs Jos Irwin; 2, 2s 6d (by society), Miss Irwin.
Brown loaf—1, 5s (by Mrs Coates), J G Lawson; 2, 2s 6d (by society), Miss Oliver.

Open to both farmers and cottagers.

Six heaviest hen eggs—1, bottle of rum (given by Mrs Jos. Lumley), Mrs Coates; 2, J Scott.

Open to cottagers' class only.

Two parsnips and two carrots (prizes given by Mr James Guthrie, Annfield Plain)—1, E Vipond; 2, Jas Wilson.

FROSTERLEY.

This spirited little village for years was behind its neighbours in the matter of holding a flower show, but some three years ago a committee was formed, and the public solicited in aid of a local flower show with good results. The quality of the exhibits are of a very superior class. This year they held their third exhibition, in a field at Bridge End, kindly granted by Mr John Ridley. Frosterley Brass Band was in attendance, and played a choice selection of music. The day was unusually fine, and a nice company was present. Refreshments were provided by the society in one end of the marquee. The judges were Mr Black, Darlington; Mr Ford, of the Castle Gardens, Bishop Auckland; and Mr Bond, of Wolsingham. This year the committee made a new departure, and added sports to the show in the shape of a tug of war, kicking the football, obstacle race, handicap foot-race, and a football competition. The energetic and harding-working secretaries were Messrs M. Greenwell and J. Sparks, and much of the success of the show is due to their praiseworthy efforts. It is to be hoped they will see their way clear another year to add an industrial class to their rising little show. Subjoined is a

LIST OF AWARDS.

PLANTS.

Four stove or greenhouse plants, in bloom, dissimilar—1, G Moses, Stanhope; 2, C Tweddle, Stanhope; 3, I Moses, Stanhope.
Two fine foliage plants—1, W Sinclair, Stanhope; 2, C Tweddle; 3, I Moses.
Two fuchsias—1, R Lambert, Wolsingham; 2, C Tweddle; 3, I Moses.
Two balsams, dissimilar — 1, G Maddinson, Frosterley.
Fuchsia, any colour—1, R Lambert; 2, G Maddinson.
Two coleus, dissimilar—1, R Lambert.
Petunia—1, C Tweddle; 2, G Maddinson.
Begonia—1, G Moses; 2, G Maddinson.
Two tricolour geraniums—1, R Lambert.
Two zonale geraniums—1, W Potts, Witton-le-Wear; 2, R Lambert.
Two bronze geraniums—1, R Lambert.
Pot of liliums—1, R Lambert; 2, J Elliott.
Six British ferns—1, W Sinclair; 2, G Maddinson.
Specimen plant—1, R Lambert; 2, G Maddinson.

CUT FLOWERS.

Six dahlias, dissimilar—1, J Elliott; 2, R Lambert.
Six show pansies, dissimilar—1, W Coulson.
Six fancy pansies, dissimilar—1, R Lambert.
Six asters, dissimilar—1, I Moses; 2, R Lambert.
Six African marigolds—1, C Newcomb, Spennymoor; 2, G Walker, Wolsingham.
Six French marigolds—1, C Newcomb; 2, R Lambert.
Three phloxes, dissimilar—1, J T Bainbridge, Stanhope; 2, R Lambert.
Six herbaceous cut flowers, dissimilar—1, J T Bainbridge; R Lambert.
Six hardy annuals, dissimilar—1, W Wharton, Wolsingham; 2, M H Greenwell, Frosterley.
Four roses, named, dissimilar—1, J Chapman, Frosterley; 2, M H Greenwell.
Six stocks, dissimilar—1, J Vickers, Etherley.
Four cut geraniums, dissimilar—1, G Walker; 2, C Tweddle.
Three gladiolis, dissimilar—1, R Lambert; 2, G Walker.
Hand bouquet—1, W Sinclair; 2, R Lambert.
Four button-hole bouquets, dissimilar—1, M H Greenwell; 2, J T Bainbridge.
Basket of cut flowers—1, J Moses; 2, R Lambert.

FRUITS.

Six apples—1, J T Bainbridge; 2, J Wallace.
Six pears—1, W Coulson; 2, R Lambert.
Pint of flavoured gooseberries—1, W Potts; 2, R Lambert.
Twelve heaviest gooseberries—1, J T Bainbridge; 2, R Lambert.
Half-pint of black currants—1, W Potts; 2, R Lambert.
Half-pint of red currants—1, J T Bainbridge; 2, W Potts.
Twenty-four raspberries—1, J Dennison; 2, Jos Wallace.
Twelve cherries—1, J T Bainbridge; 2, C Tweddle.
Six plums—1, W Shaw; 2, J J Mowbray.

VEGETABLES.

Two white cabbages—1, C Newcomb; 2, J Vickers.
Two red cabbages—1, C Newcomb; 2, J Vickers.
Three garden turnips—1, Wm Sinclair; 2, T Hillary.
Two cauliflowers—1, J Vickers; 2, C Newcomb.
Three heads of celery—1, J Hillary; 2, W Proud.
Three carrots—1, J Brown; 2, W Proud.
Three leeks—1, J Vickers; 2, C Newcomb.
Three stalks of rhubarb—1, Joseph Brown; 2, R Lambert.
Three roots of beet—1, Joseph Brown; 2, W Birrip.
Three parsnips—1, James Brown; 2, C Newcomb.
Nine pods of beans—1, G Walker; 2, W Parker.
Nine pods of peas—1, Joseph Brown; 2, W Potts.
Six eschalots—1, C Newcomb; 2, W Parker.
Six onions, spring sown—1, J Vickers; 2, Joseph Brown.
Six onions, tripoli—1, G A Colman; 3, T Hillary.
Six round white potatoes—1, W Birrip; 2, W Parker; 3, I Moses.
Six white kidney potatoes—1, W Parker; 2, R Bainbridge; 3, R Lambert.
Six red round potatoes—1, G Moses; 2, W Harrison; 3, J Vickers.
Six red kidney potatoes—1, C Newcomb; 2, J Vickers; 3, W Driver.
Best collection of vegetables on a tray, six varieties—1, J Vickers; 2, C Newcomb; 3, Joseph Brown.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

VEGETABLES.

Confined to amateurs and cottagers living in and around Frosterley.

Two red cabbages—1, W Oliver; 2, T Grey.
Three turnips—1, W Ellwood; 2, W Birrup.
Two cauliflowers—1, W Driver; 2, N Cawthorn.
Three heads of celery—1, W Robinson; 2, W Porter.
Three carrots—1, W Driver; 2, W Porter.
Three roots of beet—1, W Porter; 2, W Birrup.
Nine beans—1, W Birrup; 2, W Porter.
Nine peas—1, W Porter; 2, W Birrup.
Six eschalots—1, N Cawthorn; 2, W Porter.
Six onions, spring sown—1, W Birrup; 2, W Porter.
Six onions, tripoli—1, N Cawthorne.
Six white potatoes—1, W Harrison; 2, G Driver.
Six red potatoes—1, W Harrison; 2, J Robson.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Tray of wild flowers (3s given by Mr Tweddle, jun, Stanhope)—1, J T Bainbridge, Stanhope.
Three roses, dissimilar (3s given by Mr Maddison, Frosterley)—1, R Chapman, Frosterley.
The pompone dahlia blooms, dissimilar (3s given by Mr M H Greenwell Frosterley)—1, J Elliott, Stanhope.
Double dahlia bloom (a picture value 4s 6d given by Mr R Chapman, Frosterley)—1, S W Greenwell; 2, G Maddison.
Tray of vegetables, six varieties, confined to Frosterley and neighbourhood (1st, 5s, given by Mr Barker; 2nd, 2s 6d. by Mr W Porter)—1, W Porter, Frosterley; 2, J Robson, Frosterley.
Six "white elephant" potatoes (1st, 2s, 2nd, 1s, given by Mr W Driver)—1, G Driver, Frosterley; 2, W Birrup, Frosterley.

TOW LAW.

The elements were favourable for this show on Saturday, and there was a good attendance. The entries in horticulture, pigeons, and rabbits showed an increase, while other classes were fully up to the average. The band of H.R.H. the Princess of Wales' Own Yorkshire Hussars was present. Other attractions included Punch and Judy. Mr W. Anderson (secretary) and a strong committee carried out the arrangements, and the show was a complete success. The following is the

LIST OF AWARDS.

OPEN CLASS.

PLANTS.

Stove and greenhouse plants—1, Jas Brown; 2, J Bond; 3, T Beasley; 4, J Laverick.
Fuchsias—1, Thomas Thompson; 2, J Bond; 3, J Laverick.
Pot plants—1, Jos Bond; 2, W Heseltine; 3, J Laverick.
Coleus—1, J T Hillary; 2, Jos Bond; 3, Thomas Thompson.
Tricolour geranium—1, J W Laverick; 2, J Walliker; 3, T Scurn.
Geranium—1, T Thompson; 2, J Brown; 3, Jos Bond.
Bicolour geranium—1, T Lawson; 2, J Laverick; 3, J Walliker.
Ferns—1, J Bond; 2, T Lawson; 3, J Brown.
Petunias—1, Jos Bond; 2, Thos Thompson; 3, J Laverick.
Liliums—1, J Walliker; 2, J Bond.
Balsams—1, C Moore; 2, T Thompson; 3, G Hindmoor.

CUT FLOWERS.

Stocks—1, C Moore; 2, Thomas Thompson; 3, J Walliker.
Phloxes—1, T Beasley.
Gladioli—1, Hodgson, Gateshead.
Dahlias—1, Hodgson.
Roses—1, Hodgson.
Cut geraniums—1, J Bond.
Show pansies—1, R Johnson.
Fancy pansies—1, J Edmondson.
French marigolds—1, J Edmondson.
African marigolds—1, J Allison.
Asters—1, J Edmondson.
Everlastings—1, W Heseltine.
Verbenas—1, J Edmondson.
Carnations—1, Hillia.
Cut flowers—1, W Allison, Darlington.
Hand bouquet—1, W Hodgson.
Basket of cut flowers—1, W Hodgson.

FRUIT.

Fruit, six varieties—1, W Hodgson; 2, T Beasley; 3, J Brown.

VEGETABLES.

Cabbage—1, W French.
Red cabbage—1, J Walliker.
Savoy cabbage—1, T Beasley.
Cauliflower—1, T Beasley.
Celery—1, W Wales.
Turnips—1, T Smith.
Leeks—1, R Johnson.
Parsnips—1, W Heseltine.
Roots of beets—1. J Graham.
Carrots—1, T Raw.
Spring onions—1, J Allison.
Pods of peas—1, J Walliker.
Pods of beans—1, W Wales.
Potatoes—1, J Allison.
Tray of vegetables—1, T Beasley; 2, J Walliker; 3, T Smith.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

PLANTS.

Stove and greenhouse plants—1, T Thompson.
Light fuchsia—1, C Moore.
Dark fuchsia—1, T Thompson.
Pot plants—1, Bradwell.
Coleus—1, Bradwell.
Geraniums—1, C Moore.
Tricolour geranium—1, C Moore.
Bicolour geranium—1, C Lowson.
Petunia—1, N Bradwell.
Best plant—1, C Moore.
Liliums—1, W Heseltine.
Window plant—1, J Moore.
Balsams—1, C Moore.

CUT FLOWERS.

Gladioli—1, Bates.
Stocks—1, W French.
Phloxes—1, T Dowson.
Dahlias—1, T Whittle.
Asters—1, H Slater.
French marigolds—1, T Thompson.
African marigolds—1, T Dowson.
Show pansies—1, W Gray.
Fancy pansies—1, W Gray.
Everlastings—1, W Heseltine.
Hardy annuals—1, W Heseltine.
Antirrhinums—1, I Graham.
Cut flowers—1, W Heseltine.
Ferns—1, T Lowson.

FRUIT.

Gooseberries—1, T Smith.
Heaviest gooseberries—1, W Craggs.
Red currants—1, T Dowson.
Black currants—1, W Craggs.
White currants—1, J Taylor.

VEGETABLES.

Cabbage—1, W French.
Red cabbage—1, W Craggs.
Savoy cabbage—1, W Craggs.
Cauliflowers—1, W Heseltine.
Lettuce—1, J Moore.
Celery—1, C Moore.
Turnips—1, H Slater.
Carrots—1, T Dowson.
Parsnips—1, G Hindmoor.
Leeks—1, T Smith.
Roots of beet—1, W Heseltine.
Radishes—1, R Craggs.
Spanish onions—1, W Craggs.
Tripoli onions—1, W Craggs.
Pods of beans—1, W Heseltine.
Pods of peas—1, T Graham.
Potatoes—1, W Craggs.
Eschalots—1, T Dowson.
Tray of vegetables—1, J Graham; 2, W Craggs; 3, T Smith.

LADY AMATEURS.

Quilted quilt—1 and 2, Miss Simpson; 3, Mrs Clarke.
Patched quilt—1, Miss Etherington; 2, Mrs Dawson; 3, Miss Butler.
Sofa rug—1, Miss Clifford, Shildon; 2, Miss White; 3, Miss Fleming.
Crewel work in silk—1, Miss Robson; 1, Mrs Wilson, Crook; 3, Miss Patton, Marske; special, Miss Lee, West Rainton.
Crewel work in wool—1, Miss Scott, Tow Law; 2, Miss Harrow, Darlington; 3, Miss Robson.
Hearthrug—1, Mrs Richardson, Crook; 2, Mrs Dawson; 3, Mrs Scott, West Thornley.
Wool antimacassar—1, Miss Allen, Crook; 2, Miss Veitch, Crook; 3, Mrs Clifford.
Cotton antimacassar—1, Miss Patton; 2, Miss Veitch; 3, Mrs Dawson.
Tea cosy—1, Miss Jolly, Crook; 2, Mrs Dawson; Mrs Little, Cornsay.
Worked slippers—1, Miss Maynard, Harrogate; 2, Miss Harrison.
Pincushion—1, Mrs Dawson; 2, Miss Patton; 3, Mrs Wilkinson.
Chair or sofa cushion—1, Mrs Wilson; 2, Mrs Wilkinson; 3, Mrs Little.
Macrame work—1, Miss Fleming; 2, Miss Braithwaite.
Toilet or table mats—1, Mrs Heron; 2, Mrs Clifford.
Wool work—1, Miss Maynard; 2, Miss Harrison; 3, Miss Rutter.
Hand painting—1, Miss Urwin; 2, Miss Maynard; 3, Miss Lee.
Dressed doll—1, Mrs Heron; 2, Miss Allen.
Articles not classed—1, Miss Harrison, Leasingthorne; 2, Miss Robinson, Tow Law; 3, Miss Etherington, Wolsingham.

POULTRY.

Brahma or dorking—1, J and T Currah; 2, W E Alcock; 3, M Ewbank.
Brahma or dorking hen or pullet—1, T Dowson; 2, R Chapman; 3, W E Alcock.
Plymouth Rock, cork or cockerel—1, T Dowson; 2, North of England Poultry Yard.
Plymouth Rock, hen or pullet—1, N Walker; 2, T Dowson; 3, R Horman.
Minorca, cock or cockerel—1, Miss H Dixon; 2, T Dowson; 3, W E Alcock.
Minorca hen or pullet—1, J Hardy; 2, J W Horsman; 3, T Dowson.
Hamburg cock—1, J Ridley; 2, J Stephenson; 3, T Dowson.
Hamburg hen—1 and 2, T Dowson; 3, Ridley.
Game cock—1 and special, J Christison; 2, Currah; 3, Barkas.
Game hen—1, Currah; 2, J Christison; 3, J Robson.
Any other variety, cock or cockerel—1, Cass; 2, J Stephenson; 3, W E Alcock.
Any other variety, hen or pullet—1 and special, Cass; 2, T Dowson; 3, N Walker.
Hamburg, any variety, cockerel—1 and 3, J Ridley; 2, T Dowson.
Any variety of game, cockerel—1, J Christison; 2 Barkas; 3, R Wood.
Any other variety, pullet—1, Barkas; 2, J Christison; 3, R Wood.
Game bantam, black or brown red, cockerel—1, W Gray; 2, R Irving; 3, G Dowie.
Game bantam pullet—1, W Gray; 2, G and W Walker; 3, R Irving.
Game bantam, pile, cockerel—1, J Robson; 2, J Christison; 3, T Davison.
Game bantam, pile, pullet—1, J Robson; 2 and 3, J Christison.
Game bantam any other variety, cockerel—1, Barkas; 2, W Gray.
Game bantam, any other variety, pullet—1, Frew; 2, J Hogg; 3, W Gray.
Bantam, rose-combed, cockerel—1, R Wood; 2, J Smart.
Bantam, rose-combed, pullet—1, R Wood; 2, R Paxton.
Bantam, any other variety, cockerel—1, Frew; 2, W Pickering.
Bantam, any other variety, pullet—1, J Whitley; 2, J Smart; 3, W Pickering.
Any variety of bantams, cock or hen, or cockerel and pullet, not to exceed 30s—1, J Christison; 2, R Wood; 3, Frew.

PIGEONS.

Dragon—1, Wade Bros.; 2, H Abbott; 2, R B Canter.
Antwerp—1 and 2, H Procter; 3, T L Paviour.
Fantail or Jacobin—1, Alcock.
Nun or magpie—1 and 3, Dosser; 2, Canter.
Homer, blue or black chequered—1, Canter; 2, Lishman and Anderson; 3, Alcock.
Homer, any other colour—1, Canter; 2, E Taylor; 3, W Woodhouse.
Homer, bred in 1890—1, Lishman and Anderson; 2, H Abbott; 3, Alcock.
Any variety not mentioned—1 and special, Alcock; 2, Pattison; 3, Paviour.
Selling class, not to exceed 10s—1, Sugden and Sons; 2, Canter; 3, A and P Perry.

RABBITS.

Silver grey—1 and special, A Rymer; 2, H Brown; 3, R W Bateson.
Ditto, cream—1, Little and Feetham; 2, E Palmer; 3, J Peacock.
Silver brown—1, J Price; 2, Little and Feetham; 3, G and W Deighton.
Silver fawn—1, Sutton and Stitt.
Dutch, black or blue—1, A Waud; 2, Sutton and Stitt; 3, J Adamson.
Ditto, any other colour—1, Rymer; 2, Mrs Dale.
Himalayan—1, Rymer; 2 and 3, T Parkin.
Common or cross-bred—1, Richardson and Bolland; 2, R Gundell.
Doe and litter—1, W Christison; 2, R Cole; 3, F H Pope.
Belgian buck—1, G Dobbing; 2, J Glass; 3, W Christison, Mount Pleasant, Spennymoor.
Belgian doe—1, T Sewell; 2, J and T Wetherill; 3, J Simpson.
Any variety not mentioned—1, T Parkin; 2, A Horner; 3, P J Kirk.
Any variety under six months, except Belgians—1, Rymer; 2, Bateson; equal 3, W Jefferson and A Waud.
Selling class—1, W Christison; 2, G A Sherwood; 3, Woollocombe.
Gift class—1, Richardson and Bolland; 2, W Christison; 3, J T Winn.

CAVIES.

Rough—1 and 2, G W Halliday; 3, R Stevens.
Agouti, smooth—1, Alcock; 2, Sneath; 3, P Carr.
Tortoiseshell, or tortoise and white—1, W J Key; 2, T Sneath; 3, Alcock.
Smooth—1, T Sneath; 2, L Perrin; 3, Alcock.
Rough or smooth, young—1, Perrin; 2, Alcock; 3, G W Halliday.
Gift class—1, Alcock; 2, J Moses; 3, Woollocombe; extra 3, Summers.

DOMESTIC AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

Two pounds plain butter—1, Miss Urwin; 2, Miss Delphin; 3, Mrs J H Atkinson; h c, Mrs Glenton.
Six hen eggs—1, Miss Urwin; 2, John Moore.
White bread—1, Mrs Kimber; 2, Mrs Moore; 3, Miss Rawes.
Brown bread—1, Mrs Alderson; 2, Mrs W Coulson; 3, Mrs Purvis.

MEDOMSLEY.

The annual flower show was held on Saturday afternoon in a couple of fields behind the Royal Oak Hotel, Medomsley, and, with fine summer-like weather, proved to be the best and most successful exhibition which has ever taken place under the auspices of the society. Music was furnished by the Tanfield Lea Band, and some 3,000 people patronised the show. There was a very extensive entry, and the exhibits reached a high standard of excellence, particularly the collection of vegetables, which were greatly admired. The cut flowers were a capital selection. The success of the show is due to the efforts put forth by Mr W. E. Charlton, secretary, and an energetic committee. The judges were:—Floral and horticultural, Messrs Stobbart, Gosforth, and Bolam, Axwell Park; farmers' classes, Mrs Calvert, Broomhill, and Mrs Waggott, Ebchester. Subjoined is the

PRIZE LIST.

OPEN CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Three stove or greenhouse plants, in bloom, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton; 3, W Ridley.
Two fine foliage plants—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton.
Two petunias, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, G N Brown.
Two fuchsias, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw.
Two zonale geraniums, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, W Ridley.
Two coleus—1, R Charlton; 2, R Kirsopp.
Tuberous-rooted begonia—1, M Redshaw; 2, G N Brown.
Lilium auratum—1, M Redshaw; 2, W Ridley.
Pot of liliums—1, M Redshaw; 2, W Ridley.
Two balsams, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, J Brown.
Three miscellaneous plants, in bloom—1, M Redshaw; 2, N Marley.
Four bottles of cut flowers—1, R Charlton; 2, R Kirsopp; 3, M Redshaw.
Four gladioli, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton; 3, W Ridley.
Four herbaceous flowers, in bottles—1, R Charlton; 2, M Redshaw; 3, R Kirsopp.
Three phloxes, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton.
Six dahlias, dissimilar—1, R Charlton; 2, W Ridley.
Six cut roses, three dissimilar—1, J Minto; 2, J Maughan; 3, R Charlton.
Four trusses of geraniums, in bloom, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton; 3, G N Brown.
Six French asters, dissimilar—1, R Charlton; 2, M Redshaw.
Six globe asters, dissimilar—1, M Redshaw; 2, J R Middleton.
Six French marigolds—1, M Redshaw; 2, G Gibbons.
Six African marigolds—1, J R Middleton; 2, N Marley.
Six pots of table decorations, pots not to exceed six inches—1, R Charlton; 2, R Kirsopp.
Lady's hand bouquet—1, R Charlton; 2, R Kirsopp.
Basket of cut flowers, not to exceed 14 inches—1, R Charlton; 2, R Kirsopp.

