# PARISH CHURCH, GIGGLESWICK.

*To the Churchwardens,*

*Application is made for* ..... *Sittings in the above Church. The number of Sittings that it is expected will be usually occupied is* ..... .

*The property for which this application is made is the dwelling-house situate at* .....

*occupied by* .....

*and owned by* .....

*Signed* .....

*June, 1892.*

This form is to be sent in on or before the 14th inst., to one of the following:—

Mr. THOS. BRAYSHAW, Settle.
Mr. JOHN LISTER, Duke Street, Settle.
Mr. W. GEORGE PERFECT, Stainforth.
Mr. AMBROSE TAYLOR, Rathmell.

THE

# CANTICLES, PSALMS

AND

# ANTHEM

TO BE SUNG

AT THE RE-OPENING

OF THE

## Parish Church, Giggleswick,

BY THE

LORD BISHOP OF RIPON,

ON

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH, 1892.

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SETTLE:

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

## AT 12-30 P.M.

HYMN 397.
THE LORD'S PRAYER.
VERSICLES AND RESPONSES.
PSALM LXXXIV.
LESSON.
TE DEUM.
THE APOSTLES' CREED.
VERSICLES.
COLLECT OF THE DAY.
SECOND COLLECT, FOR PEACE.
SPECIAL COLLECTS AND PRAYERS.
PRAYER OF S. CHRYSOSTOM AND GRACE.
HYMN 166.
SERMON BY THE LORD BISHOP OF RIPON.
OFFERTORY HYMN 215.
THE BLESSING.

THE SERVICE IN THE EVENING WILL COMMENCE AT 7-30.

*Preacher :—The Ven. Archdeacon Boyd.*

Giggleswick Church Restoration Committee.

THOS. BRAYSHAW, *Hon. Sec.*

*Settle,*

*Dec. 9th, 1892.*

*Dear Sir,*

*I have to inform you that by Supplementary Faculty dated the 28th day of November, 1892, Pew No. ..... is granted to .....*

.....

*in respect of .....*

.....

*Yours faithfully,*

*Thos. Brayshaw.*

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Organ Opening. See p. 103

# GIGGLESWICK CHURCH

**SCHOOL SERVICE, Sunday, 24th July, 1892**

*Evening Prayer*

Voluntary on the New Organ ... Andante in F. ... *Smart*

| | *Special Psalms* | *Chants* |
|---|---|---|
| CXV | Non nobis, Domine | 322 |
| CXLV | Exaltabo te, Deus | 323 |
| CXLVIII | Landate Dominum | 324 |
| CL | Landate Dominum | 325 |

Cantate No. 288
Deus misereatur No. 293

*Anthem—Wisdom v. 15, 16.*

THE righteous live for evermore. Their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the most High. Therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom, and a beautiful crown from the Lord's hand. For with His right hand shall He cover them and with His arm shall He protect them.—*Amen.*

# Members of the 24.
## Jan. 1912.

| | Date of appointment. | |
|---|---|---|
| Thomas Brayshaw, | 1881. | died 1931 |
| Hector Christie. | 1884. | Died 1915. |
| C. W. Buck. | 1885. | |
| A. R. St. C. Radcliffe. | 1887. | Died 1913 |
| John G. Robinson. | 1892. | Died 1919 |
| D. H. Brayshaw. | 1894. | Died 1921 |
| John Parker. | 1894. | Died 1924 |
| Geo. Jenkinson. | 1894. | Died |
| Hartley Metcalfe. | 1898. | Died 1925 |
| Rich. H. Buck. | 1898. | Died |
| Stephen Parker. | 1898. | Died 1927 |
| C. A. L. Swale. | 1899. | died 1913. |
| J. B. Cansdale. | 1901. | Resigned 1912 |
| John Harrison. | 1902. | |
| John Maudsley. | 1904. | |
| Wm Simpson. | 1904. | died 1915 |
| Thos. Scambler. | 1904. | died 1916 |
| John Birkbeck. | 1904. | died |
| John L. Brayshaw. | 1905. | Died 1921 |
| Wm Ingham. | 1906. | Died |
| Wm Thompson. | 1907. | Died 1925 |
| T. W. Brassington. | 1910. | |
| C. H. Jenkinson. | 1910. | Died 1929 |
| R. A. Taylor. | 1911. | |
| J. W. Butterworth | 1912. | vice Cansdale, resigned |
| R. H. Douglas | 1914. | vice Radcliffe, dec'd |
| Anty. Stogg | 1914. | vice Swale, dec'd. |
| W. Calvert | 1915. | vice Simpson, dec'd. |
| Thos. Dodgson | 1916 | vice Christie dec'd |
| James Hodgson | 1917 | vice Scambler, dec'd. |
| John Grahame | 1920 | vice J. G. Robinson, dec'd. |
| Edgar W. Brown | 1921 | vice Geo. Jenkinson dec'd. |

Members of "The 24", continued.

James Clark — 1921 vice J. L. Brayshaw d
Samuel Hickling — 1922 " D. H. Brayshaw "
James Parker — 1922 " R. H. Buck dec'd

1918

**GIGGLESWICK.**

"TWENTY-FOUR."—The annual Easter meeting of "The Twenty-four" or ancient Select Vestry, was held in the Parish Church on Monday last. The accounts for the year were presented and the four retiring wardens were re-appointed, Mr. William Calvert for the fifth year.

May 1894.

**Church Appointments.**—The annual meetings of the Vestry and Parochial Church Council meeting of St. Alkelda's Church were held on Monday evening, the Rev. T. P. Brocklehurst presiding. Messrs. H. Fell and Butler were elected wardens in place of Messrs. W. Calvert and W. M. Silverwood. Mr. W. Brassington was elected representative to the Ruri-decanal and Diocesan conferences. The Vicar thanked the retiring officers for their services.

1925

## THE "TWENTY-FOUR."

The old parish of Giggleswick having now been restricted to the districts of Giggleswick and Stackhouse, by the recent opinion of the Chancellor, the new parishes arising out of the ancient parish of Giggleswick elect their own Wardens and Sidesman, and the select Vestry of "Twenty-four" who, up to the present appointed Wardens for each of the districts, can now appoint only for Giggleswick and Stackhouse as one parish. This, however, is not the only change. The "Twenty-four" are now to be appointed only from the residents or property owners in the parish of Giggleswick (including Stackhouse), in accordance with the Chancellor's decision.

