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NARD CASTLE, SEPT. 7th, 1887.

arnard Castle Gas Light Compa ), have, dating from July the price of gas twopence per c feet, the net price now being housand feet.

remony of laying foundation-stor reh Mission Room at Boldron, to Saturday last, and the Rev. Hart Vicar of Startforth, may be c d on the completeness of

nents, and the success which the Parish of Barnard Castling also in Church organization efforts put forth last week for of a Mission Room have recei encouraging support.

Annual Brewster Sessions for Castle Petty Sessional Division d on Wednesday last, when parative statement was handed istrates by Mr Superintende n. There was no increase mess reported, and the licenses we wed. Major Hodgson, the Chaded that it was satisfactory to know inns had been fairly well conducted the past year, and hoped the of things might continue.

derday a telegram reached Barningak announcing the fact that the niece A. Milbank, Bart., had succumbed juries received by her from a fall. gased lady was the daughter of Lady Milbank, widow of the late Mr Henry filbank.

Barnard Castle Cricket Club conlate giving a testimonial to Mr J. J. the veteran captain. If a genuine cricket, for a period of forty-three combined with never-failing attention interests of the local club, in times of de as well as in the hour of erity, be any recommendation, then novement must command, as no doubt the hearty support of past and pretownsmen.

Corporation of Darlington have notice upon the Barnard Castle Board of Health anent the alleged ion of the Tees by the sewage of the This is the second time that

appalling disaster has occurred at On Monday night "Romany Rye" heing performed at the new theatre. a fire broke out. A dense mass of and women were wedged immoveably in allery, when the flames overtook them, they were literally roasted to death. offerings are indescribable, and truly nost horrifying scenes were witnessed.

mard Castle Penny Bank, 3rd Sept.depositors, 40, amount, £4 15s. 9d.; withamount, £1 10s.

Darlington Corporation have again notice of action on the Barnard Castle Local of Health for the alleged pollution of the Tees. mes Agricultural Show .- The nineannual show is fixed for Saturday next, when, dithere be fine weather, a good attendance is spated. At this period of the year the heathery law een to perfection, and added to this is the hat the entries exceed those of former years.

Monday, an accident occurred to Smith, of Cotherstone, a mason, employed on tington Hall estate. Amongst others he was for one of the Hall stables, when he slipped asplank and fell a distance of 30 ft. Dr. Petter, smard Castle, was immediately sent for, and that Smith bad several ribs broken, and was ise severely shaken.

Trou see your way clear to marry, go to I Young's, Watchmaker, Jeweller Gold and mith, Optician and Fancy Goods Dealer, Bank, and Castle, and purchase one of his Fine Gold Rings, they are the best and the cheapest in isriet, and he gives a good and useful present erry Ring sold. If you can't see your way sill go to J. T. Young's, he is sole agent for laurance's world famed spectacles and eye-

Barnard Castle Reservoir .- The registered on 31st Aug., 18ft. 5in,; and on inst., 18ft. 24in. Taken at 5 o'clock every rig the fall is shown to be gradual. The pro-shim the spring—which is again running direct nown—bas continued uniformly 23 in. It is by of noting that the flow from the spring med during the long drought from 13 inches to thes, and settling down to 23 in., steadily

iting under date August 3rd, 1887. I Calvert, of Nevada City, Nevada County, thmia, North America, says:—"Your paper whenews. What a grand time you had over the I knew it well in earlier years. We have to min since April, and now the ground is dry dusty. We have very little fruit, for the late billed most of it in this part of the country. has is very dull, and mining goes very slowly, is is the mainstay of this place. The salvation were here, but the people of Nevada got disgust-the minimum on the street, so they hold their meet-sinthe Baptist Chapel

Newcastle Exhibition.—The success indertaking has of late been very great. turby last nearly 50,000 people visited the on, the extra attractions of the Highland ng no doubt assisting this result. The council low determined to arrange a sequence of similar stions. For Saturday, September 10th, a striking programme is announced. Prizes sting to nearly £100 will be awarded to successcompetitors in Cumberland Games, Olympian and Wrestling. In addition to these favorite as, a troupe of Performing Lions is engaged, with a company of Athletes and Trapeze timers. A Venetian fete with brilliant illuminaand grand firework displays will take place. on trains are announced from many parts by rious Railway Companies, and there is little that another immense gathering will be found

