

The Rejoicings.

THE SUNDAY & DAY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

IF all the entertainments on this joyous occasion, we know of none more gratifying than the one given to the children of the town on the afternoon of Tuesday, the 26th of August, being Prince Albert's birth-day, and in commemoration of the visit of Queen Victoria to Doncaster. According to previous arrangements, the children assembled in the Horse Fair, at half-past three o'clock. Precisely at that time, the scholars of the Baptist Sunday School, Spring-gardens, made their appearance on the ground, accompanied by their superintendent, Mr. Knight, and Mr. Frederick Morris, the secretary. At the head of the school was a banner borne by two youths, bearing the inscription "Baptist Sabbath School, established 1849." Many of the children carried small hand-flags with various mottoes—such as "Victoria and Albert;" "Long live our noble Queen;" "God bless our Queen," &c. Mr. Phillips and Mrs. Tummond took great interest in the charge of the children and assisted materially the other officers in keeping good order. No sooner had they been placed in threes than the Parish Church Sunday Schools were seen advancing from Wood-street, with their worthy vicar, the Rev. Dr. Sharpe and Mrs. Sharpe, the Rev. Robert and Mrs. Sharpe, Mr. Testa, and a goodly number of teachers. The girls had a neat banner to precede them, on which was written "Parish Church Sunday Schools;" and in front of the boys were two small flags, "Victoria" and "Albert." The children, who had previously assembled on the beautiful lawn of the vicarage, mustered four hundred

and seventeen, viz., two hundred and twenty-six girls, and one hundred and ninety-one boys. Mr. Geo. Close, the master, and a staff of teachers, were very active in seeing that the whole of the children were properly placed. At this time, a beautiful white banner made its appearance from the direction of Hall-gate. On inquiry, we found that it was the Independents', marshalled under the protecting care of the Rev. W. Marcus, the pastor, and Mr. Jaques, the superintendent, Mr. E. Gunthorpe, the secretary, and a host of teachers. On the banner was the following appropriate motto—"Hall-gate Sunday School. Jehovah Nisi. God save the Queen"—in three distinctive lines. This banner was very much admired, and did much credit to the school. The children present were upwards of one hundred and eighty. Next came from the British School-room, Wood-street, Christ Church Sunday School, headed by the incumbent, the Rev. C. R. Alford. The reverend gentleman was well sustained in his arduous task by a numerous attendance of teachers, with a banner bearing the words "Christ Church Sunday School," and on another "The Queen, God bless her." At the same time, was to be observed a large procession approaching from Young-street. As it advanced forwards, and on taking up its position on the road, it presented a very formidable array of children. On coming up to this moving mass of the rising generation, we found it to be the Wesleyans. On their blue banner was "Wesleyan Sunday Schools, established 1811." There were no less than 500 children, who were admirably conducted by Messrs. George Parkinson, George Crawshaw, Joseph Wright, Thomas Walker Fox, and Thomas Fox, Charles Lister, jun., the superintendent and secretaries of Priory-place Sunday Schools. Immediately afterwards came the Primitive Methodist Sunday Schools, Duke-street, attended by their ministers, the Rev. Wm. Newton and the Rev. T. Hill, Mr. J. Clarkson, superintendent, and a sufficient accompaniment of teachers. On their banner was "Primitive Methodist Sunday School, established A.D. 1842." The children of the Catholic Sunday School, assembled at their place of worship in Prince's-street, under the superintendence of Mrs. Myerscoe; but not having any distinctive flag to introduce them into the open space of the Horse Fair, we should not have known that they were amongst the procession had we not made inquiry as to their absence. There were upwards of fifty children present. Here were met the Church,

the Wesleyan, the Independent, the Catholic, the Primitive Methodist, and the Baptist, in one harmonious band of fellowship, all anxious to testify to their utmost their attachment and affection to the throne of these realms. To us it was a sight of the highest gratification. More than two thousand children and teachers were assembled in the most orderly and well behaved manner. At the bidding of Mr. Smith, solicitor, who seemed to be the chief manager in this great gathering and to whom every credit is due, the Church Schools took the front rank, preceded by the royal standard, and followed by the Wesleyans, Independents, &c. They then advanced forwards on the Horse Fair and along the road opposite the Hall Cross. Here they turned; and on reaching the top of Hall-gate, opposite the residence of Dr. Scholfield, a band of music commenced playing a cheerful air. By this time, the Rev. Thomas Dickin, the Rev. D. Chapman, and the Rev. James Laycock, Wesleyan ministers, joined the procession and placed themselves at the head of their schools. The children, as they proceeded down Hall-gate and along High-street, attracted together a large number of spectators, especially in front of Bailes's Hotel. Standing near the Betting-Room, and looking in the direction of Hall-gate, the sight was very imposing. In the centre of the street were the children and the teachers, and their banners floating in the air; and on the pavements were crowds of visitors. The procession occupied a space from Hall Cross Hill to the corner of Baxter-gate. On every hand, expressions of delight were heard; and all were giving utterance to those sentiments which such a scene was calculated to excite. The procession then moved through Baxter-gate and across the Market-place; and the scholars were received at the centre entrance of the New Market buildings by a numerous party of staunch friends to Sabbath schools. The band stood on one side of the entrance and played lively airs, as the children were conducted into the interior. By this time, an immense number of people had congregated in the spacious opening in front, and were loud in their commendations. On entering, we found that the children of the Doncaster Union had already taken possession of one of the tables at the western angle. It was the intention of the Rev. George Hepper, the chaplain, to have joined the procession with the juveniles, but finding that the weather was not very favourable,

