THE TEESDALE MERCURY-WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1887.

In common with the rest of the Upper Teesdale has been once more visited by a mow, though not so serious as the storm in the the present season. Some of the outlying roads blocked, but the energy and vigilance of the high ities will speedily keep the necessary communicat The present fall of snow has rath

ed the sweet warbling of the thrush, allude week's Mar 's Morcury, as well as the dangerous and the strength of using the catapult at this period of umber of naughty boys who manage somehow ize of the guardians of the law, but whose co crits the punishment they would doubtless reco th. A word to the wise, &c.

It is some considerable time eligious excitement at present prevalent in this nood was manifest, occasioned by the visit of women from Scotland, who have lately been hold at Eggles shurn, and which have been atten They are at present occupying the J ring the past week the building was ing. On Sunday evening, so great was the heir addresses, that scores were unable to ya seven went forward to the penitent form ation. Singing, exhortation, and prayer, ting the services, and the earnest and d speakers is of a convincing and passionat appeals to the feelings of the audio n will wish them God speed in their worth fit their fellow-creatures. The meetings

The Ancient Order of Foresters hel rly meeting at the Foresters' Arma Inn, on aing last. The secretary, Mr Gowling, support er officers of the Order, occupied the chair, and the meeting was all transacted with the greatest u despatch. Mr Beadle, an old member, lookin e of the times, suggested that the medical rates be a deputition was annointed to wait more Dr d a deputation was appointed to wait upon Dr. N e subject. After announcing that the funds had as of £10 during the last year from deaths and sick or of £10 d resent state of the exchequer was still ho and over £300), and that nine members had nts made about the annual

Bowlees .- With a view towards aug their chapel funds, the Primitive Methodists of held a demonstration. On Saturday last ee supper, which was well patronised, and the Re neh, along Mr M. Dowson (Harwood), and Mr S tor), addressed a meeting over which Mr W. Xi d. The services were continued on the Sabla gother the efforts made have been fairly successful Hardon and A.

Hudeshope .- A somewhat severe arm is raging up here. It began on Thursday has ow fell incessantly all day long on the hills. There and and the warmth already in the ground prevente in accumulation that day. The day following, h ad up to late on Saturday night, snow had fallen opth of eight inches in the low-lying ground; and ap a considerably ground on the surround

THE THIEVES AT LARGE. HIGH ENCOMIUMS ON THE BARNARD CASTLE POSTMASTER.

OVINGTON, TUESDAY NIGHT. two ago a most audacious robbery was perpetra-village, and the circamstances associated with re formed the theme of general conversation he entire neighbourhood. The shop of Mr John r, was broken into, an entrance having been he use of joiner's tools which had been surrepfrom a mechanic's shop, here, and employed window fastener, and afterwards left on the

bery. Two young women slept in the room o sound were their slumbers that they do not heard anything unusual going on, although that next morning it was discovered that ins that next morning it was discovered that is worth of copper, ten shillings in threepenny xpences, a florin, a quantity of corned beef, some ts, oranges, and three loaves of bread had been o mean booty for the thieves. It was also found eticles had been removed from the window, and d been thoroughly ransacked. The police (Greta Bridge were promptly apprised of the up to the hour of writing not the slightest ieves has been obtained. The police entertain t the miscreants must have had considerable local their more means and guarded. attendance was large and influential. hat it had been expected that Dr. Mitchell, who, as chairman of the little preliminary meeting, would also ave presided on that occasion. However he (Mr their movements were studied and gnarded, phtest disturbance of the usual quietude took other hand wayfarers are suspected, but this is In any event the work was carried out by as not the slightest trace of the thieves was

HENSION OF A RETURNED NVICT AT BARNARD CASTLE.

ing Elizabeth Harrison, alias Clark, alia on ticket of leave, was brought up in custody duties with a degree of courtesy, kindness, and con-ca-tie Pice Station, by Sergt, Rutherford, sideration which had evoked the warmest expressions Munro, with contravening the 5th section ion of Crimes Act, by neglecting to report police on her change of residence. It appeared *Cardia* and other papers produced that the canted at Kendal for a similar offence. In antical at Kendal for a sum in that town, and prisoner appears to have been in that town, and 15th of that month. Gwing to what had come es were instituted as to her whereabouts. She

d Castle, on Monday night, and was caught rd. A remand was applied for until to-day, had really fairly established his character, and had mer will be brought up at a special court. berated on licence on the 3rd of April last. penal servitude does not expire until the 28th

NARD CASTLE POLICE COURT.