castle on the day of the Cumberland Games,

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE. ee funds.—The Committee of the lee celebrations here, have a surplus of £11 hads of their treasurer. A meeting was hady held, and it was most wisely resolved that a tee be appointed from the above, viz:la Rev. J. Milner, Majors C. E. Bainbridge and I. French, Messrs A. Hope, F. E. Gibson, W. Miller, May, and Dr. J. W. Horsfield, with power and to their number, in order to appropriate the for improving the town and its suburbs, by ting seats on the various walks and grounds, ed not only by the inhabitants of the place ors as well. This is a need which has long It was also resolved that trees be planted tent places for ornamental purposes, the being done as a memento of the jubilee year. a dev. J. Milner has most kindly promised to by the trees thus required, gratis, whilst Mr F. bore funds, and other handsome subscriptions to expected, so that there is every prospect now some real and tangible commemoration of the es year and lasting improvement to the town

Fairplay"writes a long letter concerning neroachment in the centre of the town, a building is being erected. He states that the entends to a point where cattle have stood at as long as the oldest inhabitant can remember. suggests that a public meeting should be

ed on the question. On Monday last, the children attending

Monal School in the above village, presented the Mer. Mr Judson, with a very handsome marble timeas a loken of their esteem and good wishes on Parkase of the timepiece were collected by two of older echolars, several former pupils and well-acts of the teacher contributing to the fund.

CHURCH MISSION WORK AT BOLDRON

FOUNDATION STONE CEREMONY.

INTERESTING PROCEEDINGS.

ENCOURAGING ADDRESSES. The interesting ceremony of laying a series of oundation-stones in connection with the Boldron Mission Room took place on Saturday afternoon, and much enthusiasm was evinced in the proceedings The quiet little village was enlivened by the strains of the Bowes Brass Band, who in the most handsome manner tendered their services gratuitously. The choir of Startforth Church, in their surplices, were present, and the same appropriate service as was observed in the laying the foundation-stone of the North Eastern County School was used on this occasion. Amongst others present were Colonel Watson, Thorngate House; The Rev. G. Hales, Rector of Barningham and Rural Dean; the Rev. Hartley Jennings (Vicar of Startforth, who has exerted himself most zealously in the promotion of the good work); the Rev. C. B. Wardale, Vicar of Bowes; Rev. W. Woodward, Barningham; Mrs Brockbank, Mrs Harrison, Mrs Weatherilt, Miss Bland, Miss Weatherilt, Miss Jefferson, Miss Hooker, Mr G. Plews, Mr Scrafton, Mr Corbett, Mr R. J. Bailey, legal proceedings have been Mr W. Plews, Mr Stuart Coggin (Darlington), Mr Kyle, jun., Mr Teesdale, Mr John Plews, Mr Wilkinson (Egglestone Abbey), Mr Brunskill, Mr John Evans, Mr Wardle, Mr Clarkson, Mr Jackson, Mr Cooper, Mr Allsopp, Mr Thompson, Mr and Mrs Gibson (Corn Park, Cotherstone), the Misses Jacques (Rokeby), Mrs Alderson, Mr and Mrs M. A. Stephenson (Barnard Castle). Miss Rowbottom (Bowes), Mrs and Miss Wilson (Rutherford Bridge) Miss Lowes, Miss Cooper, Mrs Heslop, Mrs Alderson, Mrs Sayer, Miss Teesdale, Mrs Brunskill, Mrs Richardson, Mrs G. H. Coates, Mrs Hall, Mrs Mason, and the Misses

Plews, &c., &c. Colonel W. Warson, after laying the first foundation stone (beneath which, in a cavity left for the purpose, he deposited a bottle, containing copies of the Teesdale Mercury, North Star, and Northern Echo, and a shilling, sixpence, threepenny piece, penny and half-penny, of the new Jubilee coinage), pronounced over it the usual formula :- " In the faith of Jesus Christ, and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, I lay this foundation stone." Addressing the assemblage, he then proceeded to say that he hoped he need not assure them of the great pleasure it gave him to take part in this interesting ceremony, and be only that could be desired in the way of church accommo- heart. Christ was the tried, the precious "corner dation. Through the munificence of a deceased lady stone," the sure Foundation, and all who believed in (or rather, he should say, of their kind friend Mr Him would not "make haste," but "wait patiently occasion), in carrying out her intentions he had also Him. not to have been present to aid in the further effort
which was that day being inaugurated. Although the
The tea was followed by a social dance, and all Parish Church was calculated to accommodate the thoroughly enjoyed themselves. requisite proportion of parishioners, there were always in that little outlying hamlet of Boldron some aged and infirm people, who required spiritual ministrations to be brought more nearly within their reach; and for some time past services had been conducted, under many disadvantages, in the neighbouring schoolroom. Through the generosity of a lady (Miss Easton) on whom they really had no local claim, and the exertions of the Vicar and others, they now saw their way to make a more permanent provision for the spiritual needs of that part of the parish, and to erect a suitable edifice which he hoped would meet every equirement, and be a blessing to the Boldron people for generations to come. But although a handso sum had already been raised, he understood there was still a considerable deficiency, and he trusted, as soon as the total cost was ascertained, the parishioners would not rest until they had cleared off the debt which would otherwise remain on the building, and, as example was always better than precept, he had