and fearful that they might not be made comfortable, he at once abandoned the gratifying idea, and proceeded direct from the Workhouse to the Market-place. The children were accompanied by their master, Mr. Thomas Bulmer, and the mistress, Miss Newton. There were present 33 boys and 27 girls. Five tables, neatly covered with white calico, were placed the length of that part of the building appropriated for the sale of butter, poultry, &c. Between the butchers' stalls and shops were two tables, making altogether thirteen in number. A very highly respectable and crowded company were assembled to witness the interesting proceedings. In moving through this great gathering, we could not but compare it to another event. The metropolis possesses its Great Exhibition, where, amid an accumulation of interesting productions, parties of friends often lost each other. So in the Great Exhibition of 1851, in the New Market Buildings of Doncaster, the like objects and circumstances were witnessed and experienced; although, with regard to the children, the utmost care and attention were, without ceasing, bestowed upon them. When all had got comfortably seated, grace was sung, accompanied by the band of music stationed near the centre entrance. Each child was then plentifully supplied with tea and plum cake by the different teachers and committee of management. The entertainment consisted of one thousand eight hundred buns, weighing 12 oz. each, supplied in two hundreds by nine different bakers, at 3d. each; the tea used was made from 19lbs. boiled in copper vessels at the Black Bull, the Dolphin, and the Plough; having two women to attend to each; thirty gallons of milk were consumed, which cost the committee eightpence per gallon; and 225lbs. of sugar was allowed to sweeten the tea, being at the rate of 2oz. each. For each copper were engaged four men to carry the tea to the building; and it is satisfactory that the whole of these arrangements were admirably carried out by the committee,—consisting of the Rev. Dr. Sharpe, Rev. C. R. Alford, Messrs. Rogerson, Oxley, J. Wright, W. E. Smith, Geo. Parkinson, W. H. Bailes, and R. Jaques. To each school was appropriated a shop as a store-room, and placed under the care of ladies connected with each establishment. By adopting this method, not the slightest confusion took place. At the conclusion of the repast, which occupied about an hour, the children sung "God save the Queen," the Rev. C.

R. Alford officiating as director. The national anthem was sung in a very pleasing manner, with the band accompaniment. Then followed tremendous cheers from the juveniles, which made the very walls echo, and were so loud that they were distinctly heard beyond the Mansion-House. These were repeated several times; and the excitement became so strong, that it was a considerable time before any thing like order could be restored. In the midst of this outburst of enthusiasm, most of the company departed; and soon afterwards terminated a festival which will never be effaced from the minds of the infantile population.

THE INMATES OF REID'S ALMSHOUSES

In honour of the Queen's visit, Mr. Keighley gave at his residence in the Market-place, to the inmates of Reid's Alms Houses, in French-gate, a liberal treat of tea on the evening of Prince Albert's birth-day (Tuesday). The party present were, Widows Varley, aged 84; Redfern, 81; Butler, 80; Landers, 76; Turner, 74; Cooke, 67; Gambles, 64; and John Turner, 80; William Ellis, 61; Miss Brooke, 66; Thos. Hunt, 61; John Bateson, 50; Ann Bateson, 48; Elizabeah Hunt, 59. These persons, who through the generosity of Henry Reid, Esq., of Scarborough, and a native of Doncaster, have comfortable homes allotted to them for life, free of all rent, taxes, and repairs, and that gentleman has, in the most praiseworthy manner, had the whole of the houses thoroughly renovated; and having appointed Mr. Keighley to see that every thing is done to make them comfortable, invited them, on the above occasion, to partake of the repast just mentioned. It was a gratifying sight to witness these aged people so heartily enjoying themselves, and wishing, with all sincerity, a long and happy reign to Queen Victoria. This was done in an excellent glass of wine. Prince Albert and the royal family were also drunk enthusiastically. At the conclusion of the bountiful entertainment, the recipients expressed their gratification at the generosity and kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Keighley, and separated to their homes with the

liveliest recollections of their generous benefactor, Mr. Reid, who, it may be easily imagined, came in for no little share of their blessings and good wishes.

DINNER AT THE MANSION-HOUSE.

The dinner given by George Johnson, Esq. mayor, at the Mansion-House, on the evening of Wednesday, was a sumptuous entertainment. Upwards of one hundred and thirty gentlemen of the town and neighbourhood were present. The officers appeared in military uniform, and the venerable Earl Cathcart attracted great attention, and every respect seemed to be paid to his honoured guest by his worship. The Mayor of Lincoln (Mr. Ward) wore a splendid gold chain significant of his office. At eight o'clock the doors of the saloon were thrown open; and the Mayor conducted the company into the banquetting-room; the band of the First West Yeomanry Cavalry playing "The roast beef of old England." The Mayor presided, at the right of his worship sat the Recorder, Lord Cathcart, Sir Isaac Morley, T. Walker, Esq. C. Jackson, Esq. W. M. Milner, Esq. &c. and at the left the Rev. Dr. Sharpe, Ald. Meek, (Lord Mayor of York,) the Mayor of Lincoln, the Master Cutler of Sheffield, the Mayor of Sheffield, W. Hepworth, Esq. Capt. Cathcart, Ald. Wragg, &c. &c.

The dinner was served up in the first style, and consisted of the usual delicacies, as may be seen by the subjoined bill of fare:—

FIRST SERVICE.

Turtle.

Ox Tail Soup

Salmon.

Turbot.

Soles.

Haunches of Venison.

Necks of Venison.

Loins of Beef.

Crops of Beef.

Hams.

Fillets of Veal.

Breasts of Veal

Roast Pigs.

Pigeon Pies.

Fowls.

Ducks.

Tongues.

ENTREES.

Lobster, Vol au vent.

Mutton Cutlets.

Kidneys stewed in Champagne

Lamb Chops.

SECOND SERVICE.

Moor Game.	Green Gooseberry Tarts
Leverets.	Apple Tarts.
Rabbits.	Pastry.
Crab and Lobster Salads.	Jellies.
Mushrooms.	Italian Creams.
Plum Puddings.	Raspberry Creams.
Cabinet Puddings.	Lemon Sponge.

Punch à la Romaine.	Port.
Champagne.	Claret.
Sherry.	