it myself nobody else will, and I want to make a had some experience in these matters, and he now beginning." (Laughter). The Chairman was rather recollected that for the Galgate improvements they CREATING & DISTURBANCE. sorry that it had been left to Mr Stephenson himself were £25 in debt. People who wished to subscribe Middleton-in-Teesdale, was charged unk and disorderly at the above town on the 11th P.C. Rutter said that about half-past eleven to make the first move-(more laughter)-but for the would not take the trouble to take their money, and period of about sixty years he had hardly ever been if called upon were often glad to give. They might the night of the date of the offence the defendant the night of the date of the orecree the defendant ling down the street and was creating a disturbance. to his house and afterwards came out with a poker, radvanced with the intention of taking the man y when he was got inside and kept there. He was relevant man. Fined 5s, and the costs. absent from his post-absent he believed but one Sunday-and something was done for him. But so far from his friend being reduced to such a position arise not from any want of sympathy with the move-AN UNGRATEFUL YOUNG BLACEGUARD. a Webster, a wild looking youth, was charged with mage to a plate glass window, the property of Mary t Middleton.in.Teesdale. The particulars were fully in our last issue. Prisoner ripped his clothes to al was absolutely naked in the cells. He appeared bit is clothing supplied by the Workhows on thorities resolution. Mr Hall then moved :k in clothing supplied by the Workhouse authorities ally recommendation which the suit had was that i As regarded testimonials he believed there were a great many differences of opinion, but in this case ever should be brought to bear upon any one, and an's nakedness, and that was as much as I The damage to the window was 30s., and no charge red against the man for throwing tea at the officer. Hodgson: You are an ungrateful young blackguard, sill have to go to prison for a month, with hard it was just that some recognition should be made to that no one, under any circumstances, should be CHARGE OF DRUNKENNESS. Bland, of Potter's Cross, was charged by P.C. th being druuk and disorderly, and was fined 5 Milner and Bobert Wilkinson, school boys, were with doing damage to hay, the property of Dr. Sergeant Ratherford stated that he discovered the the hay-loft. A truss of hay had been loos al the hay strewn about the floor, while the door was --Mr Milner said that his boy had been thrashed al-mercifully, and he had endeavoured in every way to helad. In company with Wilkinson they had been worker which the playing trunnt, and, on the day in question, away from school, and were so afraid to come home y took shelter in the hay-loft. Mrs Wilkinson on mirg where the boys were concealed, took the police to -The Chairman very severely reprimanded both the owere then discharged. were then discharged. "ON THE WRONG BOAD." Pattinson, of Wigglesworth Colliery, was charged akenness, P.C. Saville stated that on the morning day, the 3rd ult., about 3 o'clock, he found the day, the '3rd ult., about 3 o'clock, he found the ti making a noise in King-street, and requested the pohome. He could not tell who he was, and he was p. Defendant said he went out of the town about con the Wednesday night, but he got on to the Stain-dintead of the Woodland road. He returned and saw man up there, who asked him what he was doing. the officer that he had got on the wrong road, where-tille said "This is the road, and I came straight away are, and he locked me up." (Laughter).--Major 1: You have most certainly got on the wrong road. langhter).--Defendant was fined, and he asked for may. of money from time to time. Mr Gibson was a very according to Mr Monkhouse's own wish." slightest murmur. He had, therefore, very great pleasure indeed in proposing the first resolution. Mr R. W. Atkinson had equal pleasure in seconding the resolution. The motion was adopted unanimously. Mr J. H. Holmes then read the following letter A DIRTY TRICK. Cooper, a powerful looking man, was charged by le with committing a nuisance at Whorlton, on wht, at 10 o'clock, the 6th of March. The offence rom the Right Rev. Monsignor Witham, of Lartington Hall :mitted on the green...-Major Hodgson: What do you eutting a figure like that in the village on a Sunday -Defendant: There was no other person about or I thave done it.--Major Hodgson: You will have to the 2s. 6d. and the costs.--Defendant asked to be SIR,-I am sorry that I am detained at home by a bad cold, and am not, therefore, able to preside at his most interesting to the natives of Barnard Castle and other people in the neighbourhood to record their esteem of Mr Monkhouse as to leave the court, and raise the money,-Major said that he certainly had friends in court who hase him.-Defendant: I have plenty of friends, sir, c like myself, they have no money.

NG SHOP ROBBERY AT PROPOSED TESTIMONIAL TO for nothing other than a courteous and overworked official, and they must remember that it was not these public officers who always got the best pay. It

was generally the reverse. (Hear, hear). Mr Winpenny said he had very great pleasure in seconding that resolution, and he thought he would Last Thursday night a public meeting of the in be shortcoming if he did not. Mr Monkhouse and himself had been schoolfellows, and they had been babitants of Barnard Castle was held in the County Court Room, under the presidency of Mr Watson, of constant friends and companions since, and he cer-tainly was one of the most courteous public officers read a letter from the Rev. H. Cleveland, Rector of Thorngate House, the object being to promote a testimonial to Mr John Monkhouse, postmaster, in recognition of the prompt execution of his arduous duties comprehending a long series of years, and as a token f the high 'regard in which he is held as a citizen, post-office orders and on other business.

extending as he has done his courtesy and kindness to rich and poor alike, and to all who sought his aid be has cheerfully and ungrudgingly assisted them. The The Chairmangin opening the proceedings, remarked

motion upon that point. Mr Barker : Give it in money.