£10 towards that object. (Loud applause).
Mr JOHN MITCHELL, M.D., J.P., laid the second stone, and, in the course of a very practical address, made pointed allusion to the great work of the church throughout the land, and expressed a hope that the new mission room would prove a blessing to the village. At the conclusion of his speech, Dr Mitchell

much pleasure in handing Mr Jennings a cheque for

handed to the Vicar £5. The Rev. HARTLEY JENNINGS, Vicar of Startforth, in the absence of Mr R. A. Morritt, J.P., then laid the next foundation-stone. He said: I regret very much the absence from this interesting and important ceremony of our kind friend and neighbour, Mr Morritt, and still more the causes of that absence. He has, however, sent me a most kind letter, which, with his permission, I will read to you, as follows:-

Rokeby, Saturday, Sept. 3rd, 1887.

Dear Mr Jennings,—I am quite incapable of taking part in the ceremony of laying stone to-day at Boldron, which I much regret. You may certainly read my note to you, though it was written hurridly and without any view to publication.—Yours, &c.,

R. A. MORRITT. -That letter (continued the Vicar) breathes forth a used to hear sometimes that a monkey was astride building will be seriously disturbed when the offertory is taken to-day. If we all exert ourselves, and do what lies in the power of each, the debt will soon be cancelled. Our object is to bring within the reach of all church privileges-to instruct, to ennoble, in one she has, indeed, laid a great many. The same remarks are the remedies for complaints of all classes of apply to another Startforth lady, Miss Teasdale, society.

who has, by her generosity, put many stones into UPPER TEESDALE AGRICULTURAL these walls. Without their substantial help I fear we should never have been able to accomplish our object. To Colonel Watson, Dr. Mitchell and Mr Hales I tender my most heartfelt thanks, both for their presence here and their substantial support, as well as for the kindly terms in which they have been pleased to speak of myself and my work amongst you. God bless all those who took part in the work, and I trust we shall all be spared to see the accomplishment of our aim, namely, the establishment of a permanent Mission Room at Boldron. (Renewed applause). Mrs HARRISON, of Startforth Lodge, then very grace

fully declared the fourth stone to be well and truly The RECTOR OF BARNINGHAM AND RURAL DEAN, being called upon by the Vicar, spoke to this effect :- It gave him great pleasure to take part in this interesting ceremony, and it struck him while they were just now saying the 127th Psalm, which gave such a lovely picture of domestic happiness, and traced its source to that good Father without whose assistance no earthly tabernacle would prosper,—that it taught all connected with the building of this Mission-room, not to forget that whatsoever they did here for the parishioners, or at home for the family, would be lost labour unless "The Lord built the house." This building, now in the course of erection, was being raised in no aggressive spirit, but to supply or offer the means of grace to all who sought them at the hands of the Established Church. We did not wish to pull down, but, as this edifice now rising would prove, to build up. Churchmen willingly granted to every one the right to worship God according to their conscience, and claimed the like privilege for themselves. Those who differed from us in outward ceremonials were certainly doing an earnest work in their own way, and, as statistics proved, the Established Church had not been asleep during the last fifty years, for in that period, only to mention material work, it had erected six thousand buildings for worship. Seven new dioceses, with all the spiritual organizations connected with a bishopric, had been formed in this country, and sixty-two in the colonies. Within the last half of our Queen's reign eighty-one millions had been voluntarily subscribed for Church purposes, and twenty-two millions, besides, for elementary education in voluntary schools. He mentioned this in no spirit of boastfulness, but as an illustration which favoured the hope that the " Lord had kept the city." Having touched upon other subjects connected with spiritual growth and education, shewing the need of training our children up in the fear of the Lord, he called upon all who were associated with this work to lend willing and united bands in carrying feared his good friend, Mr Jennings, in his anxiety to it out, and when finished, he hoped that everyone who consult his (Colonel Watson's) convenience, and enable him, if possible, to fulfil a promise he had made, to rejoin his dear wife that evening many miles far away in Northumberland, had fixed an hour which was inconveniently early for other people. It was on his part—no power on earth could compel him to now about twenty-five years since he (Colonel Watson) supply them. His legal services were to be rendered at had had the privilege of being actively associated with the Parish Church of Startforth, and therefore, when what was at that time a very important parochial week after week he toiled up hither, in cloud or sunobject, viz., the rebuilding of the old Parish Church, shine, in rain or snow, they should respond to his That work was successfully accomplished, and the late | well-meant efforts for their good by a regular attend-Bishop of Ripon had more than once remarked to him ance upon his ministrations. After other remarks the that he considered Startforth Church the model village speaker exhorted all present to consider the end of church of his diocese. (Applause). That church had their lives, and of all their earthly works, looking to the rain, which now fell continuously, there was a fair be a reduction of rent-(applause)-and the landlords since been added to and otherwise improved by the Lord Jesus Christ, the Foundation Stone of the Vicar and parishioners, and it now supplied everything spiritual edifice which God builds in the believer's

