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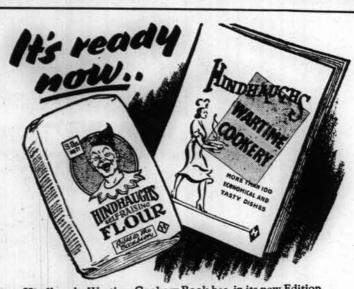
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THE MANOR OF MIDDLETON.

(Concluded.)

It has been mentioned that the several townships had no right of intercommonage. In 1810, Jacob Tarn was fined 13s. 4d. for casting off turf and sods upon Middleton Common and taking the same into Newbiggin township. At a court held 27th Oct., 1817, John Hutchinson, Jas. Allison, Thos. Forster and John Rhone were fined 12s. 6d. each "for not grinding their corn at the Lord's Common Mill." This is probably one of the last attempts to enforce the monopoly. In 1846, three plaints appear to have been entered for various sums (under £2), and there was the same number in 1814; one in the latter year being a claim of Thomas Gowland against Joseph Feather-stone for £1 6s. 3d., for the education of defendant's son. Verdict was given for the full amount and costs.

In the Masor of Middleton-in-Teesdale, butter was formerly sold in rolls of 22 oz., and as persons appear to have been selling it under that weight, or perhaps in pounds of 16 oz., the following bye-law was passed (15th Oct., 1818) :—"We [the Jurors] do also find that the ancient and established weight of a roll of butter exposed for sale in the Manor of Middleton-in-Teesdale has never been less than twenty-two ounces. We do hereby order that every roll exposed for sale in this Manor in future, which shall be found by the butter-weighers to be deficient in weight, shall be seized and sold, and that one-half of the money arising by such sale shall be distributed by the Foreman of the Jury, to the said butter-weighers, and the other money to such poor per-sons residing in the said Manor as by the said Foreman and two others of the Jury shall be deemed the most needy and

deserving. In 1823, a bye-law was passed that no manure, stone, wood, rubbish, or other material, should lie in any part of the town street of Middleton longer than 7 days, after due notice by the Bailiff; nor was anyone permitted to let his cart stand in the street nor at any time have their pigs at large. Neither was any person to turn his horse out to water without being led or ridden by some person, under pain of 1s. for every horse turned out. At the following court, Wm. Beeston and Martin White were each fined 6s. 8d. for using false weights and abusive language. In 1833, the Rev. John Henry Brown was fined 1s. 8d. for enclosing a piece of Lord's waste, extending from the Hearse House to the Rectory Gate, containing about one rood of From this date there does not appear to be any entries of general interest, or of an unusual kind.

Boundary Stone Whippings.

