Sales by Auction.

ASTLE & TEESDALE FARMERS
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eer, MR T. ADDISON, Bowes

THIS DAY,
ONESDAY, APRIL 26TH.
WEEKLY SALE of DAIRY
LE, STORE CATTLE, &c.
-30 a.m. Stores 11-30 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 1ST.
SALE OF FAT CATTLE AND
P AND PIGS under LICENSE.
k to be Penned by 10 a.m.
ale at 11 a.m. prompt.

UESDAY, MAY 9TH.
PRIZE SHOW and SALE of
BULLS.
ntries Close May 3rd.

UESDAY, MAY 30ST.
PRIZE SHOW and SALE of
ORSES and BULLS.

P. WALLIS, F.A.I., Secretary.
art, Barnard Castle.
dress: 12, Victoria Terrace.

THIS DAY.
Trust.
S, STARTFORTH, BARNARD
CASTLE.

LD DWELLING-HOUSE FOR
SALE.

E SOLD BY AUCTION,
RAL SALE ROOMS, BARNARD CASTLE,
ESDAY, the 26TH DAY OF APRIL,
o'clock in the afternoon (subject
neral Conditions of Sale of the
nd North Yorkshire Law Society
Special Conditions as will be then

John Parkinson & Sons,
Auctioneers.
t FREEHOLD DWELLING-
SE, Garden and Premises, situate
Startforth, near Barnard Castle,
ccupation of Mr Thomas Carter.
ises have a frontage of 36 feet and
t and back gardens, the whole
pproximately 520 square yards.
, which is stone-built, is pleasantly
contains Sitting-room (with bay
tchen, Scullery, and 2 Bedrooms
Out-offices. It is well-built and is
te of repair.
r particulars apply to the AUCTION-
rd Castle; or to
ssrs HESLOP & YORK,
Solicitors, Barnard Castle.

NEHEAD, LUNEDALE
s from Middleton-in-Teesdale).

MAS ADDISON, F.A.I.,
received instructions from Mr
as Horn, who is giving up farming,
Auction, on FRIDAY, MAY 5th,
ole of his Valuable Farm STOCK,
ing:—
—Bay Mare, Polly, 5 years old,
ay Mare, Lallie, 4 years old, 14-1
Horse, Dick, 3 years old, 14-2 h.h.
all yokes.
F CATTLE, including 11 with Three
orn Crosses.
5 B.F. Wethers, 1 and 2-shear
B.F. Ewes and Lambs.
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TON HILL, WOODLAND.

MAS ADDISON, F.A.I.,
received instructions from Mr R.
Allison, will Sell by Auction, on
MAY 9th, 1922, his Valuable Flock
Swaledale Dales-bred SHEEP, 1
ements, Poultry, &c.
ll Particulars Next Week.

ANK, FOREST-IN-TEESDALE.
Miles from Middleton.)

MAS ADDISON, F.A.I.,
received instructions from the
utors of the late Jonathan Tarn,
y Auction, on THURSDAY, MAY
he whole of the Valuable FARM
plements, &c.
Particulars Later.
r's Address: Bowes, Darlington.

BEECHES, LARTINGTON.

TOCK, IMPLEMENTS, PART
FURNITURE.
WM. TARN,
TED by Mr George Hare, who is
g Farming, will Sell by Auction,
DAY, 11TH of MAY, the following:—
Good Roan Cow, 4 years old, calved
ood Roan 4 years old Cow, calved
Good Roan Cow, calved 6 weeks;
years old, due July 24th; Roan
k, 14 months; Red Heifer, 12
eld Heifers, 18 months; 2 Bullocks,
1 Geld Cow.
s.—Good double horse grasscutter,
and McGregor; Edlington horse
strewer, hay sweep and chains,
2 ladders, strong coup cart, rakes
c.; set of brass-mounted harness,
gears, bass braffen and hames, 2
bands and traces, iron stretcher and
ingletrees, corn bin, chains,
nd picks, manure drag, scraper,
addle, old barrels, quantity of old
od large grindstone, wheelbarrow,
.—Large mahogany sofa, hair-
mantel mirror, board and valance,
gin Mary and Jesus), oleographs,
other articles.
Sale at 1-30 p.m.
waite, Romaldkirk.