At the meeting held in the Carr Chapel, on Monday, April 9th, at noon, the vacancies in the list were filled up from those still qualified, and the "Twenty-four" is now composed as follows:

FORMERLY THE GIGGLESWICK SIX.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | William Hartley, Catteral Hall | 1866 |
| 2 | John Maudsley, Grain House | 1869 |
| 3 | Thomas Brayshaw, Giggleswick | 1881 |
| 4 | Christopher Sedgwick, Giggleswick (vice Thomas Procter, Long Preston) | 1894 |
| 5 | John Parker, Giggleswick (vice John Smith, Penyghent View) | 1894 |
| 6 | W. H. Bracewell, Stackhouse (vice Matthias Mason, Settle) | 1894 |

FORMERLY THE SETTLE SIX.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | David H. Brayshaw, Giggleswick (vice Rev. H. J. Swale, Ingfield) | 1894 |
| 2 | John Brown, Giggleswick (vice John Lister, Settle) | 1894 |
| 3 | W. A. Stackhouse, Stackhouse | 1883 |
| 4 | C. W. Buck, Settle | 1885 |
| 5 | J. G. Robinson, Cragdale | 1892 |
| 6 | William Langhorne, Giggleswick (vice James Foster, Stainforth) | 1894 |

FORMERLY THE STAINFORTH SIX.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Charles R. St.C. Radcliffe, Stackhouse (vice William Foster, Stainforth) | 1894 |
| 2 | Rev. G. Style, Giggleswick | 1872 |
| 3 | Christopher Harrison, Giggleswick (vice W. G Perfect, Stainforth) | 1894 |
| 4 | Geo. Lewthwaite, Little Bank | 1878 |
| 5 | Chris. Bateson Maudsley, Giggleswick (vice John Hartley, King's Mill) | 1894 |
| 6 | Henry King, Settle | 1887 |

FORMERLY THE RATHMELL SIX.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | C. H. Charlesworth, Giggleswick | 1869 |
| 2 | Hector Christie, Langcliffe Place | 1884 |
| 3 | George Jenkinson, Giggleswick (vice J. W. Edgar, Settle) | 1894 |
| 4 | A. R. St. C. Radcliffe, Stackhouse | 1887 |
| 5 | John Towler, Rathmell | 1892 |
| 6 | David Taylor, Giggleswick | 1893 |

See also p. 398.

A few newspaper cuttings re Meetings of "The 24".

1887

EASTER VESTRY MEETING.—The Easter vestry meeting was held at the Giggleswick Parish Church on Monday last, the Rev. H. J. Swale presiding. There was a full attendance of the members of the "Twenty-four," this very ancient body being composed of six representatives each from the townships of Giggleswick, Settle, Stainforth, and Rathmell. Mr. Thomas Procter was re-elected warden for Giggleswick, Mr. John Lister (15th year) for Settle, and Mr. W. G. Perfect for Stainforth. Mr. Robert Dugdale was elected warden for Rathmell. Mr. Henry King was elected member of the Twenty-four, vice the late Mr. Christopher Brown. A resolution was passed by the Twenty-four in favour of the restoration of the church, which is one of the oldest in this part of the country.

1896

GIGGLESWICK "TWENTY-FOUR."—The usual Easter Monday meeting of the gentlemen called the "Twenty-four," who constitute the ancient select vestry of Giggleswick, was held in the Carr Chantry of the Parish Church on the 6th inst., the Vicar, the Rev. A. Crofton, being in the chair. Mr. A. Brewin was appointed to fill the vacancy in the select vestry, after which the election of warden and sidesman was proceeded with. In accordance with ancient custom three names were submitted to the Vicar for each of these offices, and out of the first of these lists the Vicar selected Mr. David Taylor as warden, and out of the second Mr. John Parker as sidesman, these gentlemen being the retiring officials.—It was reported that the old hearse had been renovated, and it was resolved to buy new harness; a revised scale was also adopted for the same.—The incomplete restoration of the Church, owing to the tables of Commandments not having been re-placed, was brought up, and Mr. C. Radcliffe proposed that the work be postponed until the sum of £200 had been raised. Mr. T. Brayshaw protested against the delay, and moved an amendment that a special meeting of the "Twenty-four" be called to discuss the matter, which amendment was carried.

1898

EASTER VESTRY MEETING.—The annual Easter Monday meeting of "The Twenty Four" of select vestry of the parish of Giggleswick was held in the Carr Chapel of the Parish Church. Messrs David Taylor and John Parker were re-appointed warden and sidesman respectively. Three vacancies in the number of "The Twenty-four" were filled up by the election of Messrs Stephen Parker, R. H. Buck and Hartley Metcalfe. The re-seating of the north aisle was reported, and plans of new Tables of Commandments (which remain the only part of the restoration yet to be done) were submitted and discussed, but the matter was adjourned until the next meeting. 1898.

1899

MEETING OF THE TWENTY-FOUR.—A select vestry meeting was held at Giggleswick on Easter Monday. In the election of churchwardens two were appointed for the first time, Mr John Parker being chosen as people's warden and Mr Wm. Langhorn as vicar's warden. The sidesmen appointed were Messrs Cansdale and J. Harrison, and Messrs Walter Morrison, M.P., A. S. Musgrave, and C. A. L. Swale were chosen to fill vacancies in the "twenty-four." A report of the committee expressing an adverse opinion regarding the new reredos was presented and adopted. 1899

1900

GIGGLESWICK VESTRY. — The annual Easter Monday meeting of the gentlemen called the "Twenty-four," who constitute the select vestry, was held in the Carr Chapel of St Alkelda's Church, Giggleswick, the vicar, Rev Addison Crofton, M.A., presiding. In accordance with the ancient custom the "twenty-four" selected three names of householders, and presented them to the vicar, who selected therefrom Mr John Parker as people's warden, and Sergeant-Major Cansdale as vicar's warden. A question was raised as to the legality of appointing more than one warden, and it was decided that a case be drawn up by the vicar, Mr Hartley, and Mr T. Brayshaw, for the opinion of the Chancellor of the diocese. The vicar then announced his impending resignation of the living, which he has held for a long period, an announcement which came as a great surprise to the vestry, who unanimously decided to place on record an expression of their regret at the vicar's resignation. The next presentation falls to Mr J. W. Coulthurst, J.P., of Gargrave.

1900

GIGGLESWICK.

SELECT VESTRY. — A meeting of the gentlemen called "The Twenty-four" was held in the Carr Chapel of St Alkelda's Church on Monday. Mr Thos. Brayshaw presided, as the new vicar has not yet been inducted. The churchwardens presented their accounts for the past year, showing the receipts to be £144 2s 8d, and the expenditure £127 14s 9d, thus converting a deficit of £11 19s 6d into a balance in hand of £4 8s 5d. Questions as to the number of churchwardens, new harness for the hearse, pauper burials in the churchyard, and other matters were discussed. The hearse account showed the heavy deficit to be satisfactorily diminished. The special collections during the year amounted to £95 18s 5d, in addition to the above named receipts.

