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The welcome change in the character of the selections. TO CORRESPONDENTS. Byery contribution must be authenticated (in confidence) with the name of the writer.

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Teesdale Mencury.

BARNARD CASTLE, MAY 22nd, 1901.

The Witham Monument.

whom in life he loved. And the request has

touching ring of consistent steadfastness

of purpose which for all time has character-

ised the family of Witham. During the

successive eras in their history, the Reforma-

tion, which had gathered proselytes amongst

many of the landed gentry in the kingdom.

George Witham, of Cliffe, who succeeded

William, had, by his wife, Grace, daughter

of Sir Marmaduke Wyvile, Bart., of

Constable Burton, Yorkshire, seven sons

Vicar Apostolic of the Northern District :

Christopher, the fourth son, was a priest;

Robert, the fifth son, was President of the

daughters, Dorothy, became a nun. Mr

Witham's father, who served as high sheriff

in the county of Durham in 1844, died on

the 28th of November in that year, and was

succeeded by his son, the late Mr George

Witham, who was captain in the 68th

trate and deputy-lieutenant for the counties

of Durham and York. The late Thomas-

Edward Witham, who was in holy orders in

the Church of Rome, and was raised by the

present Leo XIII. to the dignity of

Monsignor, was born on the 6th of Decem-

her, 1806, and the estates now devolve upon

The Late Duchess.

THE world of letters, and more especially

the learned in genealogy, have lost a staunch

devotee in the death of Her Grace the

Duchess of Cleveland. Her full knowlege

of the lineal descendants of the knights of

alke testified to by her writings, while her

love and veneration for the ancient land-

marks of Briton stamp the departed lady as

Standrop, on the occasion of the obsequies

of the late and last Duke of Cleveland-

culture, and that keen insight which comes

travel! An intimate friend of our late

beloved Queen, the departed Duchess in

her time participated in many grand state

functions, and, at Battle Abbey, of chival-rous memory, the Duchess of Cleveland was

women in the land. Her love and care for

the shattered walls of Baliol's Castle are still

grand old pile has passed into other hands,

yet the name of the late Duchess, equally

with that of Sir George Bowes, will ever be

STRAY ARROWS.

By SENTINEL.

" Mor set down aught in malice." -Othello.

Great anxiety is felt by the family of the Bev. J

tone a severe operation, in consequence of a throat alment. His health has been, for some months, and is

regests that the same highly commendable arrange ment obtaining at the John-street footpath—swing

take for the passage of perambulators—should be idopted in the Flatts Wood, and particularly on the

"The Little Dark Churches," I take the following

interesting extract from "The Christian Budget," with the explanation that the Rev. Metcalfe Gray is

will known in the lower valley of the Tees, he having repeatedly preached at Barnard Castle. If I mistake not the rev. gentleman resided, at one time, for several years, with his mother, either at Staindrop or Gainford, but in any event Mr Metcalfe Gray has been minister at Ocean Road Congregational Church, South Shields, since he left Airedate College, in 1873, His church was rebuilt a few wars acce.

The Rev. Metcalfe Gray, in his speech at the Congregational Union, said :—It was my lot to work

hmily—a stranger. It was a dark morning: very likely the minister had hard work to put light into

more." Now some fathers would have been foolish mough to have given way to that kind of thing: they are ashamed of the little dark churches, because they don't get the social position and so forth in them. I am ashamed of such folks myself. No, he did a nobler thing

thing. He told his boys what the past meant, how men and women had imperilled their lives and their

dearest for their principles, and he so told that story that the little lad said, "Oh, father, take me to the

dark church again ?" They came, and remained there, and those lads are faithful to-day. This is the way to

aths leading to the railway-station.

rebuilt a few years ago.

stir our young people,

vet is a minor.

the heir-at-law, Master Silvertop, who as

Frangesa, Costa." ***

It is occasionally helpful, often amusing, and always nteresting to "see oursels as others see us." Therefore, without more ado, let us life the veil, and learn what the enterprising "I carson's Weekly" has to say concerning "A Museum Buried in a Forest, and some other Strange Things in Strange Places." Says the In the concluding days of last week, the monument, to which we have already referred, destined to perpetuate the memory of the late Right Rev. Monsignor Witham, was erected in the cemetery at Lartington. Rather than his remains should be deposited in the family mausoleum, the late 'Squire of lartington directed that his ashes should be eington" set down in the loneliness of a northern wild, interred in the graveyard, by the side of

those of his departed neighbours and tenants This is very funny, but there is more to follow The building itself is some 500 feet in length by 50 feet high, and is designed in the French style of the First Empire. Its contents are priceless, consisting of unique Napoleon relica, eplendid picture galleries. a collection of old china, not to be matched anywhere else in the world, jewels of incredible beauty and value; and, indeed, a wonderful and rare collection of passed lightly over the Withams, who steadily adhered to the ancient faith. art objects of every kind.