Watson) was exceedingly glad to be there, and to Mr Hall: It would depend a very great deal how promote in any way the success of this movement. much you got, and you cannot tell until the money is hey were all aware of the object of the meeting, raised. He advocated the presentation of something which was to recognise in some fitting way the long and faithful services of Mr John Monkhouse, postsubstantial, besides something for Mr Monkhouse's ence to the inspection of dairies, etc., but the central repose in the Cemetery, nor the prisoner in the cells family to look at.

master of this town. All were agreed that he had Mr Holmes: Money is always useful, Mr Hall. uniformly discharged the public duties of his office in a manner which had been entirely satisfactory to the post-office authorities and also to the inhabitants of upon that, and probably we might ascertain what Mr Local Government Board. They had had the matter the wife of the accused, who seemed to be fairly the town ; and, further, he had also discharged those Monkhouse's wishes are in the matter. sideration which had evoked the warmest expressions of gratitude. Personally he was very glad that this might be treasured up by Mr Morkhouse long after Local Government Board were satisfied as well.-The the time, she has not suffered from privation. Like movement had been initiated at a time when they the money was gone or otherwise disposed of.

he had often thought that it was a mistake to wait the family were proud. He would so arrange the -Mr Bowron seconded, and the motion was adopted Weinesday afternoon, at the Police Court, Alexander until a man had nearly completed his services before subscription-list that everybody in the town might unamimously. the value of his work was appreciated. When a man subscribe, even down to a penny.

Mr Barker fayoured an illuminated address and a earned the confidence and esteem of his fellow-townspurse of gold. Mr R. Graham endorsed, and men, it was a mistake to lose time in according to him such recognition as he had fairly earned. He remem-

been seen.

bered a circumstance which happened a good many Holmes that they ought not to canvase, and Mr Wais- the point .- Notice.

I should not have a testimonial. If I don't see about there were those who would give to nothing. He had the water.-The Inspector will further report.

The Chairman observed that a very great many

people had a kindly feeling towards this object, but

understood was this, that the gifts should not only be

Mr Young remarked that he knew that Mr Monk-

upon the people for their offerings. Mr Barker : You must have some organised method

The Chairman again wished it to be well understood

that they were anxious to protect Mr Monkhouse

house would be opposed to canvassing.

of getting it up, or you will not succeed.

TEESDALE RURAL SANITARY DEATH FROM VIOLENCE IN BOARD. The usual monthly meeting of the Teesdale Rural Sanitary Authority was held in the Witham Testi-monial on Wednesday. Mr B. J. Dent presided, and

BELL SETTLE

DAIRIES, ETC.

Alluding to the complaints which had been pre-

there was a good attendance.

do not know about that.

A LODGING HOUSE AT BARNARD CASTLE. PRISONER COMMITTED FOR TRIAL ON

THE CORONER'S WARRANT.

VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER.

The details of the fatal attack in Walker's lodgingthat he had ever had to transact business with. He Romaldkirk, who said :- "In reply to your "eport of house at Barnard Castle were so accurately, promptly, could remember the post-office being at the end of the condition of the house on the Bell Settle Farm, I and fully set forth in our supplement of last week Newgate, and a starvation shop it was to go to for must inform you that when Thomas Raine succeeded that it is hardly necessary to recapituiate the facts of his father he distinctly understood that the rent was the outrage to our more immediately situated readers. The Chairman: The next question the meeting will to be the same on condition that he kept the house in The formal evidence adduced at the inquest and the have to consider is as to what particular form the good repair." He (the Surveyor) understood that the testimony of the witnesses who were examined at the testimonial should take. There are various ways in rev. gentleman had given instructions to have the roof Police Court threw no additional feature of light upon which the money collected could be expended, but r moved .- The Chairman : Don't you think the walls the case, and it was chi fly owing to the fact that the something practical and useful would not be unsuit-able. I shall be glad if any gentleman will make a a new house that is wanted.—The Chairman : Are the space of ten minuter, and that the incidents and they going to put new walls in ?- The Inspector : I the scene of the quarrel were grouped and limited, that we were enabled to place before our readers succinctly the whole of the facts, together with the The Clerk stated that nothing further had been re- antecedents of the prisoner. Happily for the repuceived from the Local Government Board with refer- tation of the town neither the man whose remains