1902

"THE TWENTY-FOUR."—A meeting of this select vestry was held at Giggleswick last week, but was adjourned for a fortnight because it was impossible to get anyone to act as churchwardens.

Ap. 1902

1906

VESTRY MEETING.—The annual meeting of "the gentlemen called The Twenty-Four," being the select vestry for the parish of Giggleswick, was held in the Carr Chapel of the Church on Easter Monday, the vicar (Rev T. P. Brocklehurst) presiding. Lists of persons to fill the offices of churchwardens, according to the old time custom, were submitted to the vicar, who selected the following to serve as such: Messrs J. A. Lister, A. Hogg, R. A. Taylor, and Sid J. James. Accounts for the past year were submitted to the meeting and were passed, exactly balancing. The question of repairs to the clock was brought forward, the same wanting thoroughly overhauling, the chimes for some time past having ceased to give their warning quarters of the hour. With the subscriptions offered it was felt that the tender of Messrs Potts might be accepted.

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Until the year 190 two meetings of "The 24" were held annually. One, on Easter Monday, to elect wardens, the other, on the first Monday after the Archdeacon's Visitation & induction of Wardens, to pass the accounts.

1914.

## GIGGLESWICK.

Vestry Meeting.—The annual meeting of "The gentlemen called the Twenty-four," being the select vestry for the Parish of Giggleswick, was held in the Carr Chapel on Monday last, the vicar (the Rev. T. P. Brocklehurst) presiding. Messrs. A. E. Knight, Wm. Ingham, R. A. Taylor and W. Calvert were appointed wardens for the ensuing year. There being two vacancies on the "Twenty-four," Mr. R. N. Douglas and Mr. A. Hogg were elected upon that body. The accounts for the past year showed a balance in hand of 3s. 9d. It may be interesting to compare the collections for 1899-1900 (that being the last year of Mr. Crofton's vicariate) and the collections for the past year. They are as follows:—1899-1900, £232 13s. 7d.; 1913-1914, £92 16s. 6d.

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1916. One member of the 24 turned up at the Easter Vestry. A messenger was despatched to Capt. Thompson, asking him to come. On his arrival the business was transacted by the two, with Brocklehurst in the chair.

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In the discussion at the Settle Vestry meeting the other day, the two vicars, Settle and Giggleswick, seem to have figured several times as representatives of opposite policies. The "applause" which greeted the statement by the Vicar of Settle, that he handed over all his fees to the Vicar of Giggleswick, was a little misconceived, perhaps; seeing that the transfer of fees is involuntary on the part of the one clergyman, and a matter of legal right on the part of the other. A difference more to the point was brought out by the allegation that the Vicar of Giggleswick insists upon burying all Dissenters in a corner by themselves, followed by the Vicar of Settle's assurance that *he* should certainly not do anything of that sort. But when the Vicar of Settle told Mr. BRAYSHAW that he could not allow the church bell to be rung on the occasion of a Dissenter's funeral, because "the law would not allow it," the legal questioner might very well have asked for chapter and verse in proof of that dictum.

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1885

GIGGLESWICK EASTER VESTRY.—**The usual Easter meeting of "the gentlemen called the twenty-four," being the select vestry of the parish of Giggleswick, was held in the Carr Chapel of St. Alkelda on Easter Monday. Since the last annual meeting an opinion had been obtained from the Chancellor of the Diocese to the effect that the ecclesiastical districts of Settle, Rathmell, and Stainforth having now become separate parishes, they were no longer entitled to be represented by wardens at the ancient Parish Church. Consequently the custom of appointing four wardens, which has existed from time immemorial to the year 1893, comes to an end. Captain W. A. Stackhouse was re-appointed churchwarden for Giggleswick, and Mr David Taylor sidesman. By the Chancellor's decision the ancient body called the "twenty-four" must now consist of householders or property owners in the ecclesiastical parish of Giggleswick, thus creating ten vacancies in that body, for the purpose of filling up which vacancies a special meeting will be held on the 9th April.**

1917.

"Craven Herald" (Brocklehurst's account.)

"Craven Pioneer"

GIGGLESWICK.

MEETING OF "THE TWENTY-FOUR."—The Chancellor of the Diocese having decided that "The gentlemen called the Twenty-four," being the select vestry of the parish of Giggleswick, must consist of householders or property owners in the ecclesiastical parish of Giggleswick, ten vacancies were created in this ancient body. At an adjourned meeting held on Monday the following were added to the "Twenty-four." Messrs. William Langborne, W. H. Bracewell, D. H. Brayshaw, John Parker, John Brown, George Jenkinson, C. Harrison, C. Sedgwick, C. B. Maudsley and C. Radcliffe. The vicar, Rev. A. Crofton, M.A., presided.

## GIGGLESWICK.

The Easter Vestry was held on Monday, when the accounts were presented and duly passed. The Churchwardens, Messrs. William Calvert, Richard Ambrose Taylor, Thomas Dodgson and James Hodgson were heartily thanked for their ancient services and agreed to accept office for the ensuing year. On Easter Sunday the offertory was devoted to the Y.M.C.A. and the Church was "decorated" with eggs for our wounded in hospitals.

1915

## GIGGLESWICK.

THE "TWENTY-FOUR." — The annual meeting of these gentlemen was held on Easter Monday, but only one-fourth of the members were present. The Vicar (Rev. T. P. Brocklehurst) occupied the chair. The church accounts showed that the year commenced with a balance of 3s. 7d., and concluded with a deficit of 8s. 1d. The following were appointed churchwardens:—Messrs. W. Calvert, R. A. Taylor, Thomas Dodgson, and Thomas Scambler. Owing to the death of Mr. W. Simpson, a vacancy occurred on the "Twenty-four," and Mr. W. Calvert was appointed to fill it.

"TWENTY FOUR."—The annual Easter meeting of the select vestry of Giggleswick Church, usually known as the "Twenty Four," was held in the Carr Chapel on Easter Monday evening, the chair being taken by the vicar (Rev. T. P. Brocklehurst). There were four members present. Messrs. W. Calvert, R. Ambrose Taylor, Thos. Dodgson, and James Hodgson, were re-appointed churchwardens, and the vacancy in the "Twenty Four," caused by the death of the late Mr. Scambler, was filled by the election of Mr. James Hodgson.

# Giggleswick-in-Craven Church.

AT A

## SHORT SERVICE

ON

## Wednesday Evening, at Half-past Seven o'clock

**AUGUST 6th, 1913,**

# AN ADDRESS

WILL BE GIVEN BY THE

# REV. JOSEPH H. RITSON

**President of the Primitive Methodist Conference.**

**THEODORE P. BROCKLEHURST, Vicar.**

J. W. Lambert, Printer, Cheapside, Settle.

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## BAPTIST PROFESSOR AND CHRISTIAN UNITY.

