

REV. CHARLES EYRE, LL.D.

1849.

Monsignor Eyre, as he was called during his residence in Newcastle, was a son of John Lewis Eyre, of an ancient Roman Catholic family, and was born November 7, 1817. Educated at Ushaw College, he proceeded to Rome in 1839, and completed his studies, being ordained priest in 1842, and appointed by Pope Gregory XVI. one of his chamberlains. He came to St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Newcastle, in 1843, and the following year was transferred to St. Mary's Cathedral. In 1861 he was appointed one of the canons of the Cathedral chapter, and in 1866 vicar general of the diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. He left Newcastle in 1868 to become Archbishop of the Western District and Delegate Apostolic for Scotland, and ultimately Archbishop of Glasgow, and there on the 27th of March, 1902, aged 85, he died.

Monsignor Eyre entered our Society in 1849, and although he did not add much to our literature, he was a fairly good attender at our meetings, and frequently took part in our discussions. He was the means of rescuing from the melting pot, in 1858, the last remnant of the brass effigy of Sir Aymer de Athol, formerly in the Athol Chantry, or Trinity Chapel, of St. Andrew's Church, Newcastle, and it now has an appropriate resting place in our Museum. His communications to the Society's proceedings were the following:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

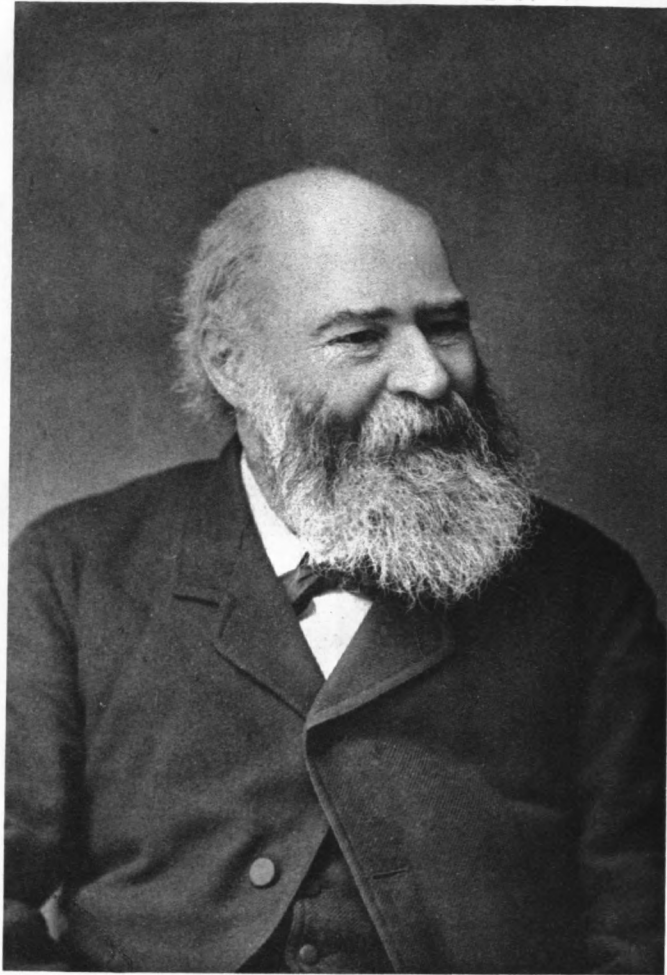
St. Cuthbert's Ring. With Illustrations. P. 66.

Vol. iii.

Letters from Mr. J. D. Evans, of Berwick, relative to recent Discoveries at Coldingham Priory. Pp. vi, viii.

Letters of Fraternity granted by the Friars Minor, Newcastle. P. 146.

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W. H. D. LONGSTAFFE.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

The History of St. Cuthbert, or, an Account of his Life, Decease and Miracles; of the Wanderings with his Body at intervals during cxxiv years; of the State of his Body from his decease until A.D. 1542; and of the various Monuments. 1849.

Two or three books on Religion.

WILLIAM HYLTON DYER LONGSTAFFE, F.S.A.

1850.

The most eminent all-round antiquary of which the Newcastle Society can boast, was undoubtedly Mr. W. H. D. Longstaffe. Born at Norton, near Stockton-on-Tees, September 2, 1826, he was educated at the Free Grammar school of his native village till the age of sixteen, and then, owing to the death of his father, his education ceased. He obtained employment in a solicitor's office at Thirsk, and in 1845, went to Darlington as clerk in the office of Mr. J. S. Peacock, an attorney in good practice, whose wife was a daughter of Francis Mewburn, chief bailiff of that town. Mr. Mewburn became interested in the young man, introduced him to Mr. Robert Henry Allan of Blackwell Grange, the descendant of munificent contributors, with pen and purse, to local history and local authors. With the aid of these two gentlemen—their libraries, their local muniments and their collections of ancient records—Mr. Longstaffe made rapid advances in the study of archaeology and in kindred pursuits. Three years after his arrival in Darlington he announced the intended publication of a history of that town, and within a few months part i, which contained about one fourth of the volume, was issued to the subscribers.

Mr. Longstaffe came to Gateshead, in the summer of 1850, as assistant to Mr. William Kell, the town clerk of that borough. To him he was, the following year, articled, and in due time became his partner and eventually his successor. He joined our

Society in November of the same year, and in January, 1851, read his first paper. It had the somewhat pretentious title of 'The Sun of the Plantagenet, the Crescent of Percy, and the Star of Vere,' but was never printed. Then began a career of activity in antiquarian pursuits, and of contributions to antiquarian literature that finds no parallel in local annals. No matter what the topic might be—heraldry, numismatics, church architecture, local history and biography, ancient land tenure, folk lore, anything and everything that was curious, abstruse, or obscure, received fresh elucidation from his vigorous and facile pen. His hand was never idle, till old age cramped his fingers and infirmities dulled his brain.

It was chiefly through his influence that the size of our *Archaeologia* was reduced from quarto to octavo. He was appointed editor and his contributions were numerous and valuable. Calculating roughly, his papers, in our first nine issues of the octavo series, cover 660 pages, equal to two and a half ordinary volumes. In reading them one is struck by the industry and research which they disclose, the painstaking accuracy of statement, evident throughout, and the remarkable style in which they are written—terse, pointed, and clear.

In 1855 he joined the Surtees Society, and in 1859 was elected a vice-president, while he was a co-founder of the Architectural and Archaeological Society of Durham and Northumberland in 1861, and a member of the Berwickshire Naturalists Club from 1862. His early friend, Mr. R. H. Allan, conditionally bequeathed to him the sum of £1,000, in the hope of attracting him to the task of completing Surtees's history of Durham. But although he collected a vast amount of material for that undertaking he ultimately allowed the bequest to lapse.

In Gateshead, Mr. Longstaffe was a 'man of mark.' He joined the Mechanics' Institute there, became a member of committee and for a time was co-secretary to the institution. He

succeeded Mr. Kell as hon. secretary to Gateshead Dispensary from 1862 to 1875, was twice chosen as vicar's warden at vestry meetings, in 1865 became a member of the Gateshead 'Four and Twenty,' was clerk of Felling local board from 1868 to 1878, and of the local board of Hebburn from 1873 to 1875.

Mr. Longstaffe died on the 4th of February, 1898. Over the door of our Council Chamber the skill of the portrait painter keeps his memory ever green.

Here follows a list of his principal writings:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. i.

Local Muniments. Pp. 23, 61.

Case and Opinion on the Rating of Church Lands, etc., in the County of Durham, 1630. P. 51.

Francis Radcliffe, first Earl of Derwentwater. P. 95.

The Procession at the Funeral of Sir Ralph Milbanke, Bart., 1748. P. 131.

Some Account of the House in the Close, Newcastle, on the East Side of the Tuthill Stairs. P. 140.

Vol. ii.

Local Muniments from the Vestry of St. Margaret's, Durham, and other sources. P. 25.

Cardinal Wolsey's Instructions to his Officers at Durham. P. 39.

The Banner and Cross of St. Cuthbert. Illustrated. P. 51.

The Tenures of Middleton St. George and some account of the House of Killinghall. Illustrated. P. 69.

Bishop Bek's Charter of Lands at Nettlesworth. P. 107.

The Hinde Papers. P. 127.

Early Mention of Coffee in Durham. P. 136.

The Heirs General to Radclyffe of Derwentwater and the Heirs Male to Dacre of Greystock. P. 137.

Is the Cathedral within the City of Durham? P. 203.

The Attempt to Annex Gateshead to Newcastle in 1575. P. 219.

The Market and Fair at Gateshead. From the Gateshead Vestry Records. P. 226.

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Chantry and Forfeited Lands in Yorkshire and Durham. P. 20.

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Stainton in the Street. Illustrated. P. 73.