authority had requested them to deal with the matter at the police-station are connected in any way with of re-electing medical officers. They would have to Barnard Castle, in which town they had been but a Mr R. T. Richardson : We had better wait to see decide whether to appoint three as at present, or one few brief hours when the startling event happened. what money we are likely to get before we decide officer for the woole district as recommended by the There is a good deal of sympethy manifested towards discussed before .- The Chairman : And quite settled, bewildered by the untoward circumstances by which The Chairman suggested a purse of gold, accom-was it not ?—The Clerk : Settled so far as you d cicint is be so suddenly found herself surrounded, but it is panied by some not very expensive article which to have three instead of one.—Mr Bowron : And the some satisfaction to know that although penviless at Clerk said they were satisfied so far as the appointment her busband she has led a wandering life, and, might hope that Mr Monkhouse might live to enjoy Mr Hall remarked that at one time they presented for one year was concerned. --Mr Scarre : I propose although occasional bickerings took place, the man the testimonial which they proposed to give him, for the Rev. T. Witham's father with a clock, of which that we appoint the same officers at the same shary. does not appear to have been unkind to his wife. On

> Smith was brought up and placed in the dock. He TUTTA BECK. had a most serious cast of countenance, and Mr Attention was directed to the house at Tuth Beck, Superintendent Thompson said the prisoner in that where a pack of bounds was kept, and it was alleged case was charged with causing the death of John that the water was rendered impure, and that Dr Connor in one of the common lodging-houses in the Mr Waistell remarked that it had been said by Mr Mitchell, the medical officer, was qui'e positive upon town, the previous night. Shortly after nine o'clock

bered a circumstance which happened a good many years ago, when the late parish clerk came to him and said, "If you please, sir, I think there are a good deal of folks getting testimonials, and I don't see why be found who were willing to give to anything, and deal of folks getting testimonials, and I don't see why the point. --route. How is worth noor HEAD. Attention was called to the glebe hand of the Rev. be found who were willing to give to anything, and the point. --route. Interpoint the prisoner, who was tought a thread to be allowed to bring some beer in, but Walker doclined. The deceased said something which displeased the prisoner, and the former was getting off his seat when he was struck by ormer was getting off his seat when he was struck by Smith and knocked down. When down Connor was kicked by Smith. A doctor was sent for and the minutes. As the inquest would be held on the following day he should only call such evidence as said : Last night I was in Wa ker's lodging-house, when some altercation took place between the prisoner and the deceased. This was between nine and halfpast. Prisoner asked Walker if he would allow him o bring in some beer for his wife's supper. Walker refused, and Connor put in his word in favour of Walker, and prisoner and him got into a little argument .- The Chairman : Connor said something in favour of the landlord about bringing the beer in ?-Yes; he said that was right. They had a few words T didn't do it THE INQUEST.

