CHESTERFIELD PETTY SESSIONS.

SATURDAY, JULY 8.

(Before E. G. Maynard, J. Mynell, and J. G. Crompton, Esqrs.)

Mr. Shipton, on behalf of the Trustees of the Basingthorpe and Chesterfield Turnpike Road, made application for an order for the sum of £76, for the repairs of the highway, being an apportionment of £28 for the parish of Brampton, £30 for Newbold, and £11 for Whittington; the other townships had signified their consent to pay their proportion of the sum named.

Mr. Maynard, being an interested party, retired whilst the Bench was engaged in considering the sum applied for from the parish of Brampton.

The application was granted.

Mr. Edward Marr, of Whittington, was charged with unlawfully erecting a weighing machine and counting-house on certain waste land, on the side of the turnpike road leading from Brampton and Chesterfield to the High Moors, in the parish of Brampton, such being within the limit from the middle of the turnpike road, and within three miles of the borough of Chesterfield.

Mr. Rich appeared for the complainant, and Mr. Clarke for the defendant.

Thomas Gillett deposed that he knew the weighing machine erected by Mr. Marr on the side of the turnpike road leading from Birmingham to Chesterfield, and that in measuring it he found it to be 17 feet from the centre of the road to the weighing machine, and 20 feet to the building. It was not three miles from Chesterfield.

Mr. Clarke did not offer any defence: he merely admitted that the machine was put there to serve a temporary purpose, and that the magistrates had acted from malicious motives in instituting the present charge against his client.

Convicted in the penalty of £2.

Joseph Muller was fined 1s and costs, for assaulting Ruth Meller, at Scarcliff, on the 8th of July.

CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COURT, TOWN HALL.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12.

(Before Joseph Thomas Cantrell, Esq., Judge.)

120 plaints were entered, and out of this number the suits for 107 were struck off the calendar, the following they did not appear to execute any general interest.

WAGGON & RELIFT.

Plaintiff resides at Ilskewell, and defendant at Chesterfield.

The action was brought by plaintiff against defendant for the recovery of damages which he had sustained in consequence of not being put in possession of some mining shares, which were sold to him by defendant, as one of the executors of the late Mr. Walton, horsedealer, of Chesterfield, as the proper time.

Mr. Cutts appeared for the plaintiff: Mr. Brown, of Tideswell, conducted the case for the defendant.

Mr. Cutts, in opening the case to the Court, observed that the shares in arrear, for which he was defendant having offered for sale by public auction on the 25th of August, 1847, at the Angel Inn, in the town of Tideswell, in the parish of Taddington. The plaintiff bought these six shares for £30, and he intimated the present action to recover monies but in consequence of the contract not having been completed at the time stated. Having paid over the money, the terms of sale he called

Mr. Bingham, auctioneer, of Tideswell, who deposed that he was employed by the defendant to sell six shares in some mines in Derbyshire. He sold them to plaintiff for £30, who, he believed, paid £3 as a deposit. The contract was to be completed by the 25th of March following. He was at Chesterfield a short time prior to the sale, and he believed that he saw the defendant in Messrs. Walton's, horsedealer, Chesterfield, for a number of thirteen-twenty-fourth's of shares.

In answer to some questions put to him by Mr. Brown, witness stated that he was employed by defendant, who, he believed, was acting as trustee of the testator, Mr. William Hague Walton, to sell the property.

Plaintiff stated that he bought the six shares for £30, and £3 deposit to Mr. Bingham. After he had had those six shares properly transferred to him he could have sold 15 shares at £30 a share; it was a person so heard of after Valentine notions. You would have the *Feudist* system (as that miserable mob orator at Nottingham named it) back again with its abominable hustings they are the agents of the Anti-Corn Law Leaguers.—Also I Tom, I have you there—the nuns—you sly dog—ah, you lovers of solitude and sly corners don't study the beauties of nature for nothing. I'll be bound—the village I don't expect this—the river—that old bridge—the mountains—where the deuce are we going to?"

"This is Ambergate Station, and these vehicles are on the road to Wingfield, sir.

"Matlock Bath, name for all that is best and loveliest! Why, what an ass was I not to study the map ere we set out! Matlock, is there much company at Matlock at present?"

"Jim, here's a gennun wants to know if there be many gov'leckits at the Bath."

"Pretty middling, sir," replied Jim, advancing with the air of one determined to hook a customer, "pretty fairish, considering the earliness of the season. Them troubles in France are expected to be a many over who had better never have left home."

"Many nice girls, Jem, eh?"

"Lots of them always, Sir," responded Jem with a look that was not inspiring.

"Good-bye, Tom, 'se shall meet at Philippi.' I may take a run over to see if you have found my portmanteau—you can say, How sweet is solitude—An revoir."

And the merry-hearted Dick mounted beside *Jim* for Matlock; and his more musing companion resumed musing to Wingfield.

"So these are, indeed, the walls," I soliloquised to the no small astonishment of a respectable-looking burrow-couple in the station, who for years past the deeply embowered ruins ere reaching the Station, "these are the walls which for nine long years witnessed the woes of the loveliest and most ill-fated of all her sex, my own Matilda. I have watched in vain for that deliverance so often essayed by the bravest of England's sons. I wish I had been slive then."

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Nov. 25. Charges when our men were
taken in our chapel, in bread, cheese,
drink, coals and horse meate 00 16 06

The worthy Headborough appears to have also "taken" himself about this time, as immediately after follows

Item my charges when I was in prison ... 01 10 6d

Aug. 3. A quarter more 00 08 00
" 5. Three sacks oats 00 12 00
" 10. Quarter of oats 00 08 00

Seven shillings to Walkous troppe (troop) 00 07 00

And in the Quarter Sessions, of Colonel Watsons troope for oats 00 18 00

Many other similar charges follow, the prices of hay and oats appearing to be very high, the former required by his Mates. forces appearing no doubt to be the best quality, and therefore inconveniently large. The items of importance are