Y, GRETA BRIDGE, NEAR
BARNARD CASTLE.

arn Bainbridge, Son, and
Handley,
RED with instructions from J. F.
aker, Esq., will LET BY PUBLIC
FRIDAY, MAY 5TH, 1922, the
RAZING of the ROKEBY PARKS,
eta Bridge, near Barnard Castle,
will be Let to December 1st, 1922.
Sale at 4-30 o'clock.
t the Morritt Arms, Greta Bridge.
Particulars later.
int Stock Bank Chambers,
Darlington.

WITHAM HALL,
BARNARD CASTLE.

JOHN PARKINSON & SONS,
INSTRUCTED by Mrs Scott, of the Bowes Museum, and Others, will Remove to the above Hall, and Sell by Public Auction, on
THURSDAY, MAY 4TH, 1922,
A large quantity of

Household FURNITURE

CARPETS, ETC., including:—
Pitch Pine Hall Table, GOOD TONED PIANO, in Rosewood Case, by Ralph Allitson and Sons, London; PIANO, in Walnut Case, by Robert Cocks; Piano Stools, Oak and Tile Kerbs, Gipsy Tables, PIANO, in Walnut Case, by Kirkman; Bamboo Tables, Occasional Tables, Bentwood Rocker, 7-PIECE SUITE, in Green Moquette; 5 ft. Walnut Sideboard, 9-PIECE CARVED WALNUT SUITE, in Crimson Utrecht Velvet; 2 Excellent Solid Mahogany Dining Tables, 8 by 4ft., with leaves; Singer Treadle Sewing Machine, Jones' Treadle Machine, American Rocker, 2 Carpet Sweepers, 2 Upholstered Cane Chairs, 8 Basket Chairs and Cushions, Folding Card Table, 2 Music Stands, 7-PIECE WALNUT SUITE, in Red Carriage Cloth; Fine Axminster Carpet, 4½ by 5 yds.; Large Brussels Carpet, 6 by 6½ yds.; Wilton Bordered Square, 4 by 4½ yds.; Axminster Bordered Carpet, 4 by 3½ yds.; Several Hearthy and other Carpets, Hearth Rugs, Door Mats, Engineer's Level and Tripod, Office Table, 6ft. 6in. by 3ft.; Couch and 2 Easy Chairs, in leather; Bookshelves, 7-PIECE SUITE, in Green Moquette; Bamboo Plant Stands, Bookshelves, Books, 40 Pictures, China and Crockery, Massive Mahogany Wardrobe, Antique, 8 ft. 6 in. high, 6 ft. wide; 2 Wire Mattresses, SATIN WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE, complete; 3 ft. Dark Walnut Bedroom Suite, 2 6ft. Painted Wardrobes, Solid Walnut Bedstead and Wire Mattress, Fumed Oak Bedstead, Iron Bedsteads, Iron Crib, 2 Folding Cribs, Satin Walnut Chest Drawers, Fumed Oak Chest Drawers, 3 Painted Chests Drawers, Painted Toilet Tables, Bedroom Chairs, Towel Rails, Swing Mirrors, TAPESTRY BORDERED SQUARE, 3 x 3 yds.; 2 Fancy Occasional Tables, Small Kitchen Press, Large Deal Table, Deal Table, with Drawers; Lamps, Kitchen Chairs, 7 ft. Fire Guard, Washing Machine, Kitchen Requisites and many Sundries.
Sale 9-30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
On View Wednesday, May 3rd.

6, HILL TERRACE, MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE.

