

PROJECTED LOCAL RAILWAY EXTENSION.

THE TEES VALLEY PROPER.

The Pencil Mill, near Cronkley, which formerly gave employment to a few hands, is now closed, the little industry having been killed by the cost of carriage.

CAULDRON SNOUT.

The supporters of the Ambleside Railway Bill contended that the projected extension from Windermere to Ambleside would be a great boon to the working classes of Lancashire, inasmuch as it would enable them to visit the Lake District.

GREEN HURTH LEAD MINE.

Mining operations were at one time carried on by the London Lead Company in the Green Burn, but they led to no useful results, the Dun Fell vein, which crosses the Burn, and which was the objective of their trial, being found to be unprofitable.

THE TEES-SIDE MINES.

Of all the tributaries of the Upper Tees, Crookburn is the one best known. It constitutes the boundary between the counties of Durham and Cumberland, between the manors of the Greenwich Hospital and Lord Barnard, and also between the manors of Lord Hothfield and Colonel Byng of that day.

ROBERT ORD'S WINTER CLEARANCE SALE

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to remunerate the miners. It is at a point near Lady's Vain mine that the route of the new line would leave Teesdale and pass into Tynebottom. But before closing our account of the former date, it may be well to notice one or two mines situated near Tees-head, which, if they should ever be re-opened, would become a source of revenue to the railway company.

BARNARD CASTLE DISPENSARY.

The annual meeting of the subscribers to the Barnard Castle Dispensary was held on Thursday last, Mr M. J. Dixon presiding. Mr R. T. Richardson, the honorary secretary, read the annual report, which was on the whole satisfactory.

HALTING LOCAL FARMERS.

The South Durham and North Riding County Branch of the Farmers' Protection Association convened a meeting for two o'clock in the Music Hall, on Wednesday.

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RAILWAY LANDSLIP NEAR BROOMIELAW.

LOCOMOTIVE PLOUGHS THROUGH MUD.

On Sunday morning, owing to alternating keen frost, soaking rain and high winds, about twenty-five yards of railway in what is known as "Bull Cutting," a mile from Broomielaw, a small wayside station chiefly used by the East of Strathmore and Kinghorne, became blocked by repeated falls of earth or puddle from the embankment.

TEESDALE GUARDIANS.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS AND OUT-RELIEF. Mr M. J. Dixon, presiding at the usual meeting last Wednesday, said that as it was the first gathering of the year, he had pleasure in wishing them all a very happy and prosperous new year.

THE LATE MR F. E. GIBSON.

Mr Dixon also feelingly referred to the death of an old friend in the person of Mr F. E. Gibson. The deceased gentleman had been a very good guardian, and a most useful member of the Assessment Committee.

MATTERS OF FINANCE.

Mr Hall said the paybill was higher than usual, and the Clerk remarked that several of the parishes had not yet paid in their calls. "We are wanting money very badly," added Mr Bainbridge.

OLD-AGE PENSIONERS.

The Clerk reported the receipt from the Minister of Health of an amendment in the Old Age Pensions Act—from January 2nd anybody being in receipt of out-door relief would not be disqualified for the payment of old-age pensions. It did not apply to inmates, except in cases where a person was receiving surgical or medical treatment.

CONTRACTS.

The following tenders were accepted: Butcher's meat, Mr H. F. Youngs; flour, Mr J. T. Kearton; coals, Mr W. H. Yell; boots and shoes, and clogs and clogging, Mr Thompson. The Board were asking for a better girl's boot than previously.

COMING CONFERENCES AND OTHER ITEMS.

It was agreed that Mr H. L. Fife and the Clerk attend a conference of Assessment Committees of the North of England to be held at Newcastle on January 30th, and Messrs Fife, Hall, Hett and the Clerk were appointed to attend another conference at Durham, on the County Rating Committee, with a view to having uniformity of assessment for rating purposes. The war bonus, as already in existence for the Board's officials, is to be continued for another six months.

HUTTON MAGNA RAINFALL.

The total rainfall for 1919 amounts to 29.90 inches, being 2.37 inches below the average for the last 10 years. Rain fell on 176 days. The wettest month was October, with 4 inches, the wettest day being October 12th, with 1.10 inch. The driest month was September, with a fall of 0.88, June being slightly higher with 0.87.

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