The Grand Jurors for 1770 were Wm. Hobson, Mark Sherlock, Jonathan Rutter, Wm. Walton, Thos. March, Jno. Coatsworth, Robt. Bainbridge, Thos, Allason, Jno. Gibson, Thos. Nixon, John Watson, Jno. Scott and Isaac Rain. Afterwards the names of Jas. Ainsley, Wm. Swinbank, John Cousin and Jno. Winter are new, also those of Thos. Dent, John Tarn, Matthew Hutchinson, Thos. Marshal, Thos. Teward and Wm Pinkney. In 1790, the following persons were sworn on the jury:—Robt. Stagg, Nich. Gibson, John Tarn, Chas. Richardson, Thos. Vipond, Jas. Allison, John Coatsworth, Jos. Robinson, John Manisty, Henry Robinson, John Hutchin-son, John Winter and Thos. Teward. Then later, we find the names of Thos. Hindmarch, Thos. Brumwell and Benj. Smedley. Among the persons who perambulated the boundaries of the Manor in 1803 were T. Scarth (agent of Wm. Harry, Earl of Darlington, the Lord of the Manor), John Barnes (steward), Ralph March, Jos. Armstrong, John Parmley, Mark Sherlock, jun. (aged 15 years). Thos. Anderson (second time of his being at the riding), M. Lowes, Anthony Todd (aged 13), and John Grieve (aged 11 years). In 1820 the persons were:
-Ralph March, Mark Sherlock, John Tarn, Anth. Todd, Thos. Collinson, Jos. Coatsworth, John Thompson, John Barker, Wm. Robinson, Jas. Cousin, Wm. Watson, John Swinbank, and Mark Tarn. The boundares of the manor were again ridden in 1826, and among the party were Wm. Barnes (agent), Ralph March, Mark Sherlock, Lanct. Walton, John Bell (aged 12 years). Jos. Bell (aged 10), John Swinbank (aged 12 years), Wm. Tinkler (aged 79), John Richardson (aged 68), several youths of about 14; while one little fellow, Matthew was only 9 years old. It will be noticed that many, whose ages have been given, were comparatively young. It was customary in some places to "whip" the youngsters at the various boundary stones, to impress the locality on their memories. This energetic system of fixing facts on juvenile minds has now gone out of fashion. The boundaries are all given, and when the works arrived at Tendrick Hill when the party arrived at Tendrick Hill and Dorry's Seat, the Steward makes the entry, "Refreshments here." If the day were fine no more enjoyable picnic could be desired. About this time the names of John Treland, George Oliver, and John John Ireland, George Oliver and John Currah are met with for the first time. In 1833 the jurors were Mark Sherlock, Ralph Gibson, Wm. Oliver, Wm. Swinbank, Jos. Coatsworth, Thos. Sander, Robt. Lowes, John Watson, John Collinson, Wm. Brum-well, Thos. Watson and Matt. Cousin. The first account of the constables' expenses for Middleton is given for the year 1742, and then from 1747 to 1782 without a break. These entries are most interesting, showing, as they do, the amount of the rates laid for Middleton, and how the money was spent. Indeed, the rates levied each year were so trifling in amount that one might, for that reason alone, wish for those "good old times," when the whole expense for the township was only between £3 and £4 a year. At first sight it may seem to be a matter of surprise that during the lapse of a single century the rates of a place like Middleton should have increased so enormously. But, at the time we are speaking of, each parish or township bore its own burdens, i.e., kept its own poor, repaired its roads, had no school board, nor official of any kind receiving a salary. For the township of Middleton, the constables' disbursements, in the year 1742-43, were £4 2s., while the "sess" allowed and gathered was £3 19s. 9d., leaving a balance of 2s. 5d. due to him. The word "sess" means and assessment or rate. The following year the expenses were only £2 0s. 3d., and the rate brought in £1 19s. 51d. In 1747, the expenditure for the year was £4 2s. 34d. Six years later, one-and-a-half sess was levied, realizing £5 16s. 32d., while the outgoings amounted to £4 14s. 10d., part of which was for "Brigg and Rogue Money," it being the first mention of the

latter in the Court Rolls. Doubtless Brigg

Money was the contribution of the town

ship towards the repair of the bridge over

the Tees at Middleton, and possibly Rogue money was the cost incurred by the con-

stable in arresting rogues and vagabonds and taking them to the common gaol. It

could hardly be money paid to each rogue

to induce him to quite the neighbourhood! From 1754 to 1769, the expenditure averaged

about £5 per annum; a sess ranged from

£4 is. to £4 7s., showing that the rateable value of the township did not vary. Instead

of making the calls larger, the rate was collected as often as was necessary to meet

the demands upon it; occasionally three or four rates being collected during one year.

The accounts were examined and allowed

by a committee of jurors, five in number, at the court. In 1770, the account rose to £8 14s. 4d.; the year following it was only £3 3s. 3d.; but, in 1772, it reached £11 0s. 11d., which necessitated 2½ sesses being made, and in 1774 the expenditure reached the heavy amount of £15 15s. 6d., for which 3½ rates were laid. From that year to 1782 the average was about £9 per annum. At the last-named date, the various items of the constables account are given in detail, and are as follows:—
"1782. The Constable of Middleton's
Account.—John Lockey for his own house

To Auckland-Easter week - -To Thos. Bainbridge for assisting the Constable To Ale per order Mr Hobson - 0 1 6
July 2.—To journey to Barnard To Constable's Dinner - - 0 2 0 To mending Pinfold - - - 0 5 0 Aug. 12.—To paying County Rate

the qualification for holding office].

at Gainforth - - - - 0 3 0 17.—To a Woman with a pass 0 0 4 To Tamar Lowes - - - 0 0 4
Sept. 3.—To Ale Sessions - - 0 2 0
Sworn to his Account - - 0 1 0 Oct. 16.-To Auckland returning the Surveyor's Accounts - 0 4 0

Oct.-By cash of Thomas Vipond probably the Overseer at undry times in full - - £5 0 4 We agree to the above accounts, as witness our hands, Thos. Marshall, Thos. Vipond, Thos. March, John Tarn. It seems somewhat singular that the County Rate should be paid at Gainford, the only supposition being that it was fixed upon as a convenient centre for the district

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Killed in Action.

stable's account given.