G. TARN BAINBRIDGE, SON, AND HANDLEY,
HONOURED with instructions from the Representatives of the late Mrs James, will Sell by Auction, on SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH, 1922, the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, including:—PIANO, by Wood and Co., in walnut case, good condition; OAK TELESCOPE DINING TABLE, Mahogany Armchair, in hair-seating, and 4 Chairs; Walnut Overmantel, Walnut Coal Vase, Rocking Chair, Couch, Folding Chair, Birch Stand, with desk top; 2 Mahogany Chairs, Birch Cheffonier Bedstead, Mantel Mirror, Sewing Machine, in good condition; Kerb and Irons, Violin and Bow, Timepiece, Brass Kerb, Mantel Vases, Ornaments, Bric-a-Brac, Sundry Glass, China, Etc. WALNUT SIDEBOARD, with mirror, 4ft; Cornice Poles, Plush and other Curtains, Small Barometer, Carpets, Hearthrugs, Stair Carpet, Pictures, various; Old Mahogany Mirror; WHITE ENAMEL DRESSING CHEST, and Washstand to match; Painted Dressing Chest with mirror, and Washstand to match; Chest of Drawers, Painted Wardrobe, with centre mirror; Commode, Half-Chest of Drawers, Wardrobe, Bedroom Chairs, Single Bedstead, Iron Bedsteads, Spring Mattresses, Chamber Ware, Wood Bedstead; Metal Frame Mantel Mirror, Walnut Mirror, Fenders, Toilet Tables, Kitchen Table, Chairs, Knife Cleaner, General Crockery, and Pans; Garden Tools, &c.
Sale to commence at 1 o'clock prompt.
Office: Joint Stock Bank Chambers, Darlington.

BAYLES FARM, EGGLESTONE.

G. TARN BAINBRIDGE, SON, AND HANDLEY,
HONOURED with instructions from Mr J. S. Tallentire, who is leaving the above Farm (which has been Sold), will Sell by Auction, on SATURDAY, MAY 6TH, 1922, the whole of his Valuable FARMING STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, Etc.
Particulars next week.
Office: Joint Stock Bank Chambers, Darlington.

Preliminary Announcement.
BY DIRECTION OF HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NORTHUMBERLAND
AND
COLONEL THE HON. GUY G. WILSON, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Anderson and Garland,
in conjunction with
Geo. Tarn Bainbridge, Son and Handley,
ARE instructed to Catalogue and Sell by Auction, on MAY 9TH AND FOLLOWING DAYS, the Larger Portion of the COSTLY FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS at "STANWICK HALL," ALDBROUGH (NEAR DARLINGTON).
Catalogues, Price 2s. each (ready 1st May), to be obtained from the Auctioneers:—Anderson & Garland, New Market Street Auction Rooms, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; G. Tarn Bainbridge, Son, and Handley, Darlington.

CHECKERLEAZES FARM, COPELAND LANE, EVENWOOD.

Geo. Tarn Bainbridge, Son, and Handley,
HONOURED with instructions from the Representatives of the late Mr John Roxborough, will Sell by Auction, on SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH, 1922, the FARMING STOCK, Etc., including:—
2 HORSES,
11 CATTLE,
IMPLEMENTS, ETC.
HARNESS, CART GEARS.
SEPARATOR "Titanic," medium size.
30 HEAD OF POULTRY.
Sale to commence at 1-30 o'clock.
Office: Joint Stock Bank Chambers, Darlington.

SPECIAL SALE OF BLACK AND BLUE-GREY CATTLE.

MILL FLATTS, HARTFORTH, RICHMOND, YORKSHIRE.

Geo. Tarn Bainbridge, Son, and Handley,
HONOURED with instructions from Herbert Straker, Esq., J.P., will conduct a Special Sale of CATTLE and HORSES, at the HOME FARM, HARTFORTH, on FRIDAY, MAY 5TH, 1922, comprising about:—
40 HEAD OF CHOICE CATTLE, including a very Grand Selection of Black and Blue-Grey Heifers and Bullocks, 1 to 1½ years old, from S.H. Cows, by Aberdeen Angus Bull; 2 Pedigree S.H. Bulls, Etc.
5 HORSES.—Including 4 Dales Ponies, 2 and 3 years old, and 1 Three-year-old Cart Gelding.
Sale to commence at 1-30 o'clock prompt.
Further particulars next week.
Office: Joint Stock Bank Chambers, Darlington.

GALGATE, BARNARD CASTLE.

Geo. Tarn Bainbridge, Son and Handley,
HONOURED with instructions from R. W. Phillips, Esq., of Dalton, will Sell by Auction, on WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD, 1922, an Excellent TURN-OUT, as follows:—
BROWN HARNESS MARE, 6 years, 14.3 h.h., quiet to ride and drive.
GOVERNESS CAR, by Farr and Sons, suitable for 14 to 15 h.h., new 9 months ago.
SET OF SILVER-MOUNTED BLACK HARNESS.
Sale at 2 p.m.
The above is a First-Class Turn-out, and the Mare a good stamp, fast, and in every way reliable.
Office: Joint Stock Bank Chambers, Darlington.