FRUIT.

Two bunches of grapes—1, R Bell.
Six pears, flavoured—1, R Bell; 2, W E Charlton.
Six kitchen apples—1, J Smith; J Nichol.
Six dessert apples—1, W E Charlton; 2, G E Milburn.
Pint of red currants—1, R Bell; 2, R Charlton.
Pint of white currants—1, R Bell; 2, G Towns.
Pint of flavoured gooseberries—1, R Bell; 2, G Towns.
Six heaviest gooseberries—1, G Gibbons; 2, W Laidler.

VEGETABLES.

Two cucumbers—1, R Charlton; 2, R Bell; 3, J Walton.
Six kidney potatoes—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton.
Six round potatoes—1, J R Middleton; 2, J Nichol.
Three turnips—1, M Redshaw; 2, R Charlton.
Six onions—1, M Redshaw; 2, G Towns.
Three leeks—1, N Marley; 2, J R Middleton; 3, J Brown.
Three parsnips—1, J Brown; 2, J R Middleton.
Three carrots—1, W Laidler; 2, R Charlton.
Three roots of beet—1, R Kirsopp; 2, G Dixon.
Two heads of celery—1, W Milburn; 2, W Laidler; 3, G Gibbons.
Twelve pods of peas—1, J Minto; 2, J Walton.
Twelve pods of beans—1, T Graham; 2, M Redshaw.
Two cauliflowers—1, G Towns; 2, M Redshaw; 3, J R Middleton.
Two early cabbages—1, R Charlton; 2, G Gibbons.
Two red cabbages—1, G Dixon; 2, R Charlton.
Best collection of vegetables—1, J R Middleton; 2, R Charlton; 3, R Kirsopp.

COTTAGERS' CLASS.

FLOWERS.

Two stove or greenhouse plants, in bloom, dissimilar—1, N Marley; 2, G N Brown.
Dark fuchsia—1, T Snowdon; 2, G N Brown.
Light fuchsia—1, G N Brown.
Zonale geranium—1, G N Brown.
Double geranium—1, N Marley.
Coleus—1, A Shearer; 2, W E Charlton.
Two British ferns—1, G N Brown.
Petunia—1, A Shearer.
Four dahlias, dissimilar—1, J Maughan; 2, T Snowdon.
Six cut roses, three dissimilar—1, W E Charlton; 2, G Walton; 3, W E Charlton.
Six French asters—1, McCabe.
Six globe asters—1, G Walton; 2, G Walton.
Six French marigolds—1, G N Brown; 2, Jacob Walton.
Six African marigolds—1, J Brown; 2, W E Charlton.
Twelve pansies, in water, six dissimilar—1, G Walton; 2, G Gibbons.
Four bottles of cut flowers—1, N Marley; 2, J Brown; 3, J Walton.
Four stocks, dissimilar—1, J Brown; 2, McCabe; 3, W E Charlton.
Three spikes of phloxes, dissimilar—1, W E Charlton; N Marley.
Best window plant—1, N Charlton.

FRUIT.

Six kitchen apples—1, Nichol.
Pint of black currants—1, Smith; 2, W E Charlton
Pint of red currants—1, Smith.
Pint of white currants—1 and 2, W E Charlton.
Flavoured gooseberries—1, Jacob Walton; 2, G Walton.
Collection of wild fruit—1, T Graham.

VEGETABLES.

Six kidney potatoes—1, R Scott; 2, J Brown; 3, T Snowdon.
Six round potatoes—1, M Milburn; 2, G Dixon; 3, N Charlton.
Three early turnips—1, J Charlton; 2, N Charlton; 3, J Nichol.
Six summer onions, shown as grown—1, J Walton; 2, T Snowdon; 3, J Nichol.
Three leeks—1, J Brown; 2, J Maughan; 3, N Marley.
Three carrots—1, G Dixon; 2, M Milburn; 3, J Maughan.
Three parsnips—1, Brown; 2, Maughan; 3, T Graham.
Three roots of beet—1, G Dixon; 2, Lonsdale; 3, W Laidler.
Two heads of celery—1, W Laidler; 2, G Gibbons; 3, Smith.
Twelve pods of peas—1, Nichol; 2, W E Charlton; 3, Walton.
Twelve pods of beans—1, Nichol; 2, Walton; 3, N Marley.
Cauliflower—1, Brown; 2, Smith; 3, McCabe.
Two early cabbages—1, G Dixon; 3, Smith; 3, T Snowdon.
Red cabbage—1, G Dixon; 2, M Milburn; 3, M Laidler.
Savoy cabbage—1, Smith; 2. Brown; 3, Lonsdale.
Scotch cabbage—1, Smith.
Collection of vegetables—1, T Snowdon; 2, Brown; 3, G Gibbons.

FARMERS' CLASS.

Farmers' produce—1, G Towns; 2, England; 3, T Walton; 4, G Bell.
Six hen eggs—1, Bell; 2, Mrs Walker.
Plain butter—1, England; 2, T Simpson; 3, Mrs Pattison.
Fancy Butter—1, Mr Elsdon; 2, Mrs Milburn; 3, Mrs Walker.

EXTRA PRIZES.

(For Cottagers only).

Mr Wardle's prize—1, T Snowdon.
Mr Charlton's prize—1, A Shearer.
Mr Fell's prizes—1, W Milburn; 2, G Gibbons.
Mr Watson's prize—1. N Charlton.
Messrs Biddle and Co.'s prizes—1, R Scott; 2, Leech.
White bread—1, Miss Bell; 2, Mrs Taylor; 3, W Stokoe.
Brown bread—1, Miss Bell; 2, Mrs Walker; 3, England.

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BENFIELDSIDE.—On Monday, Mr Murray had forward 5 fat cattle, 145 fat sheep and lambs, 30 keeping lambs, and 25 pigs. Fat cattle made up to £15 16s; sheep to 47s; lambs to 29s 6d; cows to £12; pigs, 10s to £4 5s. A good company was present, and stock made fair prices. Keeping lambs sold up to 19s.

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MARLEY HILL WATER SUPPLY.

The Whickham Local Board members had a special meeting last Friday night—Mr Henry Wallace presiding—to further consider the vexed question of a water supply to Marley Hill.—The Chairman remarked that it would be within the memory of all that at the recent Local Government Board inquiry a suggestion was made whereby it was thought that the difficulty might be overcome, and he was glad to announce that there was a fair prospect of the residents at Marley Hill now being supplied with water. Since the last meeting of the Board, a meeting of the representatives of the Lanchester and the Chester-le-Street Guardians with the representatives of that Board had been held at the offices of the Weardale Water Company at Durham, and he was glad to say that the difficulty had now practically been removed. An arrangement had been entered into for the Weardale Water Company to supply to the Consett Water Company whatever quantity of water was required in that district, and Mr David Dale, who was chairman of the two companies, had approved of the scheme, which was that the Weardale Company should supply water to come through the Consett mains at the rate of 1s 6d per 1,000 gallons. A calculation had been made and the probable cost to the Whickham authority would be £1,300, of which the Newcastle Water Company had agreed to pay £1,000. The other £300 included the cost of fittings, &c, which must be paid by the owners, and would amount to £170, and the suggestion was that the remainder should come out of the rates. After some discussion it was agreed that the matter should be left in the hands of the chairman and clerk (Mr Thomas Lambert) to make the necessary arrangements, and that application should be made to the Local Government Board to allow the deficiency to be made up out of the rates. The Chairman further intimated that after the meeting at Durham he and the clerk attended at the Miners' Hall and had an interview with Mr Patterson and Mr Johnson, and they were informed by those gentlemen that if the scheme were carried out it would mean that the miners would have to pay 3d per week each towards the water supply.—On this, the Clerk read a letter from Mr Patterson in which he stated that he had advised the miners to agree to this course.

A LANCHESTER TRUSTEE CASE.

A question of some importance as to the liability of the estate of a deceased trustee for losses sustained by his negligence was raised in a case relating to the estate of the late John Cumming, of Manor House, Lanchester, heard by the Registrar (Mr A. O Smith) of the Palatine Court of Chancery on Saturday, at Durham. Mr W. Lisle, (Durham) was solicitor for plaintiffs, and Mr Joseph Mawson, (Durham), for defendants.—Mr Lisle said John Cumming died on 27th Dec. 1876, having appointed William Cumming and Joseph Atkinson trustees and executors of his will, to whom he devised his estate upon certain trusts. Though for some reason the will had not been proved, William Cumming took possession of testator's personal estate, consisting of farming stock and household effects, which he sold to Mr W. S. Wearmouth for £950, for which he gave Cumming a promissory note. In the following year Wearmouth paid £238 on account, but there was nothing to show how Cumming had disposed of it. Wearmouth repudiated liability on his promissory note, claiming the benefit of the statute of limitations, no interest having ever been paid on the note. William Cumming died in July, 1888, having appointed the plaintiffs executors of his will, who issued the usual notice requiring claims against his estate to be sent into them. In response to this they received from the defendants particulars of certain legacies granted to them by the will of John Cumming amounting to upwards of £400, in respect of which they claimed to rank as creditors against the estates of William Cumming, the trustee. The creditors of the latter disputed their claims and desired the opinion of the Court on the point of liability.—In reply to the registrar, Mr Lisle said Wearmouth's promissory note was payable on demand.—Mr Mawson, for the defendants, said but for William Cumming's negligence in allowing the promissory note to become statute barred there would have been sufficient assets in John Cumming's estate to pay the clients' legacies, and he contended that William Cumming's estate was liable to make good the loss which had been occasioned by his negligence.—The Registrar held that William Cumming, as trustee, was not justified in accepting a promissory note for the price of his testator's effects, and in suffering it to become statute barred was guilty of culpable negligence. The taking possession of and selling testator's effects was, in his opinion such an act of administration as to render William Cumming liable both at law and inequity for any losses resulting from his acts. Having committed a flagrant breach of trust he (the Registrar) held that William Cumming could not, if living, nor could his representatives now set up the statute of limitation. But assuming that the protection conferred by the Act extended to cases of breach of trust, it was clear that the representatives of William Cumming could not avail themselves of its provisions, inasmuch as the interests of the defendants only became interests in possession on the death of testator's widow in February, 1888. Applying the principles laid down by Lord Cottenham and other eminent judges in cases of that kind he (the Registrar) held that William Cumming's estate was liable to make good to the estate of his testator £950 with interest at £4 per cent from the date of Wearmouth's promissory note, but as the only claims in dispute were those of the defendants the simplest course would be to direct that they be enforced against the estate of the defaulting trustee.

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THE BREWSTER SESSION.

LANCHESTER AND CONSETT.

The annual licensing meeting for the West Division of Chester Ward of the County of Durham was held on Thursday week, at the Police Buildings, Lanchester, the following Justices sitting on the Bench:—Coun. J. Annandale (chairman), Ald. W. Lindsay, Col. E. Leadbitter-Smith, Messrs F. Priestman, W. B. Van Haansbergen, and Rev F. W. Glyn. The court room was densely packed throughout the proceedings, by solicitors, innkeepers, deputations from temperance societies, and the general public; the greatest interest being manifested in the business before the Licensing Court.

THE LICENSING QUESTION:

IMPORTANT JUDICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The CHAIRMAN said: Before proceeding with the business, I purpose making, on behalf of the Bench, a few remarks with reference chiefly to some points of the Licensing Laws which have recently been brought into prominence, and which are undoubtedly at present, and quite properly, engaging public attention; and further, to indicate what we hold to be the duties and powers of Justices in regard to these and kindred questions. Since the last annual Licensing Sessions the very important case of Sharpe v Wakefield has been definitely decided by the House of Lords. This case has excited the greatest attention all over the country. It has been fought out no less than five times—twice before the Justices, and three times before the Superior Court. The principle of the decision has been affirmed by every Court, from one to the other, up to the highest in the land. It has destroyed the popular impression that an innkeeper had a vested interest in his licenses, whereby he could, and seems to give the Justices absolute discretion as to the renewal of licenses. To those versed in Licensing Law, this decided no new principle, but was well-known to them, and constantly acted upon, that subject to an appeal to Quarter Sessions the Licensing Justices had absolute discretion as to the renewal of alehouse licenses. But the appeal to Quarter Sessions was so often successful, that the principle of the absolute discretion of the Licensing Justices was practically lost sight of. Another cause for the popular impression were the renewal clauses in the Licensing Acts of 1872 and 1874. By the terms of these dates, each individual innkeeper in the district had to appeal annually before the Licensing Justices and apply for the renewal of the licence he was applying for a new licence. But by the 42nd section of the Act of 1872, it was provided that the licensed person need not appear in person before the annual licensing meeting unless required by the Licensing Justices to do so, and it was also provided that the Justices should not entertain any objections to the renewal of such licence, unless seven days' notice of the intention to oppose the renewal be given before the annual licensing meeting. In 1874, when the Licensing Act was passed, which did not disturb the settlement of 1872, but amended some points which were thought to press too hardly on the licensed victuallers' interest. By section 26 of the Act, it enacted that the Justices should not require the attendance of any licensed person, save for special cause, "personal to the licensed person," and also provided that on of an insufficient number of the renewal of the license, should not be valid unless it stated in general terms the grounds on which such license was to be opposed. After this clause the licensee is not to be wondered at that the impression got abroad that an innkeeper had a legal or vested interest in his license—subject, of course, to good behaviour. But a licensed victualler must dismiss this notion from his mind. His license is in all circumstances only a license from year to year; and that has not been decided. And though I do not wish to minimise the importance of a decision which has excited great interests, I cannot help thinking that Sharpe v Wakefield has done little towards solving the great drink problem, and now with regard to our duty as licensing justices, it will not alter it to say "we have made up our minds to reduce the number of licensed houses in our district, and we will do so regardless of the merits or hardships of individual cases." On this point Mr Justice Wills, in his judgment in Sharpe v Wakefield, says that there must be "a judicial discretion exercised in respect of the individual case." Sharpe v Wakefield contemplates only discretion judicially exercised. In the first reported case in which the case decided as far back as 1753, viz., "Reg. v Young and Pitt." This was referred to first by Mr Justice Field, when the case came before the Court of Bench Division. It seems to be the foundation and support of the law on the subject ever since. It was an application against a magistrate who had acted arbitrarily, obstinately, and unreasonably refusing to a man, who was licensed before to keep an inn at another place. It would open up a wide question for a removal. It was held by the court that notwithstanding the matter was left in a great measure to the discretion of the justices, if it appeared that such conduct was partial, oppressive, corrupt or arbitrary, instead of fair and candid, they might be called upon to shew the reasons on which they exercised their discretion. Accordingly, a rule was granted and the case came on for decision before the Court of Queen's Bench, when Lord Mansfield said "For though they (the justices) have, it is true, a discretion in these cases, yet it must not be permitted to be wantonly exercise an arbitrary and uncontrollable power over the rights of other people, and in cases where their livelihoods are so essentially concerned." And in the late case the present Lord Chancellor has supplemented the above by explaining that the decision does not cover the arbitrary enforcement of private theories, far less the gratification of pique or resentment. He further said: "An extensive power is confided to justices in their capacity as justices, to be exercised judicially, and discretion means when it is said that something must be done within the discretion of the authorities, that something is to be done according to the rules of reason and justice, not to private opinion, according to law and not humours. 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Conside	19	11	3	7	7544	8760
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Esh	6	—	3	4	6333	6392
Greencroft	3	—	1	—	1687	1837
Healeyfield	2	—	—	—	923	880
Hedleyhope	3	—	1	1	1504	1448
Iveston	9	3	1	—	4093	4148
Kyo	9	2	—	1	6063	6320
Lanchester	9	—	1	4	4347	5368
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THE TEMPERANCE DEPUTATION.

A deputation, consisting of presents from Consett, and consisting of the following gentlemen:—Rev J. H. Taylor, Wesleyan minister; Rev C. S. Wilson, curate of Consett; Messrs. T. H. Powell, Jr., Allison, and Powell, jun. Another deputation from West Stanley comprised:—Rev J. Crennell, Vicar of Beamish; Alfred Stanley, Wesleyan Catholic minister; James J. Green, J. Woodley, J. Lowrey, and Luke Gray.

Rev J. H. Taylor handed to the Bench the subjoined resolution, unanimously passed at a public meeting:—

"That this public meeting of the inhabitants of Consett, assembled in pursuance of notice, hereby enters its protest against the action of the Justices in refusing the increase of drunkenness in our town since last Brewster Sessions. And further, this society trusts that the licensing Justices will take steps to check the evil to curtail the facilities for drinking, and encourage sobriety."

The speaker reminded the court that drunkenness was on the increase in Consett. This was due not to the increase of licenses, but to the extra facilities afforded for drink by the enlargement of existing licensed premises. Therefore, they respectfully urged the Bench to exercise the discretion given to them by law, and reduce the number of public-houses. They found that the number of licensed places in the town was largely in excess of the legitimate requirements of the population.

Rev J. Crennell, on behalf of the West Stanley deputation, presented the following resolution adopted at a public meeting held in Stanley National Schools, on the previous Tuesday evening:—

"That, in the opinion of this meeting, all applications for new licenses are unnecessary and unasked for, and would certainly tend to the increase of drunkenness; and that the transfer of licenses be prohibited in a district the worst supplied according to the population, to a place where it was not needed is strongly condemned by this meeting."

The rev gentleman was proceeding to refer specially to this application; but the Clerk (Mr W. Crennell, in opposing any particular application, would have to give evidence on oath when the proper time came.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW LICENSES.

The following is the list of fresh applications:—

Six full licenses.—Thomas Armstrong, innkeeper, Blackhall Mill, in respect of a house belonging to him at that place; Thomas Forster, butcher, for new premises about to be built at West Stanley, and belonging to Thomas and John Forster (provisional grant of new license); Joseph James, business keeper, Lambton Park, Fence Houses, on behalf of Mr John Coates, of Gornsay Colliery; Samuel Leighton, innkeeper, for a license attached to property about to be erected, but required to be removed to premises about to be constructed at Craghead, Lanchester, and belonging to Mr Thomas Fenwick residing at Durham (provisional removal of license); Edward Taylor, retailer of spirits and beer, Ivesley Three Lane Ends, Muggleswick, for a new license for premises belonging to him; Joseph Watson, innkeeper, in respect to a license attached to premises at Shield Row, Stanley, and belonging to Messrs Hannah Chaytor, solicitors, Durham, and Mr Forster, butcher, West Stanley, for a house owned by Thos. and Joseph Forster, West Stanley—spirits and wine.

Two beer licenses.—Mr Welford, Allendon, Consett, supported the application of Thomas Armstrong, Blackhall Mill, for the conversion of a beerhouse into a full-licensed house.

The request was opposed by Mr J. Robinson, solicitor, Newcastle, on behalf of Mr Charlton Ward, host of the Londonderry, who said there was already one full-licensed houses and two beerhouses in the place, and the number of habitable dwellings was only 17. Inhabitants had unanimously protested against Mr Armstrong's application being acceded to, and a petition had been presented to their respective Lordships.

Mr Welford objected to the memorial being admitted; and the Clerk said that it was sufficient to say that it was not signed by a resident.

Mr Ward added that there was not a resident policeman in the village.

Mr Welford, witness said he was unaware that if the license was granted he would have to vacate his present house.

Mr Thomas Forster, West Stanley, was also supported by Mr Welford.

Applicant mentioned that there were only three full-licensed houses in West Stanley, where there was a population of over 4,000 persons. There had been no increase in public-house accommodation, although there had been a great increase in the population, and also with reference to the accommodation for the public. The last point is of great importance. It is well known that a great many innkeepers consider that all that they have got to do is to sell intoxicating liquors. I am aware that it is a moot point whether the keeper of an inn or tavern can be *compelled* to supply food or non-intoxicating drink, such as tea or coffee. The mere fact that a man has a license for the sale of intoxicating drink does not make him an innkeeper. But most of the fully licensed houses in this district do hold out that they will supply food and lodging to travellers, and I think that they ought to be prepared to furnish such reasonable refreshments, if applied for in a reasonable manner. It is not a fit question for the licensing authority to consider, whether they would not decline to renew a license, when objection was made on that ground, if such reasonable refreshment had been refused. But after all, though this consideration ought not to influence them, the question of the full discretionary power of licensing bench can be used in the reduction of licenses will be decided principally by the Courts of Quarter Sessions sitting as the Court of Appeal. It will be noticed that in the case of Sharpe v Wakefield, the Quarter Sessions confirmed the decision of the Licensing Justices, declining to renew the license. If they had reversed it, nothing more would have been heard of the case. There in the last year two Innkeepers have been convicted in the division. One of them—John Maughan of the "Board," Low Chesterley, Craghead—was convicted on previous drunkenness, and was fined 40s and costs. A solicitor appeared on behalf of the owners of the house, and explained that the offending tenant would be at once turned out of the house and a fresh tenant put in, and he asked the court not to endorse the license. The court did not endorse the license, but it behoves the owners of public-houses to know that they need not expect that their premises will escape all penal consequences by the expedient of turning out the offending tenant out. Terms of letting are so onerous that in order to recoup himself the tenant is practically invited to break the law. With regard to such I will only say, that where the magistrates have any reason to think so, the license will certainly be endorsed whether the tenant is turned out or not. The other case of conviction was for adulteration of whiskey under the Food and Drugs Act, and still such cases will be narrowly dealt with in future. The lamentably long lists of convictions at the weekly courts during the last year, of persons charged with drunkenness and offences directly traceable thereto, force upon us the conclusion that some at least of the Licensed Victuallers of the division have failed to exercise sufficient control of their houses. We would exhort the Licensed Victuallers in the division to remember the responsibility of their position, and to bear in mind the serious consequences that must ensue upon any infraction of their license that is proved to have taken place. In conclusion, we would impress upon the police to exercise the greatest vigilance in the prevention of offences as well as their detection.