- The Church of Guyzance. P. 129.
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- The Hereditary Sacerdotage of Hexham. P. 11.
The New Castle-upon-Tyne. Illustrated. P. 45.
The Old Heraldry of the Percies. Illustrated. P. 157.

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- Gwyn's Memoir. P. 133.
Hexham Church. P. 150.

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- Winston. Illustrated. P. 24.
Ancient Chirurgery. P. 58.
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Silver Relics of the 16th and 17th Centuries. P. 97.
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The Arms of Wycliffe. P. 192.
The Works of Prior Castell. P. 201.
The Earliest Coins of Durham. P. 234.
Notice of a Find of Coins at the Shaw Moss, near Hesleyside. P. 238.

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- Postscript to Rev. D. H. Haigh's Paper on the Coins of the Danish Kings of Northumberland. P. 72.
Durham and Sadberge: Pagan Period. P. 89.
The Stained Glass of Durham Cathedral. P. 125.
The Architectural History of the Manor House and Tower or Castle of Hilton. Illustrated. P. 143.
Legends connected with Hylton Castle. P. 153.
Durham and Sadberge: The Early Chronicles. P. 196.
Tapestry in Appleby Castle. P. 205.
The Screen and Chancel Arrangements of Darlington Church. P. 240.

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- Coventina. P. 88.
The Western Stations. P. 154.
Escombe Church. P. 281.
The Northern Stations of the Notitia. P. 287.

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William Gray, the Author of the *Chorographia*. P. 61.

Vol. xiii.

Unused Evidences relating to S. Cuthbert and S. Bede.

Vol. xv.

On Norton Church. Illustrated. P. 1.

On Married and Hereditary Priests. P. 14.

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On Records of the Incorporated Companies. P. 18.

On Beltingham Chapel. P. 34.

On Bamborough Church and Castle. P. 55.

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On Ryton Parish Church. P. 54.

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The Corbridge Seal. P. 9.

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Norman Parts of Haughton-le-Skerne Church. P. 53.

On the Piscina of St. John's Church, Newcastle. P. 232.

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Leter on 'The Darlington Pamphlet.' P. 130.

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History of Hartness and Hartlepool. P. xii.

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On Thirsk Church. P. lxi.

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The Early History of Ebchester, Friarside, and Medomsley. Illustrated.
P. 125.

St. Nicholas's Church, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. P. 135.

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On Anchorages in Churches. P. v.

On Chester-le-Street Church and Lumley Castle. P. vii.

SURTEES SOCIETY VOLUMES.

The Acts of the High Commission Court within the Diocese of Durham.
Vol. 34.

Tonge's Heraldic Visitation of the Northern Counties. Vol. 41.

Memoirs of the Life of Mr. Ambrose Barnes. Vol. 50.

Co-edited also a volume of Miscellanea, Vol. 37, and Extracts from the
Halmote Court, or Manor Rolls of the Prior and Convent of Durham, A.D.
1296-1384. Vol. 82.

HISTORY OF THE BERWICKSHIRE NATURALISTS' CLUB.

Vol. vi.

On a Find of Groats at Embleton, ranging from Edward III to Edward IV.
P. 121.

NUMISMATIC CHRONICLE. SERIES II.

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Northern Evidence on the Short Cross Question. P. 162.

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On the Distinctions between the Pennies of Henry IV, V, and VI. P. 21.

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On the Distinctions between the Pennies of Henry IV, V, and VI. P. 256.

Vol. xi.

Did the Kings of England between Edward III and Henry VI coin Money
at York on their own Account? P. 193.

ST. JAMES'S MAGAZINE, 1849-50.

Gatherings for a Garland of Bishoprick Blossoms. P. 97 *et seq.*

Notes from Northumbria. P. 275 *et seq.*

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

The Hylton Chaplets of Fugitive Leaves and Fading Flowers. Twelve
Booklets, 1852.

Fragments sometime out of Mind. n.d. [1852?].

Richmondshire: Its Ancient Lords and Edifices: A Concise Guide to the Localities of Interest to the Tourist and Antiquary. With Short Notices of Memorable Men. Illustrated, 1852.

Durham Before the Conquest. In Proceedings of the Archaeological Institute's Meeting in Newcastle, 1852.

History of the Parish of Darlington in the Bishopric. 1854.

Kitty Dyer. 1883.

The Old Official Heraldry of Durham, and other pamphlets reprinted from our *Archaeologia*.

ALBERT WAY, F.S.A.

1850.

Albert Way, born at Bath in 1805, only son of the Rev. Lewis Way, of Stanstead Park, near Racton, in Sussex, was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated B.A. in 1829, and proceeded M.A. in 1834. He was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London in 1839, and was a director of that Society from 1842 to 1846. He was elected a member of our Society on May 1, 1850, and was on terms of personal friendship with its patron, the fourth Duke of Northumberland. In this connection a story is told: 'You see,' said the Duke, who was signing some documents, 'that in writing my name I have to go labouring on NORTH UMBERLAND, while you simply write A W A Y, and *away* you go!' Mr. Way was one of the founders of the Royal Archaeological Institute, and in the third volume of the *Journal* of that Society, there is from his pen, an interesting paper on coffin chalices. He died at Cannes, March 22, 1874. He seems to have made only one contribution to local literature.

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. v.

Remarks or Notices on the Corbridge Lanx. P. 166.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

Promptorium Parvulorum sive Clericorum. Camden Soc. Vols. xxv, liv, lxxxix.

SIR WILLIAM LAWSON, BART.

Hon. Member, 1852.

Sir William Lawson, of Brough Hall, Catterick, Yorkshire, born May 8, 1796, succeeded to the estates of his uncle, Sir Henry Lawson, of Brough Hall, whose name and arms he assumed by Royal licence May 5, 1834. He was created a baronet September 8, 1841, and died June 22, 1865. Sir William contributed several interesting documents to our *Archaeologia Aeliana*, series II, among which are to be noted:—

Vol. i.

Inventarium Omnium Bonorum Hugonis Filii Elyae De Richemund, et Julianæ Uxoris suae. P. 196.

Vol. ii.

The Churches of Durham and Hexham. The Lawson MS. P. 1.

Local Muniments. Illustrated. P. 10.

Leaden Box and Crosses from Richmond. (Dr. Charlton's Paper.) P. 46.

Vol. iv.

Cessation of the Bishops of Hexham. (Mr. Longstaffe's Paper.) P. 11.

MATTHEW WHEATLEY.

1852.

Was the son of Matthew Wheatley, iron merchant in the Stockbridge. Born in 1801, he joined the Society in 1852, and on the retirement of John Fenwick from the post of treasurer, took up the duties, and held the office till his death on the 30th July, 1862. He contributed nothing to our literature, but was a very steady attender at the meetings, and sometimes took the chair. Mr. Robert White, whose biography follows, stated at a meeting of our Society held November 5th, 1862, that Mr. Wheatley was connected with the family of Anthony Wheatley, the maternal uncle of Brand the historian. Mr. John Clayton, who was chairman at the meeting following his death, is reported

to have spoken in feeling terms of the deceased, describing him as 'a graduate of Trinity College, Cambridge, who retained, *inter fumum et opes strepitumque*, his predilection for the study of classical antiquities and whose services as treasurer were admirable.'

ROBERT WHITE.

1852.

Son of a border farmer, was born at Clock Mill, near the gipsy village of Yetholm, on the 17th September, 1802. While yet a boy his father removed to Otterburn and there his school days flowed by. At the age of twenty-three he came to Newcastle, entered the counting house of Robert Watson, brassfounder in the High Bridge, and remained there for forty years. In 1829 he wrote his first poem, 'The Tynemouth Nun,' which John Adamson liked so well that he printed it among the Topographical Society's tracts. Having thus flushed his pen he began to write somewhat copiously on matters relating to local legend, story and song. The closing volumes of the *Newcastle Magazine*, the three volumes forming the legendary division of Richardson's *Table Book* and the columns of the *Gateshead Observer* abound in his contributions. Several of his songs, for he was an apt rhymmer, are to be found in the famous *Whistle Binkie* collection, Whitelaw's *Book of Scottish Song*, and Rogers's *Scottish Minstrel*. He wrote for our Society seven historical papers, and was for many years a member of council. He died on the 20th of February, 1874. His writings include the following:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. i.

The Battle of Neville's Cross, fought 17th October, 1346. P. 271.

Vol. iii.

The Battle of Flodden, fought 9th September, 1513. With two plans. P. 197.

Vol. v.

Bishop Ruthall's Letter on the Battle of Flodden. P. 175.

Vol. vi.

On the Temperament and Appearance of Robert Burns. P. 22.

Notes of a Tour in Scotland. P. 49.

A List of the Scottish Noblemen and Gentlemen who were killed at Flodden Field. P. 69.

Vol. vii.

Biographical Notice of Mr. John Hodgson Hinde. P. 229.

