BARNARD CASTLE FLOWER SHOW.

Friday last was the annual flower show at Barnard Castle, and Pluvius reigned supreme all day, and interfered very much with the attendance. In fact it is feared that the committee will have to draw considerably upon their reserve fund. The exhibits were not so numerous as in previous years, but in quality never were the departments better represented. The fruit in particular was of a high class, grapes, melons, and peaches being exceptionally fine. Messrs Finlay, Westcott, and Bowlzer were the chief prize-takers. The blooms of hollyhocks exhibited by Mr Finlay were perfection, and the array of fuchsias and geraniums in open class were commended on every hand. There was the usual rivalry among cottagers, and Mr C. Hedley exhibited a rose which for richness had no equal. Attention was directed to the stand of herbaceous plants, and the judges had disqualified the collection exhibited by Mr John Roe, of the Bowes Museum Gardens, because he had included a *Lily Auratum*. When the judges met, afterwards, Mr Sibbald drew attention to the matter, in response to the "Health of the Judges," most heartily proposed by Mr Waistell, at dinner. He urged that it would be more satisfactory if the schedule distinctly stated whether this specimen was included or excluded. Messrs Fell and Co., of the Wentworth and Fellside Nurseries, Hexham, who have been appointed by royal warrant seedsmen to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, set up an interesting stand, including numerous choice conifers and herbaceous plants. This firm recently supplied to the government 300,000 forest trees to plant on the exposed mountains in the Isle of Man. The results of judicious planting have been proved in Teesdale. The ornamental trees, fruit trees and roses of this firm are of wide fame, and they cultivate stove and greenhouse plants in quantity. Messrs. Wilder, of Birmingham, the pyrotechnists, gave the grandest display of fireworks ever witnessed in the town. Mr Waistell, the treasurer, came down from Cotherstone at an early hour, and remained at his post till late, whilst Mr J. J. Bailey, the indefatigable secretary, worked harder this year than on previous occasions, owing to the fact that he was practically single-handed. The Judges were:—Open Class.—Messrs W. Larkin, Auckland Castle; R. J. Brown, Hexham Nurseries. Amateur.—Messrs Bowlzer, Rokeby Gardens; G. Finlay, East Layton Hall; W. Burrow, gardener to Sir John Lawson. Cottagers.—Messrs Westcott, Raby; Weatherald, Lartington Hall; Knaggs, Whorlton.

CLASS I.

FLOWERS.—Four stove or greenhouse plants in flower—1, W. Bowlzer, gardener to R. A. Morritt, Rokeby Park; 2, R. Westcott, gardener to the Duke of Cleveland. Ornamental leaved plants—1, R. Westcott; 2, W. Bowlzer. Exotic ferns—1, W. Bowlzer; 2, R. Westcott. British ferns—1, R. Wardle, gardener to Dr Mitchell, Barnard Castle; 2, R. J. Dent, Streatlam. Zonale geraniums, single, dissimilar—1, R. J. Knaggs, Whorlton. Tricolor do, single plants, dissimilar—1, R. J. Knaggs; 2, W. Bowlzer. Fuchsias—1, R. J. Knaggs; 2, W. Bowlzer.

CUT FLOWERS.—Spikes of hollyhocks, dissimilar—1, R. P. Gent, Barnard Castle. Blooms ditto—1, G. Finlay; 2, J.D. Hutchinson, Kirbymoorside. 12 varieties of roses with foliage (named)—1, J. D. Hutchinson; 2, G. Finlay, East Layton. 6 varieties of roses with foliage (named)—1, J. Roe. Varieties of gladioli—1, J. D. Hutchinson. 12 varieties dahlias—1, J. D. Hutchinson. 6 varieties dahlias—1, C. Marwood, Stubb House, Whorlton; 2, R. J. Knaggs. Stocks, dissimilar, whole plants—1, J. G. Roe; 2, R. Westcott. German Asters, dissimilar—1, C. Marwood; 2, J. G. Roe. Quilled asters, ditto—1, G. Finlay; 2, R. J. Knaggs. Carnations, ditto—1, G. Finlay; 2, R. P. Gent. Picotees, ditto—1, G. Finlay; 2, Gent and Roe. Zinnia elegans, ditto—1, R. Westcott; 2, C. Marwood. Hardy herbaceous flowers—1, J. G. Roe; 2, C. Marwood. Herbaceous phloxes—1, R. Westcott. French marigolds, striped—1, J. G. Roe; 2, C. Marwood. African ditto—1, C. Marwood; 2, J. G. Roe. Hand bouquet—1, G. Finlay; 2, R. Westcott.