sadly wanted spouting. It was the property of the police communicated with, but the man died in a few The Inspector : I say, per se it is. (Loud laughter) would justify a remand. Peter Parkinson, a joiner For want of spouting brought on dampness, and by trade, but who is now a travelling saw-sharpener, Mr Graham submitted his annual report, which was and fighting was mentioned. Prisoner said the floor Mr Monkhouse for the services which he had rendered shamed into a subscription. He took it that the full of interesting details, reading as follows :- | was good, and they could have it there, and the other o the town. Mr Monkhouse was a native of Barnard committee who went round simply gave the public an "I beg to present to you my annual report of the work one said there was more room cutside. He got up Castle, although not like himself he had not lived the opportunity of giving without leaving their houses, done as Sanitary Inspector of the Teesdale Union either to go outside or to light his pipe, and the whole of his life in the town, but since his return to and this he held was not canvassing, but a courteous during the past year. I have from time to time been prisoner struck him. The only words be said after the whole of his life in the town, but since his return to and this he not and this he not and the best gent. I have from time to time occur prisoner struck nim. The only words he said after the Barnard Castle, and his appointment to the office of mission undertaken to expedite the collection of the over different parts of the Union, and frequently first blow were "that's enough," and prisoner struck postmaster, his kindness and urbanity were worthy of every recognition, more especially as these excellences had not been extended alone to partizans or favourites. His kindness had been an all-round kindness, and his Wr H. J. Grieveson had never met a better official, Mr H. J. Grieveson had never met a better official, Mr M. Monte describing the places where they existed and the means taken by order of the Board and myself to Connor never struck, did he?-Never, Sir.-Mr advice and assistance had been freely given to the nor a more courteous and kindly man than Mr Monk- remedy the same, which have been duly laid before Thompson: On what part of the body did he kick poorest people in the town. If there was a hard house, who was always ready to meet anyone fully this Board at the monthly meetings. I am very him?-He kicked him about the head.-Mr Thompin the place it was Mr Monkhouse, who left half-way. If they had an idea what the chief sub- pleased to be able to report the entire district to be in son: After he had been on the floor some time did worker in the place it was Mr Monkhouse, who let had way. It they had an idea what the other would be most likely other people would a good sanitary condition and free, I believe, from you go to his assistance?—Yes, sir.—Walker left him his bed each succeeding morning a little after six scriptions would be, most hard point would be measure their gifts accordingly. He thought a purse any cases of infectious diseases. Many sanitary on the form and he fell off on to the floor again, and of gold with a clock and an inscription might take the improvements have been and are being carried out so I got up from my seat and set him in a sitting night. His willingness to undertake work outside the official duties was most marked, and they were all aware how fully Mr Monkhouse's time was taken up. Nevertheless this did not deter him, on the death of Nevertheless this did not deter him, on the death of Mr Gibson, from undertaking the supervision of certain form of a purse of gold, and either a timepiece with Open channels at both sides of the road, finished my arms about six minutes from the time of my charities in the town, which entailed the distribution an inscription upon it or an illuminated address, covering them in. Egglestone: Privies belonging to gathering him up. From the time the man was hit Lead Co. altered from water to earth closets. Gain- the deceased lived about ten minutes .- John Walker, of money from time to time. Mr Gibson was a very old friend of their worthy postmaster, and Mr Monk-house took upon himself this extra work without the should be left entirely open until Mr Monkhouse had water supply of the dwelling-house. Dr. Homfray's posed to offer at this stage.-The Chairman : Have sewerage matters put into order. Middleton : Public you anything to say why you should not be remandwater works taken over by this Board, and the pipes, ed?-Prisoner: I have nothing to say more than he Mr B. Hepworth: I should rather call it calling] taps, &c., repaired and put into thorough order. was as bad as me as regards fighting.

r depth on the surroun where, whose flocks, in many instances, had g ors, were astir betimes, and past experience has o be sharp and look alive. Garden work, w laces had been going on briskly, is brought to a The woods, which for some time now have been

song, are dreary and mute, and trout angl ust beginning to ply the gentle art, have betal s-to bed. The storm, it seems, was hardly expe-r, in fact, was thought by many to have gone-alt torm had been predicted by a local weather pr my Williamson, for some time. Folks have have ver, as they did at our old ancestor before the floo wonki fain have ridicaled our worthy old neighbe even, as they will be one interestor before the floo ange grower," who has faithfully predicted wha ing. In all probability an almanack will soon appen h most likely will be found reliable forecasts ther, war, and earthquakes, and amongst other ter, hints on "Taty lifting," and "The destruct one woode"

Holwick .- The Township Meeting ed for two p.m. on Saturday, and at the began. Mr Robt. Raine presided, and the lat he management of the late presided, and the inter-bearers were all re-elected unanimously. A deput he management of the late postal business after red and laid their balance sheet before the ma-showed they were indebted to messenger, &c., up All present who had not already paid their sub (annothing like 2a 3d, each) paid up cheerfoll

ing like 2s. 3d. each) paid up chee

THE NORTH-EASTERN COUNT SCHOOL.

quarterly meeting of governors was h Trevelyan Hotel, Darington, on Friday last, residency of the Rev. Canon Dwarris. of Durham was appointed chairman, an v. Canon Dwarris and Mr W. Watson, vice-c Messrs Morritt and Fawcet retire from and Finance Committee, and are succeed Rev. Canon Brown and Mr Jervas. The er, the Rev. F. L. Brereton, reports

a school has grown in numbers from 129 in Jam to 214 at the beginning of the present term. This ise has of course been attended with temporary di if organization and management which must to thave affected both the expenditure of the year an attonal results. The results of the Cambridge 1 mination in December have only partially been to. The full tables will not be published until the month. Twenty-four boys obtained certificates, g placed in the first division of the first-class, which ed only 110 names. One obtained second-class has been distinctions were gained by the school :-Fr mistry and heat, three in mathematics, two in dr one n English. Fenwick, our head boy, gained the 8 offered by the University to the best junior. (anty-four boys who passed, 17 had been pupils in the at least two years, and the three who obtained he has grown in numbers from 129 in Ja

