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When the County Government Act was passed some few years ago, many "croskers" prophesie that it would be an expensive measure, but how many of them really foresaw the vast amount the various local sanitary authorities would be called upon to see that has any number of houses at allhas to provide expensive schemes, for what? Not Castle, are soon to be at a very large expense in our sewers down the river, and then, why drain the water into the river? Lay the solids on the land, and let it seek its way into its natural

channel—the Tees. It is all so simple, yet costly.

Some few weeks ago the learned Clerk to the Bernard Castle Urban Council laid before his Council a list of what he properly called encroachments on the streets, and in this he mentions tradesmen's shades which are stretched across the footway. These are, no doubt, encroachments, but what I should like like to ask is-Are two iron uprights suspending a wooden cross-bar in the finging with-out any shades at all, an encroschment? Several times lately these have been left standing all night in a very busy ex-eet in the town. The iron cannot be seen until some unwary or worse pedestrian runs into it, to the damage, perhaps, of his face, and maybap, danger of his soul. Surely, if tradesmen are allowed to obstruct the free passage of the men are allowed to obstruct the free passage of the can fail to be impressed when reading the report of footpath during the day time, the least they can do is the Society, at fluding how widespread are its operato remove the uprights and cross-bars when done with. I refrain from mentioning names, but have never sets upon our empire, and it seems to me that with. I refrain from mentioning names, but have no doubt the offending individual will take the hint, and the companion of the made with equal propriety by the British and Foreign Bible Society. No place is too

What a great improvement has taken place quite south, east and west, those devoted men take their recently in the footpaths of the town. It is now possible to walk as far as Westwick Lodge withoutexcept for a short distance—leaving a capitally comented path, and also with a like exception walk as far as the Railway Orossing on the one hand and the Railway Station on the other. I now see that Mr Wade has been busy extending these well-made places still are, may be gathered from even a cursory Mr Wade has been busy extending these well-made paths in other directions, but I would certainly like to see the little gaps—each less than a hundred yards loag, from Mr Appleby's, Woodbine Cottage, to the Harmire road—completed, and that in front of the County School attended to before frosty weather County School attended to before frosty weather

"A crowded house and great success." This was the result and verdict, on the first of Captain West's 1895, to hear of bibles being seized and burnt. Such sutertainments in this district, namely, at Bowes School, on Thursday last. The views were admirable, the description fluent and graphic, in fact, the whole less, it is a true one. On the other band, it is most less, it is a true one. is an exhibition of the highest order. The first part, cheering to find that in other parts the old opposition pertaining to the Reavens, was perhaps the most tascinating; the second part, dealing with the Earth, was deeply interesting; and the third part, concerning the See, quite novel in its character; and one could not but regret when the sotertainment was concluded. -Capt. West can be assured of a hearty reception at all the places he visits in this neighbourhood.

The proposition to create a separate union for the Yorkshire townships for all poor-law purposes, except in-maintenance, would seem to have an almost unsurmountable obstacle thrown in its way, by the letter received by Dr. Mitchell, the chairman of the Startforth Bural District Council. This document was read at last Wednesday's meeting of the Council, and was shortly to the effect that it was entirely against the custom of the Local Government Board to make any order over-riding the action of the County Council who, so far, strongly oppose such separation. Until the Durham and the North Biding County Councils can work together, or the Bural Council can show a much stronger case than they have hitherto done, the Yorkshire townships remain part of us for poor-law purposes. They may have an unanswerable case, and if so, I hope they may succeed. At any rate they are confident, and have appointed an influential committee to prepare their brief for submission to the powers in don. I am afraid they have an uphill fight before them, but time will tell.

is already preparing for winter. At the last meeting Mr Brown was ordered to procure several additional snow ploughs, and place them in various parts of the district. Hitherto these ploughs only went out on the instruction of the Surveyor, but now, bowever, the councillors have found out that that gentleman is not omnipresent. Therefore, as is done in Durbam, the councillors where the ploughs are stationed have that power. No doubt many pounds have been saved on the Durham side by the prompt bringing-out of the ploughs, besides, in many cases, keeping the roads passable, and I have no doubt our friends over the border will now secure similar results.

The complaint made at the last meeting of the Marwood Parish Council, as published in these columns, does not seem to have been made in any carping spirit, but as the result of a narrow escape rom a serious accident. The stones, according to my informant, are not put far enough from the road, although there is room, and are, therefore, dangerous to vehicles. This is the case principally on the Kinninvie road, and now that the complaint has been made public, no doubt Mr Parkin will see that the cause for crying out is removed,

There has been formed, for a number of years, in Switzerland, a society for the preservation of wild flowers, and such a society would almost seem to be necessary in Tecedale, which has ever had an abundant and choice flors. In Switzerland a land, much visited by tourists and others, the almost wenton destruction of flowers, ferns, &c., going far to destroy a great natural attraction, called into existence the society, and, it would seem, that in this district, also largely visited, that even more wanton destruction takes place. Within the space of two months, a correspondent writing on this subject, deplores the fact that of very recent years many of the choicer, and even common ferns, which formerly grew in abundance in the woods are now almost extinct, and ident writing on this subject, deplores the the rowan trees are also being ruthlessly destroyed. This is not a pleasant state of things, and it behoves the inhabitants of beautiful Teesdale to see that their natural flora remains as intact as possible, and as far as may be, safe from the hands of the wanton

or thoughtless.

