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2 Jan 1909 Peak Edn	6	<p style="text-align: center;">WHAT A CHIEL HEARS IN THE COUNTY</p> <p>That a new chairman and vice chairman of the Top Hat Club at Tansley will have to be elected. That the old officers have been outdone.</p>
2 Jan 1909 PEAK EDN	8	<p style="text-align: center;">TANSLEY. PAROCHIAL "SOCIAL."</p> <p>A parochial social and dance were held in the day schools at Tansley on Boxing night. The Rev J. Brodie Mais was chairman and the musical programme was given by Miss Cissy Stone. Miss Marion Jackson, Mr Fred Norman, Mr Stuart P. B. Mais, Mr John Knowles, Mr Charles Knowles, Mr Lytell and Mr Frank Denning. The Tansley orchestral band gave their services for the dances. The instrumentalists were:- Miss Gertie Smith (piano), Coun. E. Taylor (first violin), Mr Philip Dakin (solo cornet), Mr George Palfreyman (piccolo), Mr Frank Dennis ('cello), and the Rev J. Brodie Mais (bass viol). The ladies of the choir presided at the refreshment stalls, which were supplied by Mrs Blackwell. The M.C,'s were Messrs Dalton and Tom Colledge.</p>
2 Jan 1909 PEAK EDN	11	<p style="text-align: center;">MATCHES TODAY (SATURDAY) MATLOCK AND DISTRICT JUNIOR LEAGUE. Division B</p> <p>Tansley v. Matlock Reserve – A. E. Wood.</p>
9 Jan 1909 PEAK EDN	8	<p style="text-align: center;">GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.</p> <p>A meeting of the Tansley Top-Hat Club was held on New Year's Day. The selection of officers was carried out, the Chairman being unanimously re-elected. The accounts were duly audited and showed a substantial balance on the right side. Loyal and patriotic toasts were drunk.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">***</p> <p>Thanks to the kindly thought and generosity of Mr and Mrs J. H. Scholes, a company of 180 Tansley children had on Friday a pleasant reminder of the festive season. After a substantial tea which was superintended by Mr and Mrs Scholes, Mrs Singleton, Mr and Mrs McMunn, Mrs Joseph Arrow Smith, Mrs Thomas Taylor (Heathy Lea), and Mrs Benjamin Taylor, the youngsters were splendidly entertained, and later in the evening Mr Scholes addressed a few words of welcome and good wishes, in return receiving hearty wishes. Every child received a toy, a new penny, and an apple and orange. The arrangements had been carried out under the direction of Mr and Mrs McMunn.</p>

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Results in Brief
Matlock and District Junior League.
Division B.

*Tansley 2, Matlock Reserves 0

16 Jan 1909
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MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE
Division B.

*Millers Green 2, Tansley 1.

Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	9	8	0	1	22	8	16
Starkholmes	10	7	1	2	33	18	15
Middleton	9	5	1	3	28	15	11
Tansley	11	5	1	5	22	26	11
Millers Green	9	5	1	3	24	16	11
Bonsall	12	4	3	5	32	32	11
Slaley	11	2	3	6	21	27	7
Birchover	7	3	0	4	12	17	6
Matlock Reserve	7	2	0	5	9	14	4
Darley Dale	9	1	0	8	6	35	2

MATCHES TODAY (SATURDAY)
 MATLOCK AND DISTRICT JUNIOR LEAGUE.
 Division B.

Cromford v. Tansley. - D. Botham

23 Jan 1909
 PEAK EDN

FOOTBALL FACTS AND FANCIES.
MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	10	9	0	1	26	10	18
Starkholmes	11	8	1	2	39	19	17
Middleton	10	6	1	3	30	15	13
Bonsall	13	5	3	5	39	34	13
Millers Green	10	5	1	4	25	23	11
Tansley	12	5	1	6	24	30	11
Slaley	11	2	3	6	21	27	7
Birchover	8	3	0	5	12	19	6
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Results In Brief

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Football Notes.

On their own ground Darley Dale were defeated by Tansley by five goals to two in the Matlock and district Junior League. The opening stages were in favour of the homesters, who soon took the lead through Ollerenshaw. A few minutes later they were awarded a penalty and Ben Fawley scored. The tide of luck then changed, and Tansley were given two penalties in quick succession. Bowering failed miserably with the first kick, but Johnson converted the second. The score at half-time was 2 – 1 in favour of Darley Dale. In the second half Tansley scored four times, two of the goals being got by Johnson, who played a good all-round game.

MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

	Division B						
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Starkholmes	12	9	1	2	45	20	19
Cromford	11	9	0	2	26	13	18
Middleton	11	7	1	3	33	15	15
Bonsall	14	6	3	5	51	36	15
Tansley	13	6	1	6	29	32	13
Millers Green	10	5	1	4	25	23	11
Slaley	12	2	3	7	22	33	7
Birchover	8	3	0	5	12	19	6
Matlock Reserve	8	2	0	6	12	32	4
Darley Dale	10	1	0	9	8	40	2

Results in Brief

*Tansley 5, Darley Dale 2

6 Feb 1909
 PEAK EDN

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

Tansley (Offspring of Hope) Lodge of the Manchester Unity have just issued their statement of accounts for the last year, which has been a more favourable one in regard to sickness than its predecessor. This item, however, is still heavy, amounting to £192, the contributions being £4 12s. 3d. in excess of this sum. The Society has a total capital of £2,817 2s. 1d, and has a membership of 245, a slight decrease during the year. The accounts have been audited by P.G. James Toplis and P.G. George Briddon. The new officers are: - P.G. Thos. Taylor, Bro. Joseph Hodgkinson, P.G. Thomas Taylor (trustees); Bro. G. Taylor (treasurer); and P.P.G.M. Herbert Marsh (secretary). The juvenile Lodge has a balance of £83 5s. 9d., and the membership is 58.

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Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	12	10	0	2	35	19	20
Starkholmes	12	9	1	2	43	20	19
Middleton	11	7	1	3	33	15	15
Bonsall	14	6	3	6	61	36	15
Millers Green	11	6	1	4	34	24	13
Tansley	13	6	1	6	29	32	13
Slaley	13	3	3	7	29	34	9
Birchover	9	3	0	6	11	26	6
Matlock Reserve	9	2	0	7	13	40	4
Darley Dale	11	1	10	9	9	49	2

13 Feb 1909

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**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

An interesting lecture was given at the Institute, Tansley, on Friday, by the Rector (the Rev. J. Brodie Mais), on "Money." Having related the history of money, the lecturer exhibited some rare specimens of the first coins used.

13 Feb 1909

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FOOTBALL NOTES.

Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	12	10	0	2	35	19	20
Starkholmes	12	9	1	2	43	20	19
Bonsall	15	7	3	5	63	36	17
Middleton	12	7	1	4	33	17	15
Millers Green	11	6	1	4	34	24	13
Tansley	13	6	1	6	29	32	13
Slaley	13	3	3	7	29	34	9
Birchover	9	3	0	6	11	26	6
Matlock Reserve	10	3	0	7	14	40	6
Darley Dale	12	1	0	11	9	49	2

20 Feb 1909

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NEWS SUMMARY.

Mr Thomas Taylor (61), farmer, of Heathy Lea, Tansley, was instantaneously killed by falling from Matlock Cliffe into the field below on Wednesday. His neck was dislocated.

TANSLEY FARMER'S TRAGIC END.

Mr Thomas Taylor's Fatal Fall.

"A Very Dangerous Place."

Mr Thomas Taylor, of Tansley, a member of an old Derbyshire family, and a very well-known agriculturalist, met his death under very sad circumstances between Matlock and Tansley on

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Wednesday evening.

According to the story unfolded at the inquest on Thursday, Mr Taylor, who had occupied Heathy Lea farm for many years, was walking along Matlock Cliff, presumably towards home, when, in some way unknown, he stumbled and fell over the low wall bordering the path, and dropped some six feet into a field. A Tansley woman, who was going Matlock-wards, saw him fall over, and she called three or four men who found Mr Taylor apparently dead. Dr E Crarer, of Matlock, was sent for, and he found that what had been surmised was only too true – Mr Taylor had broken his neck.

Mr Taylor was an exceedingly familiar figure in the Matlock district, and in North Derbyshire agricultural events. He was born at Hill Top form, Matlock, and he had spent most of his life at Tansley, where, for some years, his father, Timothy Taylor, kept the George and Dragon Inn.

Mr Taylor was the landlord of the Plough inn, Brackenfield, for several years, but upon his father's death some twenty years ago he took Heathy Lea farm, and devoted himself entirely to agricultural pursuits. He was a regular visitor to Bakewell Cattle Market. He was particularly interested in the Matlock and District Ploughing Association matches, and was a member of the executive. He was formerly a member of the Tansley Parish Council, and he had occupied the chairmanship. He was a keen Oddfellow. He had filled all the responsible positions in the local lodge, and was a trustee. Mr Taylor leaves a widow and son (Mr Charles Taylor), who represents Tansley of the Bakewell Board of Guardians, and two daughters, with whom much sympathy is felt.

THE INQUEST

The inquest was held at Heather House, Tansley, on Thursday, by Mr Sidney Taylor, Coroner for the High Peak. Mr. Thomas Taylor was foreman of the jury, and the other jurymen were Messrs Thomas Dawes, John Ellis, F. C. Norman, Charles Gregory, J. A. Smith, H. Daughton, C.H. Gratton, Saml. Smith, Wm. Staley, W.B. Hargreaves, and E. W. Barnes, and M. Marriott.