es years. Only one school in England, Live gained more distinctions in chemistry and tenderson, who went up in October to Cambridge ders' Exhibition of £40 a year, has been elected [athematical Scholarship of £35 for three yes sh College. On the whole the health of the is the year has been very satisfactory. Two ca wendish College. On the whole the health of the s ring the year has been very satisfactory. Two cas lectious disease, which were brought into the school boys returned after the Midsummer holidays, were ally isolated in the Head Master's House. I have, it to report the sad death, this term, from inflammatic longs, of Richard Garth, a boy who will be rememb the school for his excellent character and good infla-try-three boys competed in the examinition in Dees the Flounders' and St. John's Scholarahips. These anded to David Mosses, Westmoreland Road Board Sch weastle; Thomas C. Armstrong, National School, Che treet; W. Lockey, National School, Startforth; Sep terson, Wesleyan School, Startforth ; -terson, Wesleyan School, Barnard Castle. Mellaz key left the school at Christmas, and their ps are consequently vacant for one year. W. F. the Eden Colliery School, and J. T. Birtwhistle, mingham National School, were elected to these; ter did not accept. The following is a table of ent School since Easter, 1886 :--

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Young's, Watchmaker, Jeweller, Gold mith, Optician and Fancy Goods Dealer, H d Castle, and purchase one of his Fine ng Rings, they are the best and the cheaper trict, and he gives a good and useful pre atill go to J. T. Young's, he is sole agent Laurance's world famed spectacles an

cert on the Fells.—On Thursday a Temperance Concert and entertainme men employed at the Greenhurth Teesdale. Though snow had been falling eral miners from Harwood also put in mines, nce. The worthy captain of the se, presided, and, with the assistance

Mr Holmes also read the following letter from Mr check. EGGLESTONE. R. A. Morritt, J.P., Rokeby Park :cert at Egglestone.—A verv successful and entertainment, in aid of the Jubilee Reading Iding Fund, was held in the National School-room, at on Saturday evening sen. Mr T. D. Bolton thair. The brass band opened the programme Wchair. The orass band opened the programme the "Little Soldiers' Waltz." Songs were excel-lered by Miss H. Brown, "Where are you going to, maid;" Mr W. Raine, "Use a little oil;" Miss ssie's Dream; "Mr J. Armstrong, "I did it" and ical Wife;" Mr G. Hurworth, "There's bigger fools the army;" Miss Fernley, "Home, Sweet Home;" rown, "Maid of the Mill," in faultless style; Mr R. "Town, "Maid of the Mill," in faultless style; Mr R. when to be presented. Mr Holmes, continuing, said the following communild England's still the same; " a skipping Ir Deighton, of Bishop Auckland; a piano le March of Delhi," was well given by Miss ornet solo by Mr G. Bainbridge, "There's cation had been received from the Rev. George Hales, Rector of Barningham and Rural Dean :--

Rector of Darningnam and Rurat Dean :--DEAR MR. WITHAM,-I am exceedingly sorry that an engagement at church on Thursday, 10th, prevents my attending the meeting concerning the testimonial to Mr Monkhouse, for there is no man living who has done better to oblige everyone than he. I shall be very glad to be my mite when the "plate goes round." I am also very sorry not to support your worthy self by the presence of my unworthy person e awarded every prise. The programme a nigger farce, "That Boy Pete," which y excellent way, Mr J. Hurworth taking the Mr Hood and Miss M. Armstrong accom-e songs. The singing of "God save the a pleasant meeting to a close.

WOODLAND.

Mr Holmes then read the last letter from the Rev. Another of the series of Enter-H. Cleveland, Rector of Romaldkirk, which was as the Woodland School-room, took place or the 12th inst. Mr Thomas Shipley, mana follows :--Collard Collieries, presided on the occasion, and entertainment with a few appropriate remarks the explained that the proceeds of the concer-ided to the "School Attendance Encouragement "capital programme of vocal and instrumenta then gone through by the following artistes :-"; the Brothers MacVays, Howden-le-Wear eVay and Mr. G. Jackaman, Staindrop. A little DEAE ME MONEHOUSE.—I have always met with so much kindness and courtesy from you that I shall have great pleasure in subscribing to the proposed testimonial. Mr R. Barker said that it had fallen to his lot to move the next resolution, which was as follows :--

That all the gentlemen present constitute a committee for the purpose of collecting subscriptions, and that accounts be opened at the banks, and at the shops of all the tradesmen, for the purpose of receiving the subscriptions. He had real pleasure in moving that resolution, was occasioned, by some cause or other. It was occasioned, by some cause or other, at hained, at the nou-appearance of an accompanist ected up to the commencement of the concert; the combined kindness of Miss Yates and Mr hat difficulty was soon overcome. The Brothers I sustained their previous endeavours in amusing with their really excellent delineations of negro ad the duct, "God Bless Erin," was feelingly "ell reasived by the growdad audience Master because they were acknowledging the services of a very courteous and obliging public officer. There were public officials who tried to be accommodating, with their really excellent defineations of negro di the duct, "God Bless Erin," was feelingly ell received by the crowded audience. Master a entranced his hearers with his Irish ballads, stonishing for a child of such tender years. Our dackaman, was again quite "At home" with songs, sentiment, and music; his "Old Man's ad "The Races" met with genuine applause; and "The Races" met with genuine applause; and proformance on his favourite instrument nothing short of an accomplished concertinist. raise cannot be bestowed upon Mr Shipley, the these entertainments, for the able manner in ers for the people's amusement in Woodland, at