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Public Notices.

LOOK OUT for ANNFIELD PLAIN HORSE RACING, on September 9th, 1891.—£5 10s for a Foot Handicap.—Entrance 1s.—For Bills apply to THOS. N. STAFFORD, Sen., Annfield Plain. 394g

NOTICE.

THE GAME on Medomsley Town Farm and Allendale Farm is strictly Preserved. 395g

WOLSINGHAM.

THE WOLSINGHAM & WEAR VALLEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY will hold their Annual Show on Tuesday, Sept. 8th, 1891.

For Schedules apply

R. E. STOBBS, Secretary.

Entries close August 29th. 512g

TUITION FOR UNDER-MANAGERS OF MINES.

MESSRS WM. WILKINSON and F. DAVISON, of Catchgate (each of whom holds a First-class Certificate as a Mining Engineer), will conduct a CLASS to prepare Students for EXAMINATION for Under-managers' Certificates. Terms, £1 per Quarter (paid in advance). Time: TUESDAY and THURSDAY of each Week, from 7 to 9 p.m., in Mr W. Wilkinson's House, commencing Tuesday, Sept. 1st, 1891. 390g

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT!!

CASTLESIDE FLORAL and HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY will hold their Second Annual Exhibition of Flowers, Fruits, Plants, and Vegetables, on Saturday, September 5th, 1891.

A SPECIAL PRIZE for the best Three Leeks, a Leg of Mutton, given by Mr Barron (Cottagers' Class only).

Also, Half-a-Mile Amateur BICYCLE RACE, for which Three Prizes will be given.—First Prize, Silver-plated Cup, the value of £1; 2nd, Silver-plated Cruet Stand, value 10s; 3rd, value 5s. Entrance Fee, 1s, to be sent to JOHN DOWN, Secretary. 303g

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Public Notices.

LEEKS AGAIN.—The 4th Annual Leek Show will be held at the house of Mr JOHN SHIELD, Miners' Arms Inn, Front Street, Leadgate, on Saturday, Sept. 12th, 1891. Judge, Mr Jos. ROBINSON. Come and see Prizes. 484g

THE FRENCH LANGUAGE.

A FRENCH GENTLEMAN intends Opening a CLASS in the above Language. Oral and Grammatical. Terms, 10s 6d per Quarter, or 15s the Half-year. — Apply, "PARIS," *Guardian* Office, Consett. N.B. Private Lessons given. Terms moderate. 467g

THEATRE ROYAL, CONSETT.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, September 4th and 5th.—Last Two Nights of the Popular Drama, "RIGHT'S RIGHT."

Monday, September 7th—Important engagement of Mr. W. J. Rockstro's Company in the Military Drama, "VICTORY." Special Scenery and Effects.

SCIENCE CLASSES.

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE of Consett Co-operative Society will accept Names of Students for the following Classes up to September 5th, 1891:—Applied Mechanics, Mathematics, and Mining. Also a few more for Machine Construction and Drawing. 439c

NOTICE.—The First Shotley Bridge and District 370th Starr-Bowkett Building Society will hold their 60TH APPROPRIATION by Ballot, in the Sons of Temperance Hall, Blackhill, on Monday, 14th inst., at 6·30 p.m., prompt, instead of 7·30 p.m.—By Order,

JOSEPH WHITEHEAD.
GEO. MATTHEWS.

474g

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1875.

DISTRICT OF LEADGATE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Local Board of Health for the above District, will on the 9th day of September next, at 3 o'clock p.m., proceed to the Appointment of a Medical Officer of Health for the above District at an Annual Salary of £20.

By Order,
M. COUPLAND, Clerk.

2nd September, 1891. 478g

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

FIVE DAYS' EXCURSION TO CAMBRIDGE NORWICH, &c.

ON MONDAY, the 7th of September, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Newcastle at 12·5 a.m. (with bookings from Blaydon, Consett and Blackhill, &c.), for CAMBRIDGE, NORWICH, HARWICH, ELY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS, OSWESTRY, CHESTER, YARMOUTH, CROMER, and LOWESTOFT, for FIVE DAYS. 461g

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

NATIONAL TEMPERANCE CHORAL UNION FESTIVAL AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE.

ON MONDAY, the 7th of September, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Newcastle, at 10·15 a.m., (with bookings from Blaydon, Consett and Blackhill, &c.), for LONDON for 7 DAYS. 462g

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

DURHAM FLOWER SHOW.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 9th September, an EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Consett at 1·45 p.m. (with bookings from Knitsley, Lanchester, Witton Gilbert, and Aidin Grange), for DURHAM and SUNDERLAND.

See Bills. 463g

CONSETT ART CLASSES.

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The NEW SESSION begins on Wednesday, Sept. 16th, 1891, at 6·30 p.m.

WM. PATTERSON, ART TEACHER.

For prospectus or further particulars, apply to the HON. SECRETARY (Mr Fetherick), or to Mr HYDE, at the School. 456g

IVESTON FLOWER SHOW AND SPORTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 1891.

£7 10s will be given for 120 Yds. Handicap Footrace. Entrance 1s. £1 2s 6d Quoit Handicap; entrance 2s. 6d. Bugle, value £1, will be given to the Bicycle Club having most members present. Entries for Footrace must be sent direct to Mr W. HANCOCK (Handicapper), Iveston, or to the Secretaries, Messrs G. H. HENDERSON and J. S. MILLER, near Iveston, not later than Tuesday, Sept. 8th, 1891. For further particulars see Bills. 415g

IVESTON FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 1891

WANTED, TENDERS for REFRESHMENTS (Ball and Show combined). Also, Tenders Wanted for AMUSEMENTS (not more than two Tenders will be chosen for each class of Amusements). All Tenders to be sent in not later than Monday, September 7th, 1891, to Messrs G. H. HENDERSON and J. S. MILLER (Secretaries), near Iveston. 414g

NOTES ON THE HISTORY, GEOLOGY, & ORNITHOLOGY OF THE VALE OF DERWENT, being Papers read before the Vale of Derwent Naturalists' Field Club.

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RECEPTION OF MINISTERS NEWLY APPOINTED TO THE SHOTLEY BRIDGE AND CONSETT WESLEYAN CIRCUIT.

ON SATURDAY, September 5th, the REV J. V. SUTTON, of Shotley Bridge, will Preach in the Wesleyan Chapel, Annfield Plain, at Three o'clock. Public Tea at 4·30 p.m. A Public Meeting will also take place at 6·30 to be Addressed by the Circuit Ministers and Representatives from the Societies in the Circuit. Chair to be taken at 7 o'clock by Mr John Buckham, of Lanchester. Tickets for Tea, 9d each. A Collection will be taken after each Service to be applied to the Circuit Fund. 413g

ONDILL, STANLEY, AND DISTRICT FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The Annual EXHIBITION will be held at West Stanley, Saturday, September 12th, 1891. Open Class for Plants, Flowers, Vegetables, and Farm Produce. Gates up in to Visitors at One o'clock. All Stands, Open and Confined, to be set up by 10 a.m., prompt. The Abbot Memorial Industrial School Band has been secured, and will perform during the Show. SPORTS.—Football Competition (Association).—First, £1 Silver Medals. Entrance, Quoit, 2 Per Team. Quoits Handicap, distance 10yds.—1st, 30s.; 2nd, 20s.; 3rd, 10s. Entrance 6d. Cycling.—A splendid Bugle will be given to the Bicycle Club who muster the largest attendance. Muster at 5 p.m. Cricket for Boys (under 16 years).—1st, 5s.; 2nd, 2s 6d. Entrance free. Rolling for Wheel.—1st, 5s.; 2nd, 2s 6d. Entrance 3d. Prizes for best Darned Stocking for School Girl.—1st, splendid Work-box; 2nd, 1s. Heelape Prizes for best specimens of Writing, Boy or Girl, in Standard III., IV., V., and VI. Entrance Free. Cricket Match.—West Stanley v. Langley Park.—Prize value 20s. A Grand Ball will be held in the Marquee after the Show.—Admission, Gentlemen 1s; Ladies, 6d. Admission to the Show, Adults, 6d; Children, 3d. No Refreshment Stalls or Gambling allowed on the Field. Tenders Wanted for Amusements. Schedules, or any further particulars, apply to

R. D. WELSH, Secretary.

East Stanley, R.S.O. 435x

SHOTLEY BRIDGE & CONSETT DISTRICT GAS COMPANY

ANY Person Removing, Altering or Tampering with any Meter, Pipe, or other Property of the above Gas Company, or Consuming Gas upon any Premises without first having obtained permission from the Secretary to the said Company, will be prosecuted as the Law directs.—By order,

M. RICHLEY, Secretary.

GEO. MACDONALD IS COMING.

Public Notices.

THREE of the Winning Numbers for the Raffle at Leadgate still unclaimed, are 38, 1st, Screen; 27. 4th; 59th, 5th. 485g

"GEORGE MACDONALD, LL.D."
Author of "David Elginbrod," "Sir Gibbie," "Robert Falconer," "Donal Grant," &c., &c., will deliver a LECTURE in the Co-operative Hall, Consett, on Saturday, Sept. 12th. Subject, "Macbeth." Chair to be taken at 7·30 by G. Ainsworth, Esq. Tickets, 1s and 6d, may be had at Messrs Tyler Bros. and H. Cornforth's, Middle Street, Consett; Cooke, Stationer, Blackhill; Lax, Shotley Bridge, and Power, Stationer, Leadgate.

TANFIELD FLORAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION of Plants, Flowers, Vegetables, and Farm Produce will be held on Saturday, September 5th, 1891. The Tanfield Lea Prize Brass Band will be in attendance during the Afternoon, and also at the Ball in the Evening. TENDERS for the whole of the Amusements will be received by the Secretary up to and including Thursday, August 13th. No Refreshment Stalls or Gambling allowed on the Field.
N. WILKINSON, JUN., Secretary,
East Tanfield, Lintz Green. 251g

LOOK OUT for the SPEN FLOWER SHOW and SPORTS, on Saturday, Sept. 5th, in the Low Spen Park, when upwards of £80 will be offered in Prizes. £10 10s for 120 Yds. Handicap, Steeplechasing, Pony Racing, Boys' Racing, and Three valuable Prizes for Bicycle Racing (Amateurs). A Splendid Bugle given to the Bicycle Club who musters most members. Prizes for Quoiting.—For further particulars see Bills.—GEORGE WISHART, Secretary, Spen Colliery, Lintz Green. 261g

NORTHUMBERLAND COLLEGE OF MUSIC,
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Michaelmas Term commences Sept. 24th.
Entrance Examination Sept. 23rd, for new students.
Re-engagement of Miss STOWARD and Mr ZABBAN, from London.
Professors attend for all Instruments.
The following classes are arranged:—
Ladies' Choir, conducted by Miss Steward. Fridays, at 3 o'clock
Juvenile Singing Class ......Saturdays, at 10 ,,
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Elements of Music, Mr T. A. Alderson...Tue days, at 3 ,,
Sight Singing, Miss Stoward ......Tuesdays, at 4 ,,
Harmony—Counterpoint, Dr Armes Wednesdays, 5 30 and 6·30 ,,
The College is registered for private examination with the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and Royal College of Music. Thirty students have passed the examination just held.
466g T. ALBION ALDERSON, Principal.

AMUSING PUZZLE, No. 4.
S-T-O-A-G-R-N-E-L.

FROM the above letters form Two Certain Words. £5 given to each person who sends the Two Correct Words. (All Competitors will get a prize). If you have never tried a Competition, or have tried and never won a prize, TRY THIS; you will never regret it. Send Words, accompanied with a P.O. for 1s, and 5d Stamps, to T. DEWDNEY, Peasholm Cottage, Scarborough. Competition closes Sept. 12th. Prizes, with list of winners, posted September 14th. N.B.—Special Cash Prizes will be given for the best Handwriting received. Names and Addresses of Prize Winners of last Competition:—Mr James I. Bickerton, Bondgate Street, Alnwick; Mr John W. Kirby, Escombe, Bishop Auckland; Mr Walter Baston, 93, Cardigan Terrace, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Mr Henry J. A. Eggleton, 7, John Street, Durham; Miss Mary Wood, Above Park, Selside, near Kendal; Mrs C. Dawson, 6, Vicarage Terrace. Kendal; Mrs Salterthwaite, Muchterswick, Ulverstones. 471g

SPIRITS (Off.)—WINE (Off.)
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Conside and Knitsley, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, WILLIAM AYNSLEY, now residing at Middle Street, Consett, in the Township of Conside and Knitsley, in the County of Durham, Grocer, DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that it is my intention to apply at the Adjournment of the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice Room, in Lanchester, on the 24th day of September next, for a License authorising me to apply for and hold an additional Excise License to sell by retail at a shop situate at Blackhill in the Ward aforesaid, Spirits to be consumed off the premises in pursuance of the Act 24 and 25 Vict., c. 21, s. 2, and an Excise License to sell by retail at a shop situate at Blackhill in the Ward aforesaid, Wine to be consumed off the premises in pursuance of the Act 23 Vict., c. 27, s. 3, and Acts amending the same.
I am the owner of the premises in respect of which this application is made.
Given under my hand this 1st day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-one.
459g W. AYNSLEY.

SPIRITS (Off.)—WINE (Off.)
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR JUSTICES' CERTIFICATE.

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Medomsley, in the County of Durham, and to the Superintendent of Police of the West Division of Chester Ward, in the said County of Durham, and to all whom it may concern.

I, THOMAS ARMSTRONG, now residing at Blackhall Mill, in the Township of Medomsley, in the County of Durham, Innkeeper, DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that it is my intention to apply at the Adjournment of the General Annual Licensing Meeting, to be holden at the Justice Room, in Lanchester, on the 24th day of September next, for a License authorising me to apply for and hold an additional Excise License to sell by retail at a shop situate at Blackhall Mill aforesaid, Spirits to be consumed off the premises in pursuance of the Act 24 and 25 Vict., c 21, s. 2, and an Excise License to sell by retail at a shop situate at Blackhall Mill aforesaid, Wine to be consumed off the premises in pursuance of the Act 23 Vict., c. 27, s. 3, and Acts amending the same.
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460g THOMAS ARMSTRONG.

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A GRAND
EGYPTIAN BAZAAR
WILL BE HELD IN THE
NEW TOWN HALL, CONSETT,
To be opened on Wednesday, September 16th, at 2·30, by
MRS. DAVID DALE, of Darlington.
Thursday, September 17th, by
MRS. T. H. BAINBRIDGE, of Newcastle.
Friday, September 18th, by
MRS. R. WALTON, of Stanhope.
Supported by DAVID DALE, Esq., T. H. BAINBRIDGE, Esq., R. WALTON, Esq., Alderman JENKINS, J.P., the CIRCUIT MINISTERS, and other Gentlemen.
Previous to the Opening on Wednesday, LUNCHEON will be provided in the Smaller Hall at 1·30. Tickets 2s. 6d. each, which may be had of the Secretaries, Messrs. Foster and Stokoe.
The Official Illustrated Handbook, with full particulars, may be had from any of the Local Stationers, or the Secretaries. Price 4d. 401g

GEO. MACDONALD IS COMING.

Sales by Auction.

By Messrs. A. & R. J. Brodie.

Monday, September 14th, 1891.—Victoria Sale-Rooms, Consett.—Important Sale of Superior Household Furniture, 2 Excellent Pianofortes, Domestic Sewing Machine, 2 Best Silver-Plated Tea and Coffee Services, Fine Bronze Figures, and other Effects.

MESSRS. A. and R. J. BRODIE are instructed by a Lady declining housekeeping, to remove and SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in the Victoria Sale-Rooms, Consett, on Monday, Sept. 14th, 1891, the whole of the Superior HOUSE FURNISHINGS and EFFECTS, including—Handsome Cheffioneer; Mahogany Drawers; Couch, in Hair-seating; 2 Leather Couches; Pair of Easy Chairs, in Hair-seating; Pair of Leather Easy Chairs; 6 Spanish Mahogany Chairs, in Hair; 6 Chairs, in Leather; 6 Windsor Chairs; 2 Arm Chairs; 2 Rocking Chairs; Rocking Chair, in Hair-seating; Polished Ash Bedstead and Mattresses; 2 Brass-mounted Bedsteads and Mattresses; 2 Feather Beds, Bolster, and Pillows; Brussels Carpets and Hearthrugs; 16 Yds. Floor Oilcloth; Noble Brass Fender and Fire Brasses; Massive Steel Fender and Fire Irons; 2 Tidies; Valuable Clock; Washstands & Dressing Tables; Wringing Machine; Glass and China; Kitchen Utensils, &c. Also, 2 Fine-toned Pianofortes; Music Cabinet, and Stool.
Sale to commence at Half-past One o'clock.
No reserve, the Goods being sent for absolute Sale.

Freehold Cottages for Sale, at Leadgate.
TO BE SOLD, by Private Treaty, all those EIGHT FREEHOLD COTTAGES, situate in Shipley's Yard, Watling Street, Leadgate. Mr. John Wilson, of St. Ives' Road, Leadgate, will show the Property, and further particulars may be had from A. BRODIE, Town Hall, Consett.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.—A. & R. J. BRODIE Auctioneers and Valuers, Town Hall, Consett, undertake the SALE OF PROPERTY of every description either by PUBLIC AUCTION or otherwise, on reasonable terms. FORTNIGHTLY SALES held every Pay Monday, at the Victoria Sale-Rooms, in which Furniture or other Goods can be included, or if preferred, will be Purchased for Cash. Bailiffs under the Agricultural Holdings Act, and under the Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1888.
ACCIDENT ASSURANCE.—Assurance against Accidents of every kind in the following Offices, noted for prompt settlement of claims—Scottish Accident Assurance Company, Imperial Union Accident Assurance Company.

SPECIAL EMIGRATION OFFICE, &c.
A. PHILLIPSON, Dipton, by Lintz Green Station. AUCTION SALES will be conducted in the best style, and upon most reasonable terms. LETTERS by Post will have prompt attention, and all Sorts of GOODS, FURNITURE, &c., can be bought right out for Cash. 34e

By Mr. John Crawford.

Mr. John Crawford's Sale-Rooms, 6, 12, and 25, Victoria Street, Consett.
MR. JOHN CRAWFORD is instructed to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday, September 14th, 1891, a lot of Valuable Mahogany FURNITURE, at the above Rooms.
Sale to commence at One o'clock prompt.
Anyone disposing of their Furniture can have it sold on reasonable terms at any time.
25, Victoria Street, Consett. 486g

IMPORTANT NOTICE.
MR. JOHN CRAWFORD, AUCTIONEER, 25, Victoria Street, Consett, is prepared to execute all orders for the SALE of FARM STOCK, PROPERTY, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE STOCK-IN-TRADE, &c., in the best style, and on reasonable terms; immediate settlement. Mr. John Crawford is appointed by his Honour Judge Meynell to act as Bailiff to levy Distress for Rent in England and Wales, under the New Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1888. Mr. Crawford's Sale-Rooms are open daily to receive Furniture for Fortnightly Sales. People that are leaving the District can have their Furniture turned into Cash at once by applying to JOHN CRAWFORD, Auctioneer, 25 Victoria Street, Consett. 903a

By Mr Joseph Oley.

Without Reserve.—Valuable Cottage Property for Sale at Consett.
MR JOS. OLEY, having received instructions, will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at Mr J. Moffatt's, Crown and Swords Hotel, Shotley Bridge, on Wednesday, September 9th, 1891, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon (without reserve), all those 8 FREEHOLD COTTAGES, from No. 2 to 9, inclusive, situate in Havelock Street, Consett, and now occupied by the following Tenants—No. 2, Mr R. Finlay; No. 3, Mr N. Lamb; No 4, S. Swalwell; No. 5, Mr J. Oliver; No. 6, Mrs Close; No. 7, Mr W. Wilkinson; No. 8, Mr W. Reather; No 9, Mr Geo. Piggins. The House-end is let to Mr Wilkinson, as a Posting Station. Each Cottage contains 2 Rooms, Pantry, and small Scullery, with Outoffices.
The respective Tenants will, on application, allow intending purchasers to view the Property.
Further particulars may be obtained on application to Messrs Clayton and Gibson, Solicitors, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and the Auctioneer, 68, Wood Street, Shotley Bridge. 335g

JOSEPH OLEY,
THE AGRICULTURAL AUCTIONEER AND VALUER
10, WOOD STREET SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

By Mr John S. Murray.

ROYAL AUCTION MART, BENFIELDSIDE.
MONDAY, SEPT. 7TH, 1891.
5 Fat Cattle.
120 Fat Sheep and Lambs.
Veal and Keeping Calves.
Pork and Store Pigs.
3 S.H Stirks.
A number of Dairy Cows, Poultry, Stack Nets, Harness, &c.
Sale at One o'clock.
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Appointed by His Honour JUDGE MEYNELL to Levy Distress for Rent, under the New Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1888.
ROYAL AUCTION MART, BENFIELDSIDE

By Mr. William Nicholson.

LANCHESTER AUCTION MART.
LANCHESTER MART, Special Sale, Horses, Cattle, Sheep, &c., on Wednesday, Sept. 9th.
430g WILLIAM NICHOLSON, Auctioneer.

By Mr. James Turnbull.

Sale of Away-Going Crops at Peth House Farm, Lanchester.
THIS SALE will be held on Saturday, Sept. 5th, 1891, at 4 p.m., and is NOT POSTPONED as previously announced. 10 acres of Oats, 7 acres of Wheat, 4½ acres of Barley. Conditions at time of Sale. Terms, CASH.
467g JAMES TURNBULL, Auctioneer.