G. A. CARTER,
CONFECTIONER AND TOBACCONIST,
FLATTS WOOD PAVILION, BARNARD CASTLE,
BEGS to announce that he has taken over the Old-Established BUSINESS OF MR W. HODGSON, 3, GALGATE, and hopes by strict attention to business for a continuance of the patronage so long enjoyed.
He also wishes it to be known that in addition to TOYS and TOBACCOS, he will have a choice selection of HIGH-CLASS CHOCOLATES and SWEETS.

JOHN APPLEBY,
GALGATE, BARNARD CASTLE,
BUILDER, Contractor, and Builders' Merchant. MONUMENTALIST: Latest Designs in Marble, Granite, etc. Speciality in Cornish Granite. Estimates and designs free. Dealer in Cement, Welsh Slates, Bricks, Lime, Drain Pipes, etc. Lime for Whitewashing.

NEW DELIVERY JUST TO HAND.
SPRING CLEANING!
Make the Home Beautiful by renovating the walls with
Art WALLPAPERS
ARTISTIC DESIGNS! GRAND SELECTION!
SPLENDID COLOURINGS!
For Cheapest and Best in the District inspect the stock of
F. NEVISON, THE BANK,
BARNARD CASTLE.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

On Easter Sunday, at 7, Grosvenor Crescent, London, the birth of a son is announced to Mrs Maurice Ormrod, better known locally as Miss Marda Bell-Irving. Mother and son are doing well.

Gardening operations are in full swing in this neighbourhood, large areas having been planted with potatoes.

Mr William Hodgson, for many years a painstaking member, has been unanimously elected chairman of the Barnard Castle Urban District Council.

The highly successful services in connection with the dedication of the Wesleyan Memorial organ were brought to a conclusion on Friday night by a recital on the new instrument by Mr Felix Corbett, the borough organist of Middlesbrough. Mrs Eustace Taylor, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, sang solos in excellent style, and an enjoyable evening was spent. Mr Corbett is a fine player.

The B.W.T.A. Band of Hope gave their annual entertainment in the Hall-street school-room on Tuesday, the 11th inst., Mr Hubert Wood occupying the chair. The programme included action songs and melodies by the children; recitations, Dorothy Emerson, Lella Hird, Lizzie Gibson, Gladys Morton and Edna Turnbull; solos, Misses Winnie Coates, Ida Eden and M. Swinbank; pianoforte solo, Rene Hird, and duet by the Misses McPhail and Beer. A sketch, entitled "Two at a time," by Misses M. and A. Arrowsmith, Alice Lowe and Norah Golightly, concluded the programme. Prizes were distributed to those scholars who had collected for the temperance hospital:—Lella Hird, Annie Morrell, Florrie Watson, Edna Turnbull, Regie Coates, Ernest Wilkinson, Harold Lowe and Roland Beer. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs F. B. Wyatt, the president of the B.W.T.A.

At the Barnard Castle vestry meeting Mr W. Hodgson was again appointed Vicar's warden, and Mr J. Appleby people's warden, with Mr W. H. Ralston for Westwick and Mr Bewick for Stainton.

Boldron Primitive Methodist Church held special Eastertide services. On Good Friday night Mr P. McPhail, M.A., Cambridge, gave a lecture on "The literary associations of Barnard Castle," Mr William Coates presiding. Supper followed. Mr J. C. McPhail, of Manchester, conducted divine worship on Easter Sunday evening, special anthems being sung by the choir. A social, on Easter Monday, took the form of a musical programme before supper, and a variety of games after. About eighty people were present. These chapel anniversary services were in every way a success.

Mr Alderson, of Hope, who has been a member of the Startforth Rural District Council for twenty years, was not asked to be nominated at the late election, the consequence being that he has lost his seat. Other old members will be missing at the next meeting, and we may exclaim with Charles Lamb: "All, all are gone, the old familiar faces."