The weather in this district, for some time, has been of a somewhat remarkable nature. After a spell of catchy weather, a dash was made into almost tropical heat : and last Brough Hill fair will long b remembered, especially on the first day, considering the excessive heat which then prevailed. Nature seemed as though it had got rather mixed up, and lowers, etc., began to bloom again as though spring had just passed and summer come. Many remarkable instances of second and even third crops are on record, and even in this northern latitude we had in Barnard Castle at least two gardens where ripe strawberries could be seen within the last few days. One in the Market Place, so late as Friday last, produced a fair crop of splendid berries, and in another at the high end of the town, a fortnight ago, everal fine specimens of fruit were gathered. These facts go to show that the earth will still bring forth fruit if the climatic conditions are favourable, no matter the season of the year.

The price of wool has been advancing for some time, but before this advance took place, Howson and Reay bought their stock of Blankets for the winter, which for colour, finish, and value, cannot be beaten. Prices 8/9, 9/-, 11/-, 12/9, 14/6, 15/-, 16/9, 18/9, 20/- to 28/6 pair. We recommend immediate purchase of these blankets, now showing at Teesdale Rouse, Barnard Castle.—Appr.

Wreck of the S. S. "Lahneck."-Messrs Duff and Bowntree, Bishop Auckland, have purchased From the underwriters a large portion of the Salvage in good condition—slee the Stock of W. Bobertson, of Stratford, at the large discount of 45 per cent, from cost prices. These goods, together with large purchases of new Goods in all departments, they will commence to sell on Thursday, October 17th, and fellowing days—see catalogue—free by post—for full

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Barnard Castle Branch of this Society was held last night in the Witham

to make. And first I desire to express the deep gratification which I feel at being called upon to preside over this important, unsectarian meeting. It is very likely that the views of us who are now present, may not all absolutely coincide upon a good many minor points at ordinary times. But this evening all differences are left outside the door, and we are here, united body, with no other object in view than that o furthering the cause, which I am sure we all have at heart, namely, the dissemination of God's Holy Word over every portion of the inhabited world. No one remote from civilisation, nor too far out of the way, for the Society's agents to penetrate. North and way, braving heat and cold, suffering weariness and privation, at times, it may well be, almost losing beart, but still ever "enduring bardness, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ," and bappy that they are meet with the most obstinate antegonism, which is only counterbalanced by the determination of the people to possess the Scriptures at all bezards, and at any cost. It seems incredible, in this year of grace, a tale carries us back at once 350 years, and sounds is dving out, and that those who formerly opposed us now not only permit their people to buy and study the Scriptures, but also eagerly embrace the opportunity of supplying themselves with the correct and unmutilated versions which alone are circulated by the Society. It is gratifying to learn that the work of the Society is steadily increasing year by year, but much still remains to be done. Many of us are old enough to remember the time when the only means of indoor illumination for those living remote from towns was the humble candle, or the troublesome (and frequently fragrant) moderator lamp—before cheap petroleum had placed a good light within the reach of all. In the small towns and illages, scarcely any attempt was made to light np the streets, which even in large towns were lit by canty, infrequent gas-lamps, barely sufficient to make the surrounding darkness visible. Contrast, if you

lighted street of thirty or forty years age, with the odern thoroughfare, blazing with electric light; the difference is great, 1 grant you, but not nearly so great as that which exists between our Bible-illumined England, and these countries where that Bible is still unknown, or is a sealed book. The candle, the primitive lamp, or the embryonic gas burner, after all, gave some light, but those countries are in total darkness-The authority in charge of highway matters in the diffuse light throughout the dreamy blackness which North Riding has taken time by the forelock, and still so largely prevails. Let us each determine to do all that is in our power to assist, and may the happy day soon dawn, when the Holy Bible shall be, throughout the whole world, better known than even the flag of our country—of our England, which has done so much to carry to all nations that Book, which has rightly been described as the secret of England's

greatness and of England's glory.

Mr M. J. Dixon, in the absence of Mr T. Berry, the local Treasurer, reported that there had been received from Mickleton, Lunedale, and Holwick, £4 10s. 8d.; Egglieton's school, £7 15s. 11½d.; collection at last meeting, £2 15s. 1d.; and subscriptions per Miss Winpenny, £3 0s. 6d.; Miss Thompson, £3 7s.; Miss Tilburn, £2 ls.; and Miss Young, £1 7s. 6d. This gave a total income of £31 5s. 1d. The expenses amounted to £1 4s., and the sum of £30 ls. 1d. bad been sent to the parent society. During the year, 97 bibles and 36 New Testaments had been sold by Miss Barker at the depot. The finances for the current year were very favourable, the bazaar at Miss Eglinton's school realising the handsome figure of £10 5s., and in the collecting box there was now £83s.

(Applause.)
The Rev. E. S. Prout, M.A., district secretary, then delivered a very interesting address, in the first place dealing with the translation of the Bible into the English language, and afterwards into the very numerous languages in other parts of the world. During the last four years, vast strides had been made in that work, the holy scriptures having been translated into no less than 35 different languages. The recent work of the missionaries in China and Japan was exhaustively dealt with, and the proceedings closed with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr Sprout, and the collectors.