FRUITS.—Collection of six varieties, pine excluded—1, R. Westcott; 2, J. Burrow, Brough; 3, W. Bowlzer. Black Hambro' grapes—1, W. Bowlzer; 2, J. M. Marshall. Muscat grapes, black or white—1, J. M. Marshall; 2, R. Westcott. White grapes other than Muscat—1, R. Westcott; 2, J. M. Marshall. Peaches—1, J. Barrow; 2, M. Wetherald, gardener to Monsignor Witham, Lartington Hall. Nectarines—1, J. Burrow; 2, J. Borthwick, Barnard Castle. Apricots—1, C. Marwood; 2, W. Bowlzer. Melon—1, W. Jenkins, gardener to B. Cochrane, Durham; 2, J. Burrow. Dessert plums—1 R. Westcott; 2, J. Borthwick. Baking plums—1, R. Westcott; 2, J. Borthwick. Dessert pears—1, Mrs Scarth; 2, C. Marwood, gardener to J. Stanton, Stubb House; Dessert apples—1, R. Westcott; 2, C. Marwood. Baking apples—1, J. Borthwick; 2, W. Bowlzer. Gooseberries—1, Dr. Copeland; 2, W. Bowlzer. Red currants—1, J. Burrow; 2, R. J. Knaggs. Morello cherries—1, R. Westcott; 2, Dr. Copeland. Cucumbers—1, C. Marwood; 2, W. Bowlzer. Special prizes, given by Mrs Prond, of East Layton Hall.—12 cut blooms of hollyhocks, 9 distinct varieties—1, G. Finlay; 2, R. P. Gent. 12 blooms of show or fancy pansies, distinct varieties—1, J. D. Hutchinson; 2, R. J. Knaggs. Given by Mr T. S. Ware, of Hale Farm Nurseries, Tottenham, London, and formerly of Barnard Castle,—12 single dahlias, distinct—1, J. D. Hutchinson; 2, G. Finlay. 12 bunches of hardy herbaceous flowers—1, J. D. Hutchinson; 2, J. Roe.

CLASS II.

PLANTS.—Zonale geraniums, dissimilar—1, G. Graham, Barnard Castle; 2, R. P. Gent, Barnard Castle. Do. tricolor dissimilar—1, T. Dalkin, Barnard Castle; 2, G. Graham. Dark fuchsia—1, T. Dalkin; 2, R. P. Gent. Light fuchsia—1, T. Dalkin; 2, R. P. Gent.

CUT FLOWERS.—Gladioli, dissimilar,—1, G. Graham, Barnard Castle; 2, J. M. Marshall, Startforth Villa West. Dahlias, dissimilar, double—1, R. P. Gent; 2, Dr. Copeland, Staindrop. Hollyhocks, dissimilar—1, R. P. Gent; 2, Dr. Copeland. Roses, dissimilar—1, J. Watson, Stotley Lodge; 2, J. Kyle, Barnard Castle. German asters, dissimilar—1, R. P. Gent; 2, G. Pattisson, Toft Hill. Quilled asters, do—1, G. Pattison; J. M. Marshall. Stocks, whole plants, do—1, T. Dalkin; 2, R. P. Gent. Annuals, do—1, T. Dalkin; 2, J. M. Marshall. Hardy herbaceous flowers, do—1, R. P. Gent; 2, R. Dalkin. Herbaceous phloxes, single spikes, do—1, R. P. Gent. Carnations, do—1, R. P. Gent; 2, J. M. Marshall. Picotees, do—1, R. P. Gent; 2, J. M. Marshall. French marigolds, striped, do—1, J. Watson, 2, T. Dalkin. African marigolds, do—1, J. Watson; 2, G. Graham, Barnard Castle.

FRUITS.—Gooseberries, heaviest—1, J. Watson; 2, R. P. Gent. Red currants—1, Dr. Copeland; 2, J. Watson. Baking apples—1, G. Pattinson; 2, T. Thornton. Dessert apples—1, Dr. Copeland; 2, T. Thornton.