and there were those who tried to be the reverse, bu he had not the least hesitation in saying that Mr Monkhouse was the most courteous and accommodating officer he had ever met, and that was saying a good deal. He remembered an incident once happening many years ago at Barnard Castle. At that time

stamps were supplied to the public in the street through a window, one pane of glass baving been

Throat Irritation and Cough.-Soreness

whom Mr Monkhouse had come in contact.

SPOUTING IN LUNEDALE. The Inspector noticed a house in Lunedale which Earl of Strathmore .- Mr Scarre did not see that the want of spouting was a nuisance. Not per se .-dampness brought on cold, cold superinduced chest they now had a very respectable representative meeting, and he now called upon Mr Hall to move the first subscriptions.

The report of Dr Atkinson was to the effect that the general health of the Middleton District was fairly That this meeting approves of the proposed testimonial to Mr Monkhouse, and of the initiative taken by the Right Rev. Monsignor Witham, and pledges itself to promote the understood was this that the gifts should not be thoroughly of the Staindrop District, and had found no infectious disease existing. This immunity from infectious diseases was probably due to the dry season.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR.

Public sewer up to the top of the Bridge Read. I was very sorry it should happen.-The Chairman : Romaldkirk : A public sewer put in. I must remark That does not affect the remand .- Prisoner : No; that on my rounds I get many sanitary defects I have rothing to say against a remand .- The Chairremedied without reporting the same, by personal man : Well, then, you stand remanded till this day interviews at the time, as all appear wishful, as far as week .- Prisoner was removed. possible, to carry out the Public Health Act. I must

ing, and the way he had suggested would undoubtedly thank the medical officer of each district for the very accomplish that and would be satisfactory to everykind and valuable assistance so readily given me, with-

out which I could not have carried out my several Mr Barningham said that there should be some way duties; likewise the Guardians for their many suggestions and this Board for the universal kindness accorded me."-Some minor defects having been reported, the Board adjourned.

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

gifts of the people were of double value, and he yielded

spring Grove, Barnard Castle, March 8th, 1887. Spring Grove, Barnard Castle, March 8th, 1887. Sir,—As you inserted in your last an interesting account from an eye witness of the earthquake on the Riviera, you may perhaps kindly be able to make room for the enclosed statement and appeal from a friend of mine living at bordighera—a place which lies midway between San Remo and Mentome. There may be some readers of your paper who is the part nor lot in it. It was the unrestrained action of his fellow-townsmen and the residents of the neighbourhood which had found expression in that

W. FRANK CURTOYS. THE EARTHQUAKES IN ITALT. Villa Boschereccia, Bordighera, Italy. Although accounts of the carthquake have appeared in the London papers, it is doubtful whether English people gener-ally have any idea of the extent of the catastrophe. One village at least in this province has practically ceased to exist, many villages are almost depopulated, and within a compar-atively small area may be found hundreds of families houseless, and in some instances destitute. In some places the shops, &c., containing the necessaries of life, have been destroyed, and the survivors are threatened with starvation. Measures of relief are being devised by the authorities, and by private benevolence, but money is urgently needed. Any filled the town. (Hear, hear). However, it was now too late to reflect, but he had no hesitation in saying by private benevolence, but money is urgently needed. Any sums, however small, which may be sent to me will be handed to the local committee for the relief of the sufferers. 1st March, 1887. H. DK BURGH DALY. that the same kindness which had been spoken to that night would have been extended to everyone with

joint treasurers, and Mr J. H. Holmes was elected secretary to the movement. A list of sixteen can-vassers was then made up, and for a few minutes the meeting became informal. Eventually, on the motion of Mr H. K. Spark, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman, who very gracefully acknowledged the compliment, and the proceedings then terminated.