BRAMBLERS IN TROUBLE.

Last Wednesday, before a strong bench of North Biding justices, presided over by Major Hugginson, four Barnard Castle lads named respectively Frederick Cain, James Stephenson, Henry Coward, and John Sailey, were charged with damaging underwood and fences on land near Brignal, in the occupation of Mr Mason. Defendants, it appears, had been gathering brambles in a cover, and had, during their treepssing, damaged the fences and cover to a considerable extent. A fine of is, each and costs was considered unishment enough for the damage done.

HEALTH LECTURES AT BARNARD

CASTLE. Miss Dunn delivered her fifth lecture on Monday evening sen., to a good company. The subject being "Healthy Houses," she pointed out the importance of good situation on, preferably, elevated gravelly ground, free from damp or contaminated deposit. The dangers attendant upon ideffective drainage, soakage, &c., were fully illustrated. No drains should pass under dwelling-houses, unless there was an impervious floor of concrete. All drains and soil pipes should be care-fully ventilated, trapped and flushed. Bad smells are danger signals, and should not be hidden with "disinfectants," but the cause searched for and removed. All rooms should be well ventilated by fresh air, admitted by open upper windows, or other arrangement for giving it as upward direction Votes of thanks were unanimously passed to Mr O. S. Scott, for promoting the lectures, and to Messrs H. Walker and B. Wood, for giving their services with the lantern, kindly lent by Mr T. Parkinson. The concluding lecture (for women and girls only) was on "Home Nursing."

Grand Display of Millinery, Mantles, Jackets, Mackintoshes, Furs, Dress Goods, &c. - all he latest novelties—at M. J. Dixon's, Barnard Castle.—ADVT.

To Mothers.—Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is pleasant to taste; it produces natural quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button," Of all Chemusta, 1s. 14d. per bottle.

RE-OPENING OF THE CHANCEL OF WINSTON PARISH CHURCH.

For some weeks past the Chancel of this Church has been separated from the Nave by a large sheet filling up the wools archway, behind which masons spend in sewerage schemes. Nearly every townspin on Testimonial Hall. There was a very representative filling up the wools archway, behind which masons
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spin on Testimonial Hall. There was a very representative filling up the wools archway, behind which masons supported by the Rev. Canon Brown, the Rev. J. W. that portion of the ancien fabric. The usual Harvest Racett, Mr M. J. Dixon (secretary) and the Rev. E. Thanksgiving had this year been postponed, to allow because their dwelling-houses are the not-heds of infection, but because one of the commandments on the statute-book says: "Thou shalt not politic any bedeemed the work of the Rev. Canon Brown offered thanks for the river or stream, although they may be deemed the work done by the Society in various parts of the globe. natural drains of the district." We, in Barnard For the reading Mr Eacott read in an impressive appearance of that part of the building. The unnamer the 19th Psalm.

The Coairman said: Ladies and gentlemen: when, walls, laying bare the twelfth century mesonry, which s few weeks ago, I was invited to take the chair at bas been repointed and made good where necessary; this meeting, it was intimated to me that I should not be expected to inflict a lengthy speech upon you, but simply to offer a few brief inaugural observations, an areat paving of red and black tiles has been laid within the communion rails, and the rails themselves are supported by new and elegant standards; the arrangement which, if you will permit me to say so, stells and prayer desk have been much improved; may well be summarised in the closing words of a handsome ourtains adorn the eastern end; a carved once popular song, as "Best for you, and best for me." oak lectern has been placed at the chancel step; new But there are just a few remarks which I should like carpets and bangings have been provided; lamps giving a powerful light have been suspended from the roof, and various other desirable alterations have been made. The harvest decorations were the work of Mrs A. Walker, the Misses Beaumont, Hill, Sadgrove, Sills, Wichenden; Messra Hardy, Tiplady, and Walker, and were executed with admirable taste. A large congregation filled the Church. In the absence of the Bishop of Durham, through ill-health, the sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Sandford, who was accompanied by the Revs. W. Apter, Canon Brown, A. W. M. Close, A. H. Ford, W. E. Jackson, H. Jennings, H. C. Lipscomb, W. D.

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> The Church has now an attractively warm and bright appearance, and it is to be hoped the work may be completed by continuing it through the remainder

SIR G. W. ELLIOT AND THE RICH-

MONDSHIRE CONSERVATIVES. The half-yearly meeting of the Richmond Conver-Northellerton, Sir Hy. Beresford-Peirse presiding.—
On the motion of Mr J. C. Winn seconded by Mr
Heltoer, it was resolved "That this meeting of the Richmond division Conservative Association wishes to express its sincere sympathy with Sir George W. Etitot in his trying illness, and expresses the hope that be may have a speedy and complete recovery; and that Mr Rolley wait upon him to convey the resolution."-In accordance with the first-mentioned resolution, Mr Rolley on Saturday proceeded to Harrogate and conveyed the expression of sympathy of the association to Sir George Elliot, who was much noved on its receipt. Sir George requested Mr Rolley o convey his sincere thanks to the association, and ntimated his intention of sending a written cknowledgment.