Derwent Grange or Fox Holes Farm, near Consett about 1½ Miles from Rowley Station.
MR. J. TURNBULL, having been honoured with instructions from Mrs M. M. DICKINSON, who is declining Farming, will SELL BY AUCTION, on Friday, Sept. 25th, 1891, the whole of the Valuable FARM STOCK, HORSES, CATTLE, SHEEP, and IMPLEMENTS.
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GEO. MACDONALD IS COMING.

Sales by Auction.

By Mr. A. Phillipson.

Raisinside, Dipton.—Sale of Useful Stone-Built Cottages.
MR. A. PHILLIPSON, favoured with instructions from the Executors of the late Mrs Wilkinson, will offer for SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the house of Mr R. Brown, Bute Arms, Dipton, on Wednesday, September 23rd, 1891, at 6·30 p.m., in one lot, all those FIVE STONE-BUILT COTTAGES, of Two Rooms each, and all Conveniences, situate at Raisinside, Dipton, and now occupied by the Marley Hill Coal Company for some years. Yearly Rent £22 10s., which is considerably less than what they would now command.
Respective Tenants will show the Cottages, and further particulars may be had from the Executors, Mr S. Swalwell, Dipton, Mr W. Robson, Iveston; or the Auctioneer, Dipton. 449g

By Mr. J. Vickers.

TOW LAW AUCTION MART
MONDAY, SEPT. 7TH, 1891.—50 to 60 Dairy Cows and Heifers; 6 Fat Cattle; 130 Fat Sheep & Lambs; 3 Store Cattle; 10 Finger Calves; Butcher's Spring Cart.
Entries to day of Sale. Sale at 10·30 a.m.
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"NO PANIC."

PRIMITIVE METHODISTS.—The Primitive Methodist Choir of East Hedleyhope had their annual trip, on Saturday, by brake, to Middleton-in-Teesdale. Although the weather was not all that could be desired the party enjoyed themselves very well.—On Saturday evening, they gave a concert to defray the expenses of the trip, &c. Mr William Armstrong, with his rich bass voice, rendered good assistance, as did Miss S. Loyd, (soprano), and Master T. Bond (alto).

GEO. MACDONALD IS COMING.

WEATHER CHART FOR SEPTEMBER.

Mr B. G. Jenkins, F.R.A.S., London, gives the following chart for this month:—A dry month. A westerly gale about the 18th. During the first week a high barometer sets in. Foggy weather towards the close. Temperature: Cold periods about the 2nd, 16th, and 29th. High round the 19th. Rain: About one inch; chiefly from the 17th to the 21st. Heavy about the 17th. Prevailing Winds: N.W. and S.W. Westerly winds predominate.

TO ADVERTISERS AND CORRESPONDENTS

COMMUNICATIONS should reach us *not later* than Wednesday morning.
Full report of Lanchester Flower Show next week.

The Consett Guardian

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 1891.

JOTTINGS BY THE WAY.

[BY "INCODO."]

BENFIELDSIDE SCHOOL BOARD AND FREE EDUCATION.

I hasten to congratulate the members of the Benfieldside School Board on the course they took and the part they have played in the free education question. In weighing the action of the Board in relation to this matter, it should of course be remembered that two well-defined courses were open to the body named—an extreme, or the golden mean. The Board wisely chose the latter, and the result of their deliberations are bound to give all-round satisfaction both to the ratepayers, and the parents of the children who attend the district schools. A penny per head for the scholars in the higher standards is a mere acknowledgment for services rendered, but collectively it means much to those who are held responsible for keeping the machinery in working order. I am consequently of opinion that the members of the Board did the best thing possible under the circumstances. To have declared the schools within their jurisdiction free would have been a bold stroke of business, and would have at once brought in its train responsibilities that were not to be lightly undertaken. It follows, therefore, all things considered, that the Board acted with becoming caution and forethought, and the best thanks of the public are due to them as men of sense and worth.

THE ATTENDANCE QUESTION.

This is a subject that lies very near to the hearts of the members of the Board; and naturally so, because the attendance of the scholars is the pivot upon which the machinery of the new scheme turns. If the scholars can be induced to attend regularly, the promised grant will be assured; but should a go-as-you-please policy be tolerated, then will the district ratepayers have to thrust their hands deep down into their pockets—and it may be assumed that they will not do that with a very good grace. How to best obtain the result longed for is the point at issue, and on that score the members appear to be at their wit's end. In their extremity they called in the head master—Mr Philip Teare—and it then transpired that in the past the attendance question had not met with due attention. On being pressed to propound a remedy Mr Teare disclosed the astounding fact that he had often noticed that the Medical Officer's report for the district with regard to the prevalence of illness did not coincide with the report submitted by their Attendance Officer. The chairman concurred by observing that he had often noticed the same thing. This was a most extraordinary statement, and now that the attendance question is a veritable burning question, and seeing also that the Board if anxious above all things to find the *open seasame* to a better order of things, the Medical Officer and the Attendance Officer should both be requested to meet the Board the next time its members sit in council and there and then show cause why the respective reports are about as wide in point of fact as the poles. The public would no doubt be interested to learn whether a doctor of the professional standing of Dr George Renton, or the Attendance Officer was the best authority touching the health or otherwise of a township. But apart from that phase of the subject the members have got an idea that will set their minds in motion.

"THE KEYNOTE OF WISDOM."

Apropos of the preceding notes, and the free education question is the singularly strange erratic remarks made by Mr Henry Carss when he took the pet and abruptly left the meeting, the doings of which are referred to above. The public know well enough that Mr Carss has had to take a back seat on the present Board, and my observations on that head the other week have already been verified to the letter. It will be remembered that I put it plain enough that if he was not constituted chairman or vice-chairman, there would be no peace in that house, so long as one stone remained upon another. The first-fruits of my predilication have been already garnered, for Mr Henry Carss went into the dumps at the most important meeting ever held since the Board was floated. The business progressed swimmingly, albeit that Harry played the *role* of dummy, and incensed beyond measure, that the members did not bow down to him, like the sheaves in Joseph's dream, he leapt to his feet with an agility astonishing for a man of his advanced age, and made tracks for the door.

A NEW ATTRACTION.

For weeks past the advertising columns have bristled with the welcome announcement that George McDonald was coming. My readers know that George McDonald, L.L.D., is an accomplished author, and his visit to the district marks a new epoch in popular entertainments. A cheap and a free untrammelled press has brought the reading public of to-day into close fellowship with the cleverest men of the present, as well as of past ages. It is pleasant to peruse the works of those favoured sons of men; but to meet with them in the flesh is still more delightful—too delightful indeed to be enjoyed very often in a life-time. The visit of Mr McDonald is consequently all the more welcome, and as the charge for admission to hear his lecture on "Macbeth" on Saturday week is only 1s to the front seats, and 6d to the body of the hall, the poorest may enjoy the intellectual treat, and see a gentleman who has done much in his time to add to the purest and best literature of its class which our age has produced.

Local and District News.

CONSETT.

LOOK! in advertisement columns for Amusing Puzzle. 470g

RECEPTION OF WESLEYAN MINISTERS.—On Wednesday first, Rev J. Crawshaw, of Annfield Plain, will preach in the Consett Wesleyan Chapel at 3 o'clock. There will be a public tea at 4·30, and in the evening a public meeting will be held to be addressed by the circuit ministers and representatives from the societies in the circuit. Mr John Buckham will take the chair at 7 o'clock.

IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.—A well-attended meeting, under the auspices of the league, was held on Sunday night in the Theatre Royal, Consett—Mr J. Connor presiding.—It was decided to hold a great demonstration and concert in the New Town Hall some time during the month of September, to be addressed by Mr Jeremiah Jordan, M.P. for West Clare, and other Nationalist members, the proceeds being for the evicted tenants.

THEATRE ROYAL.—*Right's Right*, by Mr Adderly Howard and his capable company, is being produced here this week, and so far has proved highly successful. Mr Frank Noel is a manly "John Mayne," whilst the villainies of "Stanton Gallowfield" and "Barker Buckworth" are most ably pourtrayed by Mr Adderly Howard and Mr Elton Morgan. The ladies of the company, Miss Albina Moore, Miss Agnes and Miss Zoe Elsworthy, and Miss Gladys Drummond render efficient assistance as "Mary Mayne," "Cherry," "Spikes," and "Piggy" respectively. The acrobatic performance of the brothers Arlino, which takes place in the fair scene in the second act, is received with rounds of applause. Next week a new drama entitled *Victory*, in four acts, written by Mr J. Hewitson Porter, is announced. It is a story of love, suffering, and wrong, and is a well-woven plot which is most carefully worked out by the various artistes engaged.

SHOTLEY BRIDGE.

TEA AND CONCERT.—On Saturday, the annual tea and concert of the Shotley Bridge Co-operative Society was held in the Temperance Hall. The tea was largely patronised. The building was crowded at the concert in the evening, and a high-class programme of music was rendered by the following:—Miss A. Matthews, Blackhill; Miss Dent, Castleside; Miss Anderson, Sunderland; Messrs J. Symington and J. Siddle, Consett; Mr B. Duckworth, Newcastle; Mr Thomas Clennell, Castleside, and Mr T. Wright, Blackhill. Mr J. W. Davison, Blackhill, presided at the piano. At the interval, Mr W. Telford, Shotley Bridge, gave an address. Mr J. Leadbitter, Cutlers' Hall, ably presided. [Owing to the influx of news we have been obliged to curtail this report. ED. *C.G.*]

WATERHOUSES.

Waterhouses Flower Show is fixed for August 6th, 1892, when £300 will be given in prizes, and there is over a balance of £680 in the N.P. Bank, at Durham.

CHESTER-LE-STREET.

PRESENTATION TO A STATIONMASTER.—On Monday night, the numerous friends of Mr James Aitchinson, late stationmaster at Chester-le-Street (now of Haydon Bridge), assembled at the King's Head Inn, Chester-le-Street, for the purpose of presenting that gentleman with a small token of their esteem and respect. Mr James Turnbull occupied the chair, and Mr G. B. Barker the vice-chair. After the repast, Mr Turnbull made the presentation, which consisted of a handsome gold albert and spade ace guinea appendage, together with a purse of gold (£20). Mr Aitchinson feelingly responded, and the rest of the evening was spent in a harmonious manner.

TANFIELD.

PARISH CHURCH.—Two eloquent and impressive sermons were preached in the ancient church of Tanfield, on Sunday, on behalf of the Church Missionary Society, by the Right Rev Bishop Tucker, D.D., Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa, who also addressed the Sunday School children in the afternoon. The offertories amounted to £9 12s 2d, which, with £4 2s 6d collected by Miss Handcock, makes the total contribution to the society for the year, from this country parish, £13 14s 8d.

CORNSAY COLLIERY.

CORNSAY COLLIERY ORCHESTRAL BAND.—This delightful orchestral string band under Mr G. Turner, bandmaster, are giving open-air concerts on Wednesday evenings, when weather is favourable, and they are considerably strengthened and number 20 performers on string and wind instruments.

BURNHOPE COLLIERY.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH.—The annual demonstration in connexion with the above was held on Saturday, at Burnhope Colliery, in a field kindly lent by Mr Corker. There was a much larger attendance than was expected owing to the unfavourable weather. In the morning the "cup that cheers but not inebriates" was provided by the following ladies:—Mesdames Thirlwell, Battensby, Turton, Leeming, McKie, and Misses Leeming, Hopper, Soulsby, Gailes, Groundy, and Dyson. The following Primitive Methodist choirs kindly consented to come, and took part in the proceedings:—Allendale Cottages, Waldridge Fell, White-le-Head, Burnhope. Miss Johnstone, late of London, sang two choice solos. Addresses were given by Mr H. Staines, West Pelton, and the Rev T. Archer, newly-appointed circuit minister, after which a vote of thanks was accorded to the ladies, choirs, speakers, chairman, and all who had so generously given a helping hand. The doxology was sung, and concluded a very pleasant and enjoyable afternoon's programme. Mr J. W. Taylor fulfilled the duties of chairman. The proceeds were in aid of the trust funds.

GREENCROFT.

SCHOOL BOARD.—The ordinary meeting of the Board was held on Wednesday afternoon. The members present were Messrs R. Mitchinson (in the chair), W. Rutherford, P. Reay, and A. Brown. The Chairman ruled that the special meeting that had been held was illegal, and a motion to that effect was passed. Mr Rutherford moved that we have free education—all fees to be abolished, and that all books and materials for the school be free. Mr P. Reay seconded this motion, which was carried. A piano is to be purchased for the use of the school. The number of children on the books is 465, average attendance 393. It was decided to advertise for an Ex-P.T. for the school in place of Miss Cater, who has left the school through ill-health, at a salary of £35.—The Clerk stated that the annual school examination would be held on Sept. 29th. On the motion of Mr Rutherford and Mr Brown, cheques were signed and the business terminated.

TOW LAW.

SPECIAL LAMB SALE.—Mr Vickers held the first special sale of lambs for the season, at Tow Law mart, on Thursday, August 27th. Over 3,000 lambs were forward from some of the principal hirsels in the district. The morning was fine and the lambs were penned in fair condition; in some cases, it was quite evident that lambs were inferior in size and condition to last year's corresponding sale, and sellers were prepared for a considerable decline from last year's prices. Trade opened somewhat slow, but bidding improved as the sale proceeded. Buyers having bought their lambs too dear last year, the adage "once hit twice shy" was very applicable to this sale, as buyers seemed determined to have lambs worth their money this year, the consequence was a general reduction of from 3s to 8s per head from last year. Half and three-quarter bred lambs made from 18s 6d to 24s, the latter price being obtained for a very good lot from Mr J. H. Atkinson, Greenwell, which were bought by Mr Isaac Allanson, Beechburn. A select pen of mule gimmer lambs from Messrs Watson, Ouston, made 30s each, and were purchased by Mr Oswald, Shotley Bridge. The same gentleman bought a select pen of gimmers from Tunstall at 27s 6d, both lots being very superior quality. Other lots of mules ranged in prices from 13s to 22s 3d. Nearly 3,000 lambs changed hands, but 7 or 8 lots were reserved and held over till next sale, which will be held on Thursday, September 10th.

ANNFIELD PLAIN AND DISTRICT NOTES.

[BY "ANNFIELDITE."]

THE WEATHER
has fortunately taken a turn for the better, but owing to the past unfavourable season there can be little doubt but we shall have a very moderate harvest.

OLD AGE.
This district is fairly healthy, there being many who have reached a good age, and are both hale and hearty. There is one old woman who has reached her 94th year, and can converse freely and see almost as well as ever.

ACCIDENT.
J. Bell, of Greencroft, who was injured at Pontop Colliery last week, is recovering. It is to be hoped that in a few weeks he will be able to get about again.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS.
There is a great wonder as to where the roads in this district are being improved. It was stated a few weeks ago by one of the members of the Authority that the Highway Board were about to improve the roads in this district, but little or nothing has yet been done to the streets and highways. If you walk along the Oxhill road from the Lanchester road end, past the Cement Houses, after a shower, you will find yourself in a quagmire. Should this state of things be allowed to go on?

MISSION WORK.
The Methodists again held an open-air mission on Thursday night week. The Mission Band played several pieces of music, and there was a good gathering. Mr P. Reay, conductor of the mission, opened the service, and addresses were delivered by Messrs W. Greener, J. Bainbridge, and T. Gales.

GEO. MACDONALD IS COMING.

TO-MORROW'S FOOTBALL.

DIPTON WANDERERS v DARLINGTON ATHLETIC.—The holders of the Junior Cup will visit Dipton to-morrow (Saturday) to open the Wanderers' season. A rattling game should result from the meeting of these well-known teams. The Wanderers will rely on the following eleven:—Goal, R. Freek; backs, A. Tuson and Jas. Walker; half-backs, R. Turpin, E. Buck, and W. Bowes; forwards, W. Turner and I. Gilliard, right wing; J. Leadbitter (capt.), centre; Thos. Walker and D. Crozier, left wing. Reserve, Wm. Smith. Kick-off at 4-15.

LEADGATE PARK v WEST HOUSE (SUNDERLAND).—Leadgate Park receive a visit to-morrow (Saturday) from the famous West House team. This combination is composed strictly of amateurs, who have won for themselves a big name in the football world. Some of the players have won as many as six gold medals, in finals and semi-finals, against such teams as Whitburn, Southwick, and Sunderland A. They also are the holders of two splendid cups. No doubt a splendid game will be witnessed. The kick-off is fixed for 4 o'clock. The West House team will be as follows:—Goal, A. Taylor; backs, Emmerson and Wilford; half-backs, Denson, Street, and Jones; forwards, Kennedy, Donovan, Bell, Plunkett, and Seymour. The Park team will be selected from the following:—G. Beadling, T. Hewitt, Wm. Foreman, J. Wilson, A. and C. Burnhope, Grey, H. Wattsford, J. Haggerstone, J. Hunter, J. Cruddas, and G. Brown.

LEADGATE EXILES v BISHOP AUCKLAND TOWN.—The Exiles journey to Bishop Auckland to-morrow (Saturday) to play their first fixture against the Town club, who have got a strong team together this season. The Exiles will be represented by the following:—Goal, J. McMahon; backs, W. McGee (capt.) and J. McGuire; half-backs, P. Hughes, J. Haggan, and J. Monaghan; forwards, Jas. McGee, O. Hughes, A. Matthews, J. Reilly, and W. Costello. Umpire, Mr J. Costello.

STANLEY HEDLEY HARRIERS v WALKER ST. ANTHONY'S.—The Harriers have secured a good ground for the season, which will be opened to-morrow (Saturday) by the above well-known Walker club. The Harriers will depend on the following team:—Goal, R. Potts; backs, Rowell and Benson; half-backs, Hrrrison, Thompson, and A. N. Other; forwards, Theobald and Holmes, right wing; Emery, centre; E. Gailes and Brydon, left wing. Reserves—Brown, Forster, and Jacques.

TANFIELD LEA v NEWCASTLE ALBION.—Tanfield Lea commence their season to-morrow (Saturday) by playing Newcastle Albion on the Tanfield Lea ground. The home club have this season secured the services of Wailes and Neile, of the late Hobson Rangers, and T. Watson, E. Watson, and Brown, of the Tantobie club. With these additions, Tanfield Lea expect to place a good team in the field. The subjoined team have been selected for the opening match:—Goal, Jos. Gailes; backs, W. Christopher and W. Milburn; half-backs, J. Smith, W. Neile, and J. Milburn; forwards, T. Robson and J. Gailes, right wing; [illegible], centre; T. Christopher and W. Fletcher, left wing. Umpire, Mr N. Christopher. Kick-off at 3.

TOW LAW v DARLINGTON ST. HILDA'S.—Tow Law open the season to-morrow (Saturday), when they entertain the St. Hilda's team from Darlington. Last season the games between the two were considered by some to be the best Tow Law played, and their visit to-morrow is being looked forward to with evident interest. The Tow Law team is an improvement on last season's, and will be as follows:—Goal, Allison; backs, Temperley and Potts; half-backs, Wilson, Ward, and Beckwith; forwards, Coulson, Blair, Hilton, Graham, and Watson. Referee, Rev W. Gore-Brown, Darlington.

CONSETT Y.M.C.A. v LEADGATE PARK RESERVE.—The Consett club will receive a visit from Leadgate Park Reserve to-morrow (Saturday), to open their season. The Y.M.C.A. will be represented by the following:—Goal, Grainger; backs, E. R. Walker and H. Smyington; half-backs, J. Whitehead, M. V. Steggall, and T. Skelton; forwards, C. Cooke and J. Chrisser, right wing; T. Dunn, centre; J. Johnston and J. Jones, left wing. Reserve, J. E. Colling. Umpire, Mr J. Ormerod. The Park eleven will be chosen from the appended names:—Foreman, Noble, Haggerstone, Makepeace, Stephenson, Brown, Kennedy, J. and I. Snowdon, Arkley, Boustead, Robson, Crowther, Willey, Little, Rayner, and Young.

LANCHESTER PETTY SESSIONS.

THURSDAY, Aug. 29th.—Before Councillor JAMES ANNANDALE (chairman), W. B. VAN HAANSBERGEN, Esq., F. PRIESTMAN, Esq., and Rev. F. W. GLYN.

PITCH AND TOSS.
Alfred Bell, *George Morgan*, and *Wm. Thompson*, for gambling at Hedleyhope, on the 16th ult., were convicted on the evidence of P.C. Feasey, and fined 7s 6d apiece and costs.

GAMBLING.
A large school of miners were accused by P.C. Vickers of gaming with cards, at West Stanley, on the 16th ult.—Case adjourned.
Michael Murphy, of no fixed place of abode, was prosecuted by Sergt. Liddell for gaming with a machine at Waterhouses Flower Show, on the 8th August, and was fined 40s and costs.

THREATENING LANGUAGE.
Michael Crain, charged with threatening Jane Crain, on the 4th December, 1889, was bound over for six months.

"COULDN'T FIGHT TO KEEP THEMSELVES WARM."
Jonathan Vasey and *Jonathan Vickers* were proceeded against by P.C. Readman with fighting at Langley Park on the 14th ult.—Defendants pleaded guilty.—The policeman, in answer to Mr Haansbergen, said the youths "could not fight to keep themselves warm." (Laughter).—Defendants were accordingly discharged.

WILFUL DAMAGE.
A great number of persons were fined in sums varying from 2s 6d to 6d and costs for wilful damage by trespassing in fields in the neighbourhood of Quebec.—A charge made by John Brady against *Joseph Johnson*, *James Collins*, *John Cassidy*, and *John Carroll* was, however, withdrawn.

ASSAULTS.
Thomas Mills was summoned by his wife, Elizabeth Mills, for having assaulted her on the road from Waterhouses Flower Show on the 8th ult.—Mr T. W. Welford (Consett) defended.—The case was dismissed, complainant having to pay the costs.
Joseph Simpson, *Joseph Cregg* and *John Maughan* were placed in the dock charged with assaulting Andrew Kennedy, at West Stanley, on the 26th of July.—Dismissed; complainant to defray expenses.