As Whitsuntide is upon us, the following passage is rather amusing: The place is seldom visited, being listle known to the general traveller. It is marvellous that an isolated collection of such great value should never have been made the mark of the light-fingered gentry; but happily it has as yet escaped the marauder.
Near by is an Abbey, or, rather, the roofless ruin of
that which was intended by the Countess to be such,
she being a devout Roman Catholic. The lady, howand two daughters. George, the second son, became a Roman Catholic bishop, and ever, died when the walls were just completed, and it remains to this day an unfinished example of a devotee's English College at Donay; and one of the pious intentions.

The late Duchess of Cleveland, who was a great traveller, and one of the most charming and interesting reconteurs, was greatly attached to Baby, the castle ruins of this town, and to Staindrop Church. The superb alabaster monument to Balph Neville, the first Earl of Westmorland, who rebuilt a portion of this church in 1410, was an object of great veneration by Durham Light Infantry. He was born on the 9th of October, 1805, and was a magis—wictoris was descended from him. Besides the monument of Henry, firth Earl of Westmorland, who died in 1564, between the chancel and the nave is a screen, near which is the magnificent white marble altar-tomb of the first Duke of Cleveland, of Raby Castle, by Westmacott,

It is not an uncommon thing for members of the City Mission to meet men in the East Rod lodgingbouses who can conjugate a Greek verb, and it is passing strange that men, with collegiate education, are occasionally seen on tramp. Yet such is the funny mixture of the human intellect that a literary genius may now and then be intercepted on the dusty highways and bye-ways, and, no sconer is the conversation opened, than a rich diamond is seen to sparkle in the environment of rage and tatters. Bowland and Oliver were two of the most famous in the list of Charlemagne's twelve peers; and their exploits are rendered so ridicuously and equally extravagant by the old romancers, that from thence of the lineal descendants of the knights of the Conqueror, and her complete grasp of English families of historical renown are alke testified to by her writings, while her or any attempt at the long-bow in the man who applied at the Barnard Castle Police Station, last marks of Briton stamp the departed lady as a remarkable personage. Not since she leant upon the arm of Lord Rosebery, at leant upon the arm of Lord Rosebery, at leant upon the since she leant upon

The applicant shall be nameless, of course, but of the late and last Duke of Cleveland—
his literary ability there can be no manner of doubt,
miliar in former days as Lord Harry Vane
and this wealth of talent is lost to the world beyond then the deep impress of thought and culture, and that keen insight which comes coulture, and that keen insight which comes coulture that keen insight which comes coulture that the common run of the commo only of that great and powerful educatorwaylerers, and being of a somewhat retiring disposion, this nomad delighted Superintendent Cameron -and he is no mere superficial judge of charactermand he is no mere supernotal judge of character—
with his piercing intellectual vigour and originality
of thought. Singular to say, when offered the price
of a night's sleeping in one of the lodging-houses, he
"sigh'd and look'd unutterable things," while at the
same time politely declining the offer. And why?
Because, said he, in common lodging-houses, he
always eschewed the Saturday nights' drucken one of the most interesting and entertaining the shattered walls of Baliol's Castle are still scenes! And, while early and provident fear is thus gratefully remembered, and, although the far the mother of safety, one wonders what charms or fascinations the life of a tramp can possess for such a being. Surely here is confirmation of the forecast of Burke, when learning is to be cast into the mire, and trodden down under the boofs of a swinish fondly cherished by all true-born Teesdale

NEW MANAGER FOR THE MIDDLETON QUARRIES.

Mr George Gilliver, quarry manager, of Enderby Leicester, has been appointed manager of the important whinstone quarries of Mesers Ord and Maddison, at Middleton, employing over 300 men. The new man ager has had a large experience in quarry oversight, is about fifty years of age, and comes with excellent credentials. He is expected to take up his duties to The father of a family, living at Barnard Castle, day (Wedneeday.)

CRICKET CLUB SPORTS.

An excellent programme of sports, for Whit Mon-day, has been arranged by the committee of the Cricket Club, and splendid entries have been obtained for the various events, the number of competitors showing a large increase over those of last year. For the obstacle race—the fun-provoking feature of the afternoon—the committee are introducing some novelties which will cause an amusing diversion from the more serious and exciting racing on wheel and foot. A fine selection of prizes has been made, and Mrs Clark, the wife of the Precident of the Meet, has kindly consented to present them to the winners at the conclusion of the sports. Given fine weather, everything augurs well for a most successful meeting.

TRESDALE GOLF CLUB.