been instrumental in providing excellent National Schools, which were now in a most prosperous conditions which were now in a most prosperous conditions and also are instrumental in providing excellent National A public tea was afterwards held in a tent, at which there was a capital attendance, the names of those tion, and had lately been very favourably reported on kindly assisting being Mrs Geo. Plews. Miss Clarkson. by the Government Inspector; and which fulfilled every educational requirement, and were carried on Subscription tray (Misses Plews) assisted by Mrs without cost to the parishioners. (Applause). These Brunskill, Miss Minnie Plews, Miss Clarkson, Miss were works on which they might congratulate them- Edgar, Mrs Robert Plews, and Mr Joseph Wilkinson, selves, and to which he looked back with pride and Mr Wm. Clarkson, Mr Robert Sayer, Mr George Plews, Mr James Brunskill, Mr Henry Coates, Mr T.

> Good government," Mr Brunskill; trio, "Maiden fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church Army; song, "Going to market," Miss Wardale; song, "My Mary Ann and me," Mr. A. Person; duet, "Courtship," Miss Plews and Mr W. Plews; reading, Mrs Stephenson; recitation, "Poor box," Mr Stephenson; trio, "Tickling trio," Rev. H. Jennings, and Messrs Heslop and Gent; reading, "Yorkshire dialect." Rev. Hartley Jennings; song,
> "I really can't keep still," Mr Gargett; song,
> "You're a lucky fellow, John," Mr Walton; reading, "How Breeks proposed," Mr Edgar; song, "Patriotic," Mr Johnson; "God save the Queen." All passed off remarkably well. The room was cked,

scores being unable to obtain admission. The offertory amounted to £2 12s. 6d.; the tea party realised £2 13s.; and the concert £1 12s. 6d. At the conclusion of the entertainment the Vicar thanked all who had belped to make the work of that day a success. We must not forget to thank Mr Gibson Kyle and Mr J. W. B. Heslop for their excellent and gratuitous services, and warmly also to acknowledge the services of every one who assisted with such praiseworthy enthusiasm.

Letter to the Editor.

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

DEAR SIR,-Will you please insert this in the columns of your valuable paper, in reply to Mr Wm. Mason's letter of August 29th, wherein he represents kindly spirit to us, and I can assure you Mr Morritt himself as having received ill treatment at the never refuses to lend us a helping hand whenever we Middleton Flower Show? He states that one of the need it at Stattforth. The work which we have begun garden inspectors says that he (Mr Mason) had no here, to-day, under such favourable auspices is a most | cauliflowers in his garden. Allow me to say that the important work, and a kind of work which has been men chosen by the committee as garden inspectors, too much neglected. (Applause). We began this work not without doubts and misgivings, but God has prospered and blest us. The cost of this mission most emphatically deny having said that he had not, room will be about £250, and a sum of upwards of as he erroneously says. They have given him the £140 has been raised already. When I was a boy I benefit of a doubt, respecting the two he exhibited in a the collection, but they firmly maintain that the two building. Then I did not know what it meant, but I objected to and shown by him in the open class. were have learnt since that it means that a building is not | not in his possession at the time of their visit, and we paid for. I sincerely hope that the monkey on this are determined to abide by their decision. Signed on behalf of the committee,

JOSEPH WATSON, Secretary.