The sermons at St. Alkelda's Church, Giggleswick, yesterday, were notable owing to their being preached by the Rev. Dr. A. C. Underwood, professor of church history at Rawdon Baptist College. At the morning service he mentioned that when the rector (the Rev. T. P. Brocklehurst) asked him to preach in the church he accepted the invitation in the same generous and courteous spirit in which it was made. Had he (Dr. Underwood) been a minister at one of the public churches he should at once have asked Mr. Brocklehurst to occupy his pulpit. He knew all Christian men rejoiced in the spirit of unity, and he hoped that spirit of charity and unity would continue to spread. Although no means had yet been discovered to bring about a union in the full sense of the word, yet there was no reason why Baptist and Churchman should not stand together in a public place of worship.

Jan. 1923.

## GIGGLESWICK.

Sir,—I notice in a paragraph in your issue of to-day that the incumbent of Giggleswick is styled "rector." This is an error, as the minister is merely "vicar," and not "rector."

Another error which should be corrected is the giving of the name "Giggleswick-in-Craven" to the village of Giggleswick. This is a mere modern invention.—Yours, etc.,

THOS. BRAYSHAW.

Settle, January 15.

* * The incumbent of Giggleswick is described in "Crockford" as rector, but in the "Bradford Diocesan Calendar" as vicar.

**Vestry and Parochial Council Meetings.**—The annual vestry meeting and Parochial Church Council meetings were held on Easter Monday evening. The churchwarders presented their balance sheet which was duly passed. The following were elected for the coming year:—Churchwardens, Messrs. Samuel Hickling, John Graham, William Mitton Silverwood and William Calvert: sidesmen, Messrs. James Parker, Joseph Walsh, Frederick Brassington and Arthur Granby; representative to the various conferences Messrs. Mr. Thomas William Brassington; secretary to the Parochial Church electors' meeting and the Parochial Church Council, Mr. William Calvert: members of the Parochial Church Council, Mrs. Brassington, Messrs. T. W. Brassington, J. W. Butterworth, Jas. Clark, A. Grundy, J. Hodgson, R. A. Taylor and A. Warren, along with the Minister and Wardens (ex-officio).

1922

1909

**THE DEAN OF PETERBOROUGH AT ST. ALKELDA'S.**—Saint Alkelda is the patron of Giggleswick Church, and Friday last was patronal day. In the evening a united Christian service was held. The Rev J. P. Buck (Wesleyan) and the Rev Geo. Hutley (Congregationalist) assisted the vicar (Rev T. P. Brocklehurst) in the service. The Dean of Peterborough (Very Rev Arnold Henry Page) was present, and delivered an address. He said that some of the saints in the Church calendar would, if alive to-day, be found to be men and women of very ordinary character, whilst others became canonised through their zeal in the persecution of those who were not of the orthodox faith. Referring to present day evils, he said that drinking was less prevalent than fifty or a hundred years ago. Temperance had made great progress in that time. He was in favour of all kinds of sport, for they promoted physical development and benefited the body politic, but he was opposed to sports that were paid for. What was needed was manly sport of our own promoting and practice. Gambling, even in small sums, was not to be approved of; it was not right to take money which one did not earn, and which the losers possibly could not pay without injury to themselves or families. He advised purity of life and action as calulated to improve society, and declared that units were needed to make up the aggregate life of a nation. Individuals could therefore achieve much for the good of the State.

**MEN'S SERVICE.**—On Friday night last in the Parish Church the Dean of Peterborough, the Very Rev R H Page, addressed a congregation of men. There was only a sparse attendance.

The British Weekly

*AUGUST* 14, 1913.

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### The Primitive Methodist President at Giggleswick Parish Church.

The ancient parish church of Giggleswick-in-Craven is a typical North-country building, with its square Norman tower, its grey weather-beaten stone walls, and its low-pitched roof surmounted by a clerestory. It contains a monument of the Rev. Richard Frankland, the founder of the first Nonconformist College for training ministers. The original building, partially restored, still stands in the little village of Rathwell, on the banks of the Ribble, about three miles to the south of Giggleswick. In this church Frankland was excommunicated, absolved, and in 1698 interred. The present vicar, the Rev. Theodore Percy Brocklehurst, M.A., is well known to have liberal sympathies, and having had early associations with the Rev. Joseph H. Ritson, the newly elected President of the Primitive Methodist Conference, he invited him to the vicarage and arranged a special service in the church, which was held on Wednesday, August 6. The title of Mr. Ritson's address was "The Most Wonderful Thing in the World," from St. John x. 10. It was a remarkably fine exposition of the text, and illustrated by an illuminating series of analogies from Nature.

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## GIGGLESWICK-IN-CRAVEN CHURCH.

# CONFIRMATION

ON

## Saint Matthias' Day

*(Monday Evening, February 24th, 1913, at 7 o'clock,)*

BY

## The Bishop of Ripon.

**ORDER OF SERVICE:**

Hymn No. 268, "Ye Servants of the Lord." (Tune No. 339.)

The Preface and 1st Address.

The Question and Answer *(Candidates only, standing.)*

Hymn No. 157, "Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire." *(Sung kneeling.)*

The Versicles and Prayer of Invocation.

**The Laying on of Hands.**

Concluding Collects and 2nd Address.

Hymn No. 349, "My God, accept my heart this day."

The Final Blessing.

☛ *Will all candidates please try and arrange to be in their appointed seats at a quarter before Seven o'clock.*

## "An Evening Recessional Hymn"

by the

Rev. CANON BULKELEY, M.A., Lincoln College, Oxford,
Assistant Curate of Giggleswick-in-Craven, 1871-2.

*mp.* One more glad day of praise and pray'r is gliding
Into our Sabbath night of calm and rest,
*mf.* LORD, we have felt Thy blessing: now, abiding
In mind and action, may it be the test,
Throughout this week's temptations, if in Thee
Planted for aye our work and pleasure be,
In Thee, O FATHER, we would live and move;
Lift us, O lift us to Thy deathless love!

*p.* We leave Thy House, O GOD,
Thy House of gift and song:
May reverence and peace
Go with our steps along.
*pp.* We pass into the world,
But, FATHER, Thou art there,
We cannot leave Thy Heart
That fills our hearts with prayer.

*Very softly, slower, and in unison.*
Thy Spirit, JESU, breathe,
Thy influence Divine,
To hallow all our lives
And make us wholly Thine. *Amen.*

## GIGGLESWICK-IN-CRAVEN CHURCH.

**Order of Service.**

### Last Night of Old Year, 11-30 p.m.

Hymn No. 73.—"For Thy mercy and Thy grace."