William Clarke Taylor, son of the deceased, gave evidence of identification, and said his father was 60 years of age. He last saw him alive in Matlock at about 4.30 on Wednesday., when he appeared to have come off a train.

The Coroner: Was there any trace of drink about him? – None whatever.

Was he subject to anything like attacks of faintness or giddiness? – Not that I was aware of. I have heard he complained of his heart occasionally.

Mrs Emma Peach, wife of Arthur Peach, of Thatcher's Lane,

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Tansley, said she was going to Matlock on Wednesday evening along Matlock cliff, and at about 7.30 she saw the deceased, who was walking in the direction of Tansley. When he was some little distance from her "he caught his foot against a stone or stick or something," and she next saw him going headlong over the wall on his left hand side." The wall was not very high from the path, but there was a considerable drop into the field on the other side. Deceased had a walking stick with him, but she was unable to say whether he tripped up over that. She hastened to the spot where he had disappeared, and saw him lying in the field. She called to him twice, but he made no reply, and then she called a man, who came along, and he fetched a lantern, by the light of which they recognised Mr. Taylor.

Other men soon came up and got deceased out of the field. He appeared to be dead, and they rubbed and shook him for some time, thinking they might bring him round. Eventually some one went for a conveyance and deceased was taken in to Heathy Lea.

The coroner: When he was coming along was there anything at all abnormal about him? – No, sir. I didn't see anything.

Thomas Evans, landlord of the Horse Shoe Hotel, Matlock Green, said deceased was in his house from about 6.0 to 6.45 on Wednesday. He had two "small specials" to drink.

The Coroner: - Did he appear to have had anything before? – No, he seemed perfectly sober.

Sergeant T. H. Smith stated that he had examined the spot where the deceased fell over. The distance of the top of the wall from the pavement was 21 inches, and the distance from the top to the field into which the deceased fell was 6 feet 4 inches.

The Coroner: - Did you see anything there that would cause anyone to trip? – In places the stones in the wall project a little.

Would it be possible for anyone to catch a leg against the wall and so fall over? – Yes, and one couldn't avoid going over—the wall is so low. If anyone stumbled like that there would be no chance of saving himself whatever. I should say it is a very dangerous place for anyone to be walking up in the dark.

A juror stated that since the wall was built the road had been raised two of three feet.

The Coroner: If it is such a dangerous place you might reasonably call the attention of the Matlock Council to it.

Dr Edward Crarer, of Matlock, said he had attended the deceased about three times during the last six years. There was nothing in his history or condition to subject him to fits of giddiness or faintness. He saw Mr Taylor's body at Heathy Lea at 8.45 p.m. on Wednesday. He had been dead for about an hour. An examination of it revealed a fractured dislocation of the spinal column, and that

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would cause immediate death. There was, in his opinion, no doubt that death occurred as soon as Mr Taylor had fallen.

Sergeant Smith: When you examined the body did you find any traces of drink? – There was not the slightest smell of drink about him.

The jury returned a verdict of “Accidental death.”

The Coroner: - Do you wish me to write to the Matlock Council about the dangerous condition of the wall?

The Foreman: Yes, we think you should. It’s a very dangerous place.

Mr Hargreaves moved, and Mr Ellis seconded, a vote of sympathy eith the widow and family. This was carried and was briefly acknowledged by Mr Clarke Taylor.

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**A BAD CROWN.
PECULIAR POSITION OF A TANSLEY
LAD.**

The serious charge of trying to pass a counterfeit coin was at Matlock on Wednesday preferred against Samuel Askew (18), the son of a Tansley labourer.

Evidence was first given by Arthur Bowmer, shop assistant, employed at Burgon’s Ltd., Matlock. He said that at 11.50 a.m. on Monday prisoner came into the shop and asked for half a stone of sugar, value 1s 2d. He presented a five shilling piece dated 1890 for payment, but he (witness) found, on examination, that the coin was a bad one. Returning it to prisoner he said “It’s not worth twopence.” Prisoner thereupon produced a shilling and twopence from his pocket. He said he received the coin from Mrs J.H. Radford, of Tansley Wood, in payment for some washing.

Mrs Elizabeth Twigg, who keeps a small general dealer’s shop on Matlock Green, said the prisoner came into her shop and asked for a packet of cigarettes and a box of matches. He produced the five shilling piece for payment of the goods, and she gave him 4s 10 ½ d change. Later the same day she paid Mr Wherrett, the baker, an account for 13s 6d. She gave him the five shilling piece, but had no suspicion that it was a bad one.

Wm. Wherrett stated that he gave the five shilling piece over to P.c. Kennedy.

Harry Wm. Barnwell, jeweller, Matlock, stated the coin was only two-thirds of the weight of a genuine five shilling piece. The acid he applied to it soon ate through it, and the metal was so soft he could cut it with an ordinary knife. The coin was not a bad imitation.