The dinner reflected the highest credit upon Mrs. Dennison. At the conclusion of the banquet, a most splendid dessert was placed upon the tables, consisting of the choicest productions of the hot-house and garden, as well as an endless display of confectionery and foreign fruit.

Amongst the company were the following :-

Lieut.-General the Earl Cathcart, K.C.B., the Hon. Augustus Murray Cathcart, Captain Warre, Major Blackburn, Hon. Captain T. Thurlow, Hon. Lieutenant William Stuart Knox, Lieutenant Grubbins, Major Radford, Alderman Sir I. Morley, R. Tyas, Esq. Robert Hall, Esq. Recorder of Doncaster; W. Walker, Esq. Judge of County Court; C. Jackson, Esq. Treasurer of the Borough; Captain Hepworth, Deputy Lieutenant of the West Riding; Captain Walker, Lieutenant Milner, Lieutenant Ellison, Lieutenant Hartop, Lieutenant Wright, Lieutenant Monckton, Lieutenant Smith, Rev. Dr. Sharpe, vicar of Doncaster; Rev. J. Bell, Rev. C. R. Alford, incumbent of Christ Church; Rev. R. Sharpe, incumbent of Loversall; Rev. W. Stoddart, head-master of Doncaster Grammar School; Rev. J. Campion, Rev. W. E. Upton, Rev. E. S. Murphy, chaplain to the Sheffield Cutlers' Company; Rev. H. Branson, rector of Armthorpe; Rev. P. Stubbs, Rev. A. Clark, Rev. Mr. Elliott, Rev. J. Laycock, Lord Mayor of York, Mayor of Retford, Mayor of Sheffield, Mayor of Lincoln, Master Cutler of Sheffield, Master Cutler of Sheffield elect; Aldermen Wragg (ex-mayor), Dunhill, Morey, Maw, Webb; Councillors Milner, Carlton, Sheardown, Lamplough, Waite, J. Hatfield, Allison, Aldred, Smurthwaite, Dunn, Reed, G. Hatfield, Cade, G. C. Walker, jun.; T. B. Mason, Esq. Town Clerk; J.

Collinson, Esq. Clerk to the Magistrates; E. Nicholson, Esq. Clerk of the Peace; W. Marratt, Esq. Coroner for the West Riding; John Lister, Esq. Coroner for the borough of Doncaster; Edmund Denison, Esq. M.P. (chairman), Geo. Hussey Packe, Esq. (deputy-chairman) Mr. Alderman Meek, J. H. Astell, Esq. Thomas Wetherell, Esq. Isaac Burkhill, Esq. Captain Laws, R.N. Charles Chaplin, Esq. directors of the Great Northern Railway; W. Cubitt, Esq. C.E.; Joseph Cubitt, Esq. C.E.; J. R. Mowatt, Esq. Seymour Clarke, Esq. T. Reynolds, Esq. J. Denniston, Esq. G. Thomson, Esq. A. Sturrock, Esq. W. Pulford, Esq. (officers of the Great Northern); Messrs. J. Falconar, Dr. Branson, C. D. Lockwood, J. Liddle, H. Whittaker, R. Wood, J. Rogerson, W. Sheardown, W. E. Smith, C. White, Richardson, Elmsall, Leech, F. W. Fisher, C. Faber, T. F. Tempest (Nether Hall), E. Baxter, R. D. Baxter, Moffatt, Price, Russell, W. H. Palmer, W. F. Brooks, Fenton, Siddall, J. Robinson, Vickers, Robertson, J. Wright, C. Lister, jun. C. W. Hatfield, W. H. Bailes, Oxley, G. C. Collinson, T. Brooke, Weightman, J. Rogers, G. Brooke, Hartley, Butterfield, J. Parkinson, Harrop, Walker, &c. Immediately on the withdrawal of the cloth, the MAYOR rose and said the first toast he had to propose was one which he was sure he had no need to descant upon when they knew that her Majesty was at the time residing in Doncaster. (Cheers.) This was a most auspicious event, and a great honour conferred upon the town of Doncaster, that her Majesty should have selected it for her residence on a journey of this description. He considered her Majesty a model of a constitutional sovereign, a patron of the arts of sciences, and worthy of the admiration of the world. (Loud cheers.)

Band—"God save the Queen."

The MAYOR said the next toast he had to propose was the health of Prince Albert, the Prince of Wales, and the rest of the royal family—a toast which he trusted would be received with great enthusiasm. The estimable character and conduct of the Consort of our beloved Queen, since he had been in this country had endeared him in the estimation of all her Majesty's subjects. (Hear, hear.) He considered that the Prince was associated with every useful institution of the country, with the patrons of arts and sciences, and especially with one of the greatest schemes that was ever contemplated by any individual. (Hear.) He alluded to the Crystal Palace—commonly called the World's Fair. (Cheers.) His Royal Highness had by this set an ex-

ample worthy to be emulated by the Prince of Wales, who from the virtues of his parents would no doubt be induced to follow in their steps, and be an ornament to their country. (Loud cheers.)

The MAYOR next proposed the Army. He felt great pleasure in proposing this toast, although it was a pleasure to reflect that they did not require their services. With this toast he would associate the health of Lieut.-Gen. Lord Cathcart—(hear, hear)—and thanks to him for his services on this most interesting occasion. (Hear.)

Band—"Rule Britannia."

Lord CATHCART was received with loud cheers. His lordship said he rose with great pleasure to return thanks for the honour conferred upon the army and for the cordial manner in which the last toast had been received. He fully concurred with the Mayor in the peaceable expressions he had used, and he hoped there would be no occasion for the military to be called up. (Hear.) Although he might be at all times prepared to do his duty, still if any extremity were necessary he did it very reluctantly. (Hear.) It was at times flattering to be received with such marks of approbation and to receive such proofs of respect from the citizens of towns and boroughs. (Hear.)