On Thursday an inquest was opened in the long room of the Oddfellows' Arms, Bridgegate, before Mr Coroner Dean, the jurors being Messrs J. Harris, R. Brown, T. M. Bell, W. Lockey, J. Thompson (foreman), W. Longstaff, J. Wandless, W. A. Hall, H. Etherington, G. Elliott, C. Hodgson, and J. Wray. The evidence was a reproduction of that already adduced, the only witness whose testimony was new and of immortance, as showing the state of the decosed's body being adduced, the only witness whose testimony was new and of importance, as showing the state of the deccased's body, being that of Dr. Alfred Sevier, who stated that on Tuesday night he was called to John Connor, and found him lying on the floor of the lodging house dead. That morning he had made a post-mortem examination, in conjunction with Dr. Mitchell. The body was fairly well nourished. There were numerous old bruise on several parts of the hour and y register projects who ld bruises on several parts of the body, and varicose veins o the leg, on which he wore a bandage. There were recent bruises over the left forehead and right cheek, and two small There were recent cuts just behind the right car. On opening the head he found the membranes adhering to the skull; beneath the membrane a quantity of extravasated blood all over the surface of the brain, and particularly at the base, where the blood was clotted. I and particularly at the base, where the blood was clotted. In the interior of the brain there was also a quantity of blood. The spinal cord was in a similar condition. There was no fracture in any part of the skull, only a small crack or fissure at the base of the left side. The condition of the heart and lungs was normal, the stomach distended with food partially digested. There was no sign of disease in the intestines. The cause of death extravasation of blood over the surface of the brain and the signal cord, which might have negative form he brain and the spinal cord, which might have resulted from the blow or kick over the head. In summing up the evidence the Coroner said now that he had heard what the witnesses had to say he was not of opinion that it was a case of wilful murder. Apparently, either by word or action, the two men had agreed to fight together; anyhow their actions showed hat there was a mutual disposition to fight, and Smith did not strike the blows with the intention of killing the deceased, though his unlawful act had resulted.—The jury then returned a verdict of manslaughter. The funeral of deceased took place shortly after the inquest, and was followed along Bridgegate by two men who were acquainted with the deceased. A few minutes after other six men, out of the lodging-house where the alternation took place, joined the procession to the Churck Cemetery, where four inmates from the Workhouse bore the coffin from the hearse to the grave. The coffin was plain but substantial, and had inscribed on the lid: "John Connor, aged and the Rev. W. F. Curtoys, curate, read the burial service. — The prisoner will be brought up for the magisterial

examination, to-day.

BIRTHS. At Cotherstone, on the 4th ult, the wife of Mr J. R. Alder-

a, of a daughter. stone, on the 13th ult., the wife of Mr J. Clarkson, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

MARKIAGES, On March 3rd, at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, Middle-ton-in-Teesdale, by the Rev. William Alex. French, Mr Jabez Gargate, of Gate-side, Newbiggin, to Miss Anna Beadle, of Mickleton.

neighbourbood which had found expression in that

meeting, and whilst of course it was far from their intention in any way to place Mr Monkhouse in a false position, they would be guided by a strict regard to what was just and right. He had one word to add. It had occurred to him that if they had postponed this movement until the summer they might have been materially assisted by the visitors who usually

The whole of the bank managers in the town (Messre Cooke, Hopkinson and Dent), were then appointed joint treasurers, and Mr J. H. Holmes was elected WOMEN PREACHERS

Spring Grove, Barnard Castle, March 8th, 1887

I. A. MOTFILT, J.F., ROKEDY FARE: MY DEAR WITHAN,—I had intended talking to you yester-day about a circular I got sent by you in regard to the testimonial to Mr Monkhouse, postmaster, Barnard Castle. I hat testimonials of all sorts, but I have so great a respect for Mr Monkhouse that I am anxious to show my just appreciation of the efficient and obliging manner in which he fulfils his duties. I shall not be able to attend the meeting on Thursday, the hour is so inconvenient, but I should like to know what form the testimonial is proposed to take, and when to be presented. I the Chairman said it was simply the intention of the promoters that the committee should wait upon the public. Nothing more. If a gentleman said he had subscribed then there was an end of it. Mr Morrell bore testimony to the kindly and course of his remarks he was understood to deprecate is of the people were of double value. and he vielded

The Chairman said it was simply the intention of Letters to the Editor.

postmaster of Barnard Castle for so many years, and who has conducted his department with the greatest courtesy to individuals and assiduity to the public in general. I antici-pate his merits will be recognised by a most handsome subscription, and have great pleasure in subscribing five guineas towards the testimonial.

Thread in the properties and a set of the properties and the properise and the properties and the propertis and the pro Adeline and Annette Polglase (Harmour iolin), Mr G. B. Livens of Newcastle (Flute), o. Gargate (Violin), an enjoyable evening CASTLE CATTLE, SHEEP, AND MARKET. Yesterday.-By Special Official Despatch. supply of stock about the same as last rather dull, prices viz.:- s. d. 0 . to 6 to er stone of 141b)4 per lb., sinking offal)0 5 to Nos. Shown :--Cattle.......2,130 4,240 Sheep.