In addition to the two first prizes won by Mr E. A. Metcalfe's wire fox terrier at North Shields, which we mentioned in our last issue, we omitted to state that he also won the special for best fox terrier, and silver cup and guinea special for best exhibit in the show all breeds, over 40 first prizewinners competing.

Lartington Hunt Ball takes place to-morrow night.

The gas cookery demonstrations, now going on in the Witham Testimonial, are proving very popular, and attracting large gatherings of the local housewives, who are picking up many useful hints. The very talented lady demonstrator remarked on the high quality of the gas at Barnard Castle, which consequently required less quantity in order to get the heat necessary for cooking. The latest things in cookers, gas fires and lighting are being shown.

RAILWAY PRESENTATION.

WHIST DRIVE FOR ORPHANAGE.

Advantage was taken of the annual whist drive and dance, promoted by the Barnard Castle Branch of the National Union of Railwaymen on behalf of the orphan benefit fund, held in the Witham Hall on Wednesday night, to make a presentation to Mr Thomas Egglestone, retired relief signalman. The gift, which took the form of an oak smoking cabinet, suitably inscribed, and a wallet of Treasury notes, had been freely subscribed to by his fellow workmen, by whom Mr Egglestone was held in great esteem. Mr T. Jenkinson, secretary of the local branch, presided over the prelimary proceedings, and appropriately asked Mr E. Robson, traffic inspector, to make the presentation.—Mr Robson thanked the staff for requesting him to perform that pleasant duty. Mr Egglestone, he said, commenced his railway career on June 17th, 1877, in the permanent-way department at Tebay, and was promoted to Belah signal box in September, 1878. By his attention to duty and sterling qualities as a signalman he was again promoted, and given a relief signalman's position and stationed at Barnard Castle in September, 1886, which post he held until, owing to having reached the age-limit, he retired on December 31st, 1921. Mr Egglestone was one of the most popular men in the district, and held in the highest regard by all grades of men with which he came in contact. Mr Robson had great pleasure in handing over the presents, and wished the recipient health to use them. (Applause).—Mr Egglestone, who was well received, feelingly replied, and thanked all who had subscribed to the presents, which he appreciated very much.—Messrs T. Egglestone (son), Bishop Auckland, and E. Turner, Clifton, Penrith, also spoke, and Mr Robson was appropriately thanked. Councillor G. Lorraine, Darlington, organising secretary for the district, gave a brief but interesting address on the work of the orphanage, and the whist drive then commenced. Fifty-one tables were occupied for the games, which were under the able charge of Messrs J. Shield and J. T. Knowles. The winners of the gentlemen's prizes were:—Mr A. Hunter, Mr Goodwin, Miss Wilson, Mr A. Smith, Miss C. Egglestone, and Mr E. Raine; ladies—Mrs S. Reynolds, Mrs Duffy, Mrs Shield, Miss Hedley, Miss Barron, and Mrs Banner. Mrs H. C. Watson, Spring Lodge, gracefully handed the prizes to the respective winners, and that lady was heartily thanked on the motion of Mr L. S. Brown, chairman of the local branch, seconded by Mr J. Wiseman. Dancing was then indulged in with zest until about 4 a.m., to the strains of a first-class orchestra. The whole effort was undoubtedly a huge success, and reflects great credit on the local secretary and organizing committee, and also the lady helpers.

CONTINUATION CLASSES.

As the outcome of a most interesting address given a week or ten days ago by Mr Millward, on the Educational Continuation Classes, it has been arranged to form two classes for Barnard Castle for the session commencing October, 1922. The courses consist of weekly lectures by fully qualified men and followed by open discussions. English literature has been selected for a one-year class and should prove an attractive subject. Another class, for three years, is being arranged for the study of Industrial History and Economics, and a large number of names of intending members already received. The movement is supported by the County Education Committee and the Workers' Educational Association. Classes are open to all, and in other parts of the country have been attended by large numbers of men and women of various sections of society. Nominal fees only are charged. Those who wish to join are invited to give their names as early as possible to any of the following, who will be pleased to give fuller information:—Messrs W. Banks, Raby Avenue; J. P. Robson, Vane Road; J. T. Knowles, Market Place; and E. Watson, Galgate.

HAIR OFTEN RUINED BY CARELESS WASHING.

Soap should be used very carefully if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps, prepared shampoos and shampoo powders contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle and ruins it.