EDUCATION ACT.
The following parents were summoned by Mr J. Gibson, on behalf of the Lanchester School Attendance Committee:—*Edwin Rainbow*, West Stanley, 5s; *John O'Brien*, *John Carr*, *Robert Reed*, *Anthony Brown*, *John Harrison*, *John Shepherd*, Burnhope, 5s each; *Thomas Liddle* and *James O'Brien*, Quebec, 5s each.
John Williamson, of Lanchester, was at the instance of the Lanchester School Attendance Committee, committed to the Earl's House Industrial School till he was 16 years old, for being a truant-player.

ASSAULT AT QUEBEC.
Alice Pallister was mulcted in a penalty of 5s and costs for committing an assault upon Annie Armstrong, at Quebec, on August 12th.

BREACH OF THE PEACE.
Robert McDonald, for fighting at Quebec, on the 1st August, was bound over to keep the peace.

THEFTS.
Percy Armstrong, miner, Lintz Colliery, was fined £1 for stealing a tame rabbit belonging to John Purvis, at Hamsterley Colliery, on the 29th ult. This is the same rabbit that was stolen by some Newcastle youths a month ago.
James Commons, labourer, McNally's lodging house, Consett, was charged with stealing a pair of boots, the property of Thomas McManus at Consett, on the 18th of August.—The Justices, taking into consideration the fact that defendant had been in custody for ten day, let him off on payment of a penalty of 10s, or seven day's imprisonment.

ASSAULTING THE POLICE AT CONSETT.
J McKenna, labourer, Consett, was brought up and charged with being drunk and disorderly, and assaulting P.C. Haw, in Thomas Street, Consett, on the preceding night.—The officer ordered the man off home, but as he declined to move, he was taken into custody. The constable was escorting the accused to the police station, when he struck him four or five times, and also kicked the officer, knocking the skin off his legs. They struggled for a quarter-of-an hour, a crowd of about 150 persons gathering around the scene.—Defendant pleaded guilty to both charges.—He was fined 20s and costs for the assault, or 14 days' hard labour. The charge of drunkenness being dismissed.

NOTES FROM TOW LAW.

[By "Tow Lawite."]

I got into the Wesleyan Chapel to hear Rev R. Garbett give his lecture on "Cromwell." It was a treat. His language was beautiful and came with great force. Mr Garbett leaves the circuit with our best wishes for his success in his new home.

The directors of the Blackhill, Consett and District 2nd "Model" Building Society, had a very successful mission to Tow Law, and about forty persons have taken up shares. Mr J. Dodd, station-master, has been appointed collector for this district.

The people here miss the Salvation Army Band. It is a pity it got broken up. The army has got a blow it will not soon forget.

I was at the meeting at the Mechanics' Hall, on Monday night, called for the purpose of enquiring whether or not we have too many public-houses. Councillor Vickers makes a good chairman. The speeches were all to the point. There was no attempt to scold any publican, but simply to show that there are more drink shops than we need. A petition, with a deputation will be sent to the Brewster Sessions to ask the magistrates to consider this important question. We have some very respectable publicans, I am informed, who conduct their business decently, and in order; but of others the less said the better.

The Flower Show has come and gone. It was quite a success, Fine weather, and a splendid show of fruit, flowers, vegetables, and all other things. The show has increased in size this last year or two, so much so that the committee will have to provide more room for the exhibitors next year. I noticed a lot of things on the ground, underneath the stands—where very few people thought about looking.

What a pity it is that men should differ and get to high words in a public place. Everybody was expecting to see a boxing match, not in one of the booths, but in the flower show tent. It all came through men going about from place to place picking up the best of everything.

Holding a religious service in the show field on the Sunday, when there are a number of caravan people left behind is a very good idea. It would have been much better if all the people could have been kept in, instead of being out on the road with their horses and vans.

The band this year, was not, in my opinion, so good as last year's. If it was, the pieces they played did not go so well. It may be we don't know good music.

Another old standard has joined the majority—Mr James Parkin, late keeker at West Thornley Colliery. The funeral took place last Saturday, and though there were other attractions, a goodly number gathered together to pay their last tribute of respect. The service was conducted by Revs C. Tetley, M. Cuthbert, and P. McPhail, Primitive Methodist ministers, to which church the deceased belonged for many years, and was at the time of his death a local preacher in the Crook Circuit.

We have not got free education all round. One school is entirely free; another will charge one penny per week all round; the other one will school the infants free, standard one, at one penny per week, standard five and upwards, threepence per week. Why are they not all free? If not free, why does one school charge more than the other? The managers may know, but the parents don't. Most certainly they ought to know, before they pay more at one school than another.

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Sporting Items.

Kyo Flower Show Sports.—At the 23rd annual exhibition of the Kyo Floral and Horticultural Society, which was held in a field at Catchgate, on Saturday afternoon, the following sports were decided:—Boys' race—F. Bell, 1; J. Thompson, 2; J. Stobbart, 3; W. Forster 4. Girls' skipping competition—L. Ridley, 343 turns, 1; Mary Tuckerman, 162, 2; K. Ridley, 134, 3; J. Wilkinson, 91, 4. Cricket competition: six teams entered, viz.:—South Moor, East Stanley Nobblers, West Stanley, Oxhill 1st and 2nd, and Annfield Plain Lizzie. The result of the competition when the stumps were drawn, was as under:—Oxhill 2nd, 9; West Stanley, 82; East Stanley Nobblers, 61; South Moor, 35; Oxhill 1st, 41; Lizzie Colliery to bat.

MEDOMSLEY FLOWER SHOW SPORTS.

In connection with the Medomsley Floral and Horticultural Society's annual exhibition, which was held on Saturday afternoon in a couple of fields granted by Messrs R. M. Rutherford, of the Royal Oak Hotel, and J. Minto, Miners' Arms, Medomsley, the undermentioned sports were decided in the presence of over 3,000 spectators:—

£10 120 Yards Foot Handicap. 60 entries.—Heat 1—R. M. Rutherford, 22 yards, w.o. Heat 2—J. Haggerstone (No. 1), Leadgate, 19½, 1; J. Simpson, Blackhill, 23, 2; J. Foster, Happy Land, 20, 3; A. Turner, Consett, 22½, 0. Won by half-a-yard. Heat 3—M. Prince, Leadgate, 24, 1; A. Dodds, Quebec, 13, 2; J. W. Murray, Iveston, 24, 3. Won by a yard. Heat 4—F. Hall, Cutlers' Hall, 20, 1; G. Brown, Leadgate, 22, 2; J. F. Wilson, Moor Pit, 18, 0; J. Davison, West Stanley, 20, 0. Won by about a yard. Heat 5—G. Gair, Blackhill, 20, 1; T. Hodgson, Consett, 12, 2; M. Riddle, Friarside, 21, 0; J. Hall, Allendale Cottages, 24, 0. Won by two yards. Heat 6—J. W. Wilson, Benfieldside, 19½, w.o. Heat 7—J. Ross, Medomsley, 20 ‡ 1; W. Hall, Consett (late of Bradford), ‡ 2; J. Winter, Consett, 20, 3; W. McGee, Leadgate, 20, 0. Won, after a dead-heat, by a foot. Heat 8—T. Davison, Castleside, 18, w.o. Heat 9—D. Harrison, Consett, 18, 1; J. Clare, Leadgate, 20, 2; R. Smith, Crook, 14, 0; Isaac Thirlwell, Leadgate, 19, 0. Won by a yard. Heat 10—J. Haggerstone (No. 2), Leadgate, 17½, 1; F. Davison, Tow Law, 16, 2; T. Nicholson, Leadgate, 19½, 0; W. Dobson, Whickham, 18, 0. Won by half-a-yard. Heat 11—J. Black, Leadgate, 19, 1; S. Ward, Allendale Cottages, 15, 2; J. Archer, Benfieldside, 19½, 0; J. Howard, Newcastle, 12, 0. Won by half-a-yard. Heat 12—J. Milburn, Ebchester, 16, 1; A. Daley, Consett, 20, 2; A. Burnhope, Leadgate, 19½, 0; T. Nelson, Eastcastle, 22, 0. Won by a yard. Heat 13—W. Cant, Medomsley, 22, 1; F. Foster, Durham, 17½, 2; C. Oliver, Winlaton, 19, 0; P. Ryan, Consett, 20, 0. Won easily. Heat 14—J. Hunter, Medomsley, 23, 1; N. Fielden, Benfieldside, 14, 2; J. Stephens, Gateshead, 14, 0; J. G. Tarrent, Prudhoe, 16½, 0. Won by two yards. Heat 15—J. G. Raine, Victoria Garesfield, 20, 1; G. W. Bonsall, Chester-le-Street, 15, 2; F. Swinburne, Blackhill, 16, 0; G. W. Dent, Sunniside, 17½, 0. Won easily. Second round. Heat 1—Neither of the competitors tried to win, and were consequently disqualified, the heat being declared void. Heat 2—Gair, 1; Ross, 2; T. Davison, 3; Wilson, 4. Won easily. Heat 3—J. Haggerstone (No. 2), 1; Black, 2; Harrison, 3; Milburn, 4. Won by a yard. Heat 4—Cant, 1; Raine, 2; Hunter, 3. Final—Cant, 1, £7; J. Haggerstone (No. 2) and Gair ran a dead heat for second place, and divided the prize money (£3). The following gentlemen acted acted as officials:—Judges—Messrs J. Walton and W. P. Morris, Medomsley. Referee—Mr J. H. Morris, Medomsley. Handicappers—Messrs J. Foreman, Allendale Cottages, and Isaac Thirlwell, Leadgate. Pistol-firer—Mr T. Mason, Allendale Cottages.

Quoit Handicap, 9 to 12 yards on the sward. 68 competitors.—J. Wright, Blackhall Mill; Jos. Laws, Hamsterley Colliery; T. Armstrong, Allendale Cottages; M. Cain, Dipton, and J. Robinson, Dipton, divided.

Bowling at the wicket and other events did not come off, owing to the darkness.

CONSETT Y.M.C.A. SPORTS.

The first annual gala and amateur sports in connection with the Consett Y.M.C.A. were brought off in the cricket field at the rear of Delves Terrace, on Saturday. The weather was beautifully fine, and there was a select assemblage of spectators. The principal arrangements were carried out by Mr M. V. Steggall, (who is at present on a visit from Cambridge) and were on an elaborate scale. The field was decked with flags and banners, and presented quite a gay appearance. The programme included races for strangers in addition to those confined to members, and valuable prizes were given for each event, being subscribed for by the local tradesmen and several friends of the association. Messrs J. Davison and G. T. Hyden (schoolmaster) were judges. Details:—

100 Yards Foot Handicap (senior).—J. Hull, 1; J. Whitehead, 2; J. Lowery, 3.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—A. Wilson, 80 yards distance, 1; E R. Walker, 2; J. Hull, 3.

Three-legged Race.—Ormerod and Christer, 1; Whitehead and Hull, 2; Johnson and Taylor, 3.

High Jump.—Lowery, 1; Johnson, 2; C. Cooke, 3.

Long Jump.—Walker, 14ft 12in, 1; Cooke, 2; Lowery, 3.

Sack Race—Ormerod, 1; Whitehead, 2; Christer, 3.

Mile Handicap.—Whitehead, 1; Rogers, 2; Taylor, 3.

Officers' Race—Walker, 1; M. V. Steggall, 2; Ormerod, 3.

Pick-a-back Race.—Rogers and partner, 1; Ormerod and Christer, 2; Jones and Hull, 3.

Kicking Football.—H. Symington, 1; Jones, 2; Walker, 3.

Quarter Mile Handicap.—Cooke, 1; Ormerod, 2; Whitehead, 3.

120 Yards Foot Handicap for strangers (seniors).—Clayton, 1; Graham, 2.

120 Yards Junior Handicap for strangers.—A. Smith, 1; T. Young, 2. The distribution of prizes took place in the Y.M.C.A. Reading Room, by Mrs Steggall (wife of the Rev F. Steggall, the president), and speeches were made by Messrs Hyden and Davison.

Trade Notes.

The Operative Stonemasons' Society of England, Ireland, and Wales.—On Tuesday night, a public meeting of the operative masons of Consett and district was held in the Co-operative Hall, Consett, for the purpose of establishing a branch of the above society in the district. There was a good attendance, and the chair was occupied by Mr J. Summerbell, president of the Consett Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Enginemen and Cranemen. Addresses were delivered by Coun. T. Flood, of Warrington, Mr T. May, of Blackpool, organising delegates, Mr W. Fisher, member of Newcastle Trades' Council, and Mr J. Cooke, of Blackhill, on the benefits of unity, and the results to be derived from becoming a member of the above association. In pointing out the principles of the society, each of the speakers showed that through perseverance the society stood as one of the foremost in the country at the present time.—The usual votes of thanks concluded a successful meeting.

STOPPAGE OF LEAD AND IRON MINES IN WEARDALE.

The notices of the *employees* of the Weardale Iron Company expired yesterday, and the whole of them, excepting the caretakers, are thrown idle. In the evening the men held a meeting in the Town Hall, St. John's, when the action of the company was freely canvassed. Considerable sensation was created by the unexpected suspension of the lead miners also at Grove-Rake, Rookhope, and Greenlaws, by the Lead Company, who assign as the reason the accumulation of "bouse" at the former and water at the latter workings. Some 200 men are now out of employment, and with the retarded hay harvest exposed to the wet, cold weather, the outlook is the gloomiest known for many years, being rendered more acute by the curtailed operations in Teesdale of the London Lead Company, whose Weardale workmen have been discharged.

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Cricket.

** Secretaries of cricket clubs would greatly oblige us by despatching their reports so that they may reach our office not later than *Wednesday* morning.

The match between Consett Fell and Leadgate 2nd ended in a win for the latter.

Westwood Juniors v Low Westwood.—Played at Westwood. Score:—Low Westwood, 23; Westwood, 84.

Westwood Juniors want matches with any teams whose ages range from 10 to 14. Joseph Urwin, 30, Westwood.

DURHAM COUNTY CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION.

FINAL.

CONSETT AND DISTRICT v USHAW MOOR.

Played at Bishop Auckland. The game will be continued on Saturday, probably on the Durham City ground. Score:—

Consett.		Ushaw Moor.	
I Richards b Tenwick	49	W Harding c and b Dales	4
A S Godfrey (capt.) b Ogg	53	R Hope hit wkt b Dales	4
T D Dales b Ogg	8	J Gilroy b Godfrey	78
T Jameson c Smith b Tenwick	21	C Smith c Williamson b Richards	48
G Walton b Lynne	6	G Browning st Walton b Godfrey	13
A Wood b Harding	16	W Hill (captain) b Godfrey	9
W Turnbull b Ogg	46	W Tenwick c Walton b Richards	0
T Gray b Harding	0	A N Ogg b Godfrey	7
J McTaggart b Harding	2	W Lynn c Walton b Godfrey	1
P Gibson b Harding	0	J Paley not out	1
M Williamson not out	6	A Hudson b Wood	0
Extras	26	Extras	7
Total	233	Total	172

Consett—2nd Innings.

I Richards run out	21
A S Godfrey c Hudson b Paley	47
T D Dales b Harding	6
T Jameson run out	8
G Walton not out	28
A D Wood c Smith b Hudson	8
W Turnbull c Smith b Ogg	0
T Gray b Paley	0
J McTaggart to bat	
P Gibson "	
M Williamson not out	4
Extras	16
Total	138

WOLSINGHAM v OAKENSHAW.

Played at Wolsingham, and resulted in an easy victory for the home team, for whom M. Lambert and J. Vasey played well. Score:—

Wolsingham.		Oakenshaw.	
T Wharton b Wynne	1	J Maggs run out	4
J Coulson c Sykes b Wynne	9	W Rosethorn c Herron b Wilkinson	0
T Iley b Wynne	7	J Smith run out	3
R Wilkinson ht wkt b Wynne	0	T Thompson c Herron b Vasey	0
R Renahan b Wynne	0	R Wynne b Vasey	4
J Vasey not out	14	H Sykes run out	3
M Lambert c Moore b Sykes	20	H Close b Coulson	6
G Herron b Sykes	3	J Thompson c Herron b Coulson	2
W Copley b Sykes	2	G Middlemass b Vasey	0
P Burke b Sykes	3	J Moore not out	1
T Bell run out	1	J Purvis c Lambert b Coulson	0
Extras	1	Extras	2
Total	61	Total	25

STANHOPE v CROOK.

Played at Stanhope in fine weather, and resulted in a win for the home team by two runs. Roddam took seven wickets for 26 runs. Score:—

Stanhope.		Crook.	
T Moore not out	13	F Blair st Waller b Roddam	0
J Curry c White b Hare	3	M Pears b Roddam	0
R Pulleine c Burnip b Hare	0	A Hilton b Roddam	5
G Waller c Pears b Hare	3	H Girling b Roddam	12
J A Hildyard b Hare	0	R Scales b Roddam	2
J J Pulleine c White b Hare	7	W White lbw b Dixon	4
P Fenwick st Pears b Blair	0	W A Burnip c Watson b Dixon	0
T Roberts c Pears b Blair	3	R Turner c Fenwick b Roddam	5
J W Roddam b Smith	7	G Hare b Roddam	9
J Dixon b Smith	5	A Wilson c Watson b Dixon	2
W Watson b Smith	0	J Smith not out	0
Extras	1	Extras	1
Total	42	Total	40

OXHILL 2ND v WEST STANLEY.

Played at Kyo Flower Show, and resulted in a win for Stanley. Score:—

Stanley.		Oxhill.	
T Jewitt b Ledger	0	M Ledger b Jewitt	4
J Hunter run out	15	G Collin b Jewitt	1
P Harkness run out	0	R Nichol b Jewitt	0
R Knox c Ledger b Collin	12	R Palmer b Jewitt	0
W Dodds b Collin	0	M Coulson c Gailes b Harkness	1
R Holmes b Nichol	18	M Atkinson b Jewitt	0
J Benfold b Ledger	20	C Mumford st Holmes	0
T Siddle b Ledger	5	J Charlton st Holmes	0
I Harkness c Palmer b Ledger	5	J Mitchell c and b Harkness	0
E Gailes b Ledger	4	T Clarkson b Harkness	0
W Gibson not out	0	J Middlemast not out	3
Extras	3	Extras	0
Total	82	Total	9

SACRISTON v LANCHESTER.

Played their return match at Sacriston, resulting in a win for the visitors. Score:—

Lanchester.		Sacriston.	
P McBride c Walton	3	J Walton run out	4
J Hunter b Henders'n	2	A B Waite, jun., b Hunter	5
H Parker c Waite	16	T Henderson c Hunt'r	0
G H Buckham c Watson	14	R Robson c F Parker	0
F Parker not out	7	J Leeman not out	0
J Lowery b A Waite	0	R Waite st Buckham	3
T Wilkinson c Waite	2	T Swainston b McBride	0
R Batey b Henderson	2	J Watson b Hunter	2
T Bell c Robson	3	J Watson, sen., c Bell	20
W Jackson c Henderson	0	A Waite, sen., c Wilkinson	1
R Walker run out	3	J Brass c Batey	1
Extras	2	Extras	2
Total	53	Total	38

BEAMISH v WEST PELTON VIOLETS.

Played at Beamish Flower Show, and resulted in a victory for Beamish. Mason bowled in splendid style, having eight wickets to his credit. The winning team were presented with a guinea bat by the show committee. Score:—

Violets.		Beamish.	
H Taylor b Mason	0	G Wilkinson b H Barrass	7
J Lee b Mason	6	R Dorling b H Barrass	0
H Theobald b Mason	5	M Layburn run out	14
F Burridge b Mason	2	W Stoddart run out	2
J Brayson b Mason	8	R Hume run out	1
H Barrass b Mason	0	T Wilkinson run out	18
J Pinkney c T Wilkinson b Mason	6	J Hunter c J Theobald b Brayson	0
G Barrass c Hunter b Dorling	2	W Hewison b A Barrass	7
J Theobald c T Wilkinson b Dorling	2	L Mason st H Theobald	0
J W Armin b Mason	0	G Laverick not out	5
A Barrass not out	0	C Laverick b Lee	4
Extras	0	Extras	8
Total	[illegible]	Total	66

WHITBURN v CHESTER-LE-STREET.

Played at Chester-le-Street for the benefit of Umpire Farrow. Score:—

Whitburn.		Chester-le-Street.	
T K Dobson c Halliday	40	T R Hall b Scott	9
J Scott c D Shepherd	17	T Middleton b Scott	4
T Raine c S Shepherd	5	S Shepherd b Scott	7
W Hogg c and b Lee	8	J Lee b Scott	17
R Herbert c Halliday	15	J Bewicke b Scott	7
J Wilson c Gray	7	L Gray not out	9
J Bowman b Middleton	16	D Shepherd, T Harrison, G Halliday, J Witherspoon, J Gardner — To bat.	
J G Alder ht wkt b Lee	0		
J Batty b Lee	0		
W Allison b Lee	5		
H Price not out	0		
Extras	1	Extras	2
Total	114	Total	55

CRICKET NOTES.

[By "L.B.W."].

THE CUP COMPETITION.

AN INTERESTING DAY'S CRICKET.

After a delay of three weeks, the final tie of the above competition was resumed at Bishop Auckland on Saturday last. The game was to have been commenced at ten o'clock, but at that hour the ground, owing to the late heavy rains, was in a very soft state, and play did not start till about half-past eleven.

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Gilroy (63) and Smith (16) came out to continue the Ushaw Moor innings, in which two wickets had fallen for 91, Dales and Godfrey sharing the attack, Both men played very carefully, as runs were difficult to make, but they steadily added to the score. At length, when the total had reached 129, Gilroy was bowled by the Consett captain. The outgoing batsman had contributed no less than 78, and the stand for the third wicket had produced 116 runs. Although Gilroy certainly had some luck, he played a fine and vigourous innings, and is to be heartily congratulated for his plucky display. Browning joined Smith, who had been batting in capital style, and both men settled down and played excellent cricket. After Browning had been stumped for a useful 13, Smith was finely caught by Williamson for a faultless 48—in every way an admirable display. After this wickets fell rapidly, and all were out for 172, or 61 runs behind. Godfrey was the most successful of the Consett bowlers.