General Confession—Absolution—The Lord's Prayer.

Psalm XCI—Ecclesiastes 11 & 12—Deus Misereatur.

Apostle's Creed—Prayer for Church militant.

Collect for All Saints' Day—General Thanksgiving.

Short Address—*Silent Communing.*

### First Morning of the New Year, 12-1 a.m.

Hymn No. 74.—"Father, let me dedicate."

Collect—"*Actiones nostras singulas.*"

Prayer for the Unity of God's people.—Blessing.

**God save our Lord the King.**

### Holy Eucharist.

"Giggleswick-in-Craven."

Specimen of Brocklehurst's deliberate falsifications to bolster-up his newly-invented style of "Giggleswick-in-Craven."

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Gigg$^{t}$. Parish Magazine.
July 1909.

Gives title of a pamphlet as
"a Sermon preached ~~at~~ the
" Parish Church of Giggleswick-in-
" Craven August 1803 "

The original is "a Sermon
" preached at the parish Church of
" Giggleswick, in Craven, Aug $^{st}$ &c.

# "Rector."

Mr. Brocklehurst has recently adopted the title of "Rector". He has not the slightest right to this (see letter of the Diocesan Registrar of 4th March 1916.) He owns no rectorial tithe, an account of which, for this parish, may be found in the Parish Magazine for 1899. He first adopted it in March 1915, when he so styled himself in a concert programme. But when reprinted in the Parish Magazine the words "The Rector" were altered to "The Rev. J. P. B."

1860

## Correspondence.

*To the Editor of the Settle Chronicle.*

MR. EDITOR,

What can be the matter with the Old Parish Church? Has the warm weather made her forget that this is Christmas time, surely she is old enough to be aware that Christmas Day always falls on the 25th of December, whatever the weather may be. Old, however, as she is, we doubt whether she is old enough to recollect (we certainly do not recollect) any previous Christmas Day, on which she ever declined to decorate herself with the green leaves, which are customary at this season.

How are we to explain this anomaly, Mr. Editor? Is the Old Church in her dotage? We should be sorry to believe this-but even if this were the case, surely the force of habit and the long use of the Prayer Book ought to have enabled her instinctively to do what all other Parish Csurches in England have done. Is she rheumatic or is she lazy? In the former case she would deserve pity, in the latter she would deserve scolding: but in either case she might, I dare say, have secured some such assistance as that which has dressed her younger sister at Settle, so gracefully and so appropriately. Is she in low spirits? We can sympathize with low spirits: but we think they ought to be kept in the back-ground as much as possible at a time when folks in general are keeping a "Merry Christmas." Is she sulky? This would be a very bad example for the Old Church to set to all the other houses in the Parish? or is this a mere vagary, just to shew her wilfulness and disregard of public opinion? Then, Mr. Editor, let us tell her through your columns in confidence that these little eccentricities will only make her ridiculous.

Perhaps you or some of your correspondents can resolve these doubts. Whatever the true solution may be, we hope the dear Old Church will recover her wonted cheerfulness before next Christmas, and shew herself then to be both "merry and wise."

Your obedient servants,
LION AND UNICORN.

Giggleswick
Singing Gallery,
Christmas, 1857.

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## "THE PAROCHIAL HYMN BOOK,"

A collection of Hymns, compiled, and arranged for the Services of the Church, by the Rev. J. ROBINSON, M.A.

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1859

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## Local. 1860

CONFIRMATION.—On Saturday morning, March 24th, the Bishop of Ripon held a Confirmation Service in the Parish Church, Giggleswick. About 180 young persons, from the Parishes of Giggleswick, Longpreston, and Horton, were confirmed. The Bishop's charge was simple, practical, and impressive. The audience appeared to be deeply affected, and the whole ceremony to have produced a solemn impression upon all present. In the afternoon of the same day, after a solemn and impressive sermon from the Bishop, about the same number of young persons were confirmed at the Parish Church, Clapham.

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## WANTED,

For the Choir of the PARISH CHURCH GIGGLESWICK,

1 BASS SINGER,
1 TENOR, and
1 ALTO.

Apply to the Rev. W. H. COULTHURST, or to Mr. WILLIAM GUYER.

1855

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GIGGLESWICK CHURCH.

*To the Editor of the Craven Herald.*

Sir,—Will you kindly allow me, through your columns, to ask the attention of the Churchwardens of Giggleswick to the unseemly rush of coachmen on Sunday mornings to leave the Church during the Ascription, immediately after the sermon, and before the hymn and collection.

It may be a custom of the country, but it is, I think, one "more honoured in the breach than the observance;" and it is obvious that, if there is to be a race home for dinner, those who have to tramp it should have a good start.

Your obedient servant,
A CHURCHGOER.

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## A PEW TO BE LET, 1859.

IN GIGGLESWICK CHURCH,—apply to J. WILDMAN. Settle.

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*To the Editor of the Settle Chronicle.*

SIR,

It was certainly very wrong of your correspondent to assume the signature of the "Lion and Unicorn" without authority, but we think our venerable friends might have rebuked the audacity in a more dignified manner. One would really suppose they insinuated your correspondent was an animal not remarkable for the shortness of its ears, did one not feel certain that no impropriety of a low and vulgar kind could ever be countenanced by those who sit in high places. I can well remember tho' your correspondent probably cannot. the first introduction of the Christmas decorations. It marks an era in the history of Giggleswick Church, distinguished by many changes. Most of these changes have since been discontinued for a time and again revived, but the decorations were never omitted until last christmas. Surely it is not surprising that this should excite curiosity, and the Lion and Unicorn must not be annoyed if remarks be made and questions asked!

I am, sir, yours,
AN OBSERVER.

Collop Monday, A.D. 1858.

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## WANTED,

For the Choir of Giggleswick Parish Church, a

## BASS SINGER:

Apply to the Rev. J. Robinson, or to Mr. Richard Hardacre, Post Office Yard.

1854.

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## NORTH CRAVEN EDUCATION FUND.

An Examination for election to the benefit of this Fund, (being £7 10s. towards the expense of six months residence at the York Training School) will take place for Female Candidates, inhabitants of the Deanery of North Craven, in the NATIONAL SCHOOL, SETTLE, on SATURDAY, the 22nd day of DECEMBER, at one o'clock. The subjects of examination are Holy Scripture, the Catechism, Dictation, English History, Geography, Grammar, Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic. Preference is given to females already engaged as teachers in the Deanery. Candidates must send in their names to the Rev. R. Ingram, Giggleswick, not later than Wednesday, December 12th.