RICHARDSON'S LOCAL HISTORIAN'S TABLE BOOK. LEGENDARY DIVISION.

Vol. i.

The Man Stealer Baffled: An Incident of Tynedale. P. 10.

Edward the First at Newcastle, A.D. 1296. P. 22.

Followers of Prince Charles in Redesdale. P. 29.

George Coughron's Farewell to Coquetdale. P. 65.

The Smuggler of Cheviot. A Border Tradition. P. 81.

Sonnet on the Historian of Northumberland. P. 88.

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Card-playing for Geese. P. 115.

Earl Moray's Capture. P. 119.

Meg of Meldon: A Northumberland Tradition. P. 135.

Some Remarks on the Life and Writings of Dr. John Leyden. P. 151.

Diverting Tricks of the North Country Farmers. P. 163.

The Shepherd and his Men Alarmed. P. 188.

A Funeral Anecdote. P. 203.

The Miller of the Clock Mill. P. 213.

Will Faa: How he met with his Match. P. 231.

Antiquarian Note. P. 268.

Popular Customs on the Borders. Births. P. 278.

Some Memorials of Robert Beighet, a Native of Redesdale. P. 313.

Anecdotes of James Turnbull of Hesleyside Mill. P. 322.

Popular Customs on the Borders. Marriages. P. 340.

Lady Jean: A Ballad. P. 353.

Some Account of the Murder of Margaret Crozier of the Raw, near Elsdon, and of the Punishment inflicted on the Offenders. P. 375.

Adventure with Witches at Wallsend. P. 394.

Popular Customs on the Borders. Deaths. P. 412.

Vol. ii.

Some Account of the Life of John Cunningham, the Pastoral Poet. P. 99.

On the Fairy Mythology of the Borders. P. 130.

- Excisemen and Smugglers. P. 173.
 Gibb's Cross. P. 327.
 Horse Stealing. P. 359.
 Introduction to the death of Parcy Reed; an Old Ballad. P. 361.

Vol. iii.

- An Incident in the Life of the Dame of the Woodhouses in Tynedale. P. 31.
 Sunken Treasure in Broomley Lough, near Sewingshields. P. 105.
 A Biographical Notice of Mark Akenside, M.D., with some Observations on his Character and Writings. P. 171.
 Illustrations of the Character of 'Sir Burn' of Kidland, Coquetdale. P. 257.
 Memorials of the Life of Henry Atkinson. P. 363.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

- The Tynemouth Nun. A Poem. 1829.
 The Wind. A Poem. 1853.
 England. A Poem. 1856.
 History of the Battle of Otterburn. Fought in 1388; With Memoirs of the Warriors who engaged in that Memorable Conflict. With Maps and Illustrations. 1857.
 Poems and Ballads of John Leyden, M.D.; With Memoir by Sir Walter Scott, and Supplement by Robert White. 1858.
 Poems: Including Tales, Ballads and Songs, with Portrait of the Author. 1867.
 A History of the Battle of Bannockburn, fought A.D. 1314; With Notices of the Principal Warriors who engaged in that Conflict. With Map and Armorial Bearings. 1871.

THOMAS AUSTIN.

1854.

Thomas Austin was the eldest son of the Rev. Thomas Austin, M.A., rector of Redmarshall, in the county of Durham. Born at Haughton-le-Skerne, October 17, 1822, he was articled to Messrs. Sharpe and Paley of Lancaster, architects, and about 1852, commenced practice in Newcastle. Ten years later he entered into partnership with Robert James Johnson, and, shortly afterwards, the firm of Austin and Johnson acquired the

business of the famous Newcastle architect, John Dobson. Within a year or two Mr. Austin's health gave way, and he went to Australia to recruit. On his way home, on the 24th of March, 1867, he died at sea.

Mr. Austin was one of the founders of the Northern Architectural Association in 1858, became its first treasurer, and in December, 1862, was elected vice-president. His principal undertakings were the restoration of Brinkburn Priory Church, the rebuilding of Sherburn Hospital, additions to Ravensworth Castle, Walworth Castle, and Unthank Hall, and the erection of new vicarages, schools, etc., in various parts of the north of England. Among other enterprises, he practically restored, at his father's expense, the church of Redmarshall, and added a new rectory.

He joined our Society in October, 1854, but made only one contribution to our literature, namely—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

The Minstrels Gallery, Raby Castle. Illustrated. P. 214.

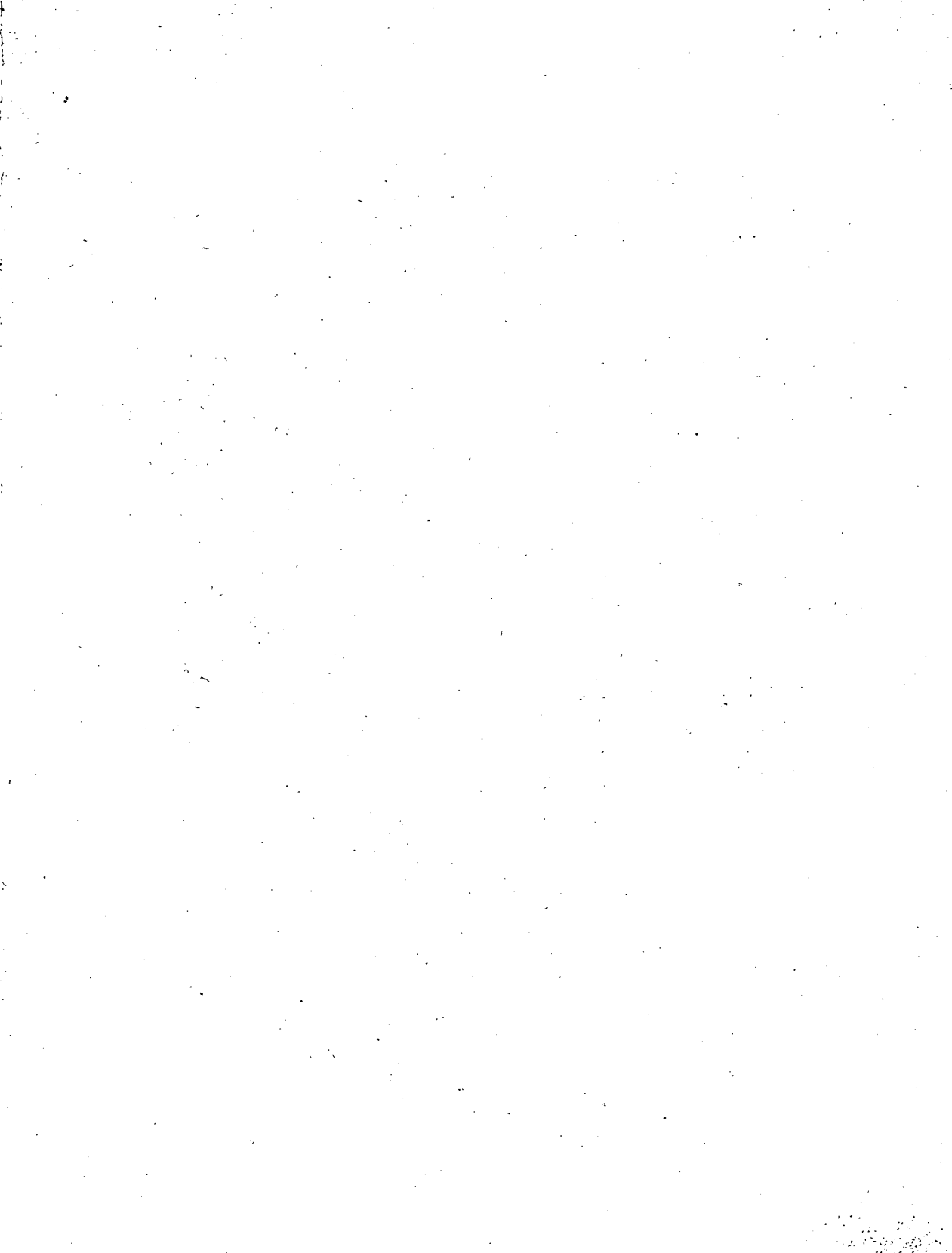
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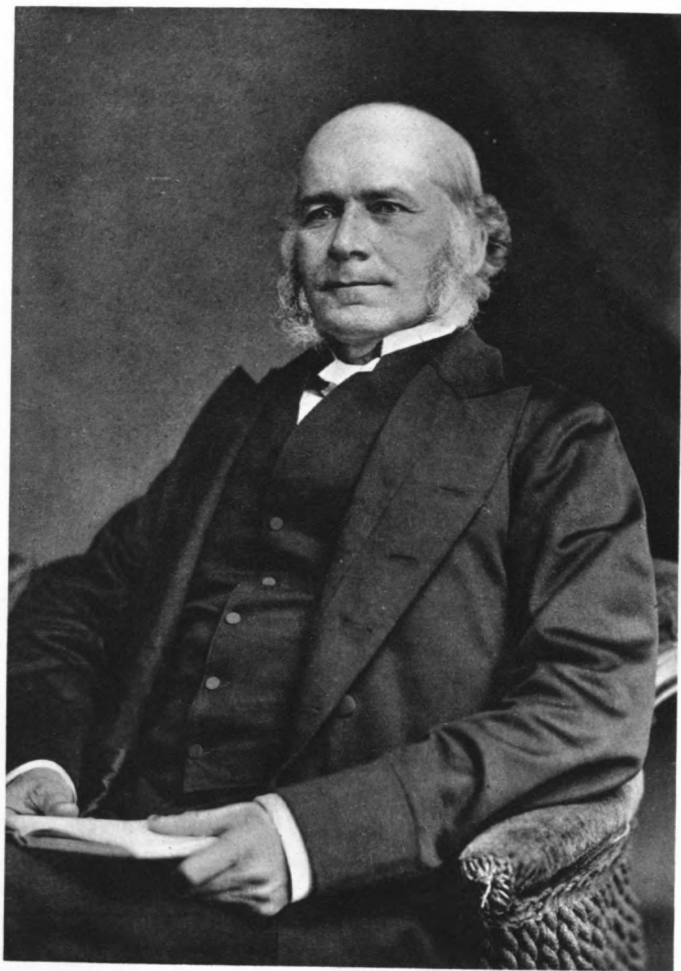
The Priory Church of St. Peter and St. Paul at Brenckburn in Northumberland. Twelve oblong plates, measured and drawn by T. Austin, 1857.