The monthly handicap, played on Friday and ten years of my ministry in an old and dark church. Saturday last, resulted in a rather easy win for Mr morning a gentleman came with his wife and Hopkinson, with Mr Welford second. Details as

follows:ikely the minister had hard work to put light into his sermon. They sat under a beavy gallery, and there were no windows to let the light in, and when hey weet home the little lad said to his father, "Father, ob, don't take me to the dark church any mote." Now some fathers would have been foolish browning to he would have been foolish on the sound have been foolish on t

Holloway's Ointment and Pills need only a single trial to make known their capabilities. No outside sore or inward inflammation can long withstand the cooling, purifying and healing influences exerted by these twin medicaments. Be the mischief recent or chronic, great or slight, painful or simply annoying, it will succumb before the curative virtues of these remedies, which can be rightly apply any person who will attentively read their accompanying directions, which are propounded in the plainest language, void of all technical terms, and printed in the most legible characters. To the man of husings. In a short time P.C. Thornton, of the North Biding County Constability, of Startforth, will be removed to another station. During his residence in this neighbourhood this constable has proved himself to be a truthful, obliging, and vigilant officer, and the call to a station nearer headquarters would seem to indicate easly presentation. et legible characters. To the man of business, confined to his counting house, and barassed by engagements, also to the man of pleasure addicted to free living these Pills are invaluable.

I quote the following from the "Besex and Suffolk Band.—On Wednesday evening of last week, the Bend made their first public appearance under the condictorship of their new bandmaster. Mr Frank conductorship of their new bandmaster, Mr Frank Malenghin, when they gave a selection of music in the Market Place to a large and appreciative assembly.

STATE OF THE STARTFORTH ROADS.

THE COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

MR THOMAS BROWN COMPLIMENTED. At the monthly meeting of the Startforth Bural District Council, last Wednesday, the Clerk read that portion of the annual report of Mr Walker Stead, as to the main roads in the North Biding of Yorkshire, which was applicable to the Startforth District. With regard to the Brough and Middleton-in-Tecedale Boad, with a branch to Eggleston Bridge, the County concerning "A Museum Buried in a Forest, and some other Strange Things in Strange Places." Says the writer: It is a far cry from Essex to County Durham, but at Barnard Castle, by the banks of the Tees, is a remarkable building, locally known as the Bowes Mansion and Museum. It is situate on the edge of Barnard Castle Woods, in the midst, in fact, of a very wealth of uninhabited woodland. It was founded in 1874 by the Countess Montabo, a Spanish lady of good family, and the widow of Sir George Bowes, of Streatham, Durham, It is a veritable "South Kensington" set down in the loneliness of a northern traffic properly guided, and Riehmond:—"A good road generally, and surface rather dirty in a few places. Traffic well distributed over the surface, slightly wheel tracked at tributed over the surface, slightly wheel tracked at the work at the middle of the section, most of which will grind into dust without any material benefit to the road." Speaking of the road from Nigwtoam to Winston Bridge, Mr Stead from Nigwto Traffic well distributed over the surface. The cleaning of the side channels and outlets require better attention, and the brushwood at the sides should be cleared off." With reference to the Bowes, Greta Bridge, and a few places, but surface well-formed and fairly clean.
Traffic fairly well guided."

Mr Porter That is very satisfactory, and reflects a

ELECTION OF A GOVERNOR OF

BOWES GRAMMAR SCHOOL. MR WILLIAM PORTER BE-APPOINTED.

A special meeting of the governors of Bower School was recently held in Barnard Castle for the purpose of electing a co-optative governor, Mr William Porter's term of office (8 years) baving expired. Mr Porter was unanimously re-elected, a result which was due to his faithful services, regular attendance, and loyalty to the Board.

THE NABY LANE DIFFICULTY. THE LAW TO BE ENFORCED.

At the monthly meeting of the Startforth Rura District Council, on Wednesday, the question of Naby Lane, Cotherston, again came on for discussion. Mr John Scott, Sontractor, acknowledging the receipt of a letter from the Clerk to the Council, dated the 25th April, said that the material that was deposited in Naby Lane was put there at the express wish of Mr William Dept, waywarden. At the time Mr Scott did so he was depositing material at a much more convenient site than Naby Lane, and, under the circumstances, they could hardly expect Mr Scott to the greater portion of the material was put there by the Water Board, being refuse from the pipe-track.

The Chairman: Has any one any observations to make on Mr Scott's letter?

Mr Bowron: I think there will be some minunder-standing. Mr Scott says there has been some put in from the pipe-track. I think it was understood that there wis nothing put in from the pipe-track at all. The Chairman replied that they had failed to put in any proof. First of all it was said to be Clarkson, then Hetherington, and then some people from Barnard Castle.
Mr Dent: I am prepared, if necessary, to prove

that all the surplus soil was led into Naby Lace from the valve-chamber. I assisted the boy to tip his cart, and he was from William Hetherington, of Cotherston.
The Chairman: All I know is that, so far as-

Mr Dent: It was Mr Hetherington's bdy from Cotheraton. He was leading with his uncle's part. The Chairman: I move that steps be taken to val of this soil, and that the Clerk be I over the gathering, spoke of the regret they all felt at

The Chairman: The Surveyor gave the sum of £77 10s at the lest meeting.

Major Hugginson: I want the lowest sum you can appreciation in a tangible manner, and he had great

possibly spend to put it into repair.

The Chairman: That is for the removal of the clay,
Mr Bowron: Does that include the drain? The Surveyor: They will put the drain as far as the soil has gone, and cover it with rough stone, and put

me broken stone on the top.