By order of the Committee,
ROWLAND INGRAM, Secretary.

Settle, Nov. 21st, 1855.

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# ST ALKELDA'S CHURCH, GIGGLESWICK.

Giggleswick, close to Settle, in that pleasant portion of Yorkshire known as Craven, was probably once the "wic" or abode of Gikel, which Saxon surname occurs in Leland. The present town is small, and almost lost in the greater agricultural importance of its neighbour; but it possesses a famous grammar school and an old church with an almost unique name, for there is but one other church in England dedicated to St Alkelda, and that is the church of Middleham in Wensleydale. It is moreover only from a stained glass window in the latter church that anything at all is known about St Alkelda, who is there represented as being strangled with a towel by two females. No reference to her life is known in any of the martyrologies; and the story of her sufferings and death is equally without record, although there can be little doubt that the saint was a martyred Yorkshire maiden of Saxon times, whose merits perpetuated her name for centuries in these quiet West Yorkshire dales, where probably she lived, whilst elsewhere it was forgotten, if indeed it had ever been known.

There was a church at Giggleswick in the reign of King Stephen, as appears from the attestation of one "Laurentius, persona de Guckilswic," to a charter of that reign among the Towneley MSS. About the close of the twelfth century this church with all its appurtenances was granted by Henry de Puteaco, or Pudsey, son of Hugh Pudsey, Bishop of Durham, to the community of Benedictine monks from Durham, established during the lifetime and under the favour of that prelate at Finchale, on the banks of the River Wear. This grant was confirmed by William de Percy, Lord of the fee of Craven; and the church was formally appropriated to the said Priory of Finchale by Archbishop Walter de Grey in 1230, which appropriation was confirmed by the same archbishop under charter, and by bull of Pope Gregory IX. in the following year. Archbishop Godfrey de Ludham, by a document dated from Cawood, the Ides of May, 1259, ordained a perpetual vicarage in the church of Giggleswick; and several grants of land, tithes, &c., to the church are preserved among the charters and deeds relating to Finchale Priory. One of these bears the attestation of "Ada de Palei," in all probability one of the ancestors of the famous Archdeacon Paley, whose family had dwelt for many years in this district, and of whom more anon.

Favoritism was as potent in the middle ages as it has ever been. Take for example the following old and quaintly worded letter, written about four hundred and fifty years ago, from Thomas Lord Clifford to the Prior of Durham, concerning the next presentation to the vicarage of Giggleswick:—

Wurshippfull Sir, and Reverent Fader in God, I commende me to you with all my hert, and ye will undirstond ther is a vicerege in Craven, of Gigilswik, of the which the presentacion longith to you, as of the right of your church of Fyncall, whertor I pray you hertly that ye wold be tender Lord and furtherer to a prest of myn Sir William Hacforth, the which is servant to my ryght wurshippfull Lorde and fadir th' Erle of Westm'l', so that he might be preferred to the next avoidaunce of the same vicarege, considerynge that he is on able Prest and vertuous. And this you lik to do att the contemplacion of this my writyng as y may do thyng to your plesaunce en tym to com. And Almyghte God gyf you right gode lyf, graciously to endure for his mercy. Writen att Hert the Monday next eftir Saynt Luke daye.—THOMAS LORD OF CLIFFORDE.

This letter of recommendation was not without effect. William Hackford was presented to the Vicarage of Giggleswick on the 21st September, 1438, and held the living for two years, when he resigned in favour of one Christopher Altam, whereupon his friend, Thomas Lord Clifford, seems to have desired a pension and further advancement for him at the hands of the Prior of Durham who replies:—

Ryght wirshipfull mayster I recomend me to yow besekand God that he evermor will send his blissyng upon yowe to kep yow in saule and body to hys plesyre. And like yowe to weet that I haff resavyd yowr full honorabill lettre contenyng two maters. On is to giff our assent to a pension to Sir William Hakforth, yowr prest, to be had of the Kirke of Gygleswyke, and to the vicary of the same kirke voide be resignacion of the said Sir William Hakforth to present Sr Christofer Altam, whom ye said Sr William has desyryd therto to be presennt, whilk mater at the reverence of yowr maystership is fulfilled. The secund mater, in yowr wyrshiptull lettre contenyd, is to graunt the Sr William the first voidance of a prebend in Hemyngburgh, in the whilk mater, likit your maystership to undrestand that both the Kyng and my Lord of Durham at diverse timez has writyn to my brethir and me for the first voidance of a prebend of owr patronage, and also other diverse lords, of the whilk some of yowr awen kyn, as my Lord, yowr uncle, of Northumbrland for his son, and also Sir William Eure for his son, has send lang time sythen for thair fortherance till some prebende whilk noon yhett is spede, bod, as I at the reverence of yow fortherid Sir William Hakforth to the vicar of Gigglesswik. and now til have a pension thereof, so my liste and my will is and sall be to forther hym when itt goodly may be. And

cont.

From the Yorks: Weekly Post.
20 Nov. 1886.

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Ap: 16. 96.

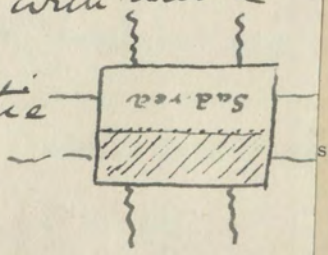
Dear Addy,

Stoles go off to-day.

Please ask Mary or some one to alter the bags.

Bags are a nuisance.

Put a stiffening of card-board into the back & leave front part with name on to fold over & tie



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I enclose a document as to stoles which may be of interest.

N. B.

* ~~Unknown~~ "donor" who does not wish ~~his~~ name known

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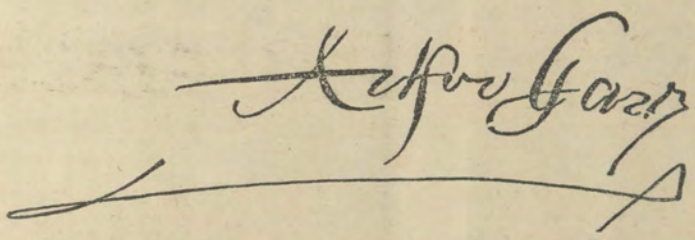
"given to the parish church of S: Alkelda Giggleswick"

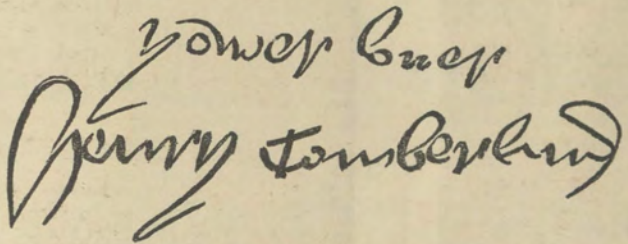
Best love to all

Your af: brother

H. d'A. Crofton.



Sir Arthur D'Arcy.