VEGETABLES.—Cucumbers—1, Mrs. Scarth; 2, T. Dalkin. Celery—1, R. T. Richardson, Barnard Castle; 2, J. Harrison, Startforth; 3, Dr. Copeland. Cauliflowers—1, T. Dalkin; 2, G. Pattison; 3, R. T. Richardson. Tripoli onions—1, G. Graham; 2, G. Pattison; 3, J. Harrison. Onions, spring sown—1, T. Dalkin; 2, G. Graham; 3, Mrs. Scarth, Staindrop. Carrots—1, R. P. Gent; 2, T. Dalkin; 3, Mrs. Scarth. Turnips—1, J. Harrison; 2, R. P. Gent; 3, G. Graham. Eschalots—1, J. Harrison; 2, R. P. Gent; 3, J. Watson. Cabbages—1, J. Harrison; 2, R. T. Richardson; 3, G. Graham. Red cabbage—1, Mrs. Scarth; 2, T. Dalkin; 3, G. Pattison. Beans—1, G. Graham; 2, J. Harrison; 3, Mrs. Scarth. Kidney beans—1, T. Thornton, Barnard Castle; 2, T. Dalkin; 3, J. Kyle. Peas—1, T. Dalkin; 2, J. M. Marshall; 3, G. Graham. Kidney potatoes—1, G. Graham; 2, G. Pattison; 3, T. Dalkin. Round potatoes—1, G. Pattison; 2, G. Graham; 3, J. Harrison. Vegetable marrows—1, T. Dalkin; 2, W. Waistell, Cotherstone; 3, G. Graham. Roots of beet—1, J. Kyle; 2, G. Pattison; 3, Mrs. Scarth. Parsnips—1, T. Dalkin; 2, G. Pattison; 3, J. Harrison. Collection of seven varieties—1, J. Harrison; 2, G. Graham; 3, G. Pattison.

CLASS III.

PLANTS.—Rose—1, C. Hedley, Barnard Castle; 2, R. Ebdon, Middleton-in-Teesdale. Dark fuchsia—1, J. Dalkin; 2, R. Ebdon; 3, C. Hedley. Light fuchsia—1, C. Hedley; 2, R. Ebdon; 3, J. Hunter, Barnard Castle. Scarlet geranium—1, C. Hedley; 2, J. Blenkinsop; 3, P. Horne. Tricolour geranium—1, J. Dalkin; 2, C. Hedley; 3, J. Blenkinsop, Barnard Castle.