The best thing for steady use is just plain Mulsified cocoanut oil shampoo (which is pure and greaseless, and is better than anything else you can use).

Two or three teaspoonfuls of Mulsified in a cup with a little tepid water will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy, and easy to manage.

You can get Mulsified cocoanut oil shampoo from any chemist—it is inexpensive, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months. Be sure your chemist gives you Mulsified. Beware of imitations—look for the name Watkins on package.

GAS DEMONSTRATION.

LATEST DEVICES ON VIEW AT BARNARD CASTLE.

A gas demonstration, unique in a degree, extending over a whole week, was opened in the Witham Hall on Thursday afternoon. The exhibition was organised by the Barnard Castle Gas Company, and the latest improved apparatus for cooking, heating and lighting by gas were on view. Many and various devices, some as ingenius as they were useful, were to be seen, and which undoubtedly will mean a great saving of time and labour for the busy housewife. Improvements, too, were to be observed in gas cookers and gas fires, which could be used most economically. Practical cookery lectures and demonstrations were given each afternoon and evening by Mrs H. C. Gray, L.N.C.C., M.C.A., and the syllabus contained some exceedingly choice viands. Her recipes were eminently practical, and her cookery, done by the gas ovens, was perfect. The exhibition was opened by Mr C. T. Singer, and Mr R. Wood, the local gas company secretary, in a few preliminary observation, remarked that he was very glad to see such a large gathering of ladies. They were much indebted to Messrs Wright for such a variety of gas cookers and heaters on view, and were also fortunate in having so experienced and practical a cook and demonstrator as Mrs Gray. Mr Wood said he knew that people were hoping for a reduction in the price of gas, and he assured them that the directors of the company were most anxious to lower the cost to the consumer as early as possible. They had made a beginning by allowing a little discount, but he hoped that very soon they would be in a position to bring down the price.—Mr Singer congratulated the gas company on the exhibition, and hoped that good would result. He was glad to hear that the directors contemplated a reduction in the price of gas.—The doings and advice of the lecturer, who followed, were attended with keen interest.

GAINFORD NOTES.

Mr E. D. Trotter, fishing on Monday, in Mr Edleston's waters at Gainford, landed another fine salmon weighing 22lbs., hooked at the same spot as the last in the upper Barford Pool.

The annual meeting of the Gainford and District Nursing Association was held on Friday evening, the president (Lord Gainford) in the chair. Nurse Allison is working the district for the present until the appointment of Nurse Phillipson takes effect early in May.

The annual vestry meeting was held on Easter Tuesday at 7 p.m., in the school-room. The Rev. H. C. Watson presided, those present including the Rev. H. R. McDermid, Mrs George Harrison, Mr C. H. Dent, Mr R. H. Edleston Mr G. E. Taylor, Mr T. Peacock, Mr J. P. Charge, Mr P. W. Cathrick, Mr T. H. Hall and Mr F. Cathrick.

On Good Friday afternoon, a number of the "King's Messengers"—boys and girls' branches (founded by Mrs Edleston)—met in their usual room at 3 o'clock. Mr Edleston gave a short address, and the Rev. H. J. Likeman followed with an earnest discourse based upon two of the sayings from the Cross.

On Tuesday afternoon a drawing-room meeting was held by invitation in connection with the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and King's Messengers. Canon Lonsdale delivered an earnest address on missions. There was a small sale of work, over which Mrs Pape presided.

A meeting of the parish council was held on Thursday in the school-room. The Charities and Parish Property Committee was requested to go into the question of the restoration and utilization of the Pinfold within a month, and the Clerk was instructed to call a special meeting for this purpose, and for the discussion of the burial ground question.

THE GONDOLIERS.