P.c.Kennedy said prisoner told him he got the coin from Mrs Charles Radford, Tansley Wood. On going to Mrs Radford’s he saw Mr Fletcher, the butler, who confirmed the evidence that

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prisoner obtained the money from him for some washing which had been done by prisoner's parents.

Prisoner was remanded to the next Petty Sessions, so that the deposition could be forwarded to the Public Prosecutor.

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 MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE**

Junior League
 Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	13	11	0	2	38	20	22
Starkholmes	13	10	1	2	52	20	21
Middleton	13	8	1	4	36	17	17
Bonsall	14	7	3	6	63	36	17
Millers Green	12	7	1	4	36	26	15
Tansley	14	6	1	7	29	35	13
Slaley	14	3	3	8	29	36	9
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Matlock Reserve	11	3	0	8	15	43	6
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 PEAK Edn

**WHAT A CHIEL HEARS IN THE
 COUNTY.**

That two Matlock travellers out-did a Chesterfield member of the fraternity at the Shrovetide dinner at Tansley.

27 Feb 1909 9
 PEAK Edn

**IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL AT
 TANSLEY.**

The Late Mr. Thomas Taylor.

Among many tokens of regret the remains of Mr Thomas Taylor, of Heathy Lea Farm, Tansley, a well-known agriculturist and prominent Oddfellow, were laid to rest in the churchyard on Saturday afternoon.

The deceased gentleman was held in high respect not only in the village but throughout the Peak District, and blinds were drawn whilst the funeral cortege passed along. A large and representative company of villagers attended, whilst en route, and also at the churchyard there was a large concourse of people.

[photo]

A short service was held at Tansley Parish Church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. J. Brodie Mais), and at the graveside, the committal service was read by N.G. George Holland??

The mourners were:- Counc. W. Clarke-Taylor (son), Miss L R Taylor, Miss S.J. Taylor (daughters), Mr Timothy Taylor, Mayor of Mansfield (nrother), Mr Tom Taylor, Mansfield, Mrs T. Bramwell (sister), Litton, Mr G. Taylor (brother), Tansley, Mr Bramwell

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(brother-in-law), Mrs John Taylor (sister-in-law), Allen Hill, Matlock, Mr T. Taylor (cousin), Royal Oak, Mrs Clarke-Taylor (daughter-in-law), Mrs Geo. Taylor (sister-in-law), Councillors W.H. Moore, Job Spendlove, Anthony Carlisle (Matlock), William Staley (Tansley), Messrs. H.C. Rackstraw, Sidney Smith, F. Wilson, Haskell, Peter Wildgoose, J.A. Smith, Thomas McMunn and Mr Norman, of Heather House.

From the Offspring of Hope (Tansley) Lodage of the Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, of which deceased had been a trustee for many years, there followed about sixty members in charge of the following officers:- N.G. Geo. Haslam, V.G. Wm. Goodall, P.P.G.M. Hebt. Marsh (secretary), Bro. Joseph Hodgkinson (trustee), P.G. Thos. Taylor (Royal Oak), P.G. Job Slater and Bro. Geo. Hodgkinson (sick pay officer).

Representing the Matlock and District Ploughing Association were: Messrs E. Hodgkinson (secretary), Fredk. Adams, James Gibbs, and Thomas Evans.

The bearers were Messrs Wm. Forbes, Wm. Bunting, Thos. Marsden, and Joseph Lynham.

Among those present were Mrs. Ernest Farnsworth, Mrs. Dakin, Mr. C.J. Bilham, Mr Isaac Statham, Mr and Mrs. Margerison, Mr and Mrs J. Humphrey Brookes, Mr A. Wheatcroft, Mr. Wheatcroft, jun., Mr. C. Granville Heny (solicitor), Mrs. McMunn, Miss McMunn, and Mrs Staley.

The coffin, which was of old English oak with solid brass furniture bore the inscription "Thomas Taylor, died February 17th., 1909, aged 60 years."

There was a large number of beautiful floral tokens. Besides two exquisite wreaths placed on the coffin by the widow and the family, tributes were sent by Mr and Mrs Clarke-Taylor, Mr Timothy Taylor, Mr and Mrs W. Taylor and family, Mansfield; Mr and Mrs Geo. Taylor, Mr and Mrs Thomas Bramwell, Mrs Taylor, Matlock, Mrs H.S. Yeomans, Holloway, Mr and Mrs H.C. Rackstraw, Matlock, Mr and Mrs Taylor, Royal Oak, Tansley, Mr and Mrs Willgoose, Ripley, and Mr J. Platts.

The arrangements were carried out by Mr Thomas Dawes, of Tansley.

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**A BAD COIN.
 TANSLEY YOUTH LENIENTLY DEALT
 WITH.**

In the case of Samuel Askew, a Tansley youth, who at the last Matlock Petty Sessions was charged in custody with uttering a counterfeit coin – a five shilling piece – the Magistrates' Clerk (Mr J Potter) explained he had forwarded the depositions to the Public Prosecutor, who had reduced the charge to that of obtaining 4s.10½ in money by false pretences from Mrs Elizabeth Twigg, of The Green, Matlock, on Feb. 15th.