CUT FLOWERS.—Varieties herbaceous phloxes—1, P. Horne, Middleton-in-Teesdale; 2, W. Pinkney, Hude, Middleton-in-Teesdale; 3, R. Ebdon, Middleton-in-Teesdale. Dahlias—1, C. Hedley, Barnard Castle; 2, W. Pinkney; 3, W. Mason, Startforth. Stocks, whole plants—1, P. Horn; 2, G. Marshall, Barnard Castle; 3, J. H. Gent, Barnard Castle. Asters—1, R. Ebdon; 2, G. Marshall; 3, W. Whittington, Staindrop. French marigolds—1, P. Horne; 2, J. Blenkinsop, Barnard Castle; 3, C. Hedley. African marigolds—1, P. Horne; 2, W. Mason; 3, J. Dalkin.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.—Gooseberries—1, W. Mason; 2, J. H. Gent; 3, J. Taylor, Startforth. Celery—1, R. Brass, Barnard Castle; 2, J. Dalkin, Barnard Castle; 3, I. Thompson, Barnard Castle; 4, J. Taylor. Cauliflowers—1, J. Dalkin; 2, R. Brass; 3, J. Blenkinsop; 4, J. Hunter, Barnard Castle. Onions, spring sown—1, W. Pinkney, Hude, Middleton-in-Teesdale; 2, J. Taylor; 3, C. Hedley; 4, W. Hewitt, Barnard Castle. Tripoli onions—1, W. Wittington, Staindrop; 2, C. Hedley; 3, J. Dalkin; 4, J. Hunter. Leeks 1, W. Mason; 2, R. Ebdon; 3, R. Brass; 4, S. Foster, Startforth. Carrots—1, G. Marshall; 2, P. Horne; 3, J. Hunter; 4, C. Hedley. Yellow turnips—1, R. Ebdon; 2, W. Pinkney; 3, R. Brass; 4, W. Moore, Barnard Castle. Parsnips—1, R. Brass; 2, W. Mason; 3, P. Horne; 4, G. Marshall, Barnard Castle. Eschalots—1, R. Ebdon; 2, C. Hedley; 3, J. McDonald, Egglestone Abbey; 4, I. Thompson. Cabbages—1, W. Mason; 2, J. Hunter; 3, W. Moore; 4, I. Thompson Red cabbages—1, W. Moore; 2, W. Whittington; 3, J. Hunter; 4, J. Blenkinsop. Beans—1, J. Hunter; 2, J. Blenkinsop; 3, P. Horne; 4, R. Brass. Peas—1, P. Horne; 2, W. Mason; 3, C. Hedley; 4, W. Whittington. Round Potatoes—1, R. Ebdon; 2, W. Hewitt; 3, C. Hedley; 4, W. Moore. Kidney potatoes—1, G. Brass; 2, W. Whittington; 3, J. Dalkin; 4, J. Taylor. Extra prizes, collection of nine varieties of vegetables—1, W. Mason; 2, J. Dalkin; 3, J. Blenkinsop; 4, J. Hunter. Seven varieties of vegetables—1, G. Brass; 2, R. Brass; 3, S. Foster; 4, C. Hedley. Collections of seven varieties of vegetables—1, W. Mason; 2, G. Brass; 3, J. Dalkin. Special prize, given by the late Mr. R. W. Atkinson, to cottager in Barnard Castle or Startforth who takes the highest prize—1, W. Mason; 2, J. Dalkin. Given by Mr. J. T. Young, to cottager gaining greatest number of first prizes—Equal, Peter Horne and W. Mason.