ROBERT BROWN.

Correspondent, 1854.

Born in 1806, Robert Brown, after serving articles to a local solicitor was, in 1827, admitted to practice. He settled in Sunderland, and rose to a position of distinction in that town. He was twice mayor of the borough, an alderman and J.P. and filled various commercial appointments of trust and responsibility. Among others, he held those of member of the local Pilotage Commission, secretary of the Shipowners' Society, secretary also of the Local Marine Board and the Wear Mutual





REV. JAMES RAINE, D.C.L.

Insurance Association, and was a vice-president of Sunderland Athenæum. He does not appear to have joined our Society, but he occurs, in 1851, as a member of the Tyneside Naturalists' Field Club. He died in 1894, having written in

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES I.

Vol. iv.

An Inquiry into the Name of Sunderland, and as to the Birth-place of the Venerable Bede. P. 277.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

Rationale of Justification by Faith. 1856.

The Philosophy of Evangelicism. 1857.

The Social Unity of Humanity.

The Wearmouth Abbots. 1862.

The Gospel of Common Sense. 1864.

CANON JAMES RAINE, LL.D., D.C.L.

1854.

So called to distinguish him from his father of the same name, was born at Crook Hall, in August, 1830. He graduated at University College, Durham—B.A. 1851, M.A. 1853—and came to Newcastle as principal of Neville Hall, the residential community of a reconstructed College of Medicine in connection with the University, in 1854. In that year he was elected a member of our Society, and about the same time was appointed secretary to the Surtees Society. A great controversy was raging in our midst when he joined us, as to whether our *Archaeologia* should appear in quarto form, as it had done for forty years, or whether the size should be changed to octavo. Mr. Raine joined the reformers, and when, at our annual meeting in 1856 the alteration was approved, he was elected a member of the council, and one of a committee to superintend future printing and publishing. Neville Hall closed its doors later in the year, and Mr. Raine accepted a curacy at York. In that city were archives,

rich and rare, a vast storehouse of history and archaeology awaiting examination. The fruit of his labours among these treasures soon became manifest in our own and the Surtees Society's publications. As the years rolled away his activities multiplied. He became vice-president of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society and curator of its antiquities; librarian of York Minster; an active member of the Yorkshire Archaeological and Topographical Society; chaplain of the Merchant Guilds of the city; a vice-president of our Society; and a member of the Northumberland County History Committee. In ecclesiastical matters he was a prebendary and canon of York, procurator of the Archdeaconry, canon residentiary of the Minster, and LL.D., while, in 1882, the University of Durham conferred upon him the honorary degree of D.C.L. He died on May 20, 1896, having contributed the following papers, books, etc., to the literature of archaeology:—

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Anne, Countess of Pembroke, Dorset and Montgomery. P. 1.

Materials for a Paper by Mr. Longstaffe on a House in the Close, Newcastle. P. 140.

Sir Edward Radclyffe of Dilston, from Mr. John Fenwick's papers. P. 197.

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Marske. With Illustrations. P. 1.

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St. Mary the Virgin Hospital, Newcastle. P. 203.

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Address in the Architectural Section of the Royal Archaeological Institute at Newcastle, 1884. P. 223.

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The Society's Visit to York. P. 57.

YORKSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL JOURNAL.

- On the Materials for Topography of the Wapentake of Agbrigg.
 On Original Grant from Edmund de Lacy, Constable of Chester, to his Tenants at Westchep, near Pontefract.
 A Notice of Henry Jenkins, the Yorkshire Centenarian.
 On the Dedications of Yorkshire Churches.
 Notices of Scoresby and the Family of Blake.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL JOURNAL.

- A Remarkable Sepulchral Brass of Flemish Design in the Church of Wensley, Yorkshire. 1855.
 On Divination in the 15th Century by Aid of a Magic Crystal. 1856.

SURTEES SOCIETY'S PUBLICATIONS.

- Wills and Inventories illustrative of the History, Manners, Language, Statistics, etc., of the Counties of York, Westmoreland and Lancaster from the Fourteenth Century downwards. From the Registry at Richmond. Vol. 26.
 Testamenta Eboracensia, Part II, or, Wills illustrative (as above) of the Province of York, from 1429 to 1467. Vol. 30.
 The Fabric Rolls of York Minster. Vol. 35.
 A Volume of Miscellanea, comprising the Letters of Dean Granville, Siege of Pontefract by Nathan Drake, and Extracts from the Rokeby Correspondence. Edited by Rev. Geo. Ornsby, W. H. D. Longstaffe and Rev. J. Raine. Vol. 37.
 A Selection from the Depositions in Criminal Cases taken before the Northern Magistrates; from the Originals preserved in York Castle. Saec. XVII. Vol. 40.
 The Priory of Hexham, its Chronicles, Endowments and Annals. Part I. Vol. 44.
 Testamenta Eboracensia, Part III, or, Wills, etc. (as above), from 1467 to 1485. Vol. 45.
 The Priory of Hexham, Part II, Containing the *Liber Niger* with Charters, etc., and an illustrated Preface. Vol. 46.
 Testamenta Eboracensia, Part IV, or, Wills, etc. (as above), from 1485 to 1509. Vol. 53.
 The Register of Walter Gray, Archbishop of York, 1215-55. Vol. 56.
 A Selection from the Poems of Lawrence, Prior of Durham. Saec. XII. Vol. 70.
 Testamenta Eboracensia, Part V, or, Wills, etc. (as above), v.d. Vol. 79.
 A Volume of English Miscellanies. Vol. 85.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

Lives of the Archbishops of York. Vol. 1 (all published). 1863.

Historical Papers and Letters from the Northern Registers. 1873.

Historians of the Church of York and its Archbishops. 2 vols.

York (Longman's series of Historic Towns). 1893.

Edited Burton's History of the Ancient Church and Parish of Hemingbrough, near Selby. 1888.

The Founding of St. Mary's Abbey and St. Leonard's Hospital, York. 1898.

JAMES EVERETT.

1855.

James Everett was born at Alnwick on the 16th of May, 1784. Bound apprentice to a flaxdresser and grocer, he practised local preaching among the Methodists, and in 1807 was admitted a probationer and finally was ordained as a regular minister. Repairing the defects of his early education he studied Latin, Greek, and Hebrew, science and general literature under two competent Novocastrians, W. A. Hails and Charles Newby Wawn. But it is not his success as a Methodist minister that this volume is designed to perpetuate. Sufficient is it to record that, being a genuine Northumbrian, hard headed and clear headed, sturdy and independent, he practically led the movement which cleft the old Methodist body asunder and established what was then known as United Free Methodism, of which body, in 1857, he became president.

Throughout his career Mr. Everett was a painstaking antiquary—a purchaser of old books, pictures, natural and other curiosities, autographs, medals, and coins. When he joined our Society, in 1855, his library consisted of over 3,500 volumes, exclusive of manuscripts and pamphlets, relating to almost every department of literature except novels and romances. He was an artist and a poet of no mean order, associated in early life with James Montgomery, and classed among the little group of Sheffield poets. It was at his suggestion that the local artist,

Henry Perlee Parker, painted, in 1839, his celebrated Methodist Centenary picture, afterwards engraved, of—'The Escape of John Wesley from the fire at Epworth Parsonage.' Mr. Everett was the model from which the artist drew the attitudes of the leading personages upon the canvas, and his figure appears standing between the dog and the group below the window, ready with outstretched arms to receive the child, John Wesley, from his first deliverer.