The CHAIRMAN said the next toast was the health of the Archbishop of York and the clergy of the diocese. (Loud cheers.)

Dr. SHARPE rose with much pleasure to respond to the toast, and in the name of his ecclesiastical brethren he had to present his grateful acknowledgments for the compliment paid to him and his brother clergy. (Hear.) If they observed what had taken place in other divisions of this country, he was sure they would agree with him in the opinion that the county of York had every reason to be pleased and satisfied with the prudent conduct of the present archbishop. He had been unseduced by the innovations which in so many cases had disturbed the minds of men, and had not been led away by the novelties which in too many instances had had so fatal an effect. He mentioned this as a happy case; for what country in the world had enjoyed so quiet a state as this, where the past events had had so little effect. (Hear.) He alluded to two unfortunate cases of secession—one that of Mr. Dykes, of Hull—and proceeded to descant upon those who had seceded from the church, contrasting them with those who remained firm in the

faith. In the name of the clergy he begged to return his best thanks for the compliment which had been paid them. (Cheers.)

The MAYOR said the next toast he had to propose was the Navy, with which he would associate the name of Captain Laws. (Cheers.)

Captain LAWS, R.N. returned thanks on the part of the navy.

Lord CATHCART rose to propose a toast which would be to him a source of pleasure, and a satisfaction to the company. When he mentioned the Mayor of Doncaster (hear and cheers) he was sure that the toast would be received with every mark of respect. Reference had been made to the reception of her Majesty; and on that subject he was sure that the greatest credit was due to the parties who had carried the arrangements into effect. (Cheers.) If they contrasted this royal visit with the royal visits of former days they would find a striking difference. In former times, when kings and queens travelled, it was generally in times of trouble and civil commotion, and those were the times when it was often necessary to call in the military force. (Hear.) The scene in the present days was happily changed, and universal peace and prosperity prevailed in the country. They were an united people; and so far from any military force being required, her Majesty could travel through the country, and go amongst her subjects like any other person. And he believed that her Majesty never sought for any greater repose or security than she found in the guardianship of her faithful and loyal subjects. (Cheers.) He should now propose the health of the Mayor and Corporation of Doncaster, which he was sure would be received with the greatest cordiality, and with all the honours. (Loud applause.)

The MAYOR acknowledged the toast and replied to the handsome way in which it had been proposed and received. He believed he might say that the arrangements which had been made for the reception of her Majesty had been such as to reflect great credit upon the parties who had carried them out; and he had no doubt that her Majesty would this night sleep as peacefully as if under her own roof at Osborne House. (Cheers.)

Mr. DENISON, M.P. rose to propose a toast which he was sure would be drank with great cordiality. They had now in the town of Doncaster the Queen of England; and the toast he was about to propose might under the

circumstances be not inaptly styled the Queen of Doncaster. (Hear.) He alluded to the Mayoress, who he was sure deserved all that could be said of her. "The Mayoress." (Loud cheers.)

The MAYOR responded to the toast just proposed, and assured the company of the delight the Mayoress would experience on learning that her health had been drank in such a flattering manner.

The MAYOR again rose and said the next toast he had to propose would be a body of gentlemen to whom the town was under great obligations. He gave—the health of E. Denison, Esq. M.P. the chairman, and the directors of the Great Northern Railway Company. (Applause.)

Mr. DENISON, M.P. on the part of the directors and himself returned thanks. The Great Northern Railway like all others, was a great commercial speculation, and he did not imagine that there was any patriotism connected with it. It was, however, most satisfactory to those who had promoted it and to the directors to know that they had it in their power to restore, in a great measure, to the various towns on the line the privilege of seeing her Majesty on occasions like the present, when travelling through the country. (Hear.) And this was a matter for which they had been trying for some years. He took the liberty of saying yesterday to some of the shareholders of the railway that he hoped and believed that her Majesty coming this way would once more restore the privilege of making this the royal road between London and Scotland. The noble lord on his left (Lord Cathcart), who was a better judge than he was, had been pleased to say that the arrangements in this town had been satisfactory. He hoped, however, that they would permit him to add his testimony, and he was happy to say that he believed that nothing could have been better arranged than the matters connected with this visit of her Majesty. He hoped that they would keep up those excellent arrangements until her Majesty's departure, and that the quiet of her Majesty would not be disturbed, so that at a future time her Majesty might be induced again to visit the town. (Cheers.) He believed he might say that her Majesty's wish was to be allowed to remain quietly and calmly at Doncaster, and without any annoyance. It was never intended that there should be any suppression of feeling or of loyalty, which he believed was the greatest stability of the throne. (Hear.) He was

delighted to find that not only the inhabitants of this town, but of the villages round, had congregated together to pay that tribute to which her Majesty was so justly entitled. He should be excused if he also stated that owing to the excellent arrangements of the officers of the railway, her Majesty had arrived within a minute of the time stated. (Hear and cheers.) The train was ordered to start at two, and to arrive here at half-past six. Her Majesty was at the station in London ten minutes before the time; and the consequence was that good time was kept the whole of the way. (Applause.)

The MAYOR next proposed the health of Major Blackburn and the officers of the 85th Regiment.

Major BLACKBURN returned thanks.

The MAYOR proposed as the next toast the Lord Lieutenant and the Magistrates of the West Riding.

Mr. HEPWORTH acknowledged the toast, and said he was sure that the magistrates would always be found ready when required, and desirous of fulfilling the duties reposed in them. (Hear.)

The MAYOR proposed as the next toast the health of the Lord Mayor of York and the Mayors of the neighbouring boroughs, and thanks to them for the honour they had done them by attending to-day. (Cheers.)