Middleton-in-Teesdale, Sep. 5th, 1887.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills .- Ever word, to christianise. (Applause). That great work I commend to your support, and I feel assured you useful. The afflicted by illness should look their will give it with no sparing hand. But while we take diseases fully in the face, and at once seek a remedy care to erect a material temple for the worship of for them. A short search will convince the most Almighty God, we must not forget that we each have sceptical that these noble medicaments have afforded another temple to build, one which is indeed built on lease, and oftentimes complete recovery, to the most torthe same plan-" here a little and there a little; line tured sufferers. The Ointment will cure all descripupon line, and precept upon precept,"—no; we must not forget to rear that structure, indwelt by the Holy Spirit, and whose foundation must rest on the Rock The Pills never fail in correcting and strengthening of Ages. I should not be doing my duty to-day if I the stomach, and in restoring a deranged liver to a failed to express my regret that I have been unable to wholesome condition, in rousing torpid kidneys to induce Miss Easton, of Layton Manor, to lay a increase their secretion, and in re-establishing the foundation-stone, but, by her generous munificence, natural healthy activity of the bowels. Holloway's

SHOW.

Like other shows in this neighbourhood the Mid dleton-in-Teesdale Agricultural Society's annual exhibition on Friday was victimised by the weather, as from an early hour in the morning, rain descended broughout the valley with much persistency. The Tees, which since March last has been unusually low, owing to the protracted drought, rose to a considerable height, and a volume of heathery brown water thundered over the High Force, the spray being sent in clouds high in the air. The copious showers continued to fall all day, and the thirsty pastures presented a refreshing appearance. In the higher reaches of the dale, grouse shooting operations were suspended, and Mr Fawcett and party whiled away the time in taking over the hills began to break, and, by noon, there was prevent them fructifying. (Applause). decided improvement in the weather. But, so far which were decidedly the reverse of comforting. The | (Cheers). consequence was that there was a great falling off in the attendance, and the streets of Middleton by no means showed that bustling and animated appearance which they have invariably presented for a long succession of years on this fete day of the year. It wet. The usual stream of visitors to the show poured in, and contingents from the remote Garrigill testified their appreciation of the movement by braving the elements, and entering the grounds attached to Middleton House. Conspicuous amongst those present was Mrs Lee, of Lane Head, ninety-four years of age, hale and hearty. With the exception of a little failing in her hearing, this good lady enjoys the unimpaired use of all her faculties, and evinced the utmost interest in the awards. Of the show itself it may be said that its distinctive feature is found in the essentially local character of the exhibition, and any one desirous of ascertaining the quality of stock bred and kept in leesdale has only to attend this show, and an insight is at once gained. The short-horn cattle included some valuable animals, the exhibit of Mr W. Gibson of Newbiggin, and the bull calf shown by Mr T. Gibson, of Barnard Castle Moor, being fine specimens of the bovine race. Mr Collinson, of Harwood, won well with his one year old heifer, whilst Mr W. T. Scarth, J. P., Westside; Mr M. Metcalf, Hundah; Mr P. H. Rowlandson, Kirkby Stephen; and Messrs Stephenson, Step Ends, were amongst the leading exhibitors. The Leicester sheep attracted much attention, and the tup shown by the Duke of Cleve-land won well. Mr Wilson, of Snowhope Gate, and Messrs Currab, of Woodcroft, were as usual well to the front with Scotch rams, and the moor sheep generally were highly commendable. The draught horses were a particularly grand lot, and the same remark applies to harness horses. But ponies absorbed most attention, in the breeding of which the district is encouraged by Mr J. E. Backhouse, of Middleton Tyas. Some grand saddle and harness and also dales' ponies were entered. The leaping was heir awards are as follow:-

2 gimmer lambs-1, G. Brown, Stotley; 2, Messrs Ord and Maddison, Frosterley. Blackfaced.—Tup, above 2 years-1, W. Wilson, Snowhope Gate; 2, Messr's Currah, Woodcroft. Shearling tup— Messrs Currah. Tup lamb—1, Thos. Armstrong, Ashgill Side; 2, Messrs Alderson, Middle End. 2 ewes, having reared lambs this season—1 and 2, T. Stephenson, Ambling Gate. 2 shearling gimmers—1, T. Armstrong, Ashgill Side; 2, Messrs Currah. 2 gimmer lambs—1, T. Armstrong; 2, Messrs

Currah.