Major Hugginson: Is it absolutely necessary to have this soil removed? Cannot you put some soil on The Surveyor: It would be rather soft, and would

with Mr Robson extended over a number of years, during which time he had always found him a most willing and faithful worker. When Mr Robson came The Chairman: And, when you had repaired how long would it be before the road sunk?

Mr Jennings: How long is it since you repaired this road before? on the plan he was placed along with him, and they had travelled scores of miles together during those years, and he had ever found in him a readiness and

The Surveyor: About seven years. They put a tramway across, up the field. Mr Porter: Then expenses have been saved for seven years on the road.

Mr Deut remarked that no material at all had been

put into it since 1899. It had always been like that, and he remembered Mr Blenkinsopp's cart bringing five or six quarters of cats, and the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to Nahe again with the lad said he would never some to national said the lad said he would never some to national said the lad said he would never some to national said the lad said he would never some to national said the lad said he would never some said the lad said he w never come to Naby again with oats. Next week they were going to remove the officers, and, at Mr Bell's hut, there would be from eighty to one hundred loads of stone ready for use, and Mr Scott would make the Council a present of them. This would materially

fect the estimate.

Major Hugginson: I move that we spend a sum ot exceeding £50. That ought to go a long way.
Mr Jennings: What was the recommendation The Chairman : That Mr John Scott take the

naterial out of the lane.

Mr Jennings: Did he put it there at our nitiative? The Obsirman: Certainly not.

Mr Bowron: He says he had leave from Mr Dent to

Mr Dent: I did'nt give Mr Scott leave. There is quite a misunderstanding about this altogether. Forty or fifty loads were put in by the Water Company, and if the whole of the surface stuff had been brought into Naby Lane it would not have been sufficient. They left big water-holes, and we simply levelled these holes. Where were you large atones from in front of the church?

from in front of the church? The Surveyor: They were partly from the low part of the works.

Mr Jennings: I rise to a point of order, Is it legitimate for us to discuss this as long as that resolution is on the books? Major Hugginson: If the Council decide upon my

resolution that there shall be no law in this matter, then I shall give notice to resolud.

Mr Blenkinsopp was of opinion that this was a subject which should be thoroughly discussed, and he thought the rough estimate of £70 was rather too thought the rough estimate of £70 was rather too much for a lane like that. He thought, moreover, that they should carry out the recommendation of the committee who had met on the spot and made suggestions. What was the use of asking them to meet and report if the report was to be put on one

Mr Bayles: Is there any estimate as to what it will cost to put it into repair after the soil is removed?

The Surveyor: We made two estimates, and it would cost considerably less.

The Chairman: To be consistent we must adhere to

the minutes, and, at the last meeting of the Council, it was agreed that John Scott be ordered to remove this soil from the lane. To be consistent I move that that resolution be carried out, and that the recom that resolution be carried out, and that the recom-mendation of the committee be enforced. For the Chairman's motion 9 votes were recorded: against, 7. Major Hugginson then gave notice that, at the next meeting, he would move the recoinding of

the previous resolution.

Honour to a Returned ARTILLERYMAN AT

BARNINGHAM. PRESENTATION TO DRIVER ARMSTRONG. A short time ago, Driver Armetrong, attached to the 74th Field Battery, R.F.A., son of Mr George Armstrong, of the Black Horse Inn, was invalided home from the war. A movement was at once set on foot to gather funds for providing some memento, to show the respect felt for Driver Armstrong. The collectors declared that never had the public contributed more Surveyor said :—"A good road, well formed, and well readily and liberally than on this occasion. On Friday kept generally, surface clean, and traffic evenly distributed over the surface, slightly wheel tracked at room, when the presentation of a beautiful lever evening, 17th inst., a meeting was held in the school-room, when the presentation of a beautiful lever watch and chain, and a purse of gold, was made to Driver Armstrong. The Downger Lady Milbank had promised to make the presentation, but was prevented by sickness. Miss Milbank, however, took ber place. At the commencement of the meeting Mr W. Todd expressed the great regret felt by all present at the absence of Lady Milbank, and theu asked Miss Milbank and theu asked Miss Milbank, and they asked Miss bank to hand the gifts to Driver Armstrong. Before doing so Miss Milbank congratulated Armstrong on bis recovery from his wounds and sickness, and on his safe return. He had no doubt been through many hardships. They all felt proud of him, and trusted he had many happy years in store. Miss Milbank referred very feelingly to the death, from fever, of Mr Scotch Corner Road, the County Surveyor makes the following observations:—"A good and well kept road Armstrong's. She said it was the intention of the Thomas Birtwhistle, a Barningham comrade of Driver generally, metalling rather soft and wheel-tracked in Milbank family, with the Rector's permission, to place a tablet in Barningham Church, to perpetuate the memory of the deceased, who still had so many friends in the village. Miss Milbank also spoke of good deal of credit upon our Surveyor. It is more Mr Harry Gough, the son of the Rector, who had than be has get credit for for some time. (Applause), also been a volunteer in the war. He had shown also been a volunteer in the war. He had shown such conspicuous gallantry that he had been made an officer in Baden-Powell's Police. In concluding, Miss Milbank said his parents, as well as those present, must feel proud of Driver Armstrong, and then asked his acceptance of the gifts.—In replying, the recipient proved himself an orator, as well as a soldier. He banked Miss Milbank for her kind words, and the contributors for the handsome presents, which he said proudest time of his life,-Mr Pearson now rose to propose a vote of thanks to Miss Milbank. He said ow deserving our soldiers and volunteers were of all the honour and kindness they could show them. How bey suffered the bardships and perils of war, while they themselves sat in their homes and read of brave leeds performed by them. -Mr Birtwhistle seconded he vote of thanks, which was beartily accorded by the large audience present -The Rector of the parish (the Rev. R. S. Gough) then addressed the meeting. He said how pleased be had been to see Mr Armstrong, senior, and his family, attending the church at the special services they had had during the war, and how well Driver Armstrong had joined in the services since his return. The Rector trusted that Armstrong would

