



LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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LAST MEETING

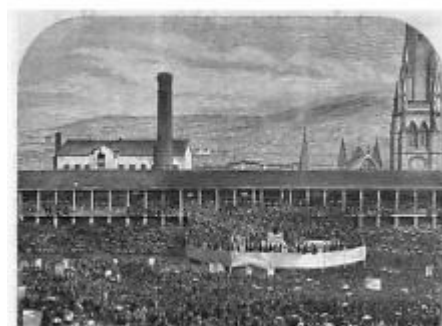
Mr. David Glover of Halifax was the speaker at the last meeting of the Society, when he gave an illustrated talk on the prints and pictures of old Halifax. He first illustration of Halifax in 1775 showed a number of houses and buildings around the Parish Church at the bottom end of town, with not a mill in site. Gradually, throughout the first half of the 19th century, mills and their chimneys began to appear, so that by the end of that century there were a very large number and photographs showed Halifax in a cloud of smoke. He then went on to show pictures of some of the old buildings. One of the first was the Gibbet, where criminals who had



stolen property worth more than 13 pence were beheaded. The Piece Hall was opened in 1778, and during the 19th century, Sunday School sings took place at Whitsuntide, when there would be many thousands of scholars present. The two Methodist Chapels from Luddenden and that from Booth took almost 900 scholars between them, and the event attracted almost 20,000 children. We hope next year to invite Mr. Glover back to continue looking at pictures of Halifax through the twentieth century.



There was a short business meeting following Mr. Glover's talk. There has been no further developments in the possible sale of the grassed area in the centre of the village.



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There have been no new planning applications to Calderdale since our last newsletter, and just one has been granted—that for alterations to the interior at Carr Well, down New Road.

CALDER GREENING PROJECT

The Society has recently had meetings with Mr. Alec Boyd who is a Project Officer for the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. Work on a river restoration project that covers the mid-Calder and most of its tributaries including Luddenden Brook has recently begun, and the Society are hoping to work with Mr. Boyd. He will also be coming to talk to the Society at the next meeting.

LINCOLN TRIP

The Society has organised a trip to Lincoln to see the castle and cathedral on Tuesday June 11th. There are still some vacancies and anyone interested in going should contact Rodney Collinge by the end of May.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 30th May at 7.30pm in the Lord Nelson. Everybody welcome.**

As mentioned above, Mr. Alec Boyd will be talking to the society about the Calderdale Greening Project.

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