STAINDROP. In our report of the "Band Concert" at Staindrop, on the 18th inst., the name of Mr George Dates was inadvertently omitted, he undertaking the duties of accompanist at a short notice, and was complimented by Mr Winpenny for the able manner in which he acquitted himself.

BOLAM. Harvest Thanksgiving Service.—A very successful service was beld on Friday, at 7 p.m., the preacher being the Rev F. B. Loxley, senior curate of Shildon. Even-ong was sung by Rev W. Apter, Vicar of Denton. The lessons were read by Rev J. Wilkinson, junior curate of Shildon. The offertory which was devoted to Church expenses, was presented, can, in your mind's eye, the old time tallow dip, with the brilliantly gleaming lamp of to-day, or the dimly.

O. T. Bowen. There was a large attendance. There was full choral service, and the singing throughout was excellent. The Church was beautifully decorated.

BUTTERKNOWLE. The people of Butterknowle and district can now eafely recommend our "Troupe of Caristies." They gave everybody a most pleasant surprise on Saturday night, nobody dreaming that they were in for such a treat as the concert turned out to be. The out the way.

hall was packed to excess. The stylish manner in The three defendants were given the benefit of the the darkness of ignorance and sin. Ladies and gentlemen, we have this evening an opportunity of helping those who are so earnestly endeavouring to belong those who are so earnestly endeavouring to belong those who are so earnestly endeavouring to belong the careful was due to Mr. body's good opinion. Great credit was due to M Mackensie and his right hand man --- Mr Bones.

WOODLAND. Mr J. C. Douglas, headmaster of the Heptonstall Board School, and second son of Mr J. W. Douglas, Woodland, had the degree of M. A. conerred upon him on Friday last, by the Royal University, Dublin.

STARTFORTH. At the annual meeting held in the vestry at Startforth, on October 16th, the Rev. H. Jennings presided. The business transacted was the levying of a gas rate, and as to whether the Parish Council take over the lighting into their own bands, or the three inspectors continue in office. After the finances had been gone in o with Mr Heslop, the meeting passed a resolution that £20 would be required, as there was a balance of £14 left from last year. The three inspectors were heartily thanked for the way they had been able to reduce the gas rate in three years from 9d. in the pound to 6½d. this year.—Mr A. Hall advocated that as the inspectors had been so diligent in looking after the interests of the ratepayers, and reduced the rate one balf, they could not do better than continue them in office, and moved that it be not taken over with the Parish Council, but continue as before, which was seconded and carried unanimously.—Mr Hobsen resigned, when Councillor Fryer was obosen, along with Councillor Rutherford and Mr Heslop. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr Heslop for the able manner in which he had kept the accounts. It was carried unanimously that two lamps be put down to Abbey Terrace, and one to Startforth School, when several of the tenants at Abbey Terrace promised to

Snow Storm in Teesdale.—Snow now lies n upper Teesdale to a depth of about 3 inches and a TAKE "BUDDEN'S BALSAM OF HOREHOUND AND COLTSFOOT," a positive cure for Coughs and Colds, Asthma. OLTSFOOT." a positive cure for Coughs and Colds, Asthma, ronchitis, and all Pulmonary Complaints. Don't take ANY abstitute, 1s. 14d. and 2s. 9d. All chemists,

Barnard Castle Horticultural Society .-On Friday night sen., a concert was given in the Music Hall, Barnard Castle, in aid of the funds of the above Society. There was a good attendance, and a good programme was well rendered. Mr Jonathan Awde said that owing to some misunderstanding, the sketch advertised as the second part of the programme would not be given, but the artistes who appeared in the first part, would appear later. The programme was a varied one, the comic element predominating. Miss Walker, of Barnard Castle, opened with "Killarney," and afterwards gave "Golden Love" in fine style, but her other song was not equal to her first one. Mr A. E. Riley, Stockton-on-Tees, was well received in his coster impersonations, "The Coster's Oneymoon" "Ga, ga, ga, good-bye," and his several encores. Mr J. E. Jenninge, of Darlington, although suffering from a severe cold, pleased his audience with "Beturn and Stay," The White Squall," and his other songs. Miss Rose, Stockton, contralto, gave "The Better Land," and "Golden Harvest" in a pleasing manner, but her voice was hardly powerful enough for the hall. Mr A. T. Piper's violin solo, Sarasate's version of Chopin's "Nocturne" in Eflat, was a work of art, and an encore was demanded, but the gentleman nade his bow, and departed. Mr Milton Atkinson of Keighley, is an old favourite, and sustained his reputation as character comedian, with "Farm Gate,"
"Musical Bob," The German," &c. Miss Brown, A.C.O., Barnard Castle, and Miss Rose were accom-

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STAINDROP PETTY SESSIONS. Friday last, before the Rev. H. C. Lipscomb, and

THE POOR WIFE AND BAIRNS. A Cockfield miner, named John Donald, appeared it the instance of Inspector Freestone, N.S.P.C.C., to answer the serious charge of neglecting his six childen, all under the age of 14 years, in a manner likely to cause them unnecessary suffering, or injury to their