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The usual pair (Godfrey and Richards) opened the second innings of Consett. Contrary to the usual style of things, Richards scored much faster than his partner, and after making 21 runs in about fifteen minutes, he was unluckily run out while attempting to run two byes. Dales (who seems to have quite lost all his old form since the cup-ties commenced) was soon dismissed, and Jameson was run out. On Walton partnering his captain, a capital stand was made, both men scoring freely. A good catch close on the boundary by Hudson sent back Godfrey, who had contributed an invaluable 47. It would be difficult to estimate the value of Godfrey's services to his team, as it is rarely indeed that he fails to send up a good score. Walton could get no one to stay long with him, and at the drawing of stumps seven wickets had fallen for 138, Walton having 28 (not out) to his credit.

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It will thus be seen that Consett, with three wickets to fall, possess a lead of 199. The game will be resumed (and I hope concluded) to-morrow (Saturday). As the Bishop Auckland ground will not be available, owing to the advent of the football season, hostilities will be resumed on the Durham City ground. I had almost forgot to mention that I was extremely pleased to see that Harding had so far recovered from his accident as to be able to assist his club.

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STANHOPE WIN ON THE POST.

The improvement claimed for the Stanhope team by my friend "Stanhope" must certainly be of a substantial nature, as on Saturday last, on their own ground, they succeeded in defeating the strong Crook eleven, after an exciting finish, by two runs. So far as I can judge from the names published, Crook had their full team up, and it was decidedly a good performance on the part of Stanhope to be able to claim a victory over so redoubtable opponents.

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The home team (Stanhope) took first innings, but owing to the splendid bowling and fielding of the visitors, they found runs difficult to make. T. Moore, who went in first, carried his bat right through the innings for an excellent 13 out of a total of 42. J. J. Pulleine and Roddam also displayed very good form. Hare, Smith, and Blair bowled capitally for Crook.

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With such a small score to rub off, the game looked a moral certainty for the visitors, in whose ranks are included some of the best club bats in the district. However, the villagers bowled and fielded in splendid style, and actually dismissed the Crook men for 40. Roddam was the chief factor in the visitors' downfall, taking seven wickets for 26 runs, and excepting Girling (12) and Hare (9) no one could do much with his deliveries. I shall look forward with confidence to Stanhope occupying a good position among the clubs of the districts next season.

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CHESTER-LE STREET DRAW WITH WHITBURN.

The Whitburn team visited the ancient "city" on Saturday to play for the benefit of the Chester-le-Street umpire (Mr Farrow), on account of the previous Saturday's fixture with Wallsend having to be abandoned owing to the miserable weather that prevailed. W. Middleton and Kerrich-Walker were unfortunately unable to assist their team, but two good substitutes, in the persons of J. Lee and T. Harrison, of Philadelphia, kindly consented to take their places.

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Whitburn first appeared on the defensive, T. K. Dobson and Scott being the first pair of batsmen. Both men played excellent cricket, and 54 was totalled before a separation was effected, Scott being then caught for a useful 17. Dobson was not disposed of till he had contributed a splendid innings of 40, made in his well-known style. Herbert (15) and Bowman (16) were afterwards seen to advantage, and in the end the score amounted to the respectable one of 114 Jack Lee bowled very effectively for the homesters.

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Unfortunately, there was not time to finish the game, which ended in a very even draw, as at the drawing of stumps the "citizens" had compiled 55 for the loss of five wickets. Lee put together a nice 17, and Gray and Hall showed very good form. Scott (the well-known Sunderland left-winger) was credited with the whole of the five wickets that fell—all clean bowled—and is evidently an adept at the summer as well as the winter pastime. The result was extremely creditable to the home club, as Whitburn are considered—and deservedly so—one of the very best teams in the county.

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And now it becomes my duty to bid the readers of these weekly scribblings adieu. Owing to the most adverse weather we have endured, the season has scarcely been as successful as had been anticipated. But there is one thing we can congratulate ourselves upon, and that is the fact that the Durham Cup is bound to come to this district, as two of our teams are left in to fight for final possession of the trophy. On the whole, the various clubs have well sustained their reputations, and some very promising recruits have been unearthed. To all who have assisted me in any way I tender my hearty thanks, and trust that I may be similarly favoured next season.

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DARKWOOD.

TALE OF LONEMOOR.

Chapter XXXV.

Georgina gave a gasp of utter terror, and grew suddenly white, as the terrible sound fell on her ear. Even Gwen, fearless Gwen, grew pale and frightened.

"I shall die!" whispered Georgina, shrilly. "I shall die—I know I shall! Oh, why did we come here? Get me away away, Marian—quick!"

Gwen raised her finger, enjoining silence. Then she called in a clear voice that trembled in spite of herself—

A strange, moaning, bloodcurdling cry, low and muffled though it was, came in answer. It was strangely prolonged, rising and falling, and having in it the inflection of mortal agony.

Georgina nearly fainted away at once.

Gwen came near dropping her lantern. She leaned against the damp wall, half stupefied and bewildered.

"Perhaps you believe in ghosts now," whispered Georgina, half spitefully.

"It must be an owl," suggested Gwen, who knew nothing whatever about owls, save that they frequent dark places and emit a mounful cry. "I am sure it was an owl!"

She called again more clearly than before.

And back came that strange muffled cry, that might have come from the depths of a grave.

"Is that an owl?" asked Georgina. "Help me upstairs. If I see the ghost I shall die! Help me!"

"It is an owl!" said Gwen, pale, her eyes glowing. "It must be an owl. I don't believe in ghosts, Georgina!"

She approached her charge, and put one trembling arm around her, and the two set out to retrace their steps.

They had gone but a little distance when the sepulchral cry was repeated, far more faintly than heretofore. Georgina replied to it by a shriek, and, dropping Gwen's arm, fled like a deer into the blackness ahead. And Gwen bearing the lantern, ran after her lest she should lose herself among the passages.

Their good fortune led them, back, after one or two deviations, to the great stone staircase, and they flew up stairs in a very panic.

They did not pause in their flight until they reached the kitchen, where Georgina dropped upon a settle, gasping for breath. Gwen set down her lantern and sank upon a chair, laughing yet trembling.

"It was an owl, Georgina," she exclaimed. "We are foolish children!"

"We are not foolish!" cried Georgina, resentfully. "You call a ghost an owl, and stick to your belief in face of facts. It was a ghost—oh, great Heaven, what's that? It's the ghost again!"

A heavy tread was heard in an adjoining room, and the next moment a stout figure appeared in the doorway—the figure of Lord Darkwood.

His fat, oily face was aflame with anger. His small, sinister eyes gleamed like those of a serpent. He was the incarnation of rage, and Gwen shrank away from him in a sudden aversion. His mask had slipped aside, revealing something in that unguarded moment of his real character.

"What does this mean?" he ejaculated, looking from one to the other of the two girls. "Who took the keys of the ruins from my cabinet? What are you two doing here?"

"Oh!" cried Georgina, in relief. "It's not a ghost!"

"I desire an explanation!" exclaimed the marquis, angrily.

"We came, my lord," said Gwen, with that haughty sweetness of manner that compelled respect and deference, "to look through the ruins, as strangers until lately have been allowed to do. Georgina obtained the keys."

"Yes, I did," declared Lord Darkwood's daughter. "I found them in your cabinet, father. I should have asked for them only you weren't there, and the thing was of no importance. Only think! we have never been in the ruins until to-day, and we have heard the ghost!"

"The ghost!" echoed Lord Darkwood, leaning against the wall.

"Yes," cried Georgina, eagerly. "We were in the vaults below."

Lord Darkwood uttered an exclamation that sounded like a malediction.

"Yes," assented Georgina, "and we heard a groan, or scream, or something. I say it was a ghost, but Marian says it was an owl. The idea of it being an owl!"

Lord Darkwood was in the shadow, so neither of the girls marked the sickly yellow pallor of his visage.

"Miss Myner has more sense than you, Georgina," he said, presently. "It was an owl. The ruins are infested with them, owing to the dense growth of trees close to the walls. And so you were frightened by an owl? What a brave young woman."

His sneer irritated his daughter, who declared vehemently that she could distinguish between a ghost and an owl, and that she knew that she had heard a ghost.

"Hush! Geogina," said her father. "I won't hear another word of such nonsense. There is no such thing as a ghost. You have heard an owl—nothing more. If you persist in your childish folly, I'll send you to a convent."

Georgina saw that her father was in earnest, and she knew that when he was in earnest he was a the very unpleasant person to deal with. Therefore sullenly relinquished her own private opinion and acquiesced in his.

"And now," said Lord Darkwood, "go back to your own quarters. Georgina, I positively forbid you to enter these ruins again unless I accompany you. Miss Myner, I shall depend upon you to keep your charge within proper bounds."

He addressed no reproof especially to Gwen—possibly that haughty little head was held too high for his reproofs—but she understood that she was prohibited equally with her charge from again visiting the castle ruins.

The marquis arose, and took up the keys, which lay on the floor at Gwen's feet. He extinguished the light of the lantern, and said politely—

"Young ladies, permit me to show you the way out."

He led the way, the girls following, to a rusty, creaking little door that led from a passage off the servant's hall to a ruined little walled-in garden beyond, and let them out. He secured the door behind them, crossed the garden, and opened a door in the wall. They all passed out, and he locked this door also.

"Now," he said, "you can find your way through the park homeward. I trust this will be the last of this ghost-seeing folly. We will leave the old ruin to the owls."

The girls hurried away together, and Lord Darkwood halted in the shadow of the wall, and looked after them with a strange and ugly smile.

Chapter XXXVI.

NEWS OF SQUIRE MARKHAM.

It was a day or two after the events described in the preceding chapter. The hour was eleven in the evening. Dunholm Castle lay wrapped for the most part in darkness and silence. A light still gleamed in the library, where Lord Darkwood sat alone at his musings.

Throughout the winter he had been vigilant as a North American Indian—keen, watchful, and suspicious. He had kept up a secret espionage upon the correspondence of his Maltese valet; but Pietro's exertions and Pietro's agents had alike failed to discover any trace of the missing Gwendoline Winter.

Pietro and his master alike began to believe that the girl was either dead or had quitted England.

The marquis was thinking of Miss Winter on this night, in the solitude of the library, and speculating as to her whereabouts. Oddly enough he thought, too, of Miss Myner, his daughter's governess companion, and meditated upon her grace, beauty, and intelligence. She would make a magnificent marchioness when the girlish splendour of her loveliness should have deepened into womanhood. He was tempted to offer her his hand in marriage without further delay.

"She would accept me, of course," he said to himself. "No girl in her position could let such a chance to become a peeress slip through her hands. But can I not do better? Can I not find beauty, wealth, and rank united? I will wait. What is a curate's niece or cousin to a marquis with the income of a prince?"

Thus he deliberated with a proper sense of his own merits.

But the light that streamed from the library windows was not the only light to be seen within the castle.

Gwen sat in her own snug sitting room before her bright hearth, her little table with its student lamp drawn up at her elbow, an open letter on her knee.

What would not Lord Darkwood and his Maltese valet have given if they could only have known that Gwendoline Winter was under the same roof with themselves? What would they not have given to learn that the object of that long winter's search was no other than Miss Myner, the Lady Georgina's companion?

Gwen had been answering the letter which she was now re-perusing.

It was from Mrs. Quillet, and had arrived under enclosure from Mrs. Myner.

The Lonemoor housekeeper was not an apt letter writer. This was the second or third epistle Gwen had received from her since the girl's arrival at Dunholm Castle; but this letter communicated important news.

Squire Markham had returned home after his seventeen years' wandering.

"And he's that changed," wrote Mrs. Quillet, in her uncertain, straggling hand, "that I should scarcely have known him if I'd met him in a strange place. He's grey and sorrowful, poor squire; and I well remember the day when he was the smilingest, pleasantest gentleman in all Yorkshire. He's old now, and shows more than his years. Trouble has been hard upon him.

"He drove over from Penistone, and I could hardly believe my own eyes when he entered his own gates. He came into the house slow and anxious. He met Meg at the door, and started back at sight of her, as if he was afraid. He came into my room and called to me. I knew his voice, and oh, Miss Gwen, you can imagine how I welcomed back the dear old master, in spite of his hardness and harshness of these later years."

Mrs. Quillet did not mention that Squire Markham had not asked after his daughter's child—that he had avoided questioning the housekeeper until after dinner, and then, catching a glimpse of stout, brawny Meg, as she stumbled about the kitchen offices, he had asked, huskily—

"Is that the girl?"

"No, sir," the housekeeper had answered, "that is Meg, the dairymaid."

"The girl is dead?"

"No, sir, she is living," said Mrs. Quillet, nervously, hoping to win Squire Markham's protection for her nursling. "She is a young lady now, squire, and very handsome, too, they call her."

"A young lady?" echoed Squire Markham, with a sneer.

"Yes, sir. You see, squire," faltered the old housekeeper, tremblingly, "being who she was, I couldn't send her to a foundling, nor I couldn't make a servant of her. I had a governess to educate her, and we sent her to a Paris *pensionnat*, and she learned music, and the languages, and the use of the globes."

The squire muttered an oath.

"You have played the fool," he exclaimed. "Where is this fine lady of your rearing?"

"She is gone out to be a governess, sir, in a great family."

"So much the better. Never speak to me of her again. Never allow her to come here again. I won't have her in this house. You have wasted money upon her. Look to her for your pay, for I swear I will never pay one penny for an outcast like that. I washed my hands of her at the outset. What you have done for her is your doing, not mine."

And with this the squire had stalked away, leaving poor Mrs. Quillet in utter despair.

We will allow her to tell what happened next in her own language in her letter to Gwen.

"I resolved, Miss Gwen, to appeal to the squire in your behalf, for he has neither chick nor child, and might choose to give you a home under this roof, in this house in which you chanced to be born. But it cannot be.

"After dinner, just as I was thinking to approach the squire on my errand, the bailiff comes in and goes to the library where the squire is sitting. And Mr. Orkney presently tells the master that I brought up the child of that beggar woman to be mistress of Lonemoor, that I gave her the name of Gwendoline Winter, that I lavished money on her, and that the girl had turned out bad.

"The squire called me in, and Mr. Orkney tells this again to my face. I deny it—that is, that you are bad—but Orkney says he'll prove his words, and that you are a liar, a schemer, a false, wicked, treacherous creature. And the squire, paying no attention to what I say, mutters: 'Bad blood! bad blood.'

"All I can say goes for nothing. The squire believes Orkney and suspects my motives. And he orders me never to admit you again to Lonemoor, on pain of my instant dismissal. That Orkney has everything his own way. Master believes him; I am thought a weak, false creature.

"I have told you all this, Miss Gwen, plainly, because I must tell you I had hoped to interest the squire in you: but the Orkneys have made him hate you. You can never come back to Lonemoor. You had best settle down in your governess-life for good and all. If John and I were to leave our good home, we would not be fit protectors for you. You must take care of yourself, and may heaven take care of you."

Gwen leaned forward and laid the letter on the fire, watching it burn to ashes.

"What could have led her to appeal to Squire Markham in my behalf?" she asked herself. "I would not return to Lonemoor under any circumstances: I would not accept his protection. As to the Quillets, I will repay them to the uttermost farthing all the money they have expended upon me. I have laid by every penny of my salary so far for them, and I shall continue to do so. The child of that beggar-girl who died upon the moor may be an outcast, but she is independent!"

She arose and laid aside her pretty woollen dress, and put on a cashmere dressing-gown. She was wakeful, and, after sitting a while longer by her fire, extinguished her light and sat down at her window.

It will be remembered that this window looked out upon a lovely garden, and across it upon the ruins of the ancient castle.

Gwen mused awhile upon her own affairs, upon the letter she had just destroyed, and then her thoughts settled upon her present life and the singular cry she had heard in the castle dungeons.

"I wish I had looked over the 'Cyclopædia Britannica,'" she thought, "and studied upon owls. I wonder if owls do live in dungeons? There may be a way for them to get down through some crevice in a wall. And why should an owl make such a human sort of cry? Of course, it was an owl! I believed so at the time, and I never thought to doubt it until Lord Darkwood asserted that it was an owl. I must be innately perverse, for when he asserted it I began to doubt it. Yet what else could it be? It wasn't a ghost. I don't believe in ghosts, and I shouldn't believe in them if I saw one!"

She looked at the ruins in idle curiosity. The night was neither dark nor light, but the shadows lay thickly on the old grey walls opposite.

"Midnight!" said Gwen. "I ought to be in bed—ah! what's that?"

A light had flashed across one of the lower windows of the ruins.

No servant could be in that "haunted" pile at that hour. No burglar would have sought for booty there. What could it mean?

The light flashed again across a window—another window this time—and again disappeared.

Gwen watched long and anxiously, but it was not seen again. But what could it mean?

(To be continued).

"How is it," said Jones," "that when two women quarrel they so seldom make it up?" "Why owing to their mutual desire of obtaining the last word, of course," asserted Smith. "A woman is never satisfied unless she gets it; so, when two of them have a row, there is but little hope of reconciliation, except through an accident, such as a violent toothache or an attack of lockjaw."

"Now, Mr. Softy," said an examiner to a masher, "be good enough to tell me what you consider the most important scientific discovery of the present age." "Scientific discoverwy?" echoed the masher, hopelessly involved. "Yes, such as the telephone," replied the examiner, promptly, "electric motors, the phonograph, &c." "Oh, yaas!" exclaimed the masher, a light breaking in on him; "I know. Well, yer know, I should say—er—twouser-stwetchers!"

MR. ATHERLEY-JONES, M.P.

The following excellent sketch of our highly-esteemed representative in Parliament, is extracted from *The Law Gazette* of August 20th:—

It is doubtless a great advantage to come into the world with your name already made for you, to be ushered into the universe by a father who has made the name he gives you well known among the people. Not many men enjoy this advantage; still fewer turn it to good account, the fragrance of the father's name being often wasted on the desert air of the son's idleness. Such is not the case, however, with Mr Llewellyn Archer Atherley-Jones, who expresses the pride he takes in his parentage by the active part he plays in public life. That he should be proud of his father's name is natural. Few popular leaders have excelled the noble enthusiasm and inspiring eloquence which endeared Ernest Jones, the Manchester barrister, to the working-men who formed the Chartist movement, the main objects of which he lived to accomplished. Seeing in the words of the poet, whose death the English-speaking race are mourning,

"Truth for ever on the scaffold,
Wrong forever on the throne,"

the eloquent barrister devoted himself to what he regarded as the cause of justice, regardless of the many sacrifices his enthusiasm cost him. His uncle left his estate to his gardener, charged with the support of his nephew, to whom he originally intended to leave them. But losses such as these cast no shadow upon the bright expectations of his high-souled enthusiast. Probably his children look back upon them more sadly than he was wont to do.

It was while Ernest Jones was in the midst of his work—some forty years ago—that she light first fell upon the features which form the latest addition to our portrait gallery. Looking into the realms of learning as the Manchester Free School, Mr Atherley-Jones put the finishing touches to his education at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he preferred wandering in the by-paths of literature to following the routine of the examinations. Twenty years ago, he was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple. Almost immediately Themis smiled upon him, her smile taking the form of briefs. He possessed no influence in the commercial world, and his only family connection with the law, apart from his father's, was his mother, whose father was a well-known solicitor in Bolton-le-Moor, and the author of several text-books, and from whom he derives the name Atherley. His father's influence helped him in certain directions, but many solicitors doubtless thought that the son of a popular leader could not be anything but a politician, and looking back upon his career at the Bar, the honourable and learned gentleman is entitled to say, with Coriolanus, "Alone I did it." So far as his forensic success is concerned, he is chiefly indebted to his father for his connection with the National Miners' Association, to which he is the standing counsel, and on whose behalf he watched the inquiry which followed the terrible calamity at the Seaham Colliery, whereby two hundred lives were lost.

Although Mr Atherley-Jones's reputation as a sound lawyer has gained for him one of the most substantial junior practices in the Temple, he is not so well known to the ordinary reader of newspaper law reports as several other barristers whose legal attainments are fewer. His practice lies away from the forensic region of sensationalism. He has some women, both to be separated from their husbands, and others seek to be compensated because they have none. It is not in divorce suits and breach of promise actions, and other cases of the sensational order, that his services are employed. His legal learning, and the tact and skill soon much contested cases, and find a more congenial sphere in commercial proceedings, of which his practice chiefly consists. But does not appear, in truth, the tongue that is able to tickle the ears of jurymen bent on enjoying a spicy bit of scandal served up on a legal dish. In the court he dreps the orator. His "weighty sense flows in fit words," but his audience can always observe him in the process of fixing them, so carefully does he choose his words, so deliberately does he utter his sentences.

Nobody at the Bar possesses a more intimate knowledge of mining law, a subject of which he has made a special study, and on which he has written a text-book that is particularly valued by persons directly connected with mines. But the cases in which his knowledge and industry shine to the fullest advantage are manorial disputes. He has been fortunate enough to have his services employed in several important cases of this kind, among them being the recent Mitcham Common case, in which he appeared for the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. His most conspicuous merit as an advocate is the remarkable lucidity with which he states his facts and urges his arguments, and in the complicated cases which usually arise in reference to manorial rights, his powers of clear expression find an exercise quite worthy of them. It is somewhat surprising that he did not make a speciality of copyright law, for the first case in which he appeared was of this kind. But this is not the only fact on which we rest our statement. He did combat alone with the present occupant of the woolsack, and received a marked compliment from Lord Justice Mathew and Field, who tried the action. The pleasure which he doubtless derived from this experience must have caused him to look very tenderly upon copyright law. The only sensational case with which his name is associated is the Tichbourne case. He appeared with Mr Benjamin, Q.C., in the Court of Appeal and the House of Lords, and argued the question raised on the writ of error.