The LORD MAYOR of YORK begged most unfeignedly to return thanks for being allowed to join at that festive board, and particularly on such an auspicious event as then present. (Hear.) There was in society a connecting link which bound all classes together, and perhaps in no country so effectually as in this. They would find that the chief magistrate of a city or borough was generally a person who had retired from business, and from active life; and such a man was generally the connecting link between the merchant or manufacturer of this country and the landed proprietor. And whilst these links were combined together, they formed that association which only a connecting chain could effect. Trade had never removed from England yet, and whilst this country maintained its present high position, there was no fear that its glory would ever set. The probability was that England would continue to be that distinguished star which it had been for centuries long gone by. And although agriculture might still be suffering, which (as between a man and his wife) would receive the sympathy of other interests. (Hear.) He trusted that that sympathy would long exist, and that good will and good feeling would prevail. He hoped

that the Queen would continue to reign over a loyal people, and that her reign would be long, prosperous, and happy. (Cheers.) Before he sat down he would propose as the next toast the health of the Recorder and the Magistrates of the Borough. (Cheers.)

The RECORDER rose with great pleasure to thank the company for having drunk his health. It might be said of him that he never came to Doncaster except in *trying* times. (Hear and laughter.) And it might as truly be said that he never left the town until these *trying* times were over. (Laughter and cheers.) On the present occasion he believed he had tried the gravity of many of the good people at Doncaster, who he believed were not aware of the full dignity of a full-bottomed wig. (Hear, hear.) It shewed at all events, that they had never been before "my Lord Judge." (Laughter and cheers.) If they had been before his Lordship they would have known a full bottomed wig, which was sometimes no laughing matter. (Laughter and cheers.) He was there now in the performance of his duty as the Recorder of Doncaster; and he felt grateful for the opportunity of witnessing that burst of loyalty and devotion to their Sovereign which had been manifested this day by the people of Doncaster,—that loyalty which he believed was the ruling passion of Englishmen. (Cheers.)

The MAYOR next proposed the officers of the First West Yorkshire Yeomanry Cavalry, and would particularise the name of Captain Walker.

Captain WALKER said that, in the name of his brother officers and himself and of the regiment to which they belonged, he rose to express his cordial thanks for the compliment paid to them by the last toast. The privilege which, had this day been conferred upon them, of joining in the peaceful demonstration of respectful homage to their gracious Sovereign, was one of which they should ever be proud, and he felt sure he was but giving utterance to the feelings of every man in the regiment, when he said, that to none of the many millions of her Majesty's loyal subjects, would the yeomanry of Yorkshire yield in dutiful and affectionate allegiance. (Hear and cheers.) To every admirer of the constitutional yeomanry force it would doubtless be gratifying to learn, that the moment her Majesty's gracious intention of visiting Doncaster became known, the several troops in this immediate neighbourhood so promptly volunteered their services, that the only difficulty that arose was how to employ so many men; and it would be equally

gratifying to know that those services were as readily accepted by those in authority. Not that her Majesty required personal protection, civil or military,—her own virtues, and the love and loyalty of her subjects, were her best and safest shield, and the only danger to be apprehended was the excess, rather than the want, of the affections of her people. Whilst it was a source of pride to the humble individual who then addressed them, to have borne the honourable part in the day's duties which seniority of rank in the service had imposed upon him, it was at the same time a matter of regret to all that one better qualified for the task, both from station and experience, was not present in his stead; and he had it in command from their noble colonel, Lord Milton, to express his regret, and to explain that absence from the country, and that alone, prevented his appearance amongst them. Thanking them for the kind attention they had given to his few remarks, he begged to drink all their good healths. (Loud cheers.)

The MAYOR had very great pleasure in proposing the health of the Master Cutler of Sheffield. (Cheers.)

The MASTER CUTLER responded, and proposed the Town and Trade of Doncaster. (Cheers.)

The toast having been drank, the company immediately separated.

GRAND DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS.

In the evening, an immense number of persons assembled on South Parade and Hall Cross Hill to witness a grand display of fireworks, by Mr. Prescott, pyrotechnist, from Vauxhall Gardens, in Waterhouse Field, facing the Salutation Inn, which had been gratuitously used for the purpose, through the kindness of Mr. Wm. Sadler. The whole of the windows and balconies were filled by numerous groups of ladies and gentlemen, including some of the principal families of the town and neighbourhood. The firing commenced at ten o'clock; and then followed a display of the pyrotechnic art never surpassed in Doncaster. The extraordinary feat performed by Madame Rossini, from Vauxhall Gardens, who had been specially engaged for the purpose, attracted the greatest attention. She made her terrific and

courageous ascent by walking up a single rope three hundred feet long, extending to an elevation of sixty feet. The descent, however, was the most fearful. At this dizzy height, this intrepid lady knelt on the rope. This position was rendered more attractive and fearful by the fact of being surrounded with clouds of fire and a cataract of brilliant fireworks. Bomshells burst and scattered their dazzling stars around her in every direction. In saluting the visitors from above, she fearlessly stood in the midst of a terrific discharge of bomshells, rockets, Roman candles, serpents, Chinese tourbillions, and Bengal lights. Some idea of the effect produced may be imagined by considering the variety of lights mingled together and partly showing their own distinct radiance. Indeed, the whole mass literally illuminated the atmosphere for miles around, and must have even formed a striking object at an immense distance from the town. This daring feat, with the accompaniments just alluded to, excited the wonder and admiration of the dense mass of spectators, who pronounced it one of the most awfully grand and imposing spectacles ever witnessed in this part of the country, and who evinced their feelings by repeated bursts of approbation from all parts of the ground, and from balconies, windows, and other elevated positions from which a view could be obtained. These extraordinary attractions were followed by shells and rockets, discharging snakes and golden rain. But the unfavourable state of the weather prevented the full enjoyment of the display; and although many were induced to depart, a considerable portion remained to the termination; and all expressed their delight at the splendour of the exhibition.

THE ILLUMINATIONS, &c.