His contributions to our literature were few and unimportant, as follows:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. vi.

On an Antique Mantelpiece at Wintringham, near St. Neots. P. 56.

On Salvage from the Melting Pot. P. 147.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

Twenty volumes, or more, in relation to Methodism and kindred subjects.

But among them are the following local books.

Edwin, or Northumbria's Royal Fugitive Restored. 1831.

The Wallsend Miner, or, a Brief Memoir of the Life of William Crister, 1835.

The Camp and the Sanctuary. Life of Thomas Hasker of Newcastle. 1859.

Gatherings from the Pit Heaps, or, the Allens of Shiney Row. 1861.

To our Society he presented some fine carved cabinets, and a bundle of deeds, among them being one bearing the autograph of Lord Eldon as Chancellor. He died on the 10th of May, 1872, within four days of his eighty-eighth birthday. A memoir of his life and character, with portrait, was written by the Rev. Richard Chew in a goodly volume of 546 pages, in 1875.

JAMES ARCHBOLD.

Correspondent, 1856.

James Archbold, born about 1806, son of James Archbold of Alnwick, was a solicitor's clerk, and from 1857 to 1873 clerk to

the Chamberlains and Corporation of Alnwick. He was a local correspondent, from 1840, onward, both for the *Newcastle Courant* and the *Newcastle Chronicle*, and contributed frequently to the now defunct *Alnwick Mercury*. He died September 15th, 1873, aged 67.

At the monthly meeting of our Society on the first of October, 1856, he exhibited, through John Latimer, the compiler of the *Local Records* which bear his name, who was then sub-editor of the *Newcastle Chronicle*, some Roman coins, a bronze scale beam, etc., which had been found in the previous month of May upon Dr. George Wilson's property at Adderstone. They are described in

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

Roman Remains found at Adderstone, near Bamburgh. Illustrated. P. 14.

WILLIAM DODD.

1856.

William Dodd was a born bookseller, lived all his life among books, and only relinquished them when the infirmities of age interfered with his devotion. He was apprenticed to the Charnleys, the great Newcastle bibliophiles, who for fully a hundred years dominated the book trade of the town and district, and thought little of issuing a catalogue of twenty thousand old and new books for sale. When the Charnleys practically died out, Mr. Dodd acquired the business, carried it on for some years at their old shop in the Bigg Market, finally removed to New Bridge Street, and there, shortly before his death, he retired from the trade. He was treasurer to our Society from 1865 till his death, which occurred on the 15th of January, 1890, at the age of 79. Among other projects in local compilation he contemplated the issue of a most comprehensive bibliography of works relating to Northumberland and Durham. He issued a tempting pros-

pectus, which, however, did not attract a sufficient number of subscribers to warrant him in undertaking the work. His publications are as follows:—

Specimens of Early Wood Engraving: Being Impressions of Woodcuts in the possession of the Publisher. 1862.

A Catalogue of the Books, etc., in the Library of the Newcastle Society of Antiquaries. 1863.

An Index to the History of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, by the Rev. John Brand. 1881.

WILLIAM GREEN.

Correspondent, 1856.

William Green, born at Durham, August 19, 1823, was a son of William Green, governor of Durham Gaol. He was educated at Witton-le-Wear, under Dr. Newby, and at Durham School. Having served an apprenticeship with Mr. William Boyd of Urpeth, near Chester-le-Street, he established himself as a mining engineer, and was subsequently appointed mining agent for the Marquis of Bute's collieries in the county of Durham. He became a member of the North of England Institute of Mining and Mechanical Engineers in 1853, and of the Tyneside Naturalists' Field Club in 1854. In 1862, and again in 1866, he visited the United States of America to inspect and report on certain coal fields. From about 1870, he resided at Thornley-house, Blydon-on-Tyne, but resigning his appointments in 1891, he went to live at Leamington, where he died May 6, 1898. He left two or three MS. volumes containing old letters, pedigrees and full details of his visits to America, Ireland and Scotland. He was married three times; his first wife whom he married June 9, 1853, being Maria Rumney, daughter of John Fenwick, of Newcastle, solicitor, an active member of our Society.

Mr. Green's contributions to the publications of the Society are as follows:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

The Washington Letters (in conjunction with Mr. William Trueman).
P. 120.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY. SERIES III.

Vol. iv.

An Account of the Army Encamped and Mustered in and around New-
castle, November 5, 1745. P. 13.

TYNESIDE NATURALISTS' FIELD CLUB TRANSACTIONS.

Vol. v.

Remarks on the Preservation of Animals. P. 104.
On the Delicacy of the Lungs of Birds. P. 155.
Dates of the Arrival of Birds at Durham. P. 219.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY'S TRANSACTIONS. SERIES II.

Vol. viii.

Bird Notes Durham in the winter of 1880-1881. P. 28.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE NORTH OF ENGLAND MINING ENGINEERS.

Vol. xi.

On the Origin and Formation of Coal. P. 163.

Vol. xii.

Supplemental Extracts and Remarks upon the Origin and Formation of
Coal. P. 31.

Suggestion for the Enlargement of the Sphere and Objects of the Mining
Institute. P. 35.

Vol. xiii.

Notes on the Anthracite Coal Regions in North America. P. 25.

Vol. xv.

The Chronicles and Records of the Northern Coal Trade. P. 175.

REV. DANIEL HENRY HAIGH.

Correspondent, 1856.

Daniel Henry Haigh, born in 1819, at Brinscall, near Chorley,
was the eldest son of George Haigh, a calico printer, who died
before his son had completed his sixteenth year, leaving him an

ample fortune. After spending some time in business at Leeds, he resolved to take holy orders in the Church of England, but in 1847 was admitted to the Church of Rome, ascribing his conversion to the writings of Bede. After a course of study at Oscott he was admitted to the priesthood in 1848. Having built and endowed a church at Erdington, at a cost of £15,000, he served there until 1876, and died at Oscott, May 10, 1879. He was in his day the chief authority in England on Runic literature, and to him Professor Stephens dedicated the English section of his *Runic Monuments*. In 1856, he presented to the Society's Museum five copperplates of early Northumbrian coins. He contributed to

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. i.

The Saxon Cross at Bewcastle. P. 149.

Vol. iii.

Observation on the Saxon Poem of Beowulf. P. 117.

Vol. vii.

The Coins of the Danish Kings of Northumberland. P. 21.

On September 2, 1857, he sent a notice to the Society 'On the Coming of the Teutonic Tribes into Britain'; and again on April 6, 1859, 'A Notice of an Anglo Saxon, or Teutonic Inscription at Tuse, in Norway'; neither of which seem to have been printed.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

In addition to a valuable paper on 'Monumental Stones, discovered at West Hartlepool,' printed in the first volume of the *Journal* of the British Archaeological Association, etc., he was author of:—

An Essay on the Numismatic History of the Ancient Kingdom of the Angles. 1845.

On the Fragments of Crosses discovered in Leeds. 1838-1857.

The Conquest of Britain by the Saxons. 1861.

The Anglo-Saxon Sagas: an Examination of their Value as Aids to History. 1861.

Notes on the History of S. Begu and S. Hild and on some Relics of Antiquity discovered in the Sites of the Religious Establishments founded by them.

JOHN VENTRESS.

1856. Life Member, 1896.

A native of Whitby and a keen antiquary. Wherever and whenever, in the older parts of Newcastle, demolition and excavation were proceeding, there, for fifty years, was John Ventress, eager to pick up anything, great or small, that might serve to elucidate local history. Rubbing and deciphering of merchants' marks on grave covers, and spelling out inscriptions on tombstones, were favourite occupations, and being a competent draughtsman, he made many sketches of such objects, with others of greater interest and importance. When Dr. Bruce gave a lecture. John Ventress was his right-hand man, and it was to assist the doctor in his elucidations of mediæval life in Newcastle that he made that model of the Castle which is one of the most attractive objects in our Black Gate Museum. He collected many books and pamphlets, interleaved them, annotated them, and finally bound them himself in boards, with cloth backs. His original membership dated from 1856, but in his old age he was made a life member—an honour which he highly appreciated. He died on the 11th December, 1902, aged 84. His contributions of objects worthy of preservation were numerous, and his writings as under:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

The Bells of St. Nicholas's Church, Newcastle, with plan of the Belfry. P. 17.

Scheme for a Navigable River to Durham. P. 118.

Vol. iii.

Foot-note concerning Roman Stones found in Collingwood Street, in Mr. Hodgson Hinde's paper on 'The Site and Extension of Newcastle.' P. 59.

Vol. iv.