News has been re of 10, Rose Terrace, Middleton-in-Teesdale that her husband, Cpl. L. Hogger, was killed in action on January 4th, 1945, in Belgium. Cpl. Hoggar was 33 years of age and belonged Gilling West. Mrs Hoggar is the younger daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Goldie, of Market Place, Middleton-in-Tees-

of Teesdale. The above is the last con-

The Dales Fox Fund. At the annual meeting of the Dales Fox Fund, held recently at Buckden, Mr J. D. Daykin, hon. secretary and treasurer, reported that the fund had a membership of 198 and had paid for 236 tails during 1944, making a total of 618 tails since the fund commenced nearly three years ago, at an average of 11s. per tail. The accounts showed a balance brought forward of £39 0s. 6d. with a credit balance of £55 17s. 1d. at the end of 1944. Rule 3 was altered to read "All foxes shall be classed as full grown after the end of June instead of end of July as hitherto." It was decided, in view of the probability of severe weather in early January, the usual date of the annual meeting, to hold another members' meeting later in the year. Mr Daykin, who has been hon, secretary of the fund since its inception, resigned the office and was thanked by the members. Mr Wilfred B. Tapp, of Kettlewell, was elected in his

Workmen's Club Meeting. The president, Mr W. Ellis, presided at the half-yearly meeting of the Middletonin-Teesdale Workmen's Club and Institute, held on Wednesday evening. He congratulated the members and officials on the progress made by the Club in the current halfyear. The meeting approved the following donations: Newcastle Royal Infirmary, £10 10s.; Convalescent Homes, £10 10s. Middleton Welcome Home Fund, £5 5s.; Convalescent Home Flags, £1 1s.; Middleton Storm Effects on Wild Life.

The recent severe frost and snowstorm has had a great effect on the bird life and wild animals in Teesdale. Several species of birds rarely seen except in similar severe climatic conditions, have been noticed in the lowlands near to inhabited areas. On Monday morning a fox was suspected as being in the vicinity of some poultry houses in Middleton-in-Teesdale. Mr A. Johnson and Mr J. Bateson, two of the Raby Estate keepers, were informed, and after finding the tracks of the marauder in the snow. followed the markings, and in the afternoon located the fox, which they shot within 200 yards from the town. The animal was considered to be a fine specimen. Newbiggin Young Farmers' Club Effort.

The second annual whist drive and dance organised by the members of the Newbiggin Young Farmers' Club was held on Wednesday evening in the Recreation Room, Newhiggin-in-Teesdale. Despite the inclement weather, the effort was a successful one. The prizes at the whist drive were presented by Mrs C. L. W. Robson, of High Force, to the following players: Championship, Mrs J. H. Bainbridge. Ladies—1, Miss B. Dowson; 2, Mrs W. Scott; 3, Miss B. Sanderson; consolation, Mrs T. Iceton. Gentlemen—1, Mr S. Tallentire; 2, Mr H. Hutchinson; 3, Mr E. Watson; consolation, Mr S. Ireland. The mystery prize was won by Mr G. Watson. Music for dancing was supplied by the Modernaires Dance Orchestra. It was announced that the club are having a film show on Thursday evening which is open to any member of the public who may be interested.

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FARMERS' COLUMN.

HERDWICK SHEEP BREEDERS. The view that some sort of control of the wool market should continue for several years after the war was expressed at the annual meeting of the Herdwick Sheep Breeders' Association, held last week at Cockermouth. The balance sheet showed a credit balance increased from £39 4s. 6d. o £79 8s. 7d. Subscriptions amounted to £25 and ram fees £21 10s., and the income also included a donation of £10. Expenditure had been cut to a minimum, said Mr W. Tyson (secretary). The ewe sales fund and prize fund remained unchanged at £11 6s. 5d. and £2 1s. 9d. respectively. Twenty-two new members were gained last

Mr Bell, president-elect, was voted into office, and Mr J. Pleskett was made president-elect. The following were elected on the Council: Messrs E. W. Tyson, J. Fleming, J. Teasdale, T. Taylor, S. Richardson, T. Bainbridge, J. Grisedale, W. Wilson, and G. Hartley. Discussion was upon a letter from the recently appointed Wool Marketing Committee, set up to investigate pre-war and post-war marketing conditions and to make

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recommendations upon which the Ministry of Agriculture may rest its post-war policy for wool. The committee invited the Association to submit evidence upon the subject. Members were agreed that some degree of control with a guaranteed market and guaranteed prices was desirable, but were uncertain about the desirability of a national marketing scheme. The enormous stocks of wool which have accumulated in this country since the war began, owing to restrictions on export, were mentioned as jeopardising the producers' prospects if controls were not exercised. Messrs R. W. and R. Wilson were asked to interview the secretary of the Committee in London

NORTH RIDING WAR ON PESTS.