assistance he received from his fellow-committeemen Mesers Pearson, Leggett, Bainbridge and Luck, tha

mesers rearson, leggert, bandwings and Lucz, tone the evening was suon a decided success. The watch and chain were supplied by Mr Young, jeweller, Barnard Castle. The watch bears this inscription:— "Presented to Driver George Armstrong, 74th Battery

R.F.A., for active service in the Boer War, by the

inhabitants of Barningham and district. 17th May, 1901."

PRESENTATION AT MIDDLETON-

IN-TEESDALE.

He was glad that the teachers and those associated

pleasure in asking Mr Thos. Bowron, school superin

tendent, to present to Mr Robson the desk which had been produced for him. (Applause).

Mr Thos. Bowron said that his feelings were of

somewhat mixed nature. He was pleased to have the honour of handing over to his friend and brother, Robson, the article named, and while he rejoiced that

he had been called to a wider sphere of usefulness, yet that pleasure was tinged with a shade of regret at

the thought of losing his services. His acquaintance

use it, and that a lengthy period of usefulness was ye in store for him. (Cheers).

Mr Robson, in responding, said his words could in no sense express his feelings upon that occasion. There were times when words were powerless to con-

vey the feelings of the heart. Only those who had

Such experiences, however, were the lot of humanity and it was a source of joy at a time such as he had

named to know that the small service he had rendered was appreciated to such an extent. He had had

HOPE OF TEESDALE LODGE OF

GOOD TEMPLARS.

OPEN LODGE MEETING.

On Saturday afternoon sen, the presentation was

should be reappointed for the ensuing year, his reappointment to date from the June half-year in serve his God as well as he had served his Queen and THE REALTH OF THE DISTRICT. The Medical Officers' reports showed that the health injuntry, and then a bappy future, as well as a happy mesent, would be his. (Applauss.)—At the conclusion of the districts was generally good,-Dr. Beattie said of the meeting a social evening, with songs and dances he had a report of a case of dipatheria from Staindrop, was spent, and greatly enjoyed by all. Instrumental music was given by Mrs W. Todd, Miss Johnson, Mr and he was investigating its origin. E. Atkinson, and Mr J. Allison. Songe were sung by

COW-BYRES AND LODGING HOUSE. Mr Graham said he had not inspected all cow-byres Mr W. Todd, Mr and Mrs H. Blumer, Mesers Harris yet, but he had seen the lodging-house at Middleton and it was as clean as it could possibly be. and a recitation by Mr Pearson. Mr Todd acted as M.C., and it is owing to his tact and energy, and the

COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of this Council was held of Wednesday, the Rev. C. E. O. Griffith presiding.

THE WATER SUPPLY OF COCKFIELD.

The Cockfield Parochial Committee met on the 13th

inst., and considered matters relating to making provision for additional water supply at Cockfield.

The Chairman : Has Mr Livesey bad any experience

in water schemes?-Mr Snowdon said he did not

know, but his work would be the giving of an estimate

and not the carrying out of the work .- The recom

mendation was adopted.

The monthly report as to the Cockfield water supply

showed that water had been abundant, but the Inspect

reported that the main between Cockfield and Reperley-

had failen. About 60 or 80 yards would be affected

The Inspector turned off the water during the night so that there was only the leakage during the day.

which would not be great. He supposed the company would have to do the work when the road settled.—A

motion to this effect was moved by Mr Clark, seconded

by Mr Armstrong, and carried.

The Inspector also reported that a water pipe at Wood Row had recently burst, and he also attributed

that to colliery workings .- Mr Allison, colliers

manager, promised to look into the matter.
With regard to masons using water in building

the Council's mains. The Council had power to sell

to fix the scale of charges.—In view of the approach of dry weather, Mr Armstrong and Mr T. Thompson

counselled caution in giving permission.—An amend-ment, moved by Mr Copeland, seconded by Mr L. Gibson, that water be allowed to be drawn from the

mains when there was a sufficient supply, was carried

On the motion of Mr Clark, seconded by MrBell

the question of charge was referred to the Cockfield

Mr Livesey reported that he had arranged for the

committee to meet him on the Fell, and he submitted

a plan of his suggested scheme. He estimated the

work would cost £230.—The matter was left in the

The Inspector reported that during the month the

supply had been not quite balf the usual quantity, and

in order to supply Lynessck he had cautioned all the

Perochial Committee.