Note by Mr. Longstaffe that, in preparing his elaborate paper on the Castle, he has made 'much use of Mr. Ventress's local knowledge and memoranda of operations within the castle liberties.' P. 139.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY. SERIES II.

Vol. iii.

Notes on a Series of Rubbings at Warkworth Castle; on the two bells in the roof of Newcastle Guildhall; on a bell at Melsonby Church; on a shield of a broken effigy; and from two Saxon grave covers at Melsonby. P. 307.

Vol. iv.

On a bronze plaque representing Marsyas tied to a tree by Apollo. P. 26.

Vol. viii.

On Merchants' Marks in St. Nicholas's Church. P. 135.

On an Early Type Gold Florin of Edward III, now in the British Museum, which formerly belonged to the writer. P. 268.

Vol. ix.

Notes on a Ticket for Sunderland Bridge Lottery, with *fac simile* drawing. P. 32.

Note on a List of Subscribers to the Newcastle Theatre. P. 102.

Note on a number of Drawings, made by himself in 1856, of an Old House at the Head of the Side, reputed to be that of the Lords Lumley. P. 314.

Vol. x.

Note of the Device on an old House at the corner of High Bridge, Newcastle. With Drawing. P. 12.

Similar Note on a Stone Door-head bearing the date 1599. With Drawing. P. 155.

Similar Note on a Fire-place in Half Moon Yard, Bigg Market, Newcastle. With Drawing. P. 187.

Two Drawings of Curious Gravestones found at Hartlepool. P. 361.

WILLIAM TRUEMAN.

1857.

Was a chemist and insurance agent at Durham, who, having a taste for archæology and natural history, made occasional contributions to our Society. He joined our ranks in April, 1857, having, seven years earlier, become a member of the Tyneside Naturalists' Field Club. He does not appear to have written anything for the Field Club, but to us he sent the following items:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELTANA. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

Lumley Letters. P. 109.

Report on the Pitmen's Strike at Newbottle in 1734. P. 111.

Washington Letters. (Mr. Trueman and Wm. Green, jun.) P. 120.

The first Mantua-makers in Durham. P. 165.

The Bladesmiths and Cutlers of Durham. P. 171.

Baking in Durham. P. 216.

Vol. iii.

The Order of the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle to the Company of Masons. P. 26.

Vol. v.

Tumulus near Middleton One Row; Beacons in 1804; Election Favours and Chairs in Durham. P. 162.

Vol. vi.

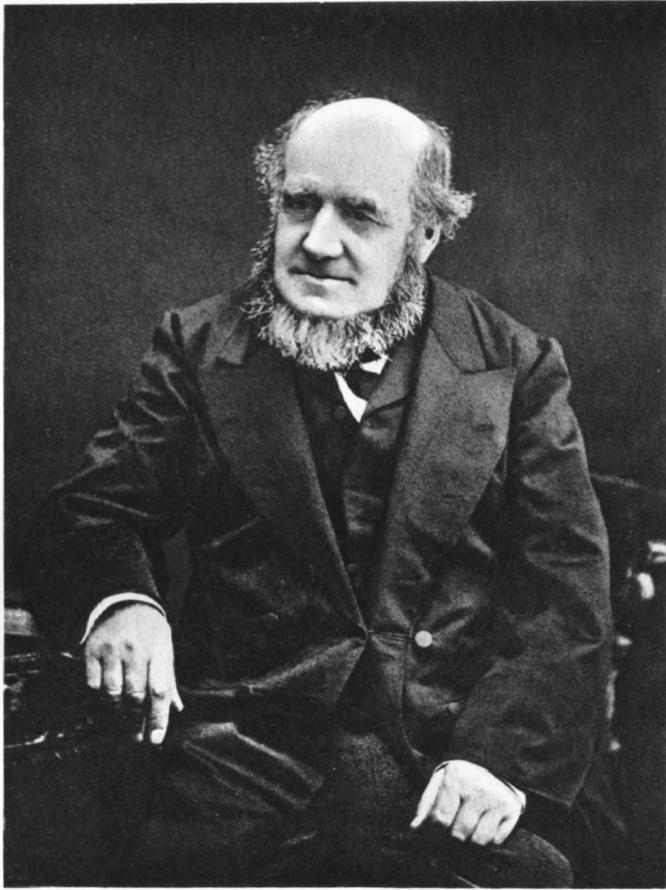
Durham Abbey Yard. P. 62.

CHRISTOPHER SEYMOUR BELL.

Correspondent, 1859.

Christopher Seymour Bell was the fifth son of Thomas Bell, bibliophile and land surveyor, and a nephew of John Bell, a co-founder of the Society. Born on the 19th of September, 1818, he adopted, when he arrived at map's estate, the calling of a land agent. He became bailiff of the Alnwick barony of Algeron, fourth Duke of Northumberland, and for a time resided at Denwick, a pretty hamlet on the north bank of the Aln, near Alnwick. But, not long after he had entered upon his duties there, the agency of the ducal estate at Stanwick, near Richmond, Yorkshire, became vacant. The Duke gave it to Mr. Bell, and thereafter he acted in a dual capacity, being one of the bailiffs of the Northumberland estates, and the confidential servant of the Duke at Stanwick. This arrangement lasted until, in February 1865, his Grace passed away, when Mr. Bell became the agent of his widow, the Duchess Eleanor, who





JAMES CLEPHAN.

received Stanwick as her jointure. He died after fifty years' service in the Northumberland family, on the 13th of January, 1892.

Mr. Bell's sole contribution to our columns appears in

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. iv.

The Church at Guyzance. P. 1.

JAMES CLEPHAN.

Correspondent, 1859. Member, 1883.

James Clephan was the second son of Robert Clephan, baker, of Stockton-on-Tees, in which town he was born March 17th, 1804. He was educated at home, and apprenticed to Mr. Eales, a Stockton printer and bookseller. After three years with the Ballantynes at Edinburgh, he became sub-editor of the *Leicester Chronicle*, and was thus launched upon the stormy sea of journalism. In 1838 he came to Gateshead and took charge of the newly founded *Observer*. Here he was editor, sub-editor, and reporter all in one. Never before had such editing appeared in the provincial press. For two-and-twenty years, wit and wisdom, politics and poetry, local lore and ancient story, flowed commingling from his pen. When the end of his brilliant editorship arrived, in 1860, all classes of the Tyneside community joined in a testimonial, which the Mayors of Newcastle and Gateshead publicly presented to him.

After an interval of repose, Mr. Clephan returned to Tyneside, writing upon the past life of the northern counties, contributing to the pages of our *Archaeologia* and helping the living to immortalise the dead. He reported the meetings of the Society from 1855 to 1858, and his reports, issued in one volume, form the first series of our published *Proceedings*. He was a member of the committee of the Literary and Philo-

sophical Society, and held office, for a time, in the Gateshead Dispensary and Mechanics Institute. At the age of four score years he retired, and having made his nephew our colleague, Mr. R. Coltman Clephan, his literary executor, took a well earned rest. On the 25th of February, 1888, he passed away.

Mr. Clephan's contributions to literature are scattered through so many periodicals that any effort to enumerate them would be hopeless. The following list comprises the majority of papers which he wrote for our Society, or issued in separate form, or which are to be found in accessible publications:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. iv.

Remarks on the Use of the word Clock. P. 142.

Vol. vi.

Contract for a Private Coach. P. 26.

The Lesley Letter. P. 156.

Vol. vii.

Anne Brougham, the Centenarian. P. 267.

Early Printing in Newcastle. P. 271.

Mr. Robert White. A biographical sketch. P. 274.

Vol. viii.

The Manufacture of Glass in England: Rise of the Art on the Tyne. P. 108.

Abigail and Timothy Tyzack, and Old Gateshead. P. 222.

Vol. ix.

William Hutchinson, Merchant Adventurer, His Life and Times. Illustrated. P. 1.

Sergeant Hoskyns and the Wallas Epitaph. P. 41.

Some Old Forms of Law: An Historical Sketch. P. 180.

Old Tyne Bridge and its Cellars. P. 237.

Vol. x.

First Anniversary of the Society, 1814. The Vellum Scroll and the Steam-boat. P. 126.

John Widdrington, of 'The Old Bank'; and Carlyle of Inveresk. P. 138.

Vol. xi.

- The Painter Heugh, Newcastle, and the Windmill. P. 1.
 William London, Newcastle Bookseller. P. 227.
 Coal-mining in Old Gateshead. Explosion in 'The Stony Flatt.' P. 229.

Vol. xii.

- The Bigg Market Military Execution, 1640, the Year of Newburn. P. 112.
 Old Tyne Bridge and its Story. Pp. 135 and 148.
 Departure of the Quayside Wall; and What Became of It. P. 210.

NEWCASTLE MEMORANDUM BOOK.