Mr Barningham, Barnard Castle, who appeared for the Society, in his opening address, disclosed a shockng state of things. Donald, said Counsel, was an able-bodied man, in the prime of life, a good work-man, and when he worked could earn big wages. Unfortunately, from being an industrious sober man, he had lapsed into an idle, drunken good-for-nothing, who spent his time in leziness, drink, and when be had money, gambling. Donald had frequently lost his work through drink, and in consequence his wife and family suffered. Mrs Donald had, although unfit for such hard work, to work in the fields, so as in some measure to find food for her little ones. They were often without food, and were badly clothed. The children frequently begged from the neighbours, who had been very kind to them. The youngest child seemed to suffer most from want of proper nourishment, and, although nearly a year old, weighted less than Sibs. It also suffered from a spinal complaint, the result of the want of proper food. The defendant when in his cups, was violent, and threatened and assaulted his wife, who, with hor family, was obliged to seek shelter with her brother. They were now in the workhouse. Concluding, Mr Barningham hoped the Bench would inflict such a punishment upon Shepperd, W. Turner, and F. R. Sadgrove, (Rector of Winston.) The Rev. A. Ellam presided at the worthy example.

A large amount of evidence in support of Counsel's opening statement was produced, and The Beach flading the charge fully proved, committed Donald to the care of the governor of H.M. prison at Durham for one calendar month, with hard abour, expressing their disgust at the usage the family had undergone.

John Smith, of West Auckland, miner, did not answer his name, when charged with fishing for salmon at Gainford, on the 18th inst. Inspector Weirs saw defendant fishing for about an hour in the Tees, and then asked him for his license. This document was said to be at home, but eventually Smith thought better of his lapse from the truth, and told the Inspector he had not one. For indulging unlawfully in the gentle craft. Smith was fined £2 and costs, as a THEY WERE RATTING.

William Bellerby, and George Stobbs, who also hailed from West Auckland, appeared in pursuance of a summons charging them with trespassing, in search of game, in Trundlemere Wood, Hilton, on the 14th October. P.C. Robson, of Evenwood, saw them in the wood looking about, and on searching them, found a live ferret, a spade, and four purse nets upon them. They now denied being off a footpath, and accounted for the possession of the ferret and other articles used in posching, by saying they had been ratting at some farm buildings, and were then going

The Bench, however, thought the charge proved, especially as, according to Mr Cameron, they had each been many times previously convicted, Bellerby 14, including several for "ratting," and Stobbs 7. They were each fined 10s, and costs.

THEY HAD LEAVE. Mr Barningham appeared for three young men, named George Chilton, his brother Rumerson (butchers.) and William Wall (miner), Evenwood. The charge against them was one of trespassing in search of game at Ingleton, on Mrs Nelson's land, on the 3rd October.

Thomas Gowling, watcher for Lord Barnard, who and the choosing taken, proved seeing defendants ranging a find with two greynounds. hir Barningham one not deny the facts, but laid it down as a matter of law that there not being a

document under seal giving Lord Barnard the right of shooting the game, the prosecution failed. The Beach did not agree with this, but Thomas Teasdate, of Ingleton, proved that Mrs Nelson gave the defendants permission to try the do;s,

telling them where hares could be found, and pointed

THE LIGHTING BYE-LAW. Thomas Allan, of Staindrep, was ordered to pay £2 and costs for driving a conveyance at Ingleton, on the night of the 18th October, without having lights burning. When spoken to by the constable, he said his lights had burned out since leaving Darlington

Allan had been previously cautioned. CARELESS PARENTS. Mr Hough, relieving officer, substantiated charges f neglecting to send their children to school, as required by the local bye-laws, against Walter Clarcy and James Dickinson, Esperley Lane; Thomas Allison, Burton House; and William Wiles, Staindrop; who

were each fined 5s.

The each gentleman obtained attendance orders against Edmund Brown, Charles Walker, and Jane Rider, whose children are to attend Staindrop National School.

Letters to the Tditor. Our columns are open for the expression of opinion, but we do not necessarily adopt the views of our correspondents.

Sir,—It is proposed by myself and the Bazaar Committee for the Darlington, Barnard Castle, and Bishop Auckland stall, in connection with the bazaar held in Newcastle in Dec. for the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, to exhibit the goods for sale in Darlington next month. Lady Alice Havelock-Allan has most kindly consented to have the exhibition at Blackwell Grange, or Saturday, November 23rd, from 2 to 6-30 p.m. Ludy Alice asks me to add how delighted she will be to welcome all contributors and their friends on that day at the hour named. All contributions should be sent to Blackwell Grange not later than Wednesday, Nov. 20th. It is sincerely hoped that those friends of the society, who may be prevented from visiting the bazzar at Newcastle, will avail themselves of this opportunity of contributing to the success of the stall by attending and making their purchases on this occasion. May I, in conclusion, express an earnest hope that the people of our district will make a special effort to render this bazzar quite as successful,

if not more ro, than that held last week at York for he same laudable object. I shall be most obliged if you can insert this letter in your next issue.—Truly yours,
CATHERINE S. BARNARD, President Darlington, Barnard Castle, Bishop Auckand and District N.S.P.C.C. Bazaar Committee. Baby Castle, Darlington, Oct. 28th, 1895.

POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS IN TRESDALE. Sir,-Now that the newly created councils are alive o the best interests of the public, regarding alike costal and other matters affecting their welfare; I rould point out one serious change in connection with the Toesdale postal arrangements, which, if not remedied, promises to be a source of much inconvenience. A short time ago, a communication for Teesdale, posted at Barnard Castle at 7 o'clock a.m. would reach its destination the same morning: whereas now, unless letters are posted before 8 o'clock p.m. the night previous, they will not be delivered until late the following day. Letters also leaving Teesdale for Barnard Castle by the night mail, are not delivered until the following morning, presumably because they have first to ge to Darlington, prior to delivery at Barnard Castle. I think further comment on this anomalous state of affairs unnecessary, trueting it will receive the prompt remedy and attention it mos assuredly deserves.—Yours truly, DESPATCH.

Throat Irritation and Cough.—Soreness and dryness, tickling and irritation, inducing cough and affecting the voice. For these symptoms use Epps's Glycerine Jujubes. In contact with the glands at the moment they are excited by the act of sucking, the Glycerine in these agreeable confections becomes actively healing. Sold only in boxes, 7½d., tins, is. 1½d., labelled "JAMES Errs & Co., Homosopathic Chemists, Loadon." Dr. Moore, in his work on "Nose and Throat Diseases," says, "The Glycerine Jujubes pre-pared by James Epps and Co., are of undoubted service as a curative or palliative agent," while Dr. Gordon Holmes, Senior Physician to the Municipal Throat and Ear Infirmary, writes: "After an extended trial. I have found your Glycerine Jujubes of considerable benefit in almost all forms of throat disease."

NORTH RIDING BRIDGES.

The Startforth Rural District Cout-eil at its last meeting had the question of repairs to several bridges brought before it. Mr Blenkinsop presided. The progress at the bridge over the Balder at Cotherstone did not please Mr Chipchase, the foundation for the centre pier, in the opinion of the inspecting committee, not being deep enough. It will be seen to when the water subsides, The Rev. H. Jennings was quite pleased with the

work done for strengthening and repairing the Yorkshire end of the Thorngate footbridge. It was good job. There war, according to the road urveyor, a little road-making to do. The Thorsgill bridge was condemned as dangerous

the under-pinning giving way. There was a danger of it collapsing. On the motion of Mr Jennings, it is to be repaired and a band-rail provided. The bridge across the water-course from Thorsgill to Startforth, much used by school children, being too narrow, and in bad weather frequently impassable, is to be widened and a hand-rail put up.

THE JACKSON POLAR EXPEDITION.

over it.

LETTER FROM DR. REGINALD KORTTLITZ,

FORMERLY OF BUTTERKNOWLE. Mr Rutherford Morison, eurgeon, 14, Saville Row, Newcastle, bas received the following letter from the nedical officer with Mr Jackson:-Elmwood, Cape Flora, Northbrook Irland, Franz-

Joseph Land, 31st May, 1895.

DEAR MR MORISON, - An opportunity such as I shall not get again for at least another year occurring, in that the ship may momentarily get free from the ice which holds her, for it is breaking up fast, and be able to get through the pack, on her return voyage to England. I take it in order to drop you a line, for I think you will be interested to hear from me, both think you will be interested to bear from me, both from a patriotic interest in our undertaking and for "Auld Lang Syne." . . . I forget whether I have already written to you since we came here, but I think not, for before we went on our sledging expeditions, nearly two months ago, our letters were all packed up, nearly two months ago, our letters were all packed up, in case the ship had already started on her return voyage before we had returned, and sent on board, so they are practically posted. At any rate, although I am not at liberty to tell you what the results of the season's sledging have been, yet I may say that we have all returned safe and sound, in good health, and without any serious mishaps. I and my party only returned four days ago.

We had the Arctic night upon us from the end of October till the end of February, and a long, dreary time it seemed, and when the sun reappeared you can easily imagine now we welcomed it. Soon after this, the advent of the first birds interested us not a little, and now that we have perpetual day, we have birds roceting and beginning to breed in the cliffs at the back of the house in their thousands. The dear little snow bunting, the only small bird as yet, was specially welcome, for it reminds one more of home. It has a

short but sweet song.

Elmwood is the name of the house we are living in It is a substantial log erection brought from Archangel, in Russia, where every log has been ready fitted and numbered, so that it could quickly be put up. A log stable was also brought from the same place. We have also store houses and an observatory close by.

Cape Flora is one of the most southerly and the
most western point of Northbrook Island. This place was chosen because it has the best space and position, as well as harbour, that we could find. This is our headquarters, where we shall always winter and spend our time when not away on our expeditions.

My time being limited, and knowing that if I were to write about our experiences and the beauties as well as the desolation of our surroundings, I should never know when to stop, I must close. Please remember me most kindly to Mrs Morison, . . . and believe me with kind-st regards to yourself.

Yours faithfully, REGINALD KETTLITZ. P.S.—Any papers with interesting u-ws, especially on Arctic matters, or about this expedition, would be welcome if you would kindly send them next year.

BARNARD CASTLE COUNTY COURT.