LIST OF VISITORS

AT BARNARD CASTLE & NEIGHBOURHOOD

Ash, Miss, Newcastle — 3, Marshall St.
Anderson, Miss, West Hartlepool — Harmire
Bowron, Mr, New Zealand — 37, Galgate
Bowron, Mr and Mrs J., London — 37, Galgate
Brown, Miss, Darlington — 3, Montalbo Terrace
Barker, Mr J. E., Sunderland — 15, Montalbo Terrace
Carson, Miss, Salvin Lodge, Alston — 37, Galgate
Conqueror, Mrs, Southwick — 76, Galgate
Crooks, Mr, Mrs, Master and Miss, London — Mrs Baker's, Thorngate
Chattons, Miss Leigh, Cambridge — 3, Montalbo Terrace
Clarkson, Miss — 41, Galgate
Child, Mr G., London — 15, Montalbo Terrace
Cowley, Master, Sunderland — 20, Montalbo Terrace
Dunford, Mr and Mrs, Newcastle — Spring Grove
Douglas, Mrs and Miss, West Hartlepool — Harmire
Davie, the Misses, Sunderland — 6, South View Terrace
Dawson, Miss, Sunderland — 30, Baliol St.
Errington, Mr, Mrs and family, Newcastle — 3, Montalbo Terrace
Fernie, Mrs, West Hartlepool — Mrs Kipling's, Newgate
Fairley, Mr, Misses and Master, Sunderland — 2, Montalbo Terrace
Farrow, Mr R., Sunderland — 5, Montalbo Terrace
Foster, Mrs and maid, Sunderland — 19, Montalbo Terrace
Fenwick, Mr, Mrs and family, South Shields — Woodbine Cottage
Foster, Mr, Mrs and niece, Sunderland — 6, Queen St.
Grey, Mr and Mrs, Gateshead — Spring Grove
Greenhow, Miss and maid, Hexham — 37, Galgate
Greenwell, Mrs and family, Sunderland — 82, Galgate
Grice, Mr and Mrs, Bognor, Sussex — Montalbo Stores
Hills, Mr, East Boldon — Cleveland House
Hedley, Capt., Mrs and family, Sunderland — 20, Montalbo Terrace
Hartley, Mrs, London — Mrs H. Wilson's, Queen St.
Harrison, Misses, Cullercoats — Spring Grove
Jackson, Miss, Sunderland — Harmire
King, Miss, York — 5, Montalbo Terrace
Kipling, Mrs and Miss, Newcastle — 7, Baliol St.
Last, Mr, Mrs, family and maid, York — Rock Villa
Lobely, Miss, Darlington — 3, Montalbo Terrace
Leigh, Mr, London — 3, Montalbo Terrace
Mowat, Mrs, Sunderland — 6, Galgate
Milburn, Mr and Miss, Sunderland — 6, Galgate
Mackay, Mrs and family, Southwick — 76, Galgate
Milburn, Mr, Mrs and family, Sunderland — 2, Montalbo Terrace
McKew, Mr, Mrs and Master, Sunderland — 35, Galgate
Oughton, Mr and Mrs, Sunderland — 106, Galgate
Procter, Mr, and Mrs W. H., family and maid, East Boldon — Cleveland House
Plank, Mr and Mrs, Sunderland — 69, Galgate
Perry, Mr, Mrs, family and nurse, North Shields — 60, Galgate
Reenan, Mrs, West Hartlepool — Mrs Kipling's, Newgate
Reay, Mrs and Miss, West Hartlepool — 31, Baliol St.
Robson, Mr and the Misses, Coatham, Redcar — Clifton House
Robson, Mr, Sunderland — 112, Galgate
Rowntree, Miss, Hartlepool — Mrs Wilson's, Queen St.
Robinson, Mrs, Newcastle — 15, Montalbo Terrace
Richardson, Mrs W. H., Jarrow, 19, Montalbo Terrace
Stanhope, Miss, Gateshead — Spring Grove
Sutherland, Mrs, family and maid, South Shields — Cleveland House
Stein, Mr, Mrs and family, Dover — 7, Bede Terrace
Stephen, the Misses, Sunderland — 41, Galgate
Tyson, Mr, Mrs and family, Newcastle — Spring Grove
Tourtel, Mr, South Shields — 6, South View Terrace
Todd, Mr, Mrs and family, Sunderland — 64, Galgate
Thompson, Mr, and Mrs, Newcastle — Montalbo Stores
Thatcher, Mr and Mrs, Sunderland — 16, Galgate
Taylor, Mr and Mrs, Sunderland — 7, Baliol St.
Taylor, Mr, Mrs and family, Middlesbrough — Mrs Wandless, Bank
Valentine, Rev. H., Mrs, Miss and Master, Sunderland — 39, Galgate
Veitch, Miss, Sunderland — 16, Galgate
Watson, Miss, Sunderland — 30, Baliol St.
Wilson, Miss, Isle of Wight — 3, Montalbo Terrace
Wrightson, the Rev. W., Mrs, family and maid Worthing — 5, Galgate
Winfield, Mr, Monkwearmouth — 7, Baliol St.
Wright, Mr and Miss, North Shields — Rock Villa
Wright, Mrs, Sunderland — 2, Montalbo Terrace
Wright, Mr H., Sunderland — 15, Montalbo Terrace
Yule, Mrs, Monkwearmouth — 76, Galgate
Yeatman, Mr, Mrs and family, Sunderland — 41, Galgate
Vacant — 84, Galgate
" — Mrs. Hodgson, Queen St.
" — 8, Bede Terrace
" — Mrs Mackay, Bank
" — Mrs Eales, Horse Market
" — 100, Galgate

STARTFORTH.

Vacant — Mrs Dobbin

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

Elliot, Mr, Mrs and family, London — Mrs Readshaw's
Kirk, Miss, Sunderland — Mrs Readshaw's
Moore, Mr, Mrs and family, South Shields — Mrs Readshaw's
Sayer, Miss, Sunderland — Mrs Readshaw's
Thompson, Mrs, Scotland — Mrs Readshaw's

COTHERSTONE.