- One Hundred Years Ago : or Old Newcastle. 1872.
 Tyne Bridge. 1877.

IN ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH WORKER. 1883.

- Glimpses of Old St. Andrews, Newcastle.
 'Thay Kust Lotes wich should Dy.'
 The Hospital of St. Mary Magdalen and Chapel of St. James.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

- The Three Warnings : Or Facts and Figures of the Cholera Epidemics of Gateshead. 1854.
 Reports of the Meetings of the Newcastle Society of Antiquaries. 1854-60.
 In Memory of the Dead. 1855.
 The Bud and the Flower. To my Sister Lizzie and my Brother Edwin in their Affliction.* 1856.
 Finchale the Holy Isle, etc.* 1857.
 Jubilee Verses.* 1859.
 The Literary and Philosophical Society of Newcastle : Its History. 1859.
 Hareshaw Burn; Evening on Hexham Seal; and Other Poems.* 1861.
 The Bishop's Raid, with Other Poems.* 1864.
 Nonconformity in Newcastle Two Hundred Years Ago. 1866.
 The Story of Stockton Bridge; The Canal and the Railroad; The Steam-boat on the Tyne.* 1875.
 In Loving Remembrance of the Rev. Charles Berry, fifty-six Years Minister of the Great Meeting, Leicester. 1877.
 About forty papers dealing with historical incidents and local traditions belonging to the North of England in the five volumes of the *Monthly Chronicle of North Country Lore and Legend*, 1887-91.

* The asterisk indicates publications printed for private distribution.

MICHAEL AISLABIE DENHAM.

Correspondent, 1859.

Born near Bowes, in Yorkshire, in the early part of last century, Mr. Denham made his first literary appearance in the publications of William Hone, whereto he contributed a considerable number of articles under the *nom de plume* of M.A.D.—his own initials. Thence he transferred his attention to that well known local publication, Richardson's *Table Book*, and in 1846 to the Percy Society. His topics generally were the weather, rhymes, proverbs, popular sayings relating to the seasons, folk lore and agricultural pursuits. These interesting items he gathered chiefly from oral tradition, which naturally greatly enhanced their value. To our Society he contributed two papers as follows:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. iv.

Dr. Smith of Easby on the Plague in Richmond. P. 41.

A Petition of the Towne of Richmond for an Augmentátion to their Minister. P. 42.

Most of Mr. Denham's publications were issued in parts, with subsequent additions, so that it becomes difficult to enumerate them in proper order. He died at Piersebridge, September 10th, 1859. The following is believed to be a fairly accurate list of his writings:—

Popular Rhymes, Proverbs, Sayings, Prophecies, etc., peculiar to the Isle of Man and the Manks People. 1850.

Sundry Minor Tracts. 1854.

Cumberland Rhymes, Proverbs and Sayings. 1854.

Folk-lore of Northumberland. 1856.

Westmorland Rhymes, Proverbs and Sayings. 1858.

Folk Lore chiefly relating to the North of England. 1858.

A Collection of Bishoprick Rhymes, Proverbs and Sayings. 1858.

Folk Lore, or, a Collection of Local Rhymes, Proverbs, Sayings, Prophecies, Slogans, etc., relating to Northumberland, Newcastle and Berwick-upon-Tweed. 1859.

Dr. James Hardy, in 1892, reprinted most of Mr. Denham's material in two volumes. See 'James Hardy,' *ante*.

JASPER GIBSON.

Correspondent, 1859.

Jasper Gibson, born November 1, 1794, was the eldest son of Jasper Gibson of the Riding, in the parish of St. John Lee, and of Hexham, solicitor. He was educated at Ushaw, and articled to his father. After being admitted a solicitor, he entered the family business in Hexham, which, after his father's death, he carried on in partnership with his younger brother Richard. Representing, as he did, the old Tyneside family of Gibson of Stonecroft, which has given several bishops to the Church of Rome, he was entrusted with the legal business of the principal Roman Catholic families of the district. On November 21, 1842, he was appointed bailiff of the manor of Hexham, an important office which he retained to his death. Dying December 22, 1872, he was buried in the graveyard of the Roman Catholic chapel at Hexham. His contributions to the publications of our Society are as follows :

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. iv.

The Battle of Hexham : From the Year Book of 4 Edward iv. P. 6.

The First Minister's Accounts of Hexham Priory. P. 8.

WILLIAM BELL.

Correspondent, 1860.

At the monthly meeting of our Society held August 1, 1860, a communication from Dr. William Bell of 31, Burton Street, Euston Square, London, was read. The writer promised to prepare a memoir on the cultivation of Mithraic rites by both arms of the Roman service, to be based apparently on some recent discoveries in the port of Ostium. The writer has not been identified. The second communication does not seem to have been made : but the first is printed in

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. v.

On the Worship of Mithras. P. 144.

WILLIAM COULSON.

Correspondent, 1860.

William Coulson, tenant farmer at Grindstone Law, in the township of Bingfield and parish of St. John Lee, contributed a paper which appears on page 103 of the fifth volume of the second series of *Archaeologia Aeliana*. In that paper he claimed to have shown the site of the battle of Deniseburn, 'fought in 634 by king Oswald against the British invader, king Caedwalla.'

There was a contemporary William Coulson, who excavated the Roman station at Bremenium, unearthed the eastern part of the Roman bridge at Chollerford, etc. He resided at Corbridge, and the compiler of the index to the same volume in which the Deniseburn account appears, putting both the Coulsons in sequence, describes the Corbridge resident as *alius*.

JOSEPH FAIRLESS.

Correspondent, 1860.

Joseph Fairless, son of William Fairless, sometimes called Fairlam, of Corbridge, was born at that place December 5, 1789, and was originally a painter and decorator in the town of Hexham. Displaying a love of the past with an intelligent interest in the history of the place of his adoption and especially of its Abbey church, he was elected a churchwarden so many years in succession as to be styled perpetual churchwarden the status of the incumbent of the parish being that of a perpetual curate. By his intimate connection with Hexham church he was able to make the finest collection of the stycas found in the church-yard in the years 1832 and 1841. To his taste and reverent care is due the preservation of the very precious collection of Anglian and pre-Conquest stones found within the precincts of the convent of Hexham now displayed in the library of the Dean and Chapter of

Durham, notably one of the sections of the Acca Cross. Dying April 15, 1873, he was buried in Hexham cemetery near a tombstone containing his picture, stated to be an excellent likeness. He had (perhaps with other) issue two sons, viz. Thomas Kerr Fairless, a wood engraver and landscape painter, who died July 14, 1853, aged 27, his memory being preserved in an article in the *Dictionary of National Biography*; and James Liddell Fairless, a surgeon, who died March 27, 1891, aged 61.

Although Mr. Fairless never wrote any paper printed in the publications of the Society, he communicated information connected with finds at Hexham, recorded in *Archæologia Aeliana*, series II, vol. v., pp. 110, 112, 145, 146, 152.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

A Guide to the Abbey Church at Hexham. With Plates. 8vo. 1853.

FREDERICK RICHARD WILSON.

Correspondent, 1860.

Frederick Richard Wilson, born in London on December 16, 1827, was the son of R. Wilson, after whose early death his widow remarried Edward Fitzgibbon, of whom there is a memoir in the *Dictionary of National Biography*. He was educated at the private school of Mr. Hanworth, at Enfield, and, after serving his articles with Lewis N. Cottingham, of London, architect, he was for a short time in the office of Sir Charles Barry, before entering that of Mr. Anthony Salvin in 1848. As the representative of the latter he went to Alnwick, in 1854, to superintend the great works then in progress at Alnwick Castle. In 1857 he visited Rome, in order to study some of the triumphs of architecture which adorn the Eternal City. While there he made drawings of the forum, etc., which he exhibited to our Society in March, 1860. He was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects in 1862,

and a Fellow in 1873. In 1878 he was appointed surveyor of ecclesiastical dilapidations for the Archdeaconry of Lindisfarne, a division of the diocese of Durham, for which he had already done much in the volume mentioned below. Dying May 6, 1894, Mr. Wilson was buried in Alnwick Cemetery, the chapels of which he had designed. His contributions to the publications of the Society are as follows:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. v.

Chibburn Preceptory. With plates and woodcuts. P. 113.

Vol. xiii.

On Wayside Chapels and Hermitages. P. 11.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

On Bothal Church. P. 111.

On Archaeological Discoveries in Bamburgh Church. P. 249.

Discoveries at Hebburn-hall. P. 249.

On Brinkburn Priory. P. 277.

Vol. iii.

On Alnwick Church. P. 73.

On Alnwick Abbey. P. 85.

On Hulne Priory. P. 88.

On Lemington Hall. P. 91.

On Edlingham Church. P. 93.

On Edlingham Castle. P. 96.

On Crawley Tower. P. 98.

On Whittingham Church. P. 98.