COCEFIELD SEWERAGE.

hands of the Parochial Committee.

THE CENTRAL AUTHORITY AND MILLPIELD GRANGE. Mr Graham reported that the owner of the five and the number of people in the overcrowded houses bad been reduced from ten to three. The owner had not yet got the down-comers put on to the houses.—The Chairman asked Mr Graham if it would not have been better for him to have attended the last police court and withdraw the summons .-Mr Graham: I was not aware I had to do that .- The Clerk: I asked you at the last meeting of the Council if the magistrates had made an order, and you said they had, but there was no order made. At the last court neither party appeared, and the result is that, through this misapprehension and you not appearing, the Council will be saddled with the costs. Applemade to Mr J. W. Robson of a beautiful manageny writing cabinet by the Sunday School teachers and the officials of the Primitive Society. It will be remembered that Mr Bobson was recently appointed vard's case was similar, and ended with a like result

we having to pay the costs.

A letter was then read from the County Council to an important position under the Auckland Temperance Society. The presentation took place in the school-room, and the Rev. P. Watson, who presided tuted, and calling upon the District Council to put its removal out of Naby Lane.

Mejor Hugginson: I should like to know what the estimates are for putting this lane into proper repair? The Chairman: The Surgeon case the author of the first backers, being the services of Mr Bobson, who had been connected with the school for so many years, both as secretary and teacher, during which time he had estimates are for putting this lane into proper repair? The Chairman: The Surgeon case the author of the first houses.—Mr Bainbridge stated that he had referred to the Badeock of Badeock, a Berry, b Badeock of Chairman. The Surgeon case the author of the first houses.—Mr Bainbridge stated that he had referred to the Badeock of Badeock. unsanitary condition of these houses in his report some years ago.—The Ohairman: Are we compelled to close them .- The Clerk : I think we had better report what has been done.—Mr Graham : I am sure the houses are as comfortable as most houses of their class.—The Chairman: That does not get over the medical officer's report.—Mr Davis: You are setting up yourself as a very high authority when you set yourself against the county medical officer. I have been at the place, and I have heard every one of the people complain. Since then I have seen Mr Lowther, the owner, and he has expressed himself willing to comply with any suggestion made by Dr. Hill. I am afraid he will have to remove a tolerably small mountain at the end of the houses, and until that is done they will never be dry .- The Clerk was instructed to write to the County Council stating

SEWERAGE WORKS OF MIDDLETON. willingness to do any work assigned him. Ever since that time they had been in closest friendship, and he should ever remember with grateful appreciation the service he had rendered to the school and church. The Middleton Committee reported they had considered Mr Parker's report on three alternative considered Mr Parker's report on three alternative schemes as to the treatment of Middleton sewage. They had decided to recommend No. 3 scheme as the cheapest and most satisfactory. The cost would be £540.—Mr John Baine moved the adoption of the committee's recommendation.—Mr Heslop seconded, and explained that if they sought the sanction of the Local Government Board that they would have to death Local Government Board they would have to adopt a process which would bring the cost up to £800 or £900.—The motion was carried, subject to a ratepayers' meeting agreeing on the mode of payment gone through the experience of separating them-selves from associations and friendships of a lifetime could appreciate the sadness of such a separation. The Clerk said they might make two special rates, one this half-year and the other next half-year.

WATER SUPPLY OF GAINFORD. A letter was read from the County Counci expressing the opinion that a proper supply of drinking water ought to be provided for the village of Gainford, and that it should be taken from the twenty years' connection with that school, both as mains of the Stockton and Middlesbrough Water scholar and teacher, and he would like to testify that what of goodness be possessed he owed in no small degree to the influence of that school and the help of those associated with it. He would always be glad to Board .- Dr. Hill's report showed that the church well was polluted, and that the pollution probably came from the church well itself.—Mr Adamson said came from the church well isself,—mr Adamson said the church well water had been reckoned the best water. It had been analysed some years ago.—Mr Braham said the water was the same. -The Chairman: Apparently not. The conditions must have changed, and perhaps through the vicar having had more work. (Laughter.)—Mr Adamson: People would rather carry the water than have it by tape and to pay for .- The Chairman : The point seems to be that the water is not fit for drinking purposes.— Mr Copeland: The church well may be polluted, but it does not follow that the others are. - On the motion of Mr Bell, the matter was left in the hands of the councillors of Gainford, with power to procure the

