Speech Day At the County School.

THOROUGHLY PRACTICAL ADDRESS BY LORD LONDONDERRY.

Last Friday afternoon the Marquess of Londonderry, K.G., distributed the prizes and university certificates at the North Eastern County School. There was an overwhelming and phenomenally large attendance of parents and friends of the pupils, who were, as usual entertained to luncheon in the dining hall earlier in the day. Accompanying Lord Londonderry to the platform were Lord and Lady Barnard, the Lord Bishop of Durham, Mr John Smith, J.P., the Rev. Dr. Pearce, Mr R. T. Richardson, J.P., Mr R. R. Redmayne, the Rev. L. B. Ashby, M.A., Mr T. Douglas, J.P., Mr W. L. Watter, the Rev. A. H. Ford, Mr R. C. L. B. Ashby, M.A., Mr T. Douglas, J.P., Mr W. J. Watson, the Rev. A. H. Ford, Mr R. C. Pannett, Mr J. G. Hall, Mr J. A. L. Robson, Durham County Secretary for Higher Education; Captain David Brereton, the Rev. F. L. Brereton, M.A., Headmaster, and Messrs E. D. Walrond, A. W. Ridout, R. J. Bunting, L. H. Barnard, M. W. Low, F. O. Kennan, W. E. Parkinson, F. Boardman, W. Blackett, E. Balgarnie, J. Robinson, S. R. E. Phillips, and R. P. Sleeman, all Masters of the School. and R. P. Sleeman, all Masters of the School.

Statement by the Headmaster.

The Rev. F. L. Brereton, M.A., the Headmaster, in reading the annual report, warmly weicomed Lord Londonderry, who, he was sure, would view their efforts with the sympathetic interest of one who was fully aware how difficult and how important was the work of national education in all its branches, and they were hopeful that he would be able to look with approval upon the results achieved. Mr Brereton continuing, said that in the North Eastern County School they had their own special methods and aims. The school claimed not only to be territorially connected with the town of Barnard Castle, the district of Teesdals, and the county of Durham, but especially to belong to, and to deserve the interest and support of, the three great counties which lie between Berwick and York. It was comprehensive in its aims, as its name implied. It did not in great counties which lie between Berwick and York. It was comprehensive in its aims, as its name implied. It did not in a spirit of social or religious narrowness exclude from a full participation in its benefits any boys who were morally and intellectually qualified for admission. It offered at the lowest possible cost a good and complete boarding school education. The list of certificates and prizes to be distributed that day, and the record of snocesses which past and present members of the school had recently achieved, afforded some indication of what was simed at and what was being done. The general education which the school provided led up not only to the highest standard which was tested by the school examinations of Cambridge University but also be account. The general education which the school provided ied up not only to the highest standard which was tested by the school examinations of Cambridge University, but also to successful entry into and distinguished progress through the Universities themselves. In the school the physical and moral surroundings which were essential to a sound education played their full part in contributing to the results achieved. In a hoarding school it was quite impossible to provide an adocation which was purely secular or purely intellectual, and so to neglect the provision of ample scope for the proper exercise and development of the physical powers and of the moral and spiritual natures of the youths who were under its charge. In that school the careiul study of the Bible and the common use of the services and prayers of the National Church had been maintained without offence, and, so far as he knew, without complaint of religious insuncerity or indefiniteness on the one hand, and of narrowness and sectarian attempts at proselytism on the other. On the souterary, there had been manifested among parents and old boys a remarkable consensus of approval. One indefiniteness on the south and the common use of the services and friends of the school that its Christian character might receive the permanent mark and stamp of a school chapel which might provide anishe accommodation for the services which had been the desire of a large number of the members and friends of the school that its Christian character might receive the permanent mark and stamp of a school chapel which might provide anished accommodation for the services which had been the desire of a large number of the members and friends of the school that its Christian character might receive the permanent mark and stamp of a school chapel which might provide anished committee of the members and friends of the school that its Christian character might be school since the summer of 1905 would take up and carry forward towards completion the efforts of those who had preceded them

HONOUR CERTIFICATES AND PRIZES.