This charge was preferred against Askew at Matlock, on Wednesday, when the evidence given at the last hearing by Arthur Bowman, Mrs Twigg, and P.c. Kennedy, and which had already appeared in The Derbyshire Times, was repeated.

Prisoner, who pleaded "not guilty," said "I had so much faith in Mr Fletcher, the gentleman who gave me the 5s, that I did not believe it was a bad one."

The Mr Fletcher referred to is butler to Mrs Chilvers Radford, of Tansley Wood.

The Bench stated it was perfectly clear that defendant had done wrong in trying to pass the money after he had been told it was a bad one at Burgon's, but taking into consideration his good character they had decided to take a lenient view of the case. He would be bound over in the sum of £5 to be of good behaviour for twelve months and pay 10s. costs.

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**PLEAS OF IGNORANCE.
 Crich and Starkholmes struck out
 the Medal Competition
 PROTEST AGAINST CRICH.**

Tansley lodged a protest against Crich for playing four men who were not eligible in the Medal Competition at Crich. The men complained of were Thomas Smith, William Haslam, Wm. Perry, and Joe Leafe, they having played for Bull Bridge in the Shield Competition. The Tansley club, it was stated, had warned Crich before the commencement of the match, but the visiting club said they could do nothing. The four men were regular league players for Crich, but had played against Tansley for Bull Bridge in the Shield Competition, and it was understood that they had played in other rounds for Bull Bridge.

Mr. Bowmar, of Crich, admitted that the four players had played for Bull Bridge in the Shield Competition. "But" he added, "they are our league players, and have played in almost every one of our league matches."

Mr. Roberts: You know a player who plays for another club in a competition cannot play for you.

Mr Bowmar: I don't know that I did; I never took that interest in it.

The Chairman: Somebody belonging to your club ought to know the rules.

Mr Roberts: Especially as the club went out of their way to inform them.

In answer to Mr Hind, the Crich representative said he had not read the rules.

Mr. J.W.Johnson, of Tansley, said that he saw Mr. Bowmar in

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the stripping room before the match commenced, and called his attention to the four players.

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**THE WEEK'S POLICE
 A RUSE THAT FAILED.**

TANSLEY LABOURER AND THE RABBIT.

A Tansley labourer named John Noton (29) was at Matlock on Wednesday charged with having in his possession a rabbit which he had unlawfully obtained by going upon land in search of game on March 4th.

Supt. Clarke stated when he searched defendant, Noton told him he had a written authority from Mr Fredk. Taylor, of Matlock, to go on his land for rabbits. This he found to be untrue.

Defendant's brother, George Noton, who is in Mr Taylor's employ, and has permission to kill game on his employer's land, stated he killed the rabbit on March 3rd. When Supt. Clarke stopped his brother he was taking the rabbit to Mr Taylor.

Defendant was fined 2s 6d and 7s 6d costs.

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MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Junior League

Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	15	13	0	2	55	21	26
Starkholmes	14	11	1	2	58	21	23
Bonsall	16	7	4	5	67	39	18
Middleton	13	8	1	4	36	17	17
Millers Green	14	8	1	5	39	29	17
Tansley	15	7	1	7	33	36	15
Slaley	14	3	3	8	30	36	9
Matlock Reserve	12	3	1	8	19	47	7
Birchover	12	3	0	9	13	46	6
Darley Dale	13	1	0	12	10	58	2

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FOOTBALL NOTES.
MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Junior League

Division B

*Slaley 3, Tansley 3

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	15	13	0	2	55	21	26
Starkholmes	15	12	1	2	63	21	25
Middleton	14	9	1	4	41	17	19
Millers Green	16	9	1	6	42	31	19
Bonsall	16	7	3	6	67	39	17
Tansley	16	7	2	7	34	37	16
Slaley	15	3	4	8	33	39	10
Matlock Reserve	13	3	1	9	19	62	7
Birchover	13	3	0	10	13	30	6
Darley Dale	14	1	0	13	12	61	2

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TANSLEY.
PARISH COUNCIL.

The annual meeting of the Tansley Parish Council was held on Tuesday, when there were present Messrs W. Clarke Taylor (chairman), W. Forbes, O. Taylor, and Herbert Strange, with Mr Thomas McMunn (clerk) – Mr Thomas Taylor (Matlock Cliff) was appointed chairman and treasurer, Mr Sidney Smith vice-chairman, and Messrs Thomas Taylor and J. A. Smith overseers.