HORSES.—HARNESS.—Horse or mare, any age—1, Wm. Kidd, Barnard Castle; 2, Robt. Beadle, Middleton.

Draught.—Brood mare—1, Robt. Heughf, Shildon; 2, W. Teasdale, Thorsgill. Horse or mare, any age—1, W. T. Searth, J.P.; 2, Messrs Currah, Woodcroft. Two years old colt or filly—1, W. T. Scarth (only entry). One-year-old colt or filly—1, Chris. Dawson, Butterknowle; 2, Charles Raper, Woodland. Colt or filly foal—1, Messrs Stephenson, Step Ends; 2, W. T. Scarth. Brood mare, not exceeding 15½ hands—1, Messrs Stephenson; 2, John Hartas, Raby Park. Horse or mare, any age, not exceeding 15½ hands—1, Messrs Stephenson; 2, Hodgson Atkinson, Marwood Green.

Same and Harry of Marwood Green.

Saddle and Harness Fonies.—Horse or mare, any age, not exceeding 15 hands, ridden on ground—1, Thos. Ward, Northallerton; 2, Mrs Breeks, Hilbeck Hall, Brough; 3, James Wilson, Newsham Hall, Stockton. Horse or mare, any age, not exceeding 15 hands, driven on ground—1, Mrs Breeks; 2, James Wilson; 3, Robt. Bowes, Woodland. Horse or mare, any age, not exceeding 14 hands, driven on ground—1, James Wilson; 2, John Marr, Butterknowle: 3, Jacob Thompson, Bollihope.

Dales Pontes.—Brood mare, not exceeding 14; hands—1, William Gibson, Newbiggin; 2, Matthew Iveland, Forest, William Gibson, Newbiggin; 2, Matthew Iveland, Forest, and State of the State of

Dales Ponies.—Brood mare, not exceeding 143 hands—1, William Gibson, Newbiggin; 2, Matthew Ireland, Forest. Dales pony, any age—1, Thos. Parkin, Mickleton; 2, Thos. Ireland, Bowes; 3, J. and E. Bailey, Knockingtofts, Brough; 4, Parkin Raine, Lunedale. Two-year-old colt or filly—1, Thos. Kidd, Weardale; 2, Thos. Turnstall, Forest Farm, Brough; 3, John Coltman, Middleton. One-year-old colt or filly—1, Wm. Coltman, Harbury Hill; 2, Thos. Dickinson, Newbiggin; 3, Henry Temple, Newbiggin. Colt or filly foal—1, John Lowe, Lonton; 2, Edmund Hoggett, Lartington; 3, Wm. Gibson. Wm. Gibson.
PONIES, not exceeding 131 hands high.—Brood mare—1

PONIES, not exceeding 13; names high.—Brood mare—1, Lawrence Lee, Forest; 2, Henry Featherston, Weardale. Horse or mare, any age, ridden on the ground—1, J. W. Allison, Brough; 2, J. Wilson, Kinninvie. One-year-old colt or filly—1, John Rutherford, Weardale; 2, Thos. Tunstall. Colt or filly foal—1, William Raine, Park End; 2, W. C. Brown, Gainford.

LEAPING.—1, Henry Shield, Holwick; 2, John Marr.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Stallion pony, not to exceed 14h. 2in.—1,

J. Dinsdale, Sedbergh; 2, Messrs. Temple, Newbiggin; 3,

Wm. Raine. Cottager's pig—2, T. Lee, Middleton. 3lbs. of
salted butter, confined to Teesdale, Lunedale, Baldersdale, salted butter, confined to Teesdale, Lunedale, Baldersdale, Egglestone, etc.—1, Mrs Bainbridge, Bridge House; 2, Mrs Hodgson, Banks. Fox-terrier—1, John Crooks, Cotherstone; 2, John Metcalfe, Middleton. Colt or filly foal, got by Merry John—1, Wm. Gibson, Newbiggin; 2, W. C. Brown, Gain-

PRIZES confined to Forest and Frith, Newbiggin, Holwick, Upper Lunedale, and Kelton.—Bull, under two years— Wm. Gibson, Newbiggin; 2, John Staley, Forest; h. Thomas Parkin, Mickleton. Cow, in milk or calf—1, Tho Kipling, Newbiggin; 2, Robt. Coatsworth, Low Houses. Two-year-old heifer—1, S. & R. Collinson, Underhurth; 2, Thos. Gibson. One-year-old heifer—1, Thos. Collinson, Harwood; 2, Mrs Sarah Beadle, Forest. Heifer Calf, calved in 1887—1, Jacob Scott, Langdon Beck; 2, Nicholas Wearmouth, Hodge Hall. Bull calf, calved in 1887—1, T. Kipling, Nowbigging.