In addition to other proofs of loyal feeling which the gracious visit of her Majesty called forth, the illuminations were not the least imposing and attractive. Stars formed of variegated lamps, inscriptions similarly appropriate,—the royal arms,—the crowns,—plumes, and the letters V. & A. twined in a scroll or occupying opposite positions, yet connected with the general device;—these, with other significations of similar import, occupied the front of the residences of the principal inhabitants, pro-

fessional gentlemen, tradesmen, and the numerous inns. Nothing appeared to be disregarded which could by possibility contribute to heighten the imposing scene. Whilst here shone forth, with all the colours of the rainbow, the star of Brunswick; there the crown, encircled with laurel, threw out a similar flood of light. Here, in large characters, blazed forth the word "Victoria" and attracted all eyes, with the expression from the lips of thousands of spectators "God bless her!" When the whole was lighted up, the streets presented one immense blaze of light far more imposing than had been expected, and surpassing, in point of splendour, the general illumination of any former period. Some interest was excited as to whether gas or oil lamps would be the more brilliant. Gas carried the day; and it was facetiously remarked in our presence, in drawing a comparison between one and the other, that one was the "light of other days," whilst the other gave such a flood of light as to resemble the blaze of the great luminary. The front of the Mansion-House attracted especial attention. The borough arms and crest never appeared in a more gorgeous manner. The large and beautiful front of that building was admirably suited for the purpose, and gave to the decorator, Mr. Heinke, ample room and verge enough for the display of his skill, taste, and experience in those matters for which, indeed, he is famous. It had a most splendid effect, and was the object of admiration. But while pleasure and delight were, we repeat, universal, another matter was not less gratifying in which ever direction the attention was directed. There was no display of ill behaviour amongst the immense crowd of observers. All appeared to be animated by the same feeling,—the same desire to share in the enjoyments which were presented around,—the same determination to mark the magnificent spectacle with those respectful feelings which became the consideration that her Majesty was remaining for the night in the same town, and that any violation of decorum would mar the occasion and be attended with disagreeable results and prevent the recurrence of her Majesty's presence within this ancient and loyal borough.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

MANSION-HOUSE.—This elegant building, which is the admiration of every stranger as he passes through our ancient town, for its beauty and its architectural proportions, attracted an immense number of spectators. In

front of the middle window was placed a black board, twenty-four feet square, which, by the way, was not, in our opinion, in accordance with correct taste, as it kept from view, or, in other words, diminished the noble appearance of the building. In the centre was an accurate representation of the Corporation Arms, as they appear on the banner used at the magnificent banquet given to his Royal Highness Prince Albert by the chief magistrates of this country, in honour of the Great Exhibition. The ancient castle which is so prominent in the borough arms was neatly sketched, and the crest above was well drawn. On each side was placed in large characters V. A. The whole of these representations, surrounded by a huge laurel wreath, were illuminated by nearly fourteen hundred variegated lamps; and, notwithstanding this large number, the light sent forth was insignificant even in comparison with others of smaller dimensions lit with gas. However, the effect was very good; and such as it was reflected credit on the artistic skill of Mr. Heinke, to whom the Corporation had entrusted the illumination of their buildings.

GUILD-HALL.—This building, which is nearly opposite the royal residence, and which was appropriated during the night for the abode of one hundred men rank and file of the infantry from the Hull Barracks, was decorated with a large crown, ornamented and lighted with variegated lamps. It was fixed in the centre of the pediment, with V. A. in the side windows; and underneath, on the frieze, was the word "Welcome" in large capitals. Above the crown, the figure of Justice, appeared to great advantage, as the light of the lamps reflected upon this elegant piece of sculpture. The windows were also illuminated with lamps: altogether the building had a rather sombre appearance; but it prevented the assemblage of large masses at this point.

PARISH CHURCH.—The large pinnacles at the angles of the tower of the Parish Church were decorated with flags on staves twenty-four feet in length, and high in the centre the royal standard gaily floated in the breeze, and the whole gave to this ancient and sacred edifice a very imposing effect, and, as they could be seen from an immense distance, they must have caught the attention of the royal visitors on the approach of the train from Rossington, or, as the train gently moved along over the railway bridge which spans the canal, and across the

Marsh and the adjacent Ings, on its destination northwards, from which there is a beautiful view of the unostentatious residence of Dr. Sharpe, rendered more pleasant to the eye by the foliage by which it is surrounded.

CHRIST CHURCH.—The beautiful spire of this church, which would be one of the first objects to meet the eye of her Majesty on her approach to the town, and probably the last on her leaving it, was gaily decorated with flags made for the occasion. On the summit of the spire, as well as at the angles of the slight scaffolding, which had been left after the repairs of the spire, were placed colours; and from each opening of the bell-chamber very large Union Jacks, red, white, and blue ensigns floated their gay colours on the breeze. Gas pipes had been fixed for the purpose of surmounting each pinnacle of the tower and the apex of the steeple with coronals of light. Had the weather been favourable, the effect would have been extremely beautiful, as the light would have been seen for miles of the surrounding country; but as the wind blew strongly at that great height, the gas could not be kept burning.

NATIONAL SCHOOL.—These schools, which are situate in West Laith-gate,—and many are anxious that this thoroughfare should henceforth bear the name of “Queen-street,” in compliment to her Majesty’s visit,—were decorated in a most beautiful manner. On the top of the building floated a large Union Jack; and underneath was formed in prominent capitals, on a pink ground, the salutation of “Hail, star of Brunswick.” Below was inscribed on the wall, “National School, established May 1, 1816.” Further downwards was a star of variegated lamps, with the letters V. R. on each side, which were gratuitously supplied by Mr. Heinke. The effect of the light from the lamps had a very pretty effect, as the star was seen from the Station through the triumphal arch of evergreens and flowers.

THE BETTING ROOMS.—A large crown, with the letters “V. A.” formed of lamps, was placed above the logia, and, with the columns below, had a pleasing appearance.

THE NEWS ROOM AND SUBSCRIPTION LIBRARY.—On this building, opposite to the shop of Messrs. H. J. Fox and Co., was a star, festooned.