An open lodge in connection with the Hope of Teesdale Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars — which, by-the-bye, has been recently reorganized after a lapse of a number of years—was analysis. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD AND THE INSPECTOR A letter was read from this Board calling attention the fact that Mr Graham, the inspector, was nearly celd in the Masonic Hall, Newgate, Barnard Castle, 80 years of age, and asking whether the Counci-considered him, in view of the area and population of on Monday evening last. The entertainment committee were enabled to present a good programme, in which the following took part:—Misses Ottowsy, Wandless, Smith, and Welford, and Messre J. G. Burn, J. Wandless, T. Bainbridge, G. H. Welford, and E. D. Berry. Mr John Howson gave an interesting additions address toughing upon the present of the committee of the com the district, physically capable of doing the work properly.—Mr Tarn said that six years ago they had a similar letter from the Board.—Mr Hodgson said Mr Graham at 80 was quiet capable as most people at 60 years of age. He begged to move that a favourable ing and stirring address, touching upon the aims and objects of good templary. Each of the members was reply be sent.—Mr Thompson said that years did not always count, but rather constitution. He seconded to invite a friend, and a goodly number the motion.-Carried. assembled. A very pleasant evening was brought to a INFANTILE MORTALITY.

close by the singing of the Dozology, and the lodge has every reason to feel encouraged and stimulated in its noble work by the first of what is hoped Dr. Hill's quarterly report showed that the Council's district stood in the unenvisible position of having the largest infant mortality in the county. to be a series of open lodges being such a decided The Auckland district came next.-Mr Copeland success. It may be stated that the lodge bas a But is it not an exceptional report for our district ?membership of some forty-five members, and holds The Chairman: It is not. Can no steps be taken to its meetings, which are of an instructive and edifying remove such a stigma from the district?-Mr Allison nature, every Monday evening, and should any person feel desirous of joining the order, a word to Chief Templar Bro. J. G. Burn, the secretary (Bro. E. D. remove such a stigma from the district — Mr Alison:

I propose that our medical officers make a special
report on the matter.—Mr Davis said the high
infantile mortality was probably due to improper
feeding. Instead of being the worst, their union
ought to be the best, both in regard to low death-rate
of infants and adults. He moved that copies of Dr. Berry), or any member of the lodge, would be gladly The funeral of the late Duchess of Cleve-Hitl's hints as to the proper feeding and treatment of infants be procured and distributed by Mr Graham,-Carried.

BARNARD CASTLE RURAL DISTRICT

WATER RATES. Water rates for 41 in the £ for Cockfield and Woodland were signed and sealed. OPPOSITION TO WATER BILL.

The Clerk said he had a letter from the solicitors to the Darlington Corporation asking the Council to support the opposition to the Tees Valley Water Board Bill, by which the Board sought power to sell surplus water outside their district,—Mr Copeland moved that the Council oppose the Bill. It was a matter which affected the whole district,—Mr Copeland's association was adjusted. Consland's resolution was adopted.

They proposed that Mr Livesey be engaged to take the levels for the carrying out of the work of setting up a reservoir capable of holding 500 000 gallons of water,—Mr Snowdon moved this recommendation.— PLANS. The following plans were passed:—Five houses at Middleton, to be erected by Mr Scott; alterations of house at Woodland by Blackett; alterations of Queen's Head Inn, Gainford; and house at Gainford for Mr John Spailham, subject to the Surveyor being satisfied as to the measurements being correct. A ROAD EXPENDITURE.

In accordance with Mr Bell's request, the Clerk urnished a statement as to the expenditure on roads 1895 before the steam roller was got, and last year. In 1895, the expenditure on manual labour on district roads was £841 16s 31; team labour, £395 15s 2d; materials, £642 2s 7d; making a total of £1,879 14s.
During last year the expenditure was:—Manual
labour, £816 0s 4d; team labour, £655 0s 8d; and
materials, £816 0s 8d. The excess in expenditure was about £400 over the old system. -The Chairman : But the roads are in a very much better condition.

The Surveyor: The locrease is in team labour and
materials. I have got a great deal more material.—
The Clerk then gave the items as to the main roads. showing that in 1895 the cost of manual labour was £1,019 4s; team labour, £417 1s 11d; materials, £638 14s; total, £2,075 0s 8d. Last year's expendioperations, it was stated that they had no right to tap ture on main roads was :- Manual labour, £709 18s hem water, but the difficulty, Mr Davis urged, was 6d; team labour, £671 11s 5d; materials, £749 13e; total, £2,131 2s 11d; being an increase of £56 of the expenditure on main roads in 1895.

CRICKET.

BISHOP AUCKLAND V. BABRARD CASTLE.-Played on Saturday last, at Auckland, a victory being gained by the home side. For Barnard Castle, Priestley took 5 wickets at a cost of 32 runs; T. Hunter, 3 for

32; and W. Badcock, 1 for 16. Scores:-G Evans, b Marshall ... 5 B L Robinson, b Priestle; (b Barker, b Marshall ... 20 R Bousfield, b Hunter T Hunter, b Bousfield ... 0 J Catterson, c Badoock, t Evans, b Marshall ... 5 B L Robinson, b Priestley Barker, b Marshall ... 20 R Bousfield, b Hunter ... 1 J Catterson, c Badoock, b riestley, lbw, b Marshall 1 Barraclough, b Bousfield 17 R Proud, c and b Hunter ... A Barraclough, b Bousfield 17 R Proud, c and b number F Ord, b Bousfield ... O W Lodge, b Priestley ... S Attewell, b Marshall 7 D Jones, b Priestley ... I W Poster, c Parkinson, b H Parkinson, b Bousfield ... C Hunter ... M Badcock, b Bousfield ... 2 T Marshall, not out ... E Cartwright, lbw, b people to take care not to waste any water, and not to use it for swilling.—The Council agreed that Mr Dunn Priestley ...