RESUME OF A YEAR'S WORK. It appears from the annual return from County Courts, issued on the 23rd October, that in the year 1894 there were in England and Wales 1,128,806 plaints entered, for a total amount of £3,308,201, in respect of which judgments were obtained for £1,779.882. This represents the largest amount of usiners done in the County Courts in any year since

their establishment. The following is a detailed statement of the work done in the above-named County Court from the 1st of January to 31st December, 1894:—

Plaints othered for £20 and under, 267
Exceeding £20 but not exceeding £17, 9
Exceeding £20 but not exceeding £17, 9
Actions determined with a jury, 0 Actions determined with a jury, 0
without a jury, 173
For plaintiff, 111
For plaintiff by admission or default, 57
For defendant, 5
Judgment summonses issued, 34
heard, 23
Warrants of committal issued, 12
Debtors imprisoned, 3 Warrants of commutations and the state of th

Tried by jury in the County Court is on the decline. he average of jury cases last year being about one

BARNARD CASTLE PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH ANNIVERSARY.

The seventh anniversary of the above church was celebrated on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, Oct 27th, 28th, and 29th. Two very able termons were preached on Sunday by Rev. J. Atkinson, of York. an ex-president of the Conference. On Monday the annual public tea was held, trays being given by Mrs H. A. Thompson, Mrs T. Berry, Mrs G. Elliott, Mrs C. Watson, and Mrs T. Thompson, The following ladies also assisted at the tables:—Mrs C. Raine, Mrs Young, Mrs and Miss Goodall, Mrs Watson (senior), Mrs Chisholm, Mrs Oakey, Miss Berry, and Miss Fieldhouse. The tea was followed by a public meeting, presided over by Mr T. Berry, and addressed by Reve. J. Atkinson, R. H. Townend (Congregational). J. W. Escott (Wesleyan), and C. Goodall. Votes of thanks brought a successful meeting to

On Tuesday evening Mr Atkinson delivered a very able lecture, subject: "A present day duty of christian citizensbip." Mr R. Clapbam, of Yarm, an ex-president of the Conference, efficiently discharged the duties of chairmanchip. We are unable to give the total financial results of the services, but so far as they can be tabulated, they are highly eatisfactory. Mr Atkinson's services have been very highly appreciated, and we shall look forward with great leasure to another visit.

A Teesdale Maintenance Case.—George Woodward (69), brought from London on a warrant was before Dr. Munro and Councillor Barker at Barnard Caetle on Saturday for neglecting to maintain bis wife, Elizabeth Ann Woodward, of Middleside, Pecadale. An order was made in September by the Bench that the prisoner allow his wife 5s a week eparate maintenance. - The Bench committed him to ne month's imprisonment.

A Grand Speculation, in these days of financial unrest, is a rare thing for people with spare capital to come acrors. It is, therefore, refreshing to know that in purchasing a box of Holloway's Pills, good value for money can be obtained. They never fail to give instant relief from pain, and no disease can long withstand their purifying influence. A few appropriate does at the proper period will prevent many a serious illness. Their primary action is smaller supply; trade firm, and last week's rates well upon the blood, atomach, liver, kidneys and bowels.

Their secondary action strengthess the nervous grainst sellers. Prime heifers, 6s 2d to 7s; steers, centres. No drug can be so harmless yet so antagon-

PRESENTATION TO COLONEL CAMERON, FORMERLY OF BARNARD CASTLE.

On Saturday last at the Council Chamber, West Hartlepool, in the presence of a numerous company. The Most Noble The Marquis of Londonderry, on behalf of the subscribers, presented to Col. Cameron bis portrait in oils.