We certainly have no intention of minimising Mr Atherley-Jones's reputation as a lawyer when we say that it is as a politician that he is chiefly known. Judging from his early activity in the political arena, he was born a politician. At the age of twelve—so great was his precocity—he joined the Home Rule Association in Dublin, and while he was at the Manchester Free School he acted as secretary to an organisation which aimed at the commutation of the sentence passed on Luby and O'Leary, and carried on a correspondence with John Bright. It was, nay, however, until 1885 that he sought to become a legislator. In that year, having been selected by the Liberal Association, he contested the North-Western Division of Durham, and was returned by a triumphant majority of nearly two thousand. At the General Election which was held seven months afterwards he enjoyed the pleasure of "walking over," but he is not to be let off so lightly next time. He will be opposed by Mr Dunville, of Irish whisky fame; but the opposition is not likely to prove very serious on account of the spirituous influence of the new comer, because the Durham miners are addicted, we believe, to "Scotch," and not to "Irish." But a far more forcible reason is Mr Atherley-Jones's popularity among his constituents, whose interests he diligently promotes in Parliament, and whose annual pig-nics he usually attends.

He is not a loquacious member of the House of Commons, and flippancy he passes by on the other side. He prefers the argumentative to the flowery order of address, with him logic being the god, and rhetoric merely its angel.

"Words are like leaves; and where they most abound,
Much fruit of sense beneath is rarely found."

Apparently Mr Atherley-Jones thoroughly believes in Pope's well-known couplet and uses his voice in the Senate only when he has something to say. Accordingly he has gained the respect of the House, which loves the "choice and measured phrase." Although he possesses little of the fervent eloquence of his father, he is a very effective platform speaker, having a happy gift of apt phraseology. His sentences are like his features—clean cut.

Perhaps his mind is too judicial in its nature to admit of him rising to the height of eloquence which certain other politicians reach, but this very defect, certain other politicians reach, but this very defect, from the purely oratorical point of view, constitutes his distinguishing merit in the political world. He is a confidently party man, recognising merely the behests of a whip and the beauties of peroration. An earnest believer in the principles which go form the political stock-in-trade, he is given to taking a line of his own. About two years ago he contributed an article to the *Nineteenth Century*, in which he urged his political leaders, not to abandon their policy of Home Rule, but to direct their attention to more questions than one, and advised them to recognise social reform as the key to the situation. The article was severely criticised and pretty roundly denounced at the time, but the whole tone of the party was changed shortly afterwards, a result which may fairly be attributed to the expression of Mr Atherley-Jones's views. He is fond, indeed, of conveying his opinions to the public through the medium of the Press. Whenever a new phase of any question presents itself before his eyes, he "writes the vision, and makes it plain" in the *Times*. Some little three ago he embodied in the *Times* a series of letters contributed to that thunderer's columns on the differentiation of treatment of political prisoners, to which the Duke of Argyle replied in the same columns and Mr Gladstone referred in the House of Commons.

"But surely you have forgotten his chief claim to the gratitude of posterity." No, gentle reader, we have not. The name of Miss Cass has not slipped from our memory. "When will her glory fade?" Neither are we likely to forget the labours of the Neither are we likely to forget the labours of the police. "Oh, the wild charge they made!" Never has Mr Atherley-Jones occupied a larger space in the public mind than when he moved the adjournment of the House to call attention to the Government of the little dressmaker, and introduced upon the Government one of the two defeats it has suffered since it came into being. Of late, his name has dwelt upon the lips of the public in connection with a matter very different in interest from the case of Miss Cass. He sought, a few weeks ago, to obtain an inquiry into the working of the Judicature Act, but the House of Commons was not properly impressed with the importance of the subject, and it "scored out" was the lamentable result. He advocates the decentralisation of justice, and, for this purpose, the establishment of district courts, his object being the expedition of trials and the prevention of the great waste of time occasioned by the present system.

His connection with Durham is not confined to his political associations with the sturdy men of the North. His wife was born there. The home of the honourable and learned gentleman is at Chiswick, and he spends frequently he seen enjoying the pleasures of the river. His favourite pastime, however, is chess. He is one of the best players in the House of Commons, his most powerful opponent being his friend, Mr George Newnes, who can fight a battle on the "pigmy field" as skilfully as he can conduct a popular magazine.

Popular legislators who are busy barristers usually wear upon their features an expression which can readily be interpreted into anxiety about promotion. Mr Atherley-Jones's countenance is an enquiring one, but it does not appear to be anxiously asking about his prospects. In time, no doubt, he will apply for "silk," and his reputation as a politician and his merits as a lawyer will fully entitle him to a favourable reply from the Woolsack. And then—well, we can only repeat "And then!" Although he is by no means destitute of ambition, Mr Atherley-Jones is sure to consider the question in an undistorted spirit of philosophy. He is accustomed to survey the whole world very calmly through his eyeglass.

WEARDALE AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

The annual show promoted by the Weardale Agricultural Society was held on Saturday in a field kindly lent by Mr Joseph Bright at Eastgate, in the upper part of Weardale than the exhibition held on the previous Saturday. Weardale was favoured with fine weather, with the result that the show field was visited by a large number of spectators, and the proceedings generally were of a thoroughly enjoyable character. In quality the stock was decidedly good, whilst the classes, if fewer, secured more entries than last year. At the luncheon, provided by Mrs J. Emerson, of the Miners' Arms, Mr F. Richardson, of London, presided, and was supported by the committee and the following judges:—Cattle—Mr M. Holdsworth, Woodhouse; Mr J. Vickers, Tow Law; Horses—Mr G. Turnbull, Chester-le-Street; Mr Lister, Jarrow. Sheep—Mr Thomas Nattrass, Lillidonlees; Mr J. Johnson, Blanchland. Horse—Mr Vickers, Tow Law; Miss Raine, Nunstanton. The loyal toasts having been honoured, the chairman proposed "Success to the Weardale Agricultural Society," —Mr J. Vickers responded, and observed that he was glad to note an improvement in that day's show, especially in the cattle exhibits. Taking the show all round it was the best they had held in Weardale, and what was more it was as enjoyable a function as the Royal, (Applause). He was sorry that at present Weardale was under a cloud, but he thought the silver lining was now appearing, judging from the recent speech of Mr J. Theakston, the chairman of the North-Eastern Railway directors. (Hear, hear.) —The following is a list of the awards:—

OPEN CLASSES.—Shorthorned cattle: Bull, above 2 years old—2, W Featherstone, White Stones, Weardale. Bull, above 1 year old—1, Stephenson and Reed, Eastgate; 2, T Robinson, Shield Hall. Stanhope. Bull calf, under 12 months—1, T Robinson; 2, H Stephenson, Billinghield. Eastgate. Cow, above 3 years old, in milk or calf—1, H Stephenson; 2, J Walton, Swinhopeburn House, Weardale. Dairy cow, in milk or calf—1, J Coulthard, Bridge End, Weardale; 2, J Watson, Sidehead, East. Two-years-old heifer—1, M Reed, Ludwel, Eastgate; 2, H Barker, Westgate. Yearling heifer—1, Mrs Adamson, Rutherford, Burnhope, Weardale; 2, F Walton, Newhouse, Weardale. Heifer calf, under 12 months—1, J Watson; 2, R Dalkin, Westgate, Weardale.

DALES PONIES. Not exceeding 13 hands. Pony, any age, horse or mare—1, W Vickers, Pease Myers, Stanhope; 2, R Coatsworth, Lowhouses Head, Stanhope. Not exceeding 14 hands—1, J Garnet, Ettersgill-in-Teesdale; 2, O Monkhouse, Cowshill, Weardale.

PONIES not exceeding 14 hands. Brood mare, with foal at foot—1, J Charlton, Silverdykes, Weardale; 2, A Bell, Lowhouse, Teesdale. Gelding or filly, 2 years old—1, J Charlton; 2, J Barker, Middleton-in-Teesdale. Colt or filly, 1 year old—1, T Peart, Hill End, Burnhope, Weardale; 2, W Coatsworth, Hindon's Hall, Stanhope. Foal, colt or filly, dam produced—1, J Charlton; 2, A Bell.

HORSE RACE WITH JOCKS.—1, J Lowe, Westgate; 2, J Bell, Wellingham; 3, J Potts, Sidehead.

BLACK-FACED TUPS.—Tup, above two years old—1, G Stephenson, Swinhope House, Weardale; 2, W Wilson, Swinhope Gate, Stanhope. Shearling tup—1, T and W Oliver, Redburn, Rookhope; 2, T Stephenson, Smiling, Eastgate. Tup lamb—1, G Stephenson; 2, W Vickers, Pease Myers, Stanhope.

BLACK-FACED SHEEP.—Pen of two ewes having reared lambs this season—1, Mrs Graham, Southend; 2, G Brown, Stotley Hall, Middleton. Pen of two shearling gimmers—1, T and W Oliver; 2, G Brown. Pen of two gimmer lambs—1, R Maddison, Chapel Pasture, Weardale; 2, Mrs Graham.

DISTRICT CLASSES.—Shorthorned cattle: Bull, above 2 years—1, J Haine, Crook Falter, Weardale; 2 W Featherstone, White Stones, Weardale. Bull, above 1 year—1, O Monkhouse, Cowshill, Weardale; 2, J Carrick, Ireshopeburn, Weardale. Bull calf—1, T Rutherford, Burnhope, Weardale; 2, J Raine. Dairy cow, in milk or calf—1, J Coulthard, Bridge End, Weardale; 2, J Watson, Sidehead, Eastgate. Cow, in milk or calf—1 and 2, J Walton, Swinhopeburn House, Weardale. Dairy cow, not in milk or calf—1, T Lonsdale, Sidehead, Weardale; 2, O Craig, Pinfold House, Weardale. Two-years-old heifer—1, Mrs Dunlop, Wellhouse, Weardale; 2, J Thompson, Lamberts, Weardale. Yearling heifer—1, T Rutherford; 2, F. Walton, Newhouse, Weardale. Heifer calf, under 12 months—1, T Wilkinson; 2, R Dalkin, Westgate, Weardale. Heifer calf, under 6 months—1, Mrs Robinson, Huntshield-ford, Weardale; 2, F Walton.

BLACK-FACED SHEEP.—Summered on commons or unenclosed allotments: Old tup or shearling—1, J Wallace, Wellhope, Weardale; 2, J and J Walton, Burnhope, Weardale. Tup lamb—1, J Hill, Dry Burnhope, Weardale; 2, G Stephenson, Swinhopeburn, Weardale. Pen of two ewes, having reared lambs this season, to have their followers up to show day—1, S Maddison, Chapel Pasture; 2, R Maddison, Black Hedley, Weardale. Pen of three shearling gimmers—1, G Stephenson, Weardale; 2, Mrs S Maudson, Dry Gill, Weardale. Pen of three gimmer lambs—1, S Maddison; 2, J and J Walton, Burnhope, Weardale. Butter—1, Mrs Peart, Weardale; 2, Miss Charlton, Silverdykes; 3, Mrs A Charlton, White Stones.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Foal by Black Robin—1, J Charlton, Silverdykes, Weardale. Foal by Wasson, Dalton, Weardale. Foal by Black Robin, dam any size—1 J Charlton; 2, J Graham, Sedling, Weardale. Dales Ponies.—Pony not exceeding 13 hands—1, J Charlton; 2, J Monkhouse, Cowshill, Weardale. Bull calf, under 6 months—1, J Sparke, Westgate, Weardale. Heifer calf, under 6 months—1, Mrs Robinson, Huntshield-ford, Weardale; 2, F Walton.

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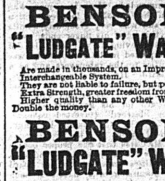

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CONSETT LOCAL BOARD.

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday evening, under the presidency of Alderman W. Jenkins. The members present were—Messrs Wm. Aynsley, Geo. Ainsworth, J. Collinson, J. Lowes, J. Daly, G. D. Powell, G. T. Hyden, Councillor R. Murray, Dr A. D. M. Macintyre, and the Clerk (Mr T. W. Welford), and the Surveyor (Mr W. Rippon).

THE CLERK'S TENANCY OF THE BOARD'S OFFICES.

It was agreed that the three months' notice given to the Clerk, to determine the tenancy of the offices held by him under the Board, should take effect from the 31st Sept.

THE BLACKHILL URINAL.

The Surveyor mentioned that he had not removed back the urinal at the corner of the Royal Ancelon Mart, as requested at the last meeting, because he had been busy with more pressing work; and, moreover, the structure was in such an old and dilapidated condition that it would not be worth while re-erecting it. Another urinal was about to be provided at Consett, he suggested that the best thing would be to do away with the urinal at Blackhill. He had frequently received complaints from ladies about the nuisance arising from the place.

The CHAIRMAN enquired why the urinal was there at all? He thought the Surveyor's suggestion should be entertained.

Councillor MURRAY held that the Surveyor was bound to carry out the resolution till it was rescinded.

Mr AYNSLEY mentioned that the urinal was removed from the land he purchased in Foundry Row to that site as being the most suitable place.

Mr COLLINSON argued that a better situation for the urinal could not be found.

After a good deal of discussion, the Surveyor was directed to obey the mandate of the Board.

A TEMPORARY CIRCUS.

Messrs Woodison and Grafton, circus proprietors, wrote asking the Board's permission to erect a wood circus for a few weeks in a field behind the Freemasons' Arms, Consett.

The CHAIRMAN stated that the parties also applied for permission to erect the structure on a site in the Consett Company's streets facing Middle Street, but they did not feel disposed to accede to such a request. He considered it would have been better had the place been taken, say, a quarter-of-a-mile from the town. He enquired if the circus would be beneficial to the social and moral welfare of the people? Would the sanitary surroundings be satisfactory, and would the place provide healthy and innocent amusement for the people? Had the Board power, if it was so desired, to prohibit the erection of the circus?

The Clerk replied in the negative.

The CHAIRMAN remarked that the Board apparently had no power over the erection of the circus. If the building was once put up, it would remain, and they would probably have these circuses continually in their midst, taking money out of the town.

The Clerk pointed out that if they did not give any sanction, they could order the removal of the erection whenever it became a nuisance.

Messrs MURRAY, AYNSLEY, COLLINSON, AINSWORTH, and HYDEN expressed opinions in favour of the circus being allowed to come to the town, and argued that similar erections had been built to amuse the requirements of the authorities of Newcastle and other large towns.

Eventually, after a lengthened discussion, Mr AINSWORTH moved that the Board do not prohibit the erection of the circus, and accepted no responsibility with regard to the structure.

This was seconded by Mr AYNSLEY, and carried *nem con.*

FORSTER STREET AND BUDDLE STREET.

Mr LOWES drew attention to the state of the houses in Buddle Street and Forster Street, a cemented footpath being greatly needed either at the front or back.

The CHAIRMAN said that the houses were no worse than others on the out-skirts of the town.

The Surveyor stated that the corner of Buddle Street and Delves Lane was a perfect quagmire. A kerb and channel, and likewise a cemented footpath was much needed.

The CHAIRMAN promised to attend to this matter forthwith, the other point being left in abeyance.

THE SEWERAGE SCHEME.

The Clerk read counsel's opinion with reference to certain claims for compensation made on behalf of Messrs Greenwell, Dunnell, and Co., in respect to the Consett action in laying the sewer in Dene Burn Wood, Allansford; and on the proposal of Mr MURRAY, he was instructed to reply to Messrs Greenwell's request in the foregoing terms, and to offer £25 compensation.

Mr HYDEN mentioned that a claim of £5 was made in respect to the same damage by Mr Anderson, tenant; but it was pointed out that the tenant must arrange that matter with his landlord.

Mr J. G. Murray, on behalf of Mr Hedley Nicholson, butcher, wrote to the effect that a steam engine and saw-mill had been located on his eight-acre field, and besides, timber had been drawn across the fog. His stock had been disdrawn across the fog. His stock had been disturbed to such an extent that he had been compelled to remove his sheep and lambs to other pastures. The Board were directed to remove the engine and saw-mill from the field, and payment of £7 10s was claimed for illegal trespass and damage, and a further claim of 5s per day for every day that the engine remained on the ground. Mr Nicholson wrote at last Board meeting, asking for the eatage off another field for one month, and wanted 6s worth of eatage; but he subsequently withdrew the terms of his communication.

Mr AINSWORTH asserted that the saw-mill had been fenced round, and the stock were in the field the whole of the time.

The CHAIRMAN thought the farm manager should have consulted the Farm Committee before putting the engine and saw-mill in that particular field.

Mr COLLINSON stated that the Board were responsible, but the full damage did not exceed 10s. If the Board had placed the steam engine and saw-mill in the adjoining plantation, it would have frightened the stock in the same way, and Mr Nicholson would have had no redress.

It was proposed by Mr AYNSLEY, and seconded by Mr COLLINSON, that £5 in satisfaction be offered to Mr Nicholson in satisfaction of his claim.

THE FARM COMMITTEE'S REPORT

was as follows:—

In the matter of Mr Hedley Nicholson's letter, the which was left over from the last meeting, the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Nicholson to the effect that the committee cannot see their way clear to grant his request.

The committee recommend that the tender of Mr Johnson, of 3s 6d per acre for the eatage of North and South Banks, and 8s 6d per acre for the 8½ acre field, be accepted by the Board—the eatage of the field being from the present time to next Christmas.

The report of the farm manager was as below:—

I have got your hay stacked in very good condition. Straw is needed for thatch. We have had the saw-mill at work 11 days. We have got cut up 1,020 first-class rails, 480 second class, and 910 posts; rails and ends for 10 gates; a few deals and other wood which you will meet about the farm. I consider you will have plenty of fencing wood for many years to come. We are now levelling the old hedge, as per instructions. I should like to hear from you about the ploughing, so time should for working land will get past, and no time should be lost.

The farm manager was instructed to get six thraves of wheat straw for thatching the stacks of hay.

The Committee recommend that the sum of £21 6s 6d be paid for wages, as shown by the farm manager's wages book, also that the sum of 5s be paid for coal for the sawmill received from the Consett Iron Company. The clerk was instructed to write to Mr Robinson, C.E., and inform him that the sewage is going through the pipes on to the farm. Mr Johnson gave notice that he would terminate his engagement with the Board three months from this date.

THE FARM MANAGER.

It was mentioned that Mr Johnson, farm manager, had taken Pratchets Farm, and was leaving the service of the Board.

Mr AINSWORTH complained that the Farm Committee had let a couple of fields to Mr Johnson, when he was appointed on the distinct understanding that he was to devote his whole time to the duties. It was a direct violation of the terms of his appointment.

The CHAIRMAN also condemned the system, which he characterised as a very unhealthy and undesirable one. Mr Rippon might as well ask the Board to let him take a contract for cementing the footpaths.

Messrs AYNSLEY and COLLINSON, as members of the Farm Committee, explained that, in response to the advertisement, Johnson's was the only tender before them. The committee discussed the matter, and finally came to the conclusion that there would not be much harm in accepting Johnson's offer.

The CHAIRMAN said he could not condone the action of the committee.

Mr COLLINSON said the Board had better condemn the principle and censure the committee.

The CHAIRMAN said the committee had committed an error of judgment, but he would not censure them.

On the proposition of Mr AINSWORTH, seconded by the CHAIRMAN, it was resolved to adopt the report of the Farm Committee, with the exception of the portion letting the eatage to the farm manager, which matter be referred back to the committee to obtain another customer.

It was likewise agreed to advertise for a working farm manager, at a salary of £100 a year, with a house.

SEWAGE EXTENSIONS.

Councillor MURRAY moved that the Surveyor be directed to extend the sewer from the bottom of Taylor Street to Siemen Street.

The Surveyor said the distance was 150 yards, and he would lay it in a 9in. pipe. He was empowered to do the work with his own men.

It was further agreed to extend the branch drain main sewer in Park Road to the end of Mr Kidd's block of property.

THE SEWAGE WORKS COMPLETED.

Mr Robinson, C.E., announced that there were one or two contracts to be carried out yet, but practically the scheme was completed. There was no further necessity to use the old settling ponds, but they could be kept in case of emergency.

Considerable difficulty having arisen with regard to obtaining a steam plough, the only one available belonging to Mr Turnbull, Belford, the machinery could not be conveyed across the swing bridge except by rail.

Mr Robinson said it was necessary to have this 25 acres of ground trenched and well ploughed, but Messrs COLLINSON and AINSWORTH did not think much harm would be caused if the ploughing was left over till next spring. The sewerage could be turned on the land at once.

After a protracted debate, the subject was referred to the Farm Committee.

A claim from the Consett Iron Company for £66 17s 2d for damage to the land was also relegated to the Farm Committee to investigate.

Mr Robinson reported that the fence between Crawford's field and the wood belonging to the Consett Iron Company had fallen down, and beasts were consequently damaging the pipe track.

The Clerk was directed to protect its pipe track with a fence.

Subject to the approval of the tenant, it was determined to lay in the pipe to the end of the old sidening, Hole Row Farm, to replace his water supply, the estimated cost being £55 18s.

The CHAIRMAN said that the sewerage scheme would cost them over £22,000 at this rate before they were done with it.

The Public Works Loan Commissioners notified that the Board must repay, on October 10th, the sum of £683 14s 8d principal and interest on loan.

THE GAS COMPANY'S AGREEMENT.

The agreement with the Shotley Bridge Gas Company for lighting 700 ordinary public lamps to May 6th was sealed, the two lamps at the corner of the Consett Company's offices being dispensed with.

THE PUBLIC PARK.

A letter was read from the Consett Iron Company thanking the Board for their appreciation of the park.

The CHAIRMAN said that a vast amount of damage had been done to the place. Would the Board second the efforts of the Consett Iron Company in appointing the Chief Constable for a special policeman to be stationed in the park for its general protection?

Mr COLLINSON said it was a great shame that wanton damage had been caused. He moved that the Board apply to the Chief Constable (Colonel White) for a police officer to be set on duty in the park.