Anthony, Mr, Hereford — 3, Nicholson Terrace
Boiston, Mrs and Miss, Gateshead — Miss H. Walton's
Blacklock, Mr, Sunderland — Red Lion Inn
Bainbridge, Master and Miss, London — Mrs Bainbridge's
Burn, Mr and Mrs, Low Fell, Gateshead — Miss Henderson's
Brewis, Mr, Mrs, family and maids, Sunderland — Hallgarth House
Crake, Miss, Bishop Auckland — Fox and Hound's Inn
Dean, Master G., Middlesbro' — Leisure Cottage
Edwards, Mr, Mrs and family, S'derland — Mrs Rutter's
Gentles, Mr, Mrs and family, Sunderland — Cleveland Cottage
Groves, Miss, London — Pensbury Cottage
Greathead, Mr, Mrs and family, West Hartlepool — Mrs Tyerman's
Hounam, Mr, Mrs, family and maid, Sunderland — Cherry Tree Cottage
Hall, Mr, Mrs, family and maid, Darlington — 2, Memento Terrace
Hodgson, Mr, Mrs and family — Miss Gargett's
Harrison, Miss, Bishop Auckland — 2, Nicholson Terrace
Hall, Mr, Mrs and family, Bishop Auckland — 2, Nicholson Terrace
Hall, Mrs, Durham — Hawcroft House
Holmes, Mrs and Miss, Darlington — Post Office
Kirkup, Mr Edmund, Sunderland — Mrs Wm. Jackson's
Lewis, Mr, London — 3, Nicholson Terrace
Muller, Mr, Mrs and family, Gateshead — Miss Walton's
McMillan, Miss, London — Pensbury Cottage
McAllum, Mrs G. O. and family, Newcastle — The Green
Metcalf, Mr and Mrs Wm., Sunderland — Pensbury Cottage
Potts, Miss, Sunderland — Mrs Shotton's
Park, Mr B., Sunderland — Mrs Gargett's
Simey, Mrs and the Misses — Leisure Cottage
Thompson, Mrs and Master — Miss Pyeburn's
Taylor, Mr, Mrs, family and nurse, Sunderland — Miss Henderson's
Vincent, Mr, Mrs and family — Hallgarth House
Vincent, Mr A. H., Sunderland — Hallgarth House
Wilson, Mrs and family, Roker, Sunderland — Miss Young's
Woodward, Mr, Mrs and family, West Hartlepool — Primrose Cottage
Yeoman, Mr, Whitby — 3, Nicholson Terrace

COLONEL CAMERON, 4th D.A.V.

The following, taken from the *Northern Review* of Saturday, will be read with interest by many of our readers, the earlier years of Mr Cameron's life having been spent at Barnard Castle:—

The gentleman whose counterfeit presentment we place before our readers to-day is Colonel Cameron, of Greenbank, commandant of the 4th Durham Artillery Volunteers, and Chairman of the West Hartlepool Improvement Commissioners. Like a goodly number, not to say the majority, of his fellow inhabitants of the town, he is not a native of it. Though a descendant of an old Scotch family his birthplace is Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland, within the walls of whose Grammar School he received his education. When in due time it became necessary for him to select a calling, he entered the service of a brewer at Barnard Castle as an apprentice, and remained in the town six years. At the end of that time he came to West Hartlepool as manager of the brewery and business of the late Wm. Waldon. On the decease of that gentleman, Mr Cameron took over his concerns, and has carried them on ever since with increasing prosperity. He is most widely known perhaps as a Volunteer, and it is interesting to know that he commenced his citizen soldiering quite early in the days of his apprenticeship. He was a member of the Rifle Corps at Barnard Castle for four years. But it was not until 1871, or six years after his coming to West Hartlepool, that calls of business left him sufficiently at leisure to resume Her Majesty's uniform. Then he joined the Artillery Volunteers as sub-lieutenant. In three years he was promoted to a captaincy, and in 1881 he assumed command of the Corps, which, at that time, was not of strength sufficient to confer higher rank. Two years last April the establishment was increased, and with the increase came our subject's step to the lieutenant-colonelcy. Colonel Cameron is Chairman of the Improvement Commissioners, the present local governing body of West Hartlepool. He joined the Board in 1873, and in March, 1886, was elected to preside over its deliberations. His conduct in the chair, coupled with the fact that during his term of office a scheme of incorporation had been broached, and seemed likely to be adopted, led to his being re-elected last March. There are not wanting prophets who see in the gallant Colonel the first Mayor of the Borough, which it is scarcely necessary to remind our readers will blossom into a municipality, with mayor, aldermen and councillors, next November. Amongst the other important local administrative bodies, whereon he has served his fellow-townsmen, must be mentioned the School Board. He was one of the four Churchmen originally elected, his colleagues being four Nonconformists and a Roman Catholic. After serving upon three Boards he was compelled to relinquish his seat by the increasing calls of business. More recently, Colonel Cameron became identified with the Port and Harbour Commission, to which he was elected by the Improvement Commissioners as their representative. In politics the subject of our sketch is a Conservative, as President of the West Hartlepool Workingmen's Club he is, in fact, the recognised local leader of the party. In the social life of the town Colonel Cameron, with his amiable and accomplished wife, to whom he was married at Tunbridge Wells, in September, 1881, plays a conspicuous part. Mrs Cameron, we may state, is the second daughter of the late Edward Chapman, Esq., of Adelaide, South Australia, and met her husband during a visit to the old country with her family. Animated by a high sense of the duty which attached to position and wealth, Colonel and Mrs Cameron ever take a leading part in works for the amelioration of the condition of the poor. Every winter, many who are plunged by severe weather into profound depths of misery, have occasion to bless the thoughtfulness of the Chairman of the Improvement Commissioners and his good lady for gifts of food, clothing and firing. So recently as on the occasion of the Jubilee celebration they provided substantial enjoyment for many who would otherwise have spent but a sorry festival. They gave breakfast to no less than 2,500 children, and tea to 500 old people. The period of deepest distress the town has experienced embraced the winters of 1887-8-9 and 80, and during those seasons Colonel Cameron provided free dinners for the children of the workmen thrown out of employment by the closing of the Rolling Mills and the general depression in trade. In short Colonel Cameron fills most admirably the conspicuous position fortune and his fellow townsmen have called him to.