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Cambridge Local Examinations, Dec., 1906—First-class senior honours. Atkinson i.—Silver medal of the Royal frographical Scoiety, French prize, midenumer examination, 1907. I heoretical caemistry prize, midenumer examination, 1907. Judson—Open exhibition in mathematics, Selwyn College, Cambridge; junior exhibition, Durkam County Council; Flounders having exhibition, July, 1907; Prest Memorial Prize (Scripture, Upper School). Sayer—First-class senior honours, Durham Local Exam., 1907. Bhuru—Kinglish prize, geometrical drawing prize: Drummond, Edgar, asine ii.—Second-class senior honours, Durham Local Exam., 1907. Shout—John Sheld's memorial prize (Latin). Second-class senior honours: Gibson—Open exhibition in science, Selwyn College, Cambridge; junior exhibition of Durham County Council; physics prize; Wake, Brewer. Third-class senior honours: Young ii.—
Mathematical prize. Bailes—Open scholarship in science.

united Kingdom and the Colonies in geography—E. H.
Atkinson.
Durham County Council Scholarships, 1906.—Junior
Exhibition (265 a year for 3 or 4 years)—T. S. Gibson.
Intermediate Scholarship—W. Stabler, deceased, Darlington.
Cambridge University.—Open Scholarship in Natural
Science (255 a year), at Emmanuel Col'ege, Cambridge—H.
Bailes. Open Exhibition in Mathematics (255 a year), at Selwyn College, Cambridge—J. F. Judson. Open Exhibition
in Natural Science (255 a year), at Selwyn College, Cambridge—T. B. Gibson. University Prize: The Haymond
Horton-Smith prize for the best M.D. The-is of the year—Dr.
J. Mellanby. College Prize: sudoury-Hardyman prize for a
Research Dissertation at Emmanuel College—K Mellanby.
College Scholarship (255 for a fourth year) at Pembroke
College—H. J. Vipond.
Durham University.—Junior Pemberton prize at Armstrong College (bracketed with two others in the first year's
examination for the B.Sc. degree)—S. G. Edgar.
London University—Appointed an examiner in engineering
—Dr. A. L. Mellanby, Professor at Glasgow (West of Scotland) University.

George Henry Lewis Studentship (2500 a year for three
years)—Dr. J. Mellanby.

Lord Londonderry's Address. Lord Londonderry then distributed the prizes, and afterwards delivered an address, in which he regretted that Lady Londonderry, owing to a misapprehension on his part entirely as to the date on which the proceedings were to take place, had made other arrangements. and was consequently unable to accompany him. He accepted their invitation with feelings of the very greatest possible pleasure. For some years past, in various circumstances he had been privileged to be closely connected with education. As chairman of the London School Board for two years, he was naturally brought very closely into contact with the education of the rising generation of London. (Hear, hear). At a later period, as Minister of Education, he held an interesting post which brought him into close connection with all grades of education. Consequently, although he had retired, from an official point of view, from the educational life, still as an amateur, if he might venture to use the expression, he naturally welcomed any occasion which gave him an opportunity of reviving that interest which he had always felt, and should continue to feel, in regard to education. More especially he felt an interest in addressing the boys, because their school was so closely connected with the county in which he had been bred and reared. Consequently the education of the rising generation of the county must be one of enormous interest to all there from the County of Durham. It was most essential that there should be schools of that kind encouraging and instructing the risin generation to realise what would be their duties in that part of England with which they were associated. He ventured to say—knowing the county of Durham well—that there were few, if any, of the counties of England which possessed so many important, and at the same time so very varied, interests as the County of Durham. And a school that instructed the rising generation in the varied interests, commercial and otherwise, was doing a very great and very good work.

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What the School is Actually Doing. As the result of the education of the past and present boys of the school, he found that of those sent up for the Cambridge local examinations, 14 boys took honours, including 8 in the first class. But of 3,500 candidates.

reproach to ourselves. It had been recognised during those past years that many countries outstripped us with regard to their system of secondary education, and were turning out yearly, he might almost say monthly, men who were competing with us in our great commercial interests who were far better educated to compete with us than we were to compete with them. That system, he was glad to think, of disregarding our secondary schools, had been recognised as a mistake in recent years, and they now found scattered all over the country a network of secondary schools which were annually turning out boys (eventually to be young men) thoroughly equipped with all the instruction necessary to

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Training for a Commercial Career.