PRIVATE RESIDENCES.

THE MAYOR.—George Johnson, Esq. the Mayor, had his private residence at Bennitthorpe illuminated with the star of Brunswick, with V. A. on each side.

THE EX-MAYOR.—Francis Wragg, Esq. the ex-Mayor, who had the honour, last year, of dining with his Royal Highness Prince Albert at the grand and magnificent entertainment given by the Lord Mayor of London at the Guild-Hall, and at the great banquet at York, displayed a star of Brunswick in front of his residence in French-gate, nearly facing the royal apartments, with large letters beneath, V. A.

SIR ISAAC MORLEY.—The residence of Sir Isaac Morley in Hall-gate was also decorated with a star placed in front of the balcony; and we here may be excused in adding that the worthy alderman was one of the first knights who had the honour of receiving that distinction from our most gracious Majesty.

ALDERMAN MOREY.—Mr. Alderman Morey, though yielding to none in attachment to the crown and the house of Brunswick, dispensed with those emblems, and had simply in very large letters the word "Victoria;" forming a striking contrast to the crowns and stars which seemed to predominate, which ever way the spectator turned.

DR. DUNN.—Dr. Dunn had a splendid crown, with two branches of laurel, partly as supporters, but more significant of victory which accompanies that emblem of royalty. It was lighted with gas, was remarkably brilliant, and was universally considered a most admirable design.

MR. E. SHEARDOWN.—Mr. Sheardown, of Hall Cross, had a most beautiful star of gas, manufactured by Mr. Longbottom.

MR. T. B. MASON.—The Town Clerk had evidently made up his mind not to be behind his neighbours in testifying his loyalty and affection to the Sovereign of these realms; for he had a very large star placed in front of his residence in St. George-gate, and underneath V. A. lighted with nearly three hundred variegated lamps.

MR. ALEXANDER.—This gentleman, who resides close to his friend, Mr. Mason, exhibited a large crown, festooned. This display gave to the quiet street of St. George-gate an unusual degree of light and animation.

MR. LISTER.—Mr. Lister, the coroner of the borough, exhibited a crown at a considerable elevation, in variegated lamps.

MR. NICHOLSON.—Mr. E. Nicholson, the Clerk of the Peace, had in the front of his house, in Hall-gate, a large crown, formed of variegated lamps.

MR. MARRATT.—Mr. Marratt, solicitor, and coroner for the Lower Division of Strafforth and Tickhill, exhibited a star and banner.

MRS. WHITE, SOUTH PARADE.—The noble looking residence of Mrs. White, South Parade, was most profusely ornamented with flags, evergreens, and variegated lamps. The whole length of the building was completely illuminated, having in the centre a crown, with stars at each side, and the intervals being filled up with other devices.

DR. SYKES.—A large Union Jack.

THE REV. C. R. ALFORD AND THE REV. P. STUBBS.—These gentlemen had a large star of gas placed between their residences on Hall Cross.

MR. SHEARDOWN, HALL CROSS.—Mr. Sheardown exhibited several flags.

MISSSES PARKER AND CALLENDER.—Large flags were displayed in front of the house in Hall-gate.

THE POST-OFFICE.—Mr. J. B. Sheardown, the postmaster, displayed at the Post-office, Priory-place, a Brunswick star and a large Union Jack and a flag.

THE STAMP-OFFICE.—Mr. Charles White, Baxter-gate, distributor of stamps for this district, had placed over each shop window, in very large letters "V. R." in gas.

MRS. STANDISH.—Over the front entrance in High-street was a star of Brunswick.

MR. TYAS.—Mr. Tyas, one of the borough magistrates, had a crown over the entrance door, and in front the letters "V. A," the whole of which were large in size and of variegated lamps.

MR. JOHN ARMSTRONG.—Mr. Councillor Armstrong, Fisher-gate, had decorations of coloured lamps and a large Union Jack.

MESSRS. G. AND T. BROOKE.—Here was a very beautiful star lit with gas, measuring seven feet in diameter, having V. A. in the centre. The light thrown out from the immense number of jets was brilliant.

MESSRS. H. J. FOX AND CO.—This was a most magnificent star. It was fixed at the corner, above the shop entrance. To give some idea of its brilliancy and the glare of light emitted, we may state that there were five hundred and eighty jets. It measured six feet across, and was admired by an immense number of spectators. This establishment certainly stands in the first-class of stars.

MESSRS. PARKINSON AND SON.—The splendid crown was remarkably effective and formed with great accuracy, with V. A. on each side. This representation was very superior to any thing we saw in the shape of crowns, and attracted much attention for the clear and distinct light sent forth by the countless jets.

MESSRS. RAMM AND WILTON.—This is a large crown, with V. R. executed by Mr. W. J. Smith, ironmonger. At each side are the letters V. R. The whole looked remarkably well, and attracted much attention; for, in addition to the illumination, the spirited firm had placed above the crown a very neat banner, bearing the motto, "The Nation's Hope." Besides this were two other flags with the following inscriptions—"God save the Queen" and "Long live Prince Albert."

MR. KEIGHLEY.—Mr. Keighley, tea dealer, had the honour of being the only one in the Market-place who had an illumination. The crown, with V. A. had a very pleasing effect, with two hundred and twenty jets of gas.

MRS. ROBINSON.—At the house of Mrs. Robinson, the Rev. James Bell, the curate of St. George's Church, had a splendid star of Brunswick in gas, and formed a very conspicuous object among the many seen around.

MR. SMITH'S COACH MANUFACTORY.—The front of the coach manufactory of Mr. Smith, Cleveland-street, fronting Cartwright-street, had a very novel effect. The imperial crown was formed of the best carriage lamps of various patterns, so arranged as to add to the completeness of the figure. The whole, which covered an immense space, was surrounded by a large laurel wreath. The reflections, with the light secured from the action of the wind, threw out a body of flame more brilliant than any other mode of illumination, and excited wonder and amazement.