Henry, Earl of Cumberland.

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SIGNATURES TO GIGGLESWICK CHURCH CHARTERS.

**PAROCHIAL SOCIAL.**

To wipe off the debt incurred on the Church Magazine, a whist drive and dance were held in the National School on Friday evening. There was a large number at the dance for which music was provided by Mr. W. C. Graham's band, the M.C.'s being Messrs. F. and J. Brassington and C. Clark. The prize-winners at whist were: Ladies, 1 Mrs. Parker, 2 Mrs. Packard; gents, 1 Mrs. Silverwood (playing as gent), 2 Mr. James.

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# A RECTOR'S VIEWS ON DENOMINATIONALISM.

## THE VALUES OF DIVERSITY.

Speaking at the Wesleyan Church, Settle, last night, the Rev. Theodore P. Brocklehurst, rector of Giggleswick-in-Craven, said denominationalism was not a fracture of the Church, to be healed like a fractured limb by putting it in splints. It was the result of a perfectly healthful and righteous human desire. For that desire the lovers of union must provide or their labour will have been in vain. Denominationalism, Sectarianism, Heterodoxy, or by whatsoever name you elect to dub it, is the result partly of difference in temperament, partly of difference in opinion. These differences must find free play within the Church, or they must go outside the Church to find it. It was possible so to over-emphasise loyalty to our own particular branch of the Church as practically to destroy our loyalty to the Christ.

The devout soul, equable in temperament, desired an equable expression for his emotions. Not subject to great variations in feeling, he did not desire great variations in ritual. That he was called upon to confess his sins on the 8th of January in the same words in which he confessed them on the 1st of January was, to him, not objectionable. It was a help to his repentance to recall the fact that for a quarter of a century he had been using the same expression, and that his father and his grandfather used it before him.

But to the man of intense and fluctuating emotions this seemed wholly inadequate. His emotions were suppressed, not expressed, by a form. The fact that this form had been used for centuries, and was now being used by hundreds of Christian congregations did not, in his thought, add to its sacredness, but ossified it. What inspired the Episcopalian worshipper stifled the Methodist worshipper. To the Methodist the ritual lacked spontaneity; to the Episcopalian, extemporaneous prayer demanded alertness of mind—and quietness of mind appeared to him essential. Neither of them could find, in the "silence of the Friends' Meeting adequate expression. A common form of worship could never be made the basis of Church unity. There was no reason, however, why there should be a separate church-building and a separate church-organisation for every separate temperament. There was no reason why the same building should not serve for a Friends' Meeting at 10 o'clock, a Presbyterian meeting at 11 o'clock, an Episcopal meeting at 3 o'clock, and a Methodist meeting at 8 o'clock.

One cause of denominational division was difference in mere theological opinions. At this time of day no intellectual would venture to advance that any single branch of the Church of Christ was the sole repository of the Truth. It was assumed that there was a certain system of truth bequeathed to the Church from the Apostolic Age, and that the common acceptance of this system of truth was a necessary basis of Church unity. Here, in a nutshell, lay the whole trouble, namely, that each branch of the Church assumed that it alone possessed the system of faith delivered to the Church, and that the rival branches or denominations denied that faith. As long as any branch of the Catholic Church of Christ held any "caste" idea, a spiritual autocracy within the Church, there could be no unity of spirit. The function of the Church was not to teach the perfect truth, but to make the perfect man. The unity of the Church, if it be attained at all, would be attained by liberty; liberty of worshippers to suit their temperament, and liberty of thinkers to bring to the common stock their convictions.

Was not the time ripe for the union of all who professed and called themselves Christians bound together by no dogmatic or ecclesiastical bonds but in unity of spirit, in the bonds of peace, and in righteousness of life.

THE YORKSHIRE POST, MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1924.

Craven Herald

SKIPTON, JUNE 6th, 1924

### "GIGGLESWICK-IN-CRAVEN."

(To The Editor of The "Craven Herald.")

Sir,—In Monday's issue of the "Yorkshire Post" there is a lengthy report of a sermon preached at the Settle Wesleyan Church last Sunday evening by the Rev. T. P. Brocklehurst.

This report has been so evidently written and despatched by Mr. Brocklehurst himself (probably before the sermon itself was delivered), that I feel bound, in the interests of historical accuracy, to make a slight correction. The preacher therein describes himself as "Rector of Giggleswick-in-Craven." This description is correct except that he is not "rector," and the name of the village where he ministers is not "Giggleswick-in-Craven." He receives no rectorial tithes and has not a shred of right to the title of rector, being merely a vicar, whilst the old village is simply "Giggleswick."

I have no criticism to offer on the sermon itself but (like everyone else in this locality) I have a great dislike to these recent inventions, and if Mr. Brocklehurst can substantiate either of these innovations I shall be glad to contribute £5 to his Church funds.

Yours, etc.,
THOS. BRAYSHAW.

Settle,
3rd June, 1924.

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Almyghty God haff yow evermor in his gracyus keping. Writyn att Durham the ix day of Septembre (1440).

Poor Prior ! what with the King, the Bishop of Durham, the Earl of Northumberland, Sir William Eure and Lord Clifford all begging favours simultaneously, he must have had a hard time of it to please all. But there were other great suitors whom it might be dangerous to displease, for in another letter to Thomas, Lord Clifford, dated the 6th December, 1446, the Prior confesses having promised, "at the grett instaunce and prayer of the right wirshippfull Sr Thomas Percy to recommende Sr Richard Fulthorpp, a chapeleyn of his, to the vicary of Gigleswike," which promise he urges he and his brethren must of honesty and truth keep and fulfil. He, however, protests his willingness "to do anything to the pleasaunce of of his goode Lordship of Clifford, whose favor had been at all times so effectually shewide to the Kirke of Seynt Cuthbertt at Durham." Thus we see how favour was given for favour, and how the chaplains and friends of the great were presented to church livings in days gone by.

The prior and convent of Durham as patrons of the cell of Finchale exercised the presentation to the vicarage of Giggleswick until the dissolution of the religious houses in 1536, when the patronage fell to the Crown. Shortly after that event King Edward VI. presented to the living Master John Nowell, his chaplain, who procured from the young King the endowment of a grammar school at Giggleswick, which is still one of the most opulent in the north of England. Since the Reformation the patronage has been vested in a succession of private individuals.