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**FOOTBALL NOTES.
 MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE**

Junior League
 Division B

*Matlock Reserve 1, Tansley 1.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	16	14	0	2	59	22	28
Starkholmes	16	12	2	2	63	21	26
Middleton	15	10	1	4	49	17	21
Millers Green	16	9	2	5	42	31	20
Bonsall	17	8	4	5	67	39	20
Tansley	17	7	3	7	35	38	17
Slaley	16	3	4	9	34	43	10
Matlock Res.	14	3	2	9	20	53	8
Birchover	14	3	0	11	13	57	6
Darley Dale	15	1	0	14	12	69	2

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**FOOTBALL NOTES.
 MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE**

Junior League
 Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cromford	16	14	0	2	59	23	28
Starkholmes	16	12	2	2	63	21	26
Middleton	15	10	1	4	49	17	21
Millers Green	16	9	2	5	42	31	20
Bonsall	18	8	4	6	68	41	20
Tansley	17	7	3	7	35	38	17
Slaley	17	4	4	9	37	43	12
Matlock Res.	15	3	2	10	20	56	8
Birchover	16	4	0	12	16	59	8
Darley Dale	16	2	0	14	12	69	4

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**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

A satisfactory state of affairs was reported at the annual meeting of the Tansley Institute held on Tuesday. Mr Wm. Staley, the senior vice-president, presided, and Councillor W. Clarke-Taylor, in his annual report, said that during the past year the Institute had been successful in all ways. The building had been enlarge, and thanks were due to Mr J. Nuttall, the hon. architect, Mr Geo. Boden, for wall stone; and for free carting to Messrs Thos. Taylor (Matlock), Thos. Taylor (Tansley), Job Spendlove, Geo. Taylor, Wm. Forbes, Benj. Taylor, Job Haslam, G. Battenby, and Mrs Fox.

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In addition to this free work, £32? 10s. 5d. had been expended in enlarging and equipping the premises, which now needed decoration. A new billiard table had been added at a cost of £52, and it was resolved to construct a range for air-gun shooting in the basement. A silver medal was presented to Mr C. Quigley, the winner of the draughts competition. Mr F.H.Drabble was re-elected president; Messrs J.B. Marsden-Smedley, J.P., C.C., W. Staley, Thos. McMunn, Thos.Taylor, W.Clarke-Taylor, J.H. Scholes, vice-presidents; Messrs W. Staley, T. McMunn, J.E. Smith, W. Fox, T.Wilmot, H. Dickin, T.Taylor, jun., J.Palfreyman, T. McMunn, jun., G. Palfreyman, J. Forbes, A. Thorpe, and S.Holland, committee; W. Clarke-Taylor, hon. sec. and treasurer.

The Rector (the Rev. J. Brodie-Mais) presided at the Tansley Easter Vestry. The wardens elected were Messrs Joseph Arrow Smith and William Woolley, and the sidesmen Messrs F.Norman, K. Smith, L. Garner, S. Holmes, and J. Taylor. The accounts were adopted, showing a balance to the good of over £4 out of £64 collected.

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Junior League
 Division B

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Starkholmes	17	13	2	2	66	22	28
Cromford	17	14	0	3	60	24	28
Middleton	16	11	1	4	31	18	22
Millers Green	17	10	2	5	44	31	22
Bonsall	18	8	4	6	69	41	20
Tansley	17	7	3	7	35	38	17
Slaley	17	4	4	9	37	43	12
Matlock Reserve	16	3	2	11	20	66	8
Birchover	17	4	0	13	16	69	8
Darley Dale	16	2	0	14	14	69	4

**MATLOCK AND DISTRICT
 FOOTBALL.**

...
 Owing to illness, J.W.Johnson, of Tansley, failed to keep his appointment as referee in the league match between Ambergate and Bull Bridge on the former's ground. Johnson wired the Ambergate club and they picked up a referee on the ground.

The secretary stated it had been verbally reported to him that Johnson ran the line in the semi-final of the Medal Competition between Tansley and Middleton-by-Wirksworth at Tansley the

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same day.

Johnson stated he was not in a fit condition to referee, and his explanation was accepted.

F. Beddington, for failing to play with Tansley against Slaley was fined 2s 6d.

1 May 1909 8
 Peak Edn

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

At the George and Dragon Hotel, Tansley, on Friday, Messrs Joseph Hodgkinson and Son, of Matlock, held a property sale. There was a good attendance and the bidding was very spirited. Two freehold cottages at Tansley were sold for £275 to Mr Thos. McMunn, Tansley; 1 acre and 2 roods of freehold land, for £95, to Mr Ben Gregory, Tansley; 3 roods of land were bought by Mr Anthony, of Ripley, for £52; and the fourth lot consisting of 3 roods of land was disposed of for £48 to the Rev. F. Harrison, the Vicar of Tidewell. Messrs F. and H. Taylor, of Bakewell, were the solicitors.