In the past there had been many who rather looked down on a school where the curriculum ended more to the instruction of science that to classics, but he thought that day was rather gone by, and whilst classics must be closely attended to and be of valuable service to som schools, it might be that in the County of Durham, where the commercial interests were so great, instruction of a scientific and technical character would be found of greater advantage. He was glad to think that that new type of education was not disregarded by the nore modern dons at the great universities. The universities were at the present moment giving great inducements for the promotion of science, art, and technical education in the universities, not only by giving the students advantages which they never before possessed but by giving them opportunites of taking degrees. The great majority of the boys who attended schools such as that must rely on getting such education as would best fit them for the profession they intended to take up. (Hear, hear). It was impossible to over rate the great advantages which had accrued from schools where youths enjoyed privileges of a classical education, and he could not lay too much stress on the advantages of a classical education. He advised all boys to read the best works of the best authors, living and dead. In a reference to the sports side of the school, he believed the sports and pastimes taken part in at the public schools did much to promote the characteristics which were so English—tenacity of purpose, discipline, and playing not their own game alone, but the game of others. They must not give up the games because they left school, because of the morale, even more than the game, for the morale would last them for life, the game only whilst they were boys. (Cheers). The Bishop of Durham, in proposing a vote of

thanks to Lord Londonderry, referred to the magnificent liberalism of the Church of England, which in the religious teaching in that school discarded the narrowness of sectarianism. Lord Barnard seconded the resolution, and observed that the nucleus of the fund of £2,000 which had already been obtained towards a

chapel to be built in the school grounds had

een raised by old boys. (Applause).

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Bowes Manor.

ANCIENT COURT DAY AND DINNER.

The Administration of a Colossal Property.

The ancient Manor Court of Bowes, existing for time out of memory, was held in the Grammar School, on Saturday, and the proceedings were opened not by shrill fanfare's blast, but by a solemn, orthodox ejaculation in Norman French delivered by the Hailiff. There was a good attendance of freeholders. Mr R. T. Richardson, J.P., one of the Lords in Trust, occupied the chair, and the Steward of the Manor (Mr Joseph Hanby Holmes) assisted in conducting the meeting. Mr William Hutchinson was sworn foreman of the jury, and the oath is almost an absolute reproduction of that appertaining to Crowners' Quest Law. The ceremony was weirdly interesting, the court having jurisdiction over thousands of acres of

Business Appertaining to the Moor.

The Chairman was glad that the old minute book had been nicely copied, and, if it was only indexed, it would become a valuable document of reference. The records went back as far as 1772.—The Chairman said the Lords in Trust had arranged with the Field Reeves for 7s. 6d rent for Drygill, and he hoped the offer would be finally accepted.—It was reported that one of the boundary stones had been broken, and that the painting of the other stones had been carried out.—Mr Arthur Copeland: I think we should keep the boundary stones up, no matter at what cost.—Mr Krrington: Are you going to repair it?—Mr T. Alderson: It is not a mark or number stone.—Mr J. A. York: I should like to propose a resolution that the Chairman be instructed by the Steward to see that no one attending this meeting as a freeholder-if he is not entitled to dividendsvotes on any question referring to the balance-sheet.—The Chairman: It is a very reasonable resolution.-Mr W. Hutchinson: I have very great pleasure in seconding that resolution. think it will be easily carried out.—Carried.— The Steward said that Mr Walker had paid him for stone which had gone to Startforth Churchyard from Clint Quarry, but he (Mr Holmes) had quite inadvertently omitted to enter the amount. It was about 10s., and would be carried forward.-Replying to Mr Dugdale, jun., the Steward said the bank had allowed interest on £44 which had been paid by the railway company—it having been lost sight of, and it having been placed with Messrs barclay on deposit. The money had since been divided. and there was now, of course, no interest shown in the current balance-sheet.—The balance retained in hand to meet current expenses amounts to £79 16s. 5d.—The Chairman moved the adoption of the balance-sheet, Mr W. Hutchinson seconded, and the motion

The Ganister Company.