fewbiggin.
PRIZES confined to parishes of Middleton-in-Teesdale and PRIZES connect to parishes of Maddicton-in-residue and Romaldkirk, for moor-gone sheep within a week of show.— Three ewes—1, Geo. Brown, Stotley; 2. Messrs. Stephenson, Three shearling gimmers—1, Messrs. Stephenson; 2, Thos. Gibson, Bowbank. Three gimmer lambs—1, Messrs. Stephen-son; 2, Geo. Brown.

THE LUNCHEON.

A little after two o'clock a very good luncheon was provided in a tent upon the ground by Mr Jacob Temple, of the King's arms Hotel. There was a large attendance. The chair was occupied by Mr R. W Bainbridge, and amongst others present were Sir F. A. Milbank, Bart., and party, including the Misses

Milbank, Miss Villiers, Mr Byng, Mr F. Downward, Mr F. Dodsworth, Major Bainbridge, and a numerous body of tradespeople and tenant farmers.

The CHAIRMAN explained that it was intended that Mr Scarth, as president of the society, should have presided, but that gentleman was prevented from attending by illness. He might say also that the late arrival of Sir Frederick Milbank, Bart., had precluded the possibility of the committee inviting him to preside, certain as he was that the hon, baronet would have more ably presided on that occasion than he himself could. (Applause). He (the Chairman) was very much delighted with what he had seen in the show-yard, and whilst their pastures were brown, and they must have had recourse to artificial feeding, he had been struck, from his own observation, since his return, that the weeds in the country seemed to be in photographs of beaters, loaders, ponies and what-not. As the morning wore on the clouds which had hung up numerous weeds, and buried them, in order to

The CHAIRMAN afterwards proposed the usual loyal as the attendance at the show was concerned, the and patriotic toasts, observing that the people of mischief had been wrought, as intending visitors from England enjoyed a monarchial and constitutional a distance declined to leave home under circumstances government, combined with that of a republic.

The toasts having been enthusiastically pledged, Major BAINBRIDGE ably responded to the toast of

The Army, Navy and Reserve Forces. The CHAIRMAN then proposed "The Patrons," associating therewith the name of the Duke of Cleveland. would be a mistake, however, to suppose that the inhabitants of the dale proper were frightened by the best landlords in the North of England. (Applause). He observed also that the Earl of Strathmore had become a patron of the Middleton-in-Teesdale Agricultural Society, and be was glad to learn that Lord Strathmore was bearing an excellent character in the country. (Cheers). The present times were such as required the greatest possible consideration on the part of the landlords towards their tenantry. The latter had difficulties to contend against which were great, and so long as America and India were pouring in their productions upon them, with all the advantages of better climate, it was quite certain that the farmers of this country would have uphill work before them. He coupled with the toast the name of Sir Frederick Milbark.

Sir F. A. MILBANK, Bart., on rising to respond, was lustily cheered, as was also Lady Milbank, in her absence. The hon, baronet said that, in the first place, he must assure them that it gave him the greatest possible pleasure to come to Middleton-in-Teesdale, as he had done, since 1871, when he came to reside among them. Owing, however, to circumstances -ill-health-he felt himself not able to continue the sport on those moors. But his heart was in Teesdale, and it was with very great pleasure that he had come there that day to see so many dear old friends. Agricultural depression had been mentioned. There undoubtedly had been great agricultural depression throughout England; but he would only say-as he had told the whole of his tenantry at Thorpe Perrow, quite recently-that rather than see any of them come to grief he would prefer becoming a pauper himself. (Applause), It was all very well talking about the landed interest, but the question was how this agricultural depression was to be met. There were a source of much interest, and, not withstanding the three ways, and they would answer well. There must show of spectators on the grand stand. The secre- must pay all the tithes and taxes of the farmers. For taries (Messrs John Brown and R. W. Raine) were some years it had been his habit to pay all the rates most courteous and obliging, and Mr Hope, the of the cottages in his possession. That was the only treasurer, was unremitting in his endeavours to way to meet the depression at the present moment, facilitate the judging, and the carrying out of the They all knew-particularly in that district, where Morritt, whose absence he greatly regretted on that for the fulfilment of God's promises to all who trust general arrangements. The names of the judges and the Duke of Cleveland was an extensive landowner and enormously rich-that it was an easy matter to reduce JUDGES.—Horses—Mr William M'Laren, Herrington Hill, Sanderland; Mr John Walker, Crosby Garrett. Cattle and Leicester sheep—Mr Thomas Hutchinson, Bambrough Hall, Belford; Mr Edward Richardson, Warcop. Blackfaced sheep, ponies (13\frac{1}{2}\text{ h. h.}), and collie dogs—Mr John Pickering, Acton, Blanchland; Mr Richard Burns, Whinfell House, Temple Sowerby. Fox-terriers—Mr W. Porter, Cotherstone. Butter—Mr J. Boddy, Shildon.