Last night the Barnard Castle Amateur Operatic Society gave their first performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's opera, "The Gondoliers," at the Victoria Hall, Barnard Castle. As forecasted in our issue of last week it was excellently rendered. We had not the opportunity of hearing the whole performance before going to press, but we were kindly afforded the privilege of hearing the final dress rehearsal on Monday night, and our report is derived partly from the performance itself and partly from the rehearsal. The stage effects, both as to scenery, dresses, etc., were superb. As regards the principal characters, it would be invidious to attempt to make comparisons. They are happily chosen, and we can say confidently that they are all exceedingly good. The bright opening chorus gives an indication of the great care which has been taken in the training, which has been in the able hands of Mr A. Ridley. It and the others are rendered very sharply and promptly and reflect great credit on our townsman, Mr Wightman, the able conductor. The action of the chorus shows close adherence to the well-known almost "drill" methods of the D'Oyly Carte Companies. The orchestra can be congratulated on their tuneful and prompt rendering under the leadership of Mrs J. Walker. The society is to be heartily rejoiced with on the splendid representation of the opera, and we trust the following three performances will receive the public support, so well deserved. We append the cast:—The Duke of Plaza-Toro, a Grandee of Spain, Mr C. E. Edmondson; Luiz, his attendant, Mr J. T. Winter; Don Alhambra Del Bolero, the Grand Inquisitor, Mr T. Bainbridge; Venetian Gondoliers:—Marco Palmieri, Mr J. Nattress; Giuseppe Palmieri, Mr J. Brown; Antonio, Mr E. Bayles; Francesco, Mr J. Shield; Giorgio, Mr J. Huntridge; Annibale, Mr T. Boardman; The Duchess of Plaza-Toro, Miss Marie Nicholson; Casilda, her daughter, Miss M. Steele; Contadine:—Gianetta, Miss M. Forshaw; Tessa, Miss G. Hall; Fiametta, Mrs T. Boardman; Vittoria, Miss L. Higginbotham; Giulia, Miss B. Ainsley; Inez, the King's Foster-Mother, Mrs T. Bainbridge.

The means of carriage formerly existing here were the carrier's waggons, a coach twice a week to Darlington, and jagger galloways for the higher parts of Teesdale. Economical people travelled principally on foot; and there was one Barnard Castle tradesman, ninety years ago, who, on his journeys to Leeds, to buy goods, regularly walked to and from that town.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

The first meeting of the newly-elected Parish Council for Middleton was held at the Town Hall on Wednesday night last. The following officials were elected for the year:—Chairman—Mr T. R. Gowling; vice-chairman—Mr G. G. Morton; treasurer—Mr J. Watson; overseers—Messrs T. R. Gowling, M. Richardson and W. Allinson; trustees for Free School Charity—Messrs T. R. Gowling and J. Morton: School Managers—Messrs J. Watson and J. H. Shaw; Parish Property Committee—Messrs J. H. Shaw and R. J. Smith; Footpath Committee—Messrs W. Allinson, R. J. Smith and J. H. Shaw; Lighting Committee—Messrs G. G. Morton, W. Allinson and J. Tallentire. A discussion took place in regard to the wall on the Station Road that was knocked down by a motor waggon, and a sub-committee was appointed to deal with the matter.

Middleton Spring Fair was only poorly attended on Thursday last. Owing to the restrictions on account of the Foot-and-Mouth Disease no cattle were shown. "Tuer's Spring," the property of Mr Tuer, Penrith, was successful in winning the £60 premium given by the Board of Agriculture for the best fell pony entire, and will be required to travel the Teesdale district for the Fell Committee; "Gay Laddie," the property of Mrs E. Forster, Crook, came second, and "British Credit" was third, which also belongs to Mrs Forster. Messrs H. Brown, Tirrel, Penrith, and J. Holmes, Hackforth, were the judges. Several other horses that will travel the district were paraded, which included "Brown Jock," the property of Mr Gilbert Beadle, Blackton Farm, Egglestone, which is rising 6 years old, is a rich brown, with black legs, and plenty of bone, quality and good action, and is a very suitable horse for dales pony breeders. "Linnel Heather," owned by Mr J. W. Dent, Middleton-in-Teesdale, is a typical fell pony, by "Black Blooming Heather," from the noted mare "Stonedress Polly." The three-year-old shown by Mr O. Dent, Lunedale, is a promising young horse, and should be found very useful for the district. Mr T. V. Emerson, Stanhope, showed a beautiful black pony, "Stanhope Hero," which will no doubt be in great demand during the season.