The Chairman: We heard at the last meeting of the Lords in Trust that the ganister company which was floated so successfully was being wound up, with £75 in arrears. We agreed to waive £50 of that if he agreed to pay the difference, and we arranged for a further term of five years, but that was a conditional proposition. Since that Mr G. W. Watson has done nothing. Last meeting we found that there was £100 due, and we instructed the Steward to issue a writ for it. The Steward has received a letter this morning asking for a little time. Is not that so?—Mr Holmes: Practically so.—The Chairman: We will get as much as we can.—Mr Errington: There must be no further reduction.—The Chairman added that the terms of the railway company were exceedingly high for allowing

Alleged Encrosehment. The Chairman then referred to a proposed

graduated scale for encroachments.—Mr Micah Clarkson: May I be allowed to ask if I am in any way complicated? Will it concern me whatever?—The Chairman: It will apply to everybody.—Mr Holmes: It will apply to every encroachment.—Mr Micah Clarkson: I want to know if I have encroached?—The Chairman: 1 cannot for the moment say. 1 don't know your property. Have you been prigging any land that is not your own? (Loud laughter). - Mr Clarkson: Not that I am aware of. Some people might suggest that I have. But not that I am aware of, although I have made a wall in the village.—The Chairman: In the right term we call it encroaching.—Mr Clarkson: That is the reason I have been speaking.—The Chairman; I think you must leave us to deal with it. If we find you have we shall have to deal with it. I dare say.—Mr York thought that Mr Clarkson was wrong in any event, for, if the owners had paved the land, then he had taken the property paved the land, then he had taken the property from the highway which had been enjoyed by the public for a great number of years.—
Mr Copeland: We had a case at Stain-drop some time ago. A man put a fence round some ground, but the Rural District Council compelled him to take it down right away.—The Chairman: I think my legal brothren will agree with me that the Statute of Limitations does not apply to public rights, as against highways, and, if this ground has been enclosed for one hundred years, it can still be recovered.—Mr Clarkson: Then it appears to me that all Bowes can be removed.—Mr Errington : But you don't want to pay anything. You surely don't want to have it for nothing?—Mr Clarkson: Well, people generally do get off by paying (Laughter).

Startforth Council Trouble.

In view of the speedy settlement of the claims of the freeholders against the Startforth Rural District Council, in respect to Conf. Quarry—the Steward said he was still negotiating with the Clerk—Mr York moved, and it was unanimously resolved, that the Lords in Trust take immediate action agains the Council.

More Encroachments Considered.

It was stated that if the meeting would grant Mr Rowlandson's enclosure he would remove it at any time if they gave him six months' notice to clear it all away.—The Chairman then outlined an application from English made by English Workmen Mr Thomas Alderson, of Bowes Villa, in which it was proposed to enclose about 3,000 square yards at the west end of the village of Bowes which was now waste, at a yearly rent of be There would be free access to the land at all times by the villagers and children to play upon it.—Mr W. Hutchinson: Does not that plot of land belong to Bowes Moor?—The Chairman: Well, it is waste land. It belongs to the Lords in Trust.—Mr Hutchinson: Bowes Moor came down to the road before the advent of the railway.—Mr Holmes: That is so, and it belongs to the Lords in Trust.—The Chairman As trustees for everybody. - Mr Hutchinson But the moor itself belongs to the freeholders. It does not belong to the Lords in Trust. It is a question of pasturage, and the Field Reeves come in then.—A long and animated discussion ensued, in which it was stated that Mr Alderson had offered 21 per year rent, and eventually, on the proposition of Mr York, seconded by Mr Dugdale, it was agreed that the question be left in the hands of the Lords in Trust and the Field Reeves.—The annual dinner afterwards took place at the Unicorn Hotel, which was greatly enjoyed.

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