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

The Earl of Wemyss, Lord Brooke, Lord Galway, Earl De Grey, Lord Walsingham, and the Right Hon. E. Marjoribanks arrived at Middleton-in-Teesdale on Monday, *en route* for High Force, to join the Duke of Cleveland's shooting party.

Middleton-in-Teesdale Agricultural Show.—The forthcoming annual meeting promises to rival any of its predecessors in importance. The prize schedule will be found advertised in our columns, to-day, and it is important for intending exhibitors to know that the entries close on August 27th. Cheap trains will be run from all parts, and it is more than probable that a large influx of visitors will visit Teesdale on the 2nd of September next.

Lead Mining in Teesdale.—The discovery of a lead ore vein at Blea Gill, near Newbiggin, is reassuring. The London Lead Company, who have been exploring for some time past, and have been at considerable outlay at the above place, have now cut a quick vein which gives fair promise of developing into a good mine. The vein has been cut into at the bottom, or low flat, in the great limestone, and there being a good section of sills overhead, and, besides, the whole being virgin ground, with the exception of what has been done by hushing operations on the surface, there is every prospect of a new mining field being opened out, which we may say is being regarded both by the employés and employed in the dale as most opportune.

BIRTHS.

At Cotherstone, on the 28th ult., the wife of Mr Jno. Mackew, of a son.

At Kirkersfold, Forest and Frith, on the 10th ult., the wife of Mr H. Bainbridge, of a son.

At Mount Pleasant, Middleton, on the 25th ult., the wife of Mr W. Allinson, of a daughter.

At Hudeshope, Middleton, on 2nd ult., the wife of Mr. Thomas Allinson, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

August 20th, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Barnard Castle, by the Rev. H. Errington, Mr John Lancelot Sowerby, of Lunedale, to Miss Jane Ann Robinson, of Holwick.

August 20th, by license, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Barnard Castle, by the Rev. W. A. French, Mr Joseph William Collinson, of Newbiggin, to Miss Annie Thompson, of High Dyke, Middleton.

At Startforth Church, on the 20th inst., by the Rev. H. Jennings, Vicar, Mr Joseph Wm. Hall, Stockton-on-Tees, to Miss Mary Ann Cardwell, of Bridge End, Startforth.

DEATH.

At Barnard Castle, on August 21st, Reginald William Atkinson, aged 58 years, deeply regretted. The Funeral will leave the residence at half-past 10 o'clock on Friday morning, August 26th.

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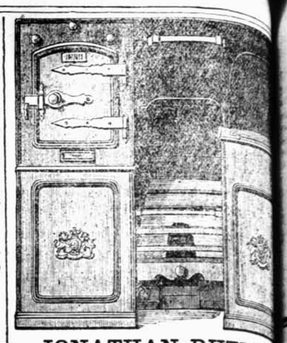

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