Shorhorn Cattle.—Bull, under two years—1, Wm. Gibson, Newbiggin; 2, John Thompson, Stotley. Bull caff, under one year—1, Thos. Gibson, Barnard Castle Moor; 2, Bickers Hunt Middleton. Bull caff, under six months—1, when he had been present in previous years, Plews, Mr James Brunskill, Mr Henry Coates, Mr T.
Thompson, Mr R. Plews, and Mr T. H. Clarkson.
The tea was followed by a social dance, and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.
In the evening an entertainment was held, the following being the programme:—Mr Gent sang "Blacksmith Joe," and the "Lay of the very last minstrel;" Mr Heslop sang "Bob up serenely," and "Tapicoca;" song, "Where's that Bob," Mr Kavanagh; reading, "Speech of Sergeant Buzfuz," Mr Corbett; song, "The vacant chair," Mr R. J. Bailey; song, "The boy at church," Mr Clarkson; song, "Good government," Mr Brunskill; trio, "Maiden fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," May Mary Ann and me," Mr. A. Person; "My Mary Ann and me," Mr. A. Person; "Simple song, "Bleech of Sergeant Buzfuz," Song, "My Mary Ann and me," Mr. A. Person; "Simple song, "Bleech of Sergeant Buzfuz," Song, "Going to market," Miss Wardale; song, "My Mary Ann and me," Mr. A. Person; "Simple song, "Bleech of Sergeant Buzfuz," Song, "Bleech of Sergeant Buzfuz," Sergeant Buzfuz, "Bailey; song, "The boy at church," Mr Clarkson; song, "Good government," Mr Brunskill; trio, "Maiden fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair," Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Heslop, Gent, and Captain Church fair, "Messrs Hesl (Laughter and cheers). Sir Frederick concluded by referring to the presence of a large number of tenant farmers that day, and complimented the officials on the excellent show, at the same time proposing Success to the Middleton-in-Teesdale Agricultural

Mr Hope very appropriately acknowledged the

Mr Pickering replied for "The Judges," Mr Downward acknowledged the toast of the health of Mr Scarth, and said that it was a very great disappointment to Mr Scarth to be prevented attending the Middleton Show. The annual visit always

they bad proposed and received the toast. Sir F. A. MILBANK, in a pleasing manner, proposed The Chairman," whom he had known for along time. The CHAIRMAN cordially returned thanks, and emarked that he had crossed the Atlantic twice, and had, since leaving Middleton, resided in another part of England. He was now in his eighty-third year, and he hoped that all of them, were they permitted to reach his age, might be equally hale and hearty.

behalf of Mr Scarth for the kind manner in which

(Loud applause). Mr Amos replied for the" Successful Exhibitors." and an adjournment to the show-ground then took place.

BIRTHS.

At Mickleton, on the 18th ult., the wife of Rev. J. W. Cockerill, Curate of Romaldkirk, of a daughter. At Mickleton, on the 28th ult., the wife of Mr Jos. Lowes, of a son. At Low Mill, Mickleton, on the 28th ult., the wife

of Mr Jos. Raine, of a son. At High Dyke, Middleton, on the 31st ult., the wife of Mr Thos. Redfearn, of a son.

At Newbiggin, on the 14th ult., the wife of Mr H.

Beadle, of a daughter. MARRIAGES. Sept. 1st, at Hall Street Chapel, Barnard Castle, by Mr J. H. Jowett, M.A., Mr Walter Hewitt, to Miss Sarah Waite.

Sept. 3rd, at the Register Office, Barnard Castle, Mr Robert Allinson, to Miss Esther Birtle, both of Lunedale.

At Whorlton, on the 30th ult., Miss Ann Beetham aged 72 years. At Eastpark, Lunedale, on the 2nd inst., the infant on of Mr John Dent.

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NEWCASTLE CATTLE, SHEEP, AND PIG