OVER HALF MILLION RATS EXTERMINATED.

Tangible evidence of the large number of pests infesting farm land in the North Riding is provided by the results obtained by the N.R. War Agricultural Executive Com-mittee's staff of skilled operators. During last year the Committee had 59,430 acres of agricultural land under contract for rat destruction and the number of dead rats actually picked up by the Committee's operators totalled 69,177. Most of these rats had been systematically poisoned and it is estimated that for every poisoned rat actually found at least eight more can be presumed dead. Thus it is safe to assume that well over half a million rats were exterminated by the Committee's operators. War on rabbits, too, was also declared on 61,317 acres of land which came under the Committee's experts contract work Although in many cases "gassing" had to be resorted to in order to rid the land of these vermin, still a very large number were accounted for by trapping and snaring. Where this latter method was adopted the sale of rabbits for food exceeded the cost of the work, and the farmers who had engaged the services of the N.R. pest operators not only had the saving of the consumption of their crops by this pest, but had paid to them by the Committee of well Last year also the Committee had 57,436 acres under contract for the extermination

of moles, and now many farms where these pests had been most prevalent have been completely cleared. Farmers have not the time in these days or the labour and means available for wag ing the constant war necessary to keep down the pests that invade his land and rob him of what in total is a large part of the value of the crops they sow, and they would be well advised to call in the services of the skilled operators of the "War Ag., the diminutive of the N.R. War Agricultural Executive Committee. The more concerted the action the sooner will materialise the destruction of these pests.

HORSE SALE AT PENRITH.

Penrith Auction Company on Thursday held their Candlemas sale of horses of all classes, when the entry of over 120 in seven classes was similar to last year. In general the horses were of good quality, with several of outstanding merit, especially among the older animals. There was a large attendance of buyers and a ready demand was experienced. A good clear-ance was effected at prices mostly substantially better than at recent sales. Awards and chief prices :-Clydesdale horse, four years and upwards-1, Clark, Thrimby Hall, bid to £250;

2, Tuer, Low Brow, Pooley Bridge, £137; 3 Wood, Hackthorpe Hall, £114; h.c., Jackson, Bell Mount, £100; Binning, Penrith, £38; Slack, Skirwith Hall, £76; Tuer, Thorpe Tirrell, £78; Nixon, Drovers Gate, £98; Greenop, Whale Farm, £94; Forrester, Mansgrove, Bolton, £70; Todd, Blencowe Hall, £65; Errington, Sockbridge Hall, £106; Atkinson, Laithes, £92; Metcalfe, Eden Hall, £66. Clydesdale mare, four years and upwards ♣1, Elliot, Newton Reigney, £86; 2, Jackson, Wickerslack, £75; Scott, Greencroft, Great Strickland, £39; Watson, Rigg Dyke, £49; Hullock, Howscales, £46; Dent, Hartley Castle, £46; Hope, Hesket-new-Market, £73;

Pershke, Blease, £68; Rowlandson, Souls-by, Dacre, £46; Mitchel, Hutton End, £73; Rumney, Pallet Hill, £75; Relph, Turn Bank, £64; Ivinson, Mill Flatt, £66. Clydesdale horse, rising 4 years-1, Harker, Brougham, £83; 2, Savage, Laitha, Clydesdale horse, rising three years-1, Johnson, Catterlan Hall, £60; 2, Harrison,

Crossrigg, £50. Clydesdale mare, rising three years-1, Gowling, £32; 2, Sowerby, Drybeck Hall, Appleby, res. Saddle or van horse or mare—1, Dixon, Hewer Hill, bid to £43; 2, Brunskill and Cowin, Naddle, Bampton, bid to £58; 3, Scott, Greencroft, £45.

Cob or pony-1, Atkinson, Crackenthorpe, Appleby, £65; 2, Smith, Bow Row, Orton, £58; 3, Gculding, Tarn Hill, Melkinthorpe bid to £48; Pershke, Threlkeld, £35; Pallister, Orton, £52; Irving, Dalston, £56; Todd, Middleton Hall, £59; Harrison. Castlerigg, Keswick, £66; Coates, Scar Foot, Orton, £64.

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