This was seconded by Mr AYNSLEY, and agreed to.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

recommended the payment of the undermentioned:

	£ s. d.
W. Rippon, wages and accounts 52 18 10	
Consett Iron Company, coals to farm ...	0 5 0
Knight and Co., stationery, &c.	0 14 11
R. Johnson, farm wages ...	21 6 6
Yorkshire Post, advertising ...	0 18 0
Newcastle Chronicle, advertising	0 8 0
H. Morgan, plumbing, &c ...	4 9 10
H. Forster and Sons, pipes, &c., for new sewer ...	17 10 0
Wm. Ridley, bottoming and cementing footpaths ...	12 14 3
Consett Water Co., urinals and offices ...	1 0 0
Total ...	£113 3 4

Sewage account.

Best and Torrence, contract No. 1 ...	155 17 8
Consett Iron Company ...	18 5 9
J. S. Murray, valuation ...	1 1 0
Total ...	£175 4 5

The report was adopted.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

Exchequer Buildings, Durham,

August, 1891.

SIR,—I am directed by the Technical Education Committee of the County Council to transmit to you enclosed herewith an extract from a report of the committee, which has been adopted by the County Council, with respect to grants in aid of technical and manual instruction in populous places, and to inform you that the Council is now prepared to consider the claims of your Local Board for a grant in aid. And I have also to invite you to send to me full particulars of any scheme you have to propose on behalf of your Board not later than Saturday, 19th September next, with plans and estimates of buildings to be devoted solely to technical and manual instruction, and generally as to the manual instruction, and generally as to the manner in which it has been proposed to carry out the scheme.

The majority of the ashpits land privies are in fair good order, there being a few requiring to be emptied. Quicklime is still given out for cleansing purposes, and several yards and out offices have been white-washed, which must have a beneficial effect. Thirteen notices have been served for the abatement of nuisances, which have been attended to. The following accounts have been paid to your treasurer:—

	£ s d
General district rate ...	13 3 8
Market tolls ...	2 0 3
	£21 13 11

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

W. RIPPON.

The report was accepted, and some minor matters having being dealt with, the Board arose at 10 30 p.m.

TOW LAW LOCAL BOARD.

The above Board held their usual meeting on Tuesday last. The members present were Messrs Atkinson (chairman), Teasdale, Bridge, Bowes, and Emerson. A paybill for £116 5s 10d was submitted by the Clerk, and on the motion of Mr Emerson, seconded by Mr Bowes, was unanimously passed.—The Clerk was directed to give certain defaulters the usual notice to pay their general district rates or they would be summoned.—The Clerk read a communication from the Local Government Board, having reference to the Auditor's report on the last audit, as to the rating of owners under section 211 of the Public Health Act, and he was directed to ask for further information for the Board.—The Board decided to channel and kerb (in the same manner as High Street) the east side of Castle Bank, and the Clerk was directed to prepare specifications and ask for tenders for the work.—It was also decided to advertise for a lamplighter for the present season.—The Board adjourned for a month to consider the question of the sewerage works, and also the desirability of a service main for fire and water-mains.

NOTES FROM THE STEEPLE.

[BY THE "OLD CROW."]

Right's Right, the play which this week has been running at the Theatre Royal, Consett, to the delight of patrons and in the front of very fair audiences, is a play of no mean order. It is just one of a class that appeals strongly to the heart of the mighty and with the very best of reasons. Full of dramatic incident, there is none the less a respectable sprinkling of the lighter comedy element of a proper sort and I shall be surprised if the engagement does not prove a very satisfactory one right round.

The action of Mr H. Cass at the meeting of the Benfieldside School Board last week, is by no means to be commended. Here is a man who prides himself on the fact of his long connection with the Board, and who very graciously admits that he has everything "at his finger ends," who does not feel that by leaving the meeting as he did on the other day as reported in the *Guardian*, he was neglecting his duties to the ratepayers and as a member of the Board. He was able, so he says, to set the matter right if he had wished, but latterly he has preferred to express himself without a too stringent regard to his grammar as quite indisposed to be "bothered" (inverted commas please) accordingly left the meeting in a huff. It is needless to point out to a member of such long standing as Mr Cass that the proper course to have done under the circumstances and during the difficulties under which the Board laboured in the discussion of a matter of such importance as the adoption of free education, would have been to have given every possible information in his power and so helped forward the discussion. To represent that the matter was settled "at his finger ends" and then to leave the room was most distinctly not dignified, and certainly fails to impress upon the ratepayers that profound belief in his knowledge of the subject which he professes to have. The member referred to knew the difficulty of the subject and was also aware of the help he might have given, and it is regrettable that he should have misrepresented the one and withheld the other.

NORTH-WEST DURHAM WOMEN'S LIBERAL ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL SUMMER MEETING.

The annual summer meeting, under the auspices of the Women's Liberal Association for the North-Western Division of the county, was held on Wednesday afternoon, last week, in the pretty situated Spa grounds at Shotley Bridge, by permission of Messrs Wilson Bros., lessees. The weather was of the most favourable description for an out-door meeting, and the proceedings were of a delightful and successful nature. Nearly 100 members partook of an excellent tea, provided by Messrs Wilson, and in the evening there was a public meeting in the pavilions pavilion, when there was a very large attendance of ladies, and a few gentlemen were present. Mrs J. Pumphrey (the Elm Park (treasurer of the association) occupied the chair, and she was supported by Miss Gibson, Dawyck House (secretary); Mrs G. S. Barkas, Shotley Bridge; the Misses Priestman, Derwent Lodge; Mrs A. Brodie, Consett; Mrs J. G. Joicey, Blackhill; Miss Ann Orr, Annfield Plain (vice-president of the North-West Durham Liberal Association), and Miss Orr; Miss H. Cass, Shotley Bridge; A. McKean, Benfieldside; &c.

Mrs PUMPHREY, in opening the meeting, explained that they were endeavour to convert Mr L. A. Atherley-Jones, their member, in favour of the extension of the franchise to women. (Applause).

Mr NEWTON, Byron-on-Tyne, in the course of his speech, referred to the able and effective address delivered by Lady Carlisle at Newcastle, on the occasion of the laying of the Gladstone memorial, and pointed out that there was one part which Women's Liberal Associations could with advantage take in political life, and that was canvassing at election times. As they were on the eve of a general election, all their efforts must be directed towards securing the return of Mr Gladstone to power. (Applause). If the women only did their duty, they would advance the cause of the Liberal members exceedingly. He was in the central section of voters who took an interest in politics, and it was to that class that canvassing became very useful. Personally he had a belief in the canvassing, but in the present state of affairs, it was impossible to do away with the system entirely. As the next general election they must work unitedly, together, and if Mr Atherley-Jones was not converted on the question of women's suffrage, it would be their own fault. The first subject to deal with when the Liberals were returned to power would be the granting of Home Rule for Ireland, and then several other much-needed social reforms would have to be carried into effect. Dealing with the many grievous blunders of the present Government, the speaker said that if it was only for the fact that they introduced a measure for compensating publicans they had lost the confidence of the people, and ought to be ousted from office. (Applause).

Mr JOHN ORR, who was well received, said he believed that women possessed rights peculiar to themselves, and he always held that ladies were capable of doing a vast amount of work in furtherance of a good cause, even much better than some of the so-called intelligent men. (Laughter). He maintained that women should not only be allowed to exercise the Franchise, but even sit as representatives in Parliament, and be members of the Cabinet. (Applause). He considered that lady members would prove a very valuable organisation in the House. As the female had to obey the law, and pay taxes as well as men, it was only right and just that they should have some voice in the construction and scope of those laws. (Applause). If they had, many of their present laws would be amended. He urged that women were capable of wielding their influence to a greater extent than men, and maintained that it was their bounden duty to assert their rights, and strive to obtain the privileges they were so justly entitled to. (Applause). In his concluding remarks, Mr Orr referred to the tactics adopted by the female members of the Primrose League in inducing the electors to support the Tory cause.

Mr BECKENHAM, also of Ryton, observed that the days had long gone by when it was supposed that the female portion of the community were attached to the Conservative party. The growth of Liberalism amongst them was augured a most happy omen for the future country. (Applause). The speaker explained why they were Radicals, and dwelt upon the Liberal programme of measures, and the Tory Government in times past. He also described the attitude and position of the Tory party in opposing the useful legislation. He (Mr Beckenham) deplored the fact of the Liberal Unionists, who were upright sensible men being alienated from the Gladstonian party, but believed that they would return to the ranks of the progressive party (a voice: "We can do very nicely without them"). If they did not return to the fold, they would accomplish nothing further for political existence, and be pitched out of Parliament. (Applause).

Miss GIBSON explained that their Association had been established about 13 months, and they now had 100 members. (Applause). They were hoping the membership doubled during the course of the next winter, so as to be better represented as the meetings of the Women's National Liberal Federation. The annual meeting of one of the decisions come to at the annual meeting of that Federation in May last. There was a resolution submitted to the effect that the Women's Liberal Association in general, and the Federation, should endeavour by every possible means to press forward on the Home Rule Question, the necessity of advocating the extension of the franchise to women. (Applause). She was sorry to say, however, that the resolution was lost, owing to its mighty secret. This fact was due to the influence of certain ladies, who possessed some power over the officials. One of the reasons that Home Rule had been embodied in the programmes of the National Liberal Federation to be held at Newcastle, was because they were told that the women were not ripe on that point. They wanted to remedy this defect. The Association intended holding a number of small private meetings during the coming winter.

Mrs A. Brodie and Mrs Gibson were chosen to attend as deputation to the National Federation meetings at Newcastle.

On the motion of Mr H. CASS, seconded by Mrs BARCLAY, a vote of thanks to the speakers and Mrs Pumphrey closed the meeting.

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SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT HOBSON COLLIERY.

A MINERS' REPRESENTATIVE AND THE CORONER.

On Tuesday afternoon, at Mrs Carrick's Hobson Hotel, near Burnopfield, Mr John Graham, district coroner, held an inquiry into the circumstances resulting in the death of Francis Samuel Wilkinson, aged 62 years, who expired last Sunday morning at four o'clock from injuries alleged to have been received three weeks previously. Mr T. W. Welford (Consett) appeared on behalf of the relatives of the deceased; Mr C. Berkley, viewer, represented Messrs Bowes and Partners, the owners of the colliery; Mr Patrick Carling, Blaydon, watched the proceedings on behalf of the Northumberland and Durham Miners' Permanent Relief Fund; and Mr Bell, assistant Government inspector, of Newcastle, was also present. Thos. Francis Samuel Wilkinson, miner, *Lint Colliery*, said his father lived at Coke Hamlet, Burnopfield Colliery, and was a horse-keeper employed at the Hobson Colliery. He was injured on the 7th August, and died at 4 o'clock on the succeeding Sunday morning. Deceased was last at work on Sunday, 9th August, when he complained of having been hurt on the Friday previous.

Mr Welford: Did you tell Mr Welford? He had never known his father complain of any rupture in the bowels. He was always in good health, and never wore a truss or belt. A few days before he met with the accident referred to witness that he was putting the galloway back, and a lad called Beck "joined" him with a tub. His father turned round to him and exclaimed "Is that you?" and then added "I will hit you on the head." After that Wilkinson got "joined" with a tub in going out of the flat. His father was lying in bed, and pulled up his shirt and showed witness a lump on the right-hand side of the lower part of his bowels. Witness understood him to mean that the tub had gone up against him, and that was the cause of the pain. This was the first injury he received. Later on the same day, deceased was up in the flat a second time, and a lad with a tub amain, and "joined" him as he was in the gallowy.

By the Jury: Wilkinson stated that he received most injury the second occasion when trying to save the pony.

By Carling: His father was off work some two years ago, suffering from inflammation of the lungs.

Benjamin Musgrove Harrison, miner, residing at Mountsett, said he was son-in-law of the deceased, and worked at Hobson Colliery. On Sunday, 9th August, witness called on Wilkinson's house, and found him in bed. Witness enquired "How are you getting on?" He answered "Bad, Ben. This is a rum case. Them lads have fettled me this time!" Witness said "How is the work done by?" He replied "They have 'joined' me with a tub." Wilkinson turned his shirt down and disclosed a lump like a duck egg just above his right hip. Witness said he could not tell if any doctor had seen him at that time, but Wilkinson told him that after coming home from work he had gone to his bed. He never came in to work again from then. Deceased sent in a claim to the Miners' Permanent Relief Fund, but did not receive any money therefrom. Wilkinson was at first attended by Dr Bain, Hobson, who gave a certificate to the effect that the deceased was suffering from phthoels or inflammation of the bladder, adding that the colliery doctor ought to attend to the case. Dr Mitchell, Burnopfield, also gave another certificate for the Miners' Relief Fund.

By the Inspector: He had not been to the place where the accident happened.

By Mr Welford: The tubs were about a yard high. The place where the lump was would be where he might have been hit by the tub.

By Carling: Deceased had a pain across the bowels immediately after the accident.

Benjamin Mason, under-manager and overman at the colliery, gave evidence to the effect that at 7·30 on the Sunday morning in question he called at deceased's, but found that Wilkinson had left before his time—his usual plan being to wait for witness. When he (Mason), came to the flat, Wilkinson informed him that he was a horse-keeper had a pain in his bowels, and was forced to go home. At eleven o'clock, Wilkinson sent word to him that he was not going to attend to the horses that day, at 7 p.m., when witness visited the house, he had the pony to fetch back, and found the latter in bed. Wilkinson then told him the putter came away with his tub, and the pony swerved to one side, and went into the turn. The tub caught the pony, and knocked the animal against the wall. "I got my knight me in the groin." He showed witness the lump. He never mentioned any "joining" of the tubs that day. Since then, witness had been told by deceased how he might have been hurt. He found that although the tub did not cause the injury, the limmers however, might have done so.

By Carling: The limmers could have swerved if attached to the tub.

By Mr Welford: Witness believed the daughter came to the house and related the story.

By the Inspector: Wilkinson was training a new pony, which had been on the rolley-way; but had only been three days in the workings.

In reply to Mr Carling, witness stated that he asked the putter, Joseph Beck, how the accident occurred.

Mr Jno Ann Reay, wife of John Reay, miner, living with her father, said that on the Sunday, Wilkinson came home from the pit about eight o'clock, and complained of having been hurt. He said he was complained of having being hurt on Friday. His wife said "You never said anything to me" and he replied, "No, because I knew you would put your self about that he had been hurt on the lower part of the body, and added that two lads had run against him. The reason he did not tell before was because he thought it would get right as well as other things before. Dr Bain called to see him on Sunday forenoon, and stated that it was a case for a colliery doctor. He never complained of any injury to his bowels at any time before.

A desultory conversation ensued with reference to the certificates granted by the doctor, Mr Carling contending that Dr Bain could not say that it was a colliery case when he had certified that the man was suffering from inflammation.

The Coroner pointed out that Dr Bain may have been right.

Jos. Beck, tantobie, a hand putter at Hobson Colliery, testified to being down the pit on Friday, 7th ult., when Wilkinson was training a fresh pony in the workings. He was hewing not far from where Wilkinson was busy. The latter never asked him to put any tubs out of the road. When witness saw Wilkinson he was getting-in-bye, the latter being hung on to a couple of tubs. He was at the turn leading into the witness's place, and passed the turn Hindhaugh was working in, and witness saw Wilkinson's tub in front of him. He had then a full tub in his place.

By Mr Welford: He told Mr Mason when he asked him about the accident that Hindhaugh had done it.

Mr Carling proved by documentary evidence that Wilkinson reported to the Relief Fund that Beck caused the accident and signed a note to that effect.

The Coroner pointed out that perhaps Wilkinson would not be aware which of the lads caused the accident.

Mr Carling stated that they were there to try and get at the bottom of the matter, while the witness was being examined by Mr Welford,

Mr Carling interposed a question.

The Coroner requested Mr Carling to hold his tongue till the time came. The witness was now in the hands of a solicitor.

Mr Carling said the jury would not understand some of the questions put by Mr Welford.

The Coroner retorted that he could not allow Mr Carling to put a leading question or to argue the matter. He was only present at the inquiry by his permission.

Mr Carling: I am representing a large organisation, and expected I had your permission to question the witnesses.

The Coroner: Yes, when other people have done. But you must not impose too much on good nature.

Mr Carling: Then I suppose if I had been a solicitor——

The Coroner (interposing): That is not the question. If you don't keep quiet, I'll stop you from coming here altogether.

Mr Carling: I am quite prepared for that.

The Coroner: Just hold your tongue.

William Hindhaugh, putter, Hobson, said that on the Friday in question, he was "putting" for Beck and two others. He saw Wilkinson with a pony and two tubs. Witness was going in with an empty tub. He gave Wilkinson a "yoking" and told him to get back. Witness answered, that he would shove his tub back for him. Wilkinson replied, "Well, come on." He loosed the galloway off, and he turned the tubs, and witness shoved him. Deceased came to the pony's head to put it back, and witness went to his own tub, and came away to the turn, when he told witness to "Hold, there." He did so, and then they got off the road, and he (Hindhaugh) went away. The tubs did not "join" or touch him. When he gave him a "yoking," Wilkinson called out and swore, adding that I had given him a "yoking on purpose." Witness answered "I could not help it." "Yoking" meant meeting each other.

Questioned by Mr Welford, witness could not say whether the tub shaft or the pony hit Wilkinson or not, but it was immediately after the "yoking" that he received the injury himself, had had some conversation about the matter. He would not swear that he did not tell Beck that he caused the accident. Wilkinson threatened to slap his face if he did it again. He had given him a "yoking" before that on the same day. Witness could not say how many times he had "yoked" him prior to that.

By the jury: The pony took fright and "whipped" into the turn. He did not see anything happen to Wilkinson.

By Mr Carling: He told Beck that he had given Frank a "yoking" and that he had been carrying the game about it all day, but he did not expect he was hurt.

Silas Hall, another putter, spoke to Wilkinson complaining to him on the Friday of Hindhaugh or Beck having nearly taken his breath away, adding that he had been hurt by a tub.

Dr Attwater, of Whickham, deposed to attending the deceased soon after the occurrence, and said he found that the right side of the right thigh was much swollen. Wilkinson stated that he had been "nipped." Both witness and his assistant found it impossible to reduce the lump. Wilkinson was informed that he had ruptured his right side, and to save his life, he would have to undergo an operation, but deceased did not favour this course. He died on the 31st August, from strangulated femoral. It was possible that the injury might have been caused by the shaft of the tub coming in contact with his stomach.

The Coroner, summing up, said it was the duty of the jury to determine whether the deceased was previously suffering from a rupture, or he received the injuries by the limmers running up against his stomach.

The jury returned a verdict that deceased had met with accidental injuries, and had been ruptured by the limmer of the tub comming in contact with his body; adding that the company were somewhat neglected himself in not reporting his injuries as soon as possible.

QUEBEC DISTRICT NOTES.

[BY A "CORNSAITER."]

Few societies can present a more favourable record of their financial condition in the county of Durham, than that just issued by the Waterhouses flower-show committee. They are to be congratulated on their success, as no effort was spared to attain that object.

Additional improvements are being rapidly brought about at the Quebec vicarage by the Rev F. G. Wesley. The reverend gentleman has now erected a stone wall in the vicarage garden. It is also a grotto for occasional retirement during the summer months, which promises to be a most delightful resort, commanding as it does a view of such a magnificent valley.

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Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

BIRTHS

MEDOMSLEY—Royal Oak Hotel, 31st ult., the wife of R. M. Rutherford, of a daughter.

CASTLESIDE—19th ult., the wife of Wm. Thompson, of a son.

2nd inst., the wife of William Davison, of a son.

OXHILL—29th ult., the wife of Alex. Ledger, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

HIGHGATE—Baptist Chapel, 3rd inst., by Rev E. W. Jenkins, John Sanderson to Miss Thompson, both of Blackhill.

LAMBTON—Methodist Office, 29th ult., W. J. Whillis, Annfield Plain, to M. Waggott, Stanley.—Same day, A. Platt to H. Glass, both of Quebec.—Same day, Wm. Dixon, Smelters' Arms Ion, Castleside, to Isabella Storey, Derwent Grange.—Same day, Robert Smurthwaite to Mrs E. Maxwell, both of Consett.—4th inst., Edgar Elm Park, to I. J. Glasgow, Derwent Cottages.

NEWCASTLE—Byker Church, 31st ult., by Rev G. R. Taylor, vicar, assisted by Rev J. Reed, William, son of Mr and Mrs J. Hudspeth, farmer, Byker, to Elizabeth, eldest daughter of R. R. Christer, Heaton Grove, formerly of Leadgate.

St. Paul's, High Elswick, 1st inst., by Rev Lewis Sanders, Thomas Robson, of Leadgate, to Clara Oubridge, of Newcastle. 438g

DEATHS.

CONSETT—Shakespeare Hotel, 1st inst., aged 30, Michael Ward.

BLACKHILL—4, Tinmill Place, 3rd inst., aged 37, Mary Ann, wife of Robert Colpitts. To be interred at Annfield Plain Cemetery, 6th inst., day, at Four o'clock. Friends, please accept this intimation. 430g

LOW WESTWOOD—31st ult., aged 48, Isaac, husband of Elizabeth Brown.

BURNOPFIELD COLLIERY — Through injuries received at the colliery, Francis, husband of E. WILKINSON, aged 62.

DIPTON — Low Collierley, 25th ult., Elisabeth, daughter of Ann and the late James Cumberledge.

Aged 55, William Ramsey, butcher, beloved husband of Isabella Ramsey, much respected. To be interred on Sunday. Friends, please accept this, the only intimation. 452g

BEAMISH—27th ult., aged 11 years, Mary, daughter of William Davidson.

TOW LAW—29th inst., aged 63, James Parkin.

HAMSTERLEY COLLIERY—27th ult., aged 45, Mary Jane, wife of John Turner, late of Usher Moor.

WEST FELTON—Tyrrell, 26th ult., aged 46, Mary Ann, wife of Joseph Watson.

BLAYDON—Bridge Street, 27th ult., aged 72, Mary, wife of John Walker.

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