In pre-Reformation times there were three chantries in or adjoining to this church, viz., that of our Lady called Stainford Chantry, founded by Robert Stainford, valued at £4 per annum ; Tempest's Chantry, on the north side founded by Sir Richard Tempest, Knight, valued at £4 13s. 4d. ; and the Roode Chantry, founded by James Carr, priest, valued at £6 1s. These were abolished, and their revenues forfeited to the Crown by Act 1 Edward VI. (1547).

The present church at Giggleswick (of which we give a view, engraved, by permission, from a photograph, taken by Mr A. Horner, of Settle, photographic artist) is a large and uniform structure, built during the reigns of Henry VII. and Henry VIII. in the early portion of the sixteenth century. It is of more than usual length, and comprises nave, chancel, and aisles, with a square embattled tower at the west end of the nave, and a south porch. Like most of the churches in Craven, the architectural style is Perpendicular throughout. The interior of the church is sadly disfigured by some unsightly galleries erected during the last century. Its greatest curiosity is the carved wood pulpit and reading-desk, probably of Elizabethan or Jacobean date. On this interesting example of the wood carving, which was once a favourite winter-night occupation of the Yorkshire dalesmen, are represented the emblems and names of the twelve tribes of Israel, while on the front of the reading-desk is the carved inscription, "Hear is the standardes of the Israelites when the to Canan cam agenes the Canaanites." Attached to a pillar of the south aisle is also a carved wood alms-box bearing the date and admonition, "1684, Remember the Pore."

The monuments of Giggleswick Church are numerous but modern. They include a few brasses, most of which are of the last century. The following is one of the oldest :—

> Antonius Lister, A.M., hujus ecclesiæ
> Vicarius spe beatæ resurrectionis
> Hic quiescit. Vixit annos 69, incubuit 47.
> Obiit 19 Februarii, A.D., 1685.

But by far the most interesting of the brasses in Giggleswick church is the one which commemorates the "Rev. William Paley, B.A., fifty-four years master of the Free School, who died September 29th, 1799, aged 88 years ; also Elizabeth, the wife of the Rev. William Paley, who died March 9th, 1796, aged 83 years."

These are the parents of the celebrated Dr Paley, author of "Moral and Political Philosophy," "Horæ Paulinæ," "Evidences of Christianity," and "Natural Theology," who was born in July, 1743, at Peterborough, where his father then held a minor canonry in the cathedral. Soon afterwards, however, having been appointed head master of Giggleswick Grammar School, the senior Paley removed with his family to this place, the home as we have seen of his ancestors for many generations. Here the embryo philosopher was trained under his paternal roof, and at an early age distinguished himself by his great abilities. Although his vocation in life removed him from the home of his family, the dalesmen of Craven are proud of his intellectual achievements. Yorkshiremen honour his memory too, and the name of Paley will probably be always associated with Giggleswick and Giggleswick Church.

CIGGLESWICK PARISH CHURCH PULPIT. 218

"BLACK HORSE"
FROM
GIGGLESWICK CHURCHYARD

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Xmas-decorations in the Window in the S. Aisle of the Chancel.

4 Ribble Ter.
Settle.
Mar. 15/07.

Dear Mr Brayshaw.

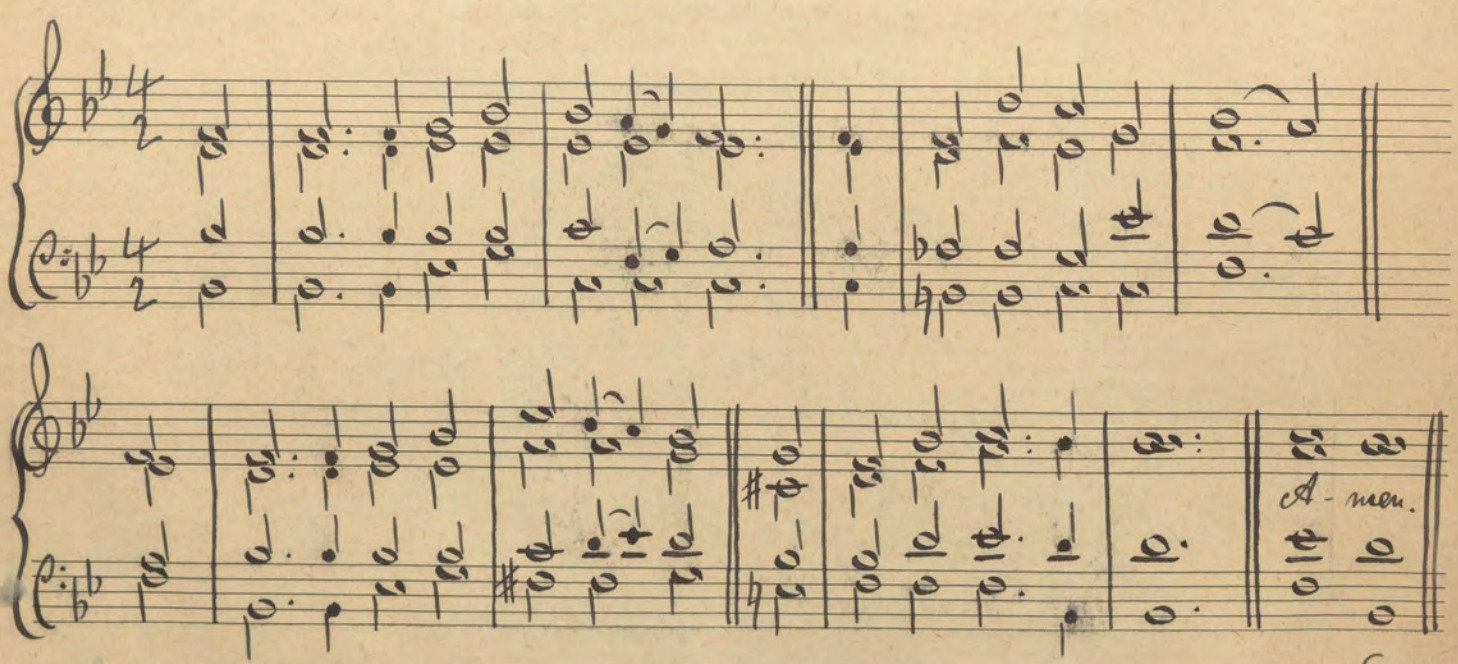
Perhaps the enclosed tune may be of sufficient interest to add to your Giggleswick collection. It is one I wrote a year or two ago and named after the Church. So far as I know it is the only tune bearing the name of "St Alkelda".

Yours truly
R. Barrett Watson.

For photo of R. B. Watson and "Offertory" see end of volume, p.p. 426, 427.

St. Alkelda.

C. M.




With the composer's compliments.

R. Barrett-Watson.
Mus. B., F. R. C. O.
Aug. / 1904.

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Robinson Memorial
window. 1858.