MR. CHARLES BENTLEY.—Mr. Bentley, wine and spirit merchant, had thrown over the street a festoon of evergreens with variegated lamps. In the centre was

an illumination of "Hail star of Brunswick" in large letters. It had a very good effect.

MR. JOHN JACKSON.—Mr. Jackson, pawn-broker, St. Sepulchre-gate, who seems anxious that this ancient street, the most ancient in the borough, should be changed into the name of "Queen-street," had placed in conspicuous characters, the name just mentioned over one of the shop windows, and the star on the new balcony of the drawing-room.

MR. ALDAM.—Mr. Aldam, the contractor for the conveyance of the mail between Rotherham and Doncaster, and livery stable-keeper, Hall-gate, a star of variegated lamps.

MR. ROBERTSON.—Mr. Robertson, Hall-gate, had a small star in gas.

MR. HAWLEY.—Mr. Hawley, painter and decorator, exhibited a beautiful transparency, representing Britannia, with the inscription "Peace on earth ; good-will towards men."

MESSRS. WALKER AND ROUTLEDGE.—This firm displayed a crown, which was ornamented with evergreens.

MR. EDWARD WALKER.—The front of his house was illuminated with variegated lamps.

MESSRS. REED AND SEATON.—Over their extensive coach manufactory was an Union Jack.

MR. BROOKS.—In West Laith-gate was a small flag, "Welcome our beloved Queen."

MR. PEARCE.—Mr. Pearce, tinner, &c., St. Sepulchre-gate, had a small star, with evergreens around it.

MR. SHERWOOD LYON.—Mr. S. Lyon, watch-maker, of Baxter-gate, had placed over his shop window a small coat of arms, with "God save the Queen" underneath.

MISSES DRURY.—Misses Drury, confectioners and grocers, Baxter-gate, displayed a neat star of gas.

MR. STOKER.—Mr. Stoker, French-gate, had two globes transparent.

MRS. CLAYTON.—Mrs. Clayton, perfumer, had the letters "V. A." in variegated lamps, decorated with evergreens.

MR. B. BROOKS.—Mr. Brooks, Hall-gate, carver and gilder, had a gas star.

MISS DIGGINS.—Miss Diggins, milliner, &c. Hall-gate, had a transparency of the globe inscribed "Britannia rules the waves."

MRS. ELIZABETH HALL.—In front of the house of Mrs. Hall, wine and spirit merchant, French-gate was a display of evergreens and lamps.

MR. WIGHTMAN.—Mr. Wightman, painter, &c., Cartwright-street, displayed a very elegant and well-executed flag.

MR. THOMAS FOX.—Mr. Fox, grocer, High-street, had a large flag.

GAZETTE-OFFICE.—A large Union Jack.

MR. WILLIAMS.—Mr. Williams, confectioner, &c. St. Sepulchre-gate, exhibited a crown, with a border of stained glass. The star of Brunswick with "V. R." and in the centre Britannia also in stained glass.

MR. C. J. FOX, Hall-gate, had an Union Jack.

INNS.

BAILES'S HOTEL.—Mrs. Bailes exhibited the star of Brunswick, with the letters "V. R." in gas. This is the most conspicuous building for the display of an illumination; but its exposure to the current of air round the adjacent corner, disturbed the jets and made them of a waving character, with the light floating like a banner.

THE WOOLPACK.—Mr. Millhouse exhibited a large crown, manufactured by Messrs. Thirlwall, ironmongers, lighted with gas.

THE ELEPHANT.—On the door-way, Mr. Elwis has the Prince of Wales's feathers in variegated lamps.

THE GEORGE AND DRAGON.—Mr. Beetham displayed a star of Brunswick, formed also of variegated lamps.

SALUTATION.—Mr. Gamwell had an illumination in large letters, V. R.

ST. LEGER TAVERN.—Mrs. Woodward displayed a star of lamps, which was the means of attraction in Silver-street.

THE KING'S ARMS.—Mr. James Ward displayed a beautiful new blue flag, inscribed, in gold letters, with "God save the Queen;" also the star of Brunswick, with the letters "V. A." on each side; and a crown formed of evergreens and dahlias. The entrance was likewise ornamented with evergreens.

THE MARQUIS OF GRANBY.—A large Union Jack.

THE RAM INN.—Mrs. Outwin had V. A. displayed in front of the house facing the High street.

WHITE BEAR.—Mr. Storer exhibited a very neat transparency, surrounded with evergreens and flowers, containing the following verse, which, we believe, is from the pen of Mrs. Storer; the whole surmounted with a crown.

May angels guard the Queen and Prince
From foes of every kind !
May loyal subjects greet them
With heart, and voice, and mind !
May th' welkin ring with cheers so loud,
Expressive of their worth,
That Doncaster may honour'd be,
Whene'er they journey north !

BAY HORSE.—Mr. Brabiner, of the Bay Horse, French-gate, had " V. A." in gas.

BULL'S HEAD.—In the dram-shop window, East Laith-gate, was a flag with " God save Queen Victoria."

RAILWAY HOTEL.—Mrs. Ellis had the Hotel ornamented with festoons of lamps.

Mr. HUDSON, Nag's Head, exhibited a brilliant star, with the letters V. A.

Mr. ETCHES, Royal Lancer, had an Union Jack.

In addition to the above were several other equally creditable displays of crowns and stars in different parts of the town. The effect of the whole, however, was sadly marred by a shower of rain which began to fall between nine and ten o'clock, and which continued during the night. This had the effect of speedily dispersing the crowd in the streets, and by eleven they were quite silent. The illuminations were then left to wink on vacancy, and the triumphal arches, with all their flags and loyal mottoes were abandoned to solitude. With the exception of the guard of honour, composed of a detachment of the 85th Infantry, that was stationed at the door of the good old-fashioned Angel Inn, there was no one to have told a stranger that the Queen of England had taken up her quarters for the night in the town.