8 May 1909 11

**FOOTBALL NOTES
 MATLOCK AND DISTRICT LEAGUE**

Junior League
 Division B

FINAL TABLE.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Starkholmes	18	14	2	2	66	22	30
Cromford	18	14	0	4	61	27	28
Middleton	18	12	1	5	55	18	25
Millers Green	18	11	2	5	47	32	24
Bonsall	18	8	4	6	66	41	20
Tansley	18	8	3	7	38	38	19
Slaley	18	5	4	9	40	43	14
Matlock Res.	18	3	2	13	20	63	8
Birchover	18	4	0	14	16	69	8
Darley Dale	18	2	0	16	13	74	4

29 May 1909
 PEAK EDN

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

On Matlock golf links on Monday, Mr F.C. Norman of Tansley, and Mr T. Frith, of Leicester, met in the final of the captain's (Dr Harbleton's) prize. Mr Norman, after a fine game, won by four up and three to play.

7 July 1909 8
 PEAK EDN

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

At a meeting on Monday of the Tansley Parish Council, a Technical Education Committee was formed with Mr Sidney Smith as chairman, Mr Herbert Strange, treasurer, and Mr Thomas McMunn, secretary. Application is to be made to the Derbyshire

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28 August 1909 8 authority for a course of lessons on ambulance during nthe winter months.
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Death of Old "Spec."

Pedlar's Peculiar Fate at Ashover.

For some years a familiar and welcome figure in the Ashover district has been that of Jno. Herrod, aged about 63? years, better known by the soubriquet of "Spec." who following the calling of a pedlar. Although some amount of mystery surrounded him, he was believed to be a native of Tansley. Always ready with repartee and fond of a joke he made friends of his customers, who will hear with regret of his sad death.

On Friday he called at the Miners' Arms, Milltown, Ashover, where he remained for some time on account of the rain. He subsequently mounted some stone steps leading to a hay-loft on the premises, and at the top he lost his balance and fell a distance of about eight feet, receiving injuries which caused his death.

Dr. A. Green (coroner), conducted the inquest at the Miners' Arms, Milltown, on Saturday.

Joseph Marriott, landlord of the Miners' Arms, said Herrod came to the house on Friday about noon, and stayed on account of the rain, saying he was not going to face Clay Cross in the downpour. About six o'clock he went to the hay-loft at the rear of the inn, and, after exchanging some banter with him (the landlord) the old man went up the steps to the loft, evidently intending to lie down. Witness went out a few minutes later, and was just in time to see the old man, who was opening the door, lose his balance and fall backwards to the ground. He was carried into the house, and Dr. Benson was sent for. Herrod seemed to be breathing all right, but witness and his man watched him all night. Death occurred about ten minutes to seven on the following morning.

By the Coroner: He did not think Herrod had more than two pints of stout all the afternoon.

Dr. Jno. A. Benson (Ashover), who saw Herrod on Friday night, said the only external marks of violence was on the back of his right hand, which was bleeding. He was not bleeding from the head, mouth, or ears, but was insensible. He (the doctor) thought there was compression of the brain rather than concussion. There was no smell of alcohol or pulses which could be detected. He had intended having the man removed to the Infirmary if he lived until the Saturday. He questioned whether the compression was caused by the fall or by apoplexy, but he was inclined to think Herrod had an attack of apoplexy which turned him dizzy, and made him fall.

The landlord added that Herrod was one of the most easy-going men he had ever known, a man who "took the world as it came."

Several jurors confirmed this remark, and

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The Coroner asked where the old man would be buried.

P.c. Turner said that arrangements were being made for burial in the Ashover parish. He added that deceased had 8 ½ d in his possession when he died.

The Coroner: I should think he has money somewhere. Probably he would have some saved.

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

28 August 1909 8

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
 AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

The appointment by the Derbyshire Education Committee of Mr Benjamin Staley, son of Mr William Staley, of "The Grove," Tansley, as headmaster of the Tansley School at a commencing salary of £125 a year, has given satisfaction in the Matlock district. There were 60 applications for the post, which was rendered vacant by the retirement of Mr Thomas McMunn, after 36 years' service. Starting at Lea and Holloway Board School, under Mr W. J. P Burton, as a pupil teacher, Mr Staley took a first-class scholarship, and went into training at St. John's College, York. Having passed the necessary examinations he was appointed under the London County Council. He has studied at the Polytechnic, and comes from Battersea to commence his duties on October 1st.

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**THE WEEK'S POLICE.
 POACHERS ACKNOWLEDGE A
 "FAIR COP."**

EARLY BIRDS AT TANSLEY.

In the small hours of Saturday morning John Noton, Samuel Knowles, and James Jackson, and another man who managed to evade the police, were enjoying the sport of rabbit catching. They secured 25 head of game, which, however, did not remain in their possession very long.

Sergeant Smith and P.c. Webster at 5 a.m. saw the men coming from the direction of Dethick, and opened a nag they were carrying.

The result was that on Wednesday morning at the Matlock Police Court they were charged with poaching.

P.c. Webster said that in addition to the rabbits, but defendants had three nets. Knowles said it was "a fair cop."