On Mitford Church and Castle. P. 115.

On Discoveries at Embleton Church. P. 176.

On Bewick Chapel. P. 201.

Vol. iv.

On a Stone Coffin found at Long Houghton. P. 8.

ARCHITECTURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Vol. i.

Hexham Abbey Church. Illustrated. P. 19.

Warkworth Church. Illustrated. P. 82.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

Description of Alnwick Castle in Tate's *Alnwick*, vol. i, pp. 372-387. 1866.

The Churches in the Archdeaconry of Lindisfarne. Illustrated. 1870.

Hydro-geological Map of Alnwick District. 1871.

Practical Guide for Inspectors of Nuisances, 1881; (second edition, 1891).

REV. FREDERICK ADDISON.

Correspondent, 1861.

The Rev. Frederick Addison was born at Thirsk in 1821, educated at University College, Durham, where he graduated B.A. in 1851, and proceeded M.A. in 1873. He was ordained deacon in 1852 and priest in 1853. After serving as curate at Whitehaven and at Ossett, he was appointed perpetual curate of Cleator Moor, near Whitehaven, in 1855. Owing to ill-health, he relinquished his benefice in 1870, and returned to his native town of Thirsk, where he subsequently opened a school, and where he died, December 12, 1908, aged 86. He was known as a botanist and geologist, and was a member of the Thirsk Natural History Society and of the Yorkshire Naturalists' Union.

In 1861 he exhibited to our Society two very careful rubbings of the inscription of a pre-Conquest cross at Beckermet, in Cumberland, the reading of which had been contested: in connection therewith he contributed to:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. vi.

The Saxon Inscription at Beckermet. P. 60.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

The Probable Future of the Great Empires of the Earth and the Natural Causes which may influence it. 1856.

REV. WILLIAM MONKHOUSE, B.D., F.S.A.

Correspondent, 1861.

Was the son of a clergyman at Stockdale Wath, Cumberland; matriculated at Queen's College, Oxford, in 1824, aged 19, of which college he became a Fellow in 1839. Took his degrees, B.A. 1828, M.A. 1832, B.D. 1853, and became a Fellow of the London Society of Antiquaries in 1856. Was Vicar of Goldington, Beds., from 1835 till his death on the 14th of June, 1862. The year before he died he sent two papers to

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. ii.

Inscription on the Font at Bridekirk. Pp. 8 and 107.

REV. JOHN WOODHAM DUNN.

1862.

The Rev. John Woodham Dunn, born September 17, 1812, was educated at Queen's College, Cambridge, where he graduated B.A. in 1836, proceeding M.A. in 1866. He was ordained in 1836 to a title given him by the vicar of Long Houghton, whence, in 1839, he removed to Lesbury; becoming vicar of Matterdale in 1842, vicar of Dalston in 1846, and vicar of Warkworth in 1853. He joined the Berwickshire Naturalists' Club in 1857, and was elected a member of our Society, April 2, 1862. As a clergyman he was a most admirable reader of the liturgy and lessons, and a good preacher. He died September 18, 1883. His contributions to the publications of this Society were as follows:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. iii.

Ancient Sepulchral Remains at Amble. Illustrated. P. 36.

Vol. v.

Saxon Warkworth. With Plate. P. 100.

Vol. vi.

On an Incised Inscription in Warkworth Chancel. With lithogram.
P. 62.

HISTORY OF THE BERWICKSHIRE NATURALISTS' CLUB.

Vol. v.

Warkworth, the Castle, Hermitage and Church. With Plate. P. 42.
Notices of the Ancient Vill of Warkworth. P. 412.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

The Hermit of Warkworth, by Dr. Thomas Percy, with Introductory
Chapter on the Hermitage and Castle. 1866.

THOMAS WILLIAM USHERWOOD ROBINSON, F.S.A.

1862.

Captain Robinson, as he was usually named, was a son of George Robinson, brewer, of Houghton-le-Spring, and himself followed the calling which Dr. Johnson describes as the potentiality of growing rich beyond the dreams of avarice. It enabled him to cultivate the study of antiquities, to collect books, to acquire the implements of prehistoric people both in stone and bronze, to revel in coins and pottery, and in short to pick up anything and everything that could help to elucidate the life that was lived in past ages. He had a wonderful library, in which nearly every book printed in, or relating to, the Northern Counties found a place. When, in February, 1890, after his death, these books came to the hammer, many a local antiquary rejoiced in the possession of something rich and rare, which he had waited perhaps for years to acquire elsewhere.

In his earlier days Captain Robinson had been an enthusiastic volunteer, and eventually acquired a captaincy in the North Durham Militia.

In the later years of his life, he lived at Hardwick Hall, near Sedgfield, where he had ample room to store his acquisitions and special facilities for exhibiting them.

He was for some years, prior to his death, which occurred on the 24th August, 1888, one of the council of our Society, a Fellow of the London Society, a member of committee in the Durham and Northumberland Architectural and Archaeological Society, president of the Houghton-le-Spring Mechanics Institute, which had been erected on land provided by him, chairman of the local Board of Guardians, and member of nearly all the public bodies in the village.

Captain Robinson's literary efforts were not great, but he was a good attender at our meetings, and a generous dispenser of hospitality whenever occasion served or opportunity offered. His papers and notes were the following:—

ARCHAEOLOGIA AELIANA. SERIES II.

Vol. xi.

On Two Salt Spoons formerly belonging to the 'Beef Steak Society.' With Plate. P. 202.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY. SERIES II.

Vol. i.

On a Supposed Roman Bridge at Hylton. P. 19.

Vol. iii.

On a Collection of Egyptian Objects presented by him to the Society. P. 169.

ARCHITECTURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Vol. i.

The Castle of Barnard. Illustrated. P. 88.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS.

A volume of plates showing details of the Saxon portions of Monkwearmouth Church. (For private distribution.)

GEORGE WIGHTWICK RENDEL.

1862.

Mr. G. W. Rendel, F.R.S., was a son of James Meadows Rendel, F.R.S., and C.E., and brother of Stuart Rendel, M.P., who became the first baron of that name. He was educated at Harrow, and joined the Armstrong firm at Elswick, in which his brother was a partner, as chief manager of the Ordnance Works, in 1858. With Captain Noble he directed that department for twenty-four years, and became a partner in the firm. In March 1882 he was made a professional Civil Lord of the Admiralty, which post he resigned in 1885. His death occurred on the 19th of October, 1902. To our *Archaeologia Aeliana* he contributed a paper, which appears in series II, vol. VI, p. 169, on some discoveries of altars, coins, etc., at Condercum, his Benwell residence.

GEORGE HUTCHINSON SWAIN.

Correspondent, 1862.

George Hutchinson Swain, born May 31, 1801, son of Charles Swain (who was son of Samuel Swain of London, citizen and alderman) by his marriage with Frances Mary, daughter of George Hutchinson of Stockton, banker, was, as a young man, engaged in the Tees Bank in which his maternal relatives, the Hutchinsons, were the principal partners. His grandmother, Catherine, wife of George Hutchinson, was a daughter of Francis Forster of Low Buston and in a settlement of his estate made in 1762, was placed in remainder to that property. Mr. G. H. Swain resided at Norton Hall near Stockton.

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Vol. vi.

The Scarcity of Coffee in Northumberland [in 1745]. P. 116.

Sir John Lesley's Letter to Sir Thos. Riddell of Gateshead House. P. 160.

ROBERT SPENCE.

1863.

Robert Spence was the eldest son in a family of eighteen children born to Robert Spence, borough treasurer of North Shields. He entered the banking office of Chapman and Co., of which his father was the active partner, on leaving the Friends school at York in 1831, being then fourteen years of age. In 1845 he succeeded his father as manager at North Shields, and in 1859 he became a partner in the newly formed firm of Hodgkin Barnett, Pease and Spence in Newcastle.

Inheriting from his father a keen interest in literary and antiquarian matters he gathered together manuscripts, autographs, portraits, coins, medals, books, civil war tracts, etc., until his collections, especially of portraits and autographs, was considered the finest in the North of England. The cult was taken up by his son, Charles James, of whom more anon. He had many MSS. relating to the rise of Quakerism (among them the original manuscript of the Journal of George Fox) and the lives of some of the early Friends; the MS. also of Southey's *Life of Nelson*, the letters of Burns to Clarinda and Sir Walter Scott's letters to Surtees the historian of Durham.

When, in 1884, the Royal Archaeological Institute held their annual meeting in Newcastle. Mr. Spence lent of his treasures to our museum in the Black Gate, four Books of Hours of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, a Dutch translation of the Life of Christ, 1495, a chalice, a snuff box, and patchbox, a toddy ladle formerly belonging to Newcastle Corporation, ancient spoons and tea caddies, in all 27 old and curious articles. He died on the 12th of August, 1890, aged 72.