Mr F. J. Smith, auctioneer, conducted a horse sale on Thursday afternoon, at Middleton, after the fair. There were a good number of horses forward, and many changed hands at only moderate prices. Yearlings made up to £14 10s. Two-year-olds up to £18, and a three-year-old made £20. General purposes class made up to £39 10s. It is intended to make this a half-yearly event, with prizes for several classes, which should prove to be a great advantage to farmers and breeders in the dale.

Mr Edwards, Poultry Instructor from the County Council Education Department, gave an out-door lecture at Mr T. Redfearn's poultry farm, Middleton, on Wednesday night last, on chicken breeding and rearing. The lecture was highly appreciated by a large audience.

Dr. Buchanan, Darlington, conducted an examination at Middleton station general waiting-room on Sunday morning last, in connection with the Middleton Ambulance class of the North Eastern Railway Centre. Mr W. Hollings, general secretary, Gateshead, and Mr W. Fletcher, Darlington district secretary, were present. Fourteen students sat for examination—twelve for certificates, one for voucher, and one for medallion. At the conclusion Mr Witchell moved a hearty vote of thanks to Dr. Buchanan, which was seconded by Mr W. Hutchinson for coming to examine the class. In returning thanks the doctor said it had been a real pleasure to him, and asked the members to stick in and so become thoroughly efficient in rendering first aid to the injured.

EXCELSIOR CYCLING CLUB.

The opening run of the Barnard Castle Excelsior Cycling Club, which had to be postponed on Friday, took place on Easter Monday, when the members had a run to Stainton, where sports, football match, and smoker were held, for which valuable prizes were given, the results being as follows:—Three-legged race, 1st, Tees Wright and J. Hunter; slow bicycle race, Tees Wright; wheelbarrow race, J. Porter and J. Addison; eighty yards' handicap, Bert. Richardson and Geo. Barker (dead heat). An excellent tea was afterwards provided by Mrs C. Woodhams at the Black Bull Hotel, and vice-captain G. Barker presided at the smoker which followed. Songs were rendered by Messrs F. Guyll, W. Hewitt, J. Pearson, J. Porter, J. Robson, G. Barker, W. Baker J. Hunter, C. Woodhams, R. Hewitt, R. Bell, and J. Parkinson. The hon. secretary, W. Robinson, accompanied the songs.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS.

BROWN.—On the 18th inst., at No. 2, Headlam Terrace, Barnard Castle, to Mr and Mrs J. R. Brown, a son.

DEATHS.

DODDS.—At 17a, Wooler Street, Darlington, Alice Dodds (late of Hall Farm, Startforth), aged 47 years. To be interred at Startforth, on Wednesday (to-day), at 3 p.m. Friends please accept this intimation.

EMERSON.—At Barnard Castle, on Thursday, April 20th, Arthur Waldo Emerson, aged 25.

STOKOE.—On April 23rd, at Egglestone, Annie, the dearly beloved wife of John William Stokoe, aged 30 years. Interred at Egglestone, Thursday, 27th April, cortege leaving residence at 2-30 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM.

FOOTT.—In loving memory of Albert Foott, coachbuilder, who died of wounds April, 1918.—Always remembered by his wife and children.

NELSON.—In loving memory of our dear father, Joseph Nelson, who was accidentally killed April 28th, 1921.

This day brings back sad memories
That time can never fade,
And our sad thoughts often wander
To the place where he is laid.

STEPHENSON.—In loving memory of Charlotte Stephenson, beloved wife of John Stephenson, who died on May 2nd, 1920, at Egglestone.

She is gone, but not forgotten,
Never shall her memory fade;
Sweetest thoughts shall ever linger
Around the grave where she is laid.

—Ever remembered by her loving husband, nephews and nieces.

RETURN THANKS.

BEADLE (MARY).—We desire to thank the many kind friends for sympathy extended to us in our recent sad bereavement.—M. Cockfield: Mr and Mrs Spraggon, 61, Market-place, Middleton-in-Teesdale.

EMERSON.—Mr Wm. Emerson, his daughters and surviving son, desire to express their sincere gratitude to all who have been so helpful to them in their trouble, and to those who sent such beautiful tokens of their sympathy and regard.

HARWOOD.—Mrs T. W. Harwood, sons and daughter, and Mr W. Harwood and family, wish to tender their grateful thanks to all those kind friends who sympathised and helped so kindly during their recent sad bereavement.