Supt. Clarke informed the magistrates that there were 30 convictions against Knowles, two against Noton, and three against Jackson.

Knowles was fined 40s. and costs, and Noton and Jackson 20s. and costs.

Jackson was represented by his wife, who stated that her husband had got work that morning. She had 29s. to pay, and offered a sovereign, asking to be allowed to pay the remainder in a month.

The Chairman said that the whole amount must be paid by five

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18 September 1909 PEAK EDN	8	<p>o'clock that day.</p> <p>GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.</p> <p>The death occurred with painful suddenness in the early hours of Monday morning, of Mrs. Sarah Ann Beech, wife of Mr. Hugh Beech, of Thatcher's Lane, Tansley. Deceased, who was 65 years of age, went to bed in her usual health on Sunday night, but at four o'clock next morning she was heard by her husband to be making a peculiar noise. Mr. Beech rendered what assistance he could, but his wife passed away in a few minutes. On the Sunday, Mrs. Beech had walked to and from Shirland. She had been attended by Dr. Crarer for heart failure, and the Coroner did not consider an inquest necessary.</p>
25 September 1909	12	<p>THE SEASON'S CROPS. Matlock.</p> <p>Mr A. Jackson reports from Tansley:- In this district we have had very little to complain about. With the exception of mangolds our products have been fairly satisfactory. I wish I could say the same of the season. The weather had been the most trying I can remember. From the deep snows of the early spring and the drenching rain of summer, the lot of the farmer has been anything but "a bed of roses."</p> <p>I wish here to note the ever-increasing burden of rates and taxes upon the people in general and upon all those connected with land and leys, and our rates and taxes are getting higher. And the question is being asked "When is this unequal race to end?" Our Parliament seems to have only one idea, and that is how best to waste the resources of the country in pleasing the fads and fancies of the extremists.</p> <p>The hay crop is moderate. It was expensive and troublesome to gather owing to the wet and cold. Wheat, barley and oats are a good average crop, the grain well grown and in sound condition, and if the weather will keep as now (September 19th), bright and fine, all will soon be gathered in.</p> <p>Potatoes a moderate crop, but if disease holds off we shall not have much to complain about.</p> <p>Mangolds are below average, the wet and cold being against them. Turnips and cabbages are a bountiful crop.</p>
2 October 1909	7	<p>TANSLEY SCHOOLMASTER'S RECORD. Interesting Presentation.</p> <p>On Thursday, Mr Thomas McMunn completed 34 years as headmaster of the Church School, Tansley, and the scholars and teachers presented him with a handsome easy chair. Mr Leonard Preece, the assistant master, made the presentation, and the other</p>

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teachers present were: Mrs Dobson, Miss Dickin, and Miss Goodall.

Mr Preece expressed the pleasure it gave him to make the presentation, and thanked the scholars for having so readily responded to the appeal.

Mr McMunn, acknowledging the gift, said he had always done his best for the welfare of the children.

THE SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK.

After the presentation, Mr McMunn informed our representative that 30 years ago he started a penny savings bank at the school. One of the trustees was the late Rev. Hely Hutchinson Augustus Smith (the then rector), and Mr McMunn was the actuary. The deposits averaged £50 a year, and when Mr McMunn closed the bank this week, he paid £109 to 70 depositors.

Mr B. Staley, of Tansley, the new headmaster, will commence his duties on Monday.

30 October 1909

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

At the Matlock Police Court on Wednesday, Wm. Barratt? , of the Gate Inn, Tansley, appeared

6 November 1909 8

**GLEANINGS IN THE PEAK
AND WEST DERBYSHIRE.**

A dance promoted by the Tansley Orchestral Band took place in the Tansley schoolroom on Friday. Brilliant dance music was played by the band, under the conductorship of Mr. Clarke, and the event was greatly enjoyed by fifty ladies and gentlemen. The proceeds were in aid of the band funds.

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CHURCH NEWS.

TANSLEY.

Collections were taken on Sunday at the Wesleyan Church, Tansley, in aid of the Wesleyan Foreign Mission Funds. The Rev. E. Homer Wetherill, of Cromford, occupied the pulpit. The annual missionary meeting took place on Wednesday evening.

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WEDDING.

TANSLEY.

Wall—Marsh

The wedding took place at Holy Trinity Church, Tansley, on Wednesday, of Miss Eleanor Marsh, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Marsh, of the Post Office, Tansley, and Mr Geo. H. Wall, eldest son of Mr H.C. Wall, Cliffe View, Matlock. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a navy blue costume, with hat to match. The bridesmaids were Miss Gertrude Marsh (sister of the bride) and Miss Cissie Wall (sister of the bridegroom).

They were attired in Wedgewood-coloured costumes, with silk hats to match. Mr J.T. Turner, of Matlock, was best man, and the officiating clergyman was the Rev. J. Brodie-Mais.