A Poster, c Priestley, b
Badcock
Extras ... Extras Total 72 Total (for 9 wickets) 101

STREATLAM V. BISHOP AUCKLAND 2ND XI .- This match was played on the former ground, last Saturday, the result being an easy victory for the home team by

STECATLAM.
R Murray, lbw, b Allan 12
W Peacock, c Marshall, b W Peacock, c Marshan, o Thomas 0 A Harwood, b Thomas ... 23 A E Wolfe Barry, c Marshall, b Thomas ... 16 T Bewick, c Badcock, b J W Bewick, b Gibson ... 11 R Stoddart, not out Total 120

N. E. COUNTY SCHOOL BOYS V. BARNARD CASTLE 2ND XI.—Played on the Baliol Street ground last Saturday, and resulted in an easy victory for the Boys.

b Melianby... ... N Badcock, b Badcock ... A J Young, lbw, b Bad-2 cock 4 G W Berry, c Barrett, b Mellanby H Harland, run out W Stockdale, c and b Badcock H Boardman, c Makepesos, b Mellauby J Elleray, not out Extras... Total (for 8 wickets) 177 Total 38

THE RETURNING MILITIA.

The steamship British Princess left Capetown for England on May the 15th, having on board the following, on passage home:—Third Durham Light Infautry: Major G. T. Noel, Major H. P. Greenwood, Capt. B. Fielden, Second-Lieut. J. B. Wilkinson, and 144 men. This draft is understood to comprehend the sick and convalescent at the base of operations. There is no further news as to the movements of the main body. The British Princess is due at Lee Palmas on May 29th, and at Southampton on June 4th.

Barnard Castle Penny Bank, May 18th, 1901.—No. of depositors 48; amount, £5 3s. Withdrawsls, 3; amount, £5 5s 3d.

Special Values in Port Wine: 2s., 3s., 4s. per bottle,-Kagle Wine Stores, Barnard Castle. FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETE AND BREATE.—Thoroughly cleanest the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, and gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness and a delightful fragrance to the breath. Price 2s. 6d. for the liquid, or 1s. per jar for the Floriline "Powder," of all Chemists and Perfumers.

Births, Marriages, and Beaths. BIRTHS.

Brows.-At Startforth, on April 29th, the Edmund S. Brown, of a daughter, Hawirr.—At Newgato Barnard Castle, on April 9th, the wife of Albert A. Hewitt, of a daughter. DEATHS.

MITCHELL.—At Mount Pleasant, Startforth, on May 15th, Rupert Stanley, grandson of Wm. Mitchell, aged 7 years.
Goldsborough.—At Stainton, on May 17th, Mary, widow of Charles Goidsborough, aged 81 years, Dixon.—At Woodleigh, Barnard Castle, on Saturday, the 18th inst., Gladys Lilian, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs M. J. Dixon, aged 12 years. No

TINKLER -At Wood Green, London, on the 16th inst., Serab, relict of the late James Tinkler, Cotherston. WALTOK.—At Sevey Hill, Forest and Prith, on the

Walton, aged 13 days.

EMMERSON.—At Marches Gill, Harwood, Porest and Frith, on the 14th inst., Thomas Allinson Emmerson, aged 40 years.

WEARMOUTH.—At Nettle Pot, Lunedale, on the 20th nest., John infant son of John Westmouth.

Argures.—At 11, Marshall-street, Barnard Castle, on the 11th inst., Elizabeth, widow of the late John

Thompson Appleby, of Barnard Castle. IN MEMORIAN. Collinson,—In loving memory of John Collinson, who died May 26th, 1900, aged 19 years.

May 2010, 1000, ugon
He is gone, but not forgotten,
Nover shall his memory fade;
Loving thoughts shall ever linger
Round the spot where he is laid,
From his loving Mother and Bister

RETURN THANKS.
THE PAMILY OF THE LATE MRS TINKLER return thanks for kind enquiries and sympathy in their sad loss and bereavement.

Markets.

NEWCASTLE CATTLE (Yesterdey). — Pair ade all round, and prices steady. Numbers : Cattle, 2,151; shorp and lambs, 8,047; calves, 238; pigs, 676. Prices (stoking offsl): Beef, 5s 6d to 7s 9d; pork, 5s 6d to 7s 9d per stone; mutton, 5id to 8id i lamb, 9d to 11d; veal, 6d to 9d per ib.

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