Col. J. W. Cameron, who is one of the most popular

men in the Hartlepools at the present time is desc from an old Scotch family, and was born at Kirkby Stephen, in Westmorland. He is not a native of the borough which knows him so well and appreciates bim so bighly. His school days were spent at the Grammar School in his native town, where he learnt to love those athletic sports of which he has since been so warm a patron and so liberal a supporter. He is now turned middle age, with a very soldierly appearance, and is fully alive to the best interests of the town in which he has resided so long. He is best known, perhaps, as a brewer, and his practical knowledge of the business in which he has shown so much enterprise and ability, was acquired by a six-years' apprenticeship at the Barqard Castle Brewery. There is a dangerous runner on the road to Scargill, at which several accidents have happened, but This completed, he went as manager to Mr Wm. Walden, brewer, of West Hartlepool, and on that this is no longer to exist, as a culvert is to be built gentleman's death he took over the business and carried it on with increasing prosperity and success. During his ownership, the brewery has been more than once enlarged, and is now one of the most flourishing concerns of the kind in the county of Durham. White at Barnard Castle, Col. Cameron was a member of the volunteer corps, but did not resume the uniform until 1871, six years after going to West Hartlepool, when he joined the artillery volunteers as a sob-lieutenant. Three years afterwards he was promoted to a captaincy, and in 1881, on the resignation of Captain Commandant Fawcus, he assumed the command of the corps, which was not at that time of sufficient strength to confer higher rank. In April, 1885, the establishment was increased, and Capt. Cameron was raised to the rank of Lieut.-Colonel. In this capacity he has been the main sustaining force of the volunteer movement in the Hartlepools, and he has spared neither time, labour, nor money. The successes of the 4th D.V.A. shared with Lieut.-Col. Gourley and Lieut.-Col. R. Lauder. The following year he was entertaised, with the other senior officers, at the Royal Hotel. In 1873, Col. Cameron was elected a member of the West Hartlepool Improvement Commission, which until 1887 was the governing body of that town, and for 18 months he was chairman of the body. On August 17, 1887, he took part in the laying foundation-stone of the West Hartlepool Municipal Buildings, afterwards giving a luncheon at the Royal Hotel to relebrate the occasion. At the first municipal contest in West Hartlepool be was returned at the head of the poll, and at the Council meeting seconded the motion for the election of Mr (now Sir) Wm. Gray, as first Mayor. He was made an Alderman for the Central Ward, which position be still holds, and when Ald, G. Pyman was chosen as the second Mayor for the borough, Col. Cameron was appointed as his deputy. In 1890 he was himself elected Chief Magistrate. He was also elected a member of the School Board as a church candidate, but retired some three years later owing to pressure of business. At a later period be was identified with the Port and Harbour Commissioners, upon which Board he represents the Council. In politice, Col. Cameron has always been identified with the Conservative cause, to help forward which he has given his time, his talent, and his wealth. esident of the West Hartlepool Constitutional Association, he has long been recognized as the local leader of the party, and it was hoped just prior to the last general election that he would allow himself to be nominated for Parliamentary honours, but when Ald. T. Bichardson consented to come for-ward a second time, Col. Cameron gave him his loyal support. He is also a representative upon the Hartle-pool Port Sanitary Authority. Colonel Cameron was married in 1881 to the second daughter of the late Mr hidgar Cnapman, of Adelaide, South Australia and have shown great consideration for the poor of the borough. At the time of the great distress in 1887, 8, 9, and 90, Col. and Mrs Cameron provided free dinners to the workmen who were thrown out of employment owing to the closing of the rolling wills and general had trade. In the Jubilee year they breakfasted 2,500 poor people, and 500 of the old people. Poor people have also been provided with clothing and firing from the Colonel's private puree, and as a patriotic citizen, social reformer, and public administrator, he has won general esteem. Recently his extensive brewery business was converted into a limited liability company, and the firm now own some 120 hotels, public houses, and heer houses. The Colonel is a member of the Finance, Works, Plans, Parliamentary, and Trade and Commerce Committees in connection with the Council, being chairman of the latter, and is also a member of the Technical Instruction Committee of which he was chairman last year. He is also a past master of the Ha-bour of Refuge Lodge of Freemssons, and P.P.S.G.W. of the Province of Durbam.

FOOTBALL

Barney team were defeated by Brandon Rovers, at the latter place, on Saturday last, by one goal to uil. The game was a league fixture. The visitors were not fully represented, and, moreover, their forwards played a very disjointed game. HALF-BACK.

Barnard Castle Penny Bank, 26th Oct.-No. of depositors, 57; amount, £7 3s. Withdrawsle, 3; amount, £1 9s.

Funeral of Mr W. Parker, Barnard Castle. The remains of the late Mr W. Parker, of Thorngate, were interred in the Church Cemetery (in accordance with deceased's expressed wish), at Barnerd Castle, on Friday. The near relatives of decessed were conveyed to the place of burish in four mourning coaches, and a large number of tradesmen and friends oined the cortege. The last rites were performed by the Rev. Canon Brown (vicar), the ceremony being preceded by a short service in the cemetery chapel.

Births. Marriages, and Beaths. Simple announcements of births, marriages and deaths are inserted in this Journal free of coat. All Notices of the nature containing additional words will be charged for at

advertisement rates,

Jackson.—On the 23rd inst., at 10, Central Buildings, Stockton-on-Tees, the wife of J. E. Jackson, of a MARBIAGE.

STATEY: COATSWORTH. - On Oct. 24th, at the Primitive Methodist Church, Bernard Castle, Mr William Statey, of Forest, to Miss Margaret Ann Coats-worth, of Low Houses, Newbiggin. DEATHS.

WALL .- At South View, Kirkby Stephen, on the 14th inst., at the house of her son-in-law, Elizabeth Wall, of Egglesburn, Egglestone, aged 53 years. WHITE.- On Oct. 26th, at 14, St. John's Street, Kee-

wick. Thomas White, aged 55 years, late of Streatlam, near Barnard Castle. DOLAN.-At Barnard Castle, on the 24th inst., Maria,

wife of Thomas Dolan, aged 60 years. BROWN.—At Crooks House, Berningham, on the 25th inst., Emmie, daughter of John Ralph Brown. PARKINSON.—At Deepdale Mill, on the 27th inst...

William Parkinson, sged 33 years. BAINBRIDGE.—At Cotherstone, on the 23rd inst., Ann, widow of the late Captain W. N. Bainbridge, eged 78 years.

THOMPSON.—At Secon Bank. Baldersdale, on 13th Oot, Margaret Thompson, aged 79 years.

Markets.

6d to 6s 9d; second class, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; coarse istic to disorders caused by brain worry. The most and inferior, 4: 91 to 5: 61; pork, 4: to 8:. Sheep, perfect reliance may be placed upon their regulating 5d to 84d; véal, 5d to 74d. Number of cattle, 2,159; sheep, 6,470; calves, 55; and pige, 1,248,