

Schools.
Craghead (mixed), built in 1901, for 400 children; average attendance, 400; James Law, jun. master
Craghead (infants), built in 1888, for 320 children; average attendance, 216; Mrs. A. Keeling, mistress

Bloemfontein Council School (mixed), built 1910, for 280 children; average attendance, 216; Harold Davison, master; infants, accommodation, 140; average attendance, 100; Miss Margery Smith, mistress
Carrier.—Charles Pomeroy, to Newcastle, tues. & thurs.; to Chester-le-Street, sat

Eddon Rev. Jas. Bennett B.A. (vicar)
Fox Samuel John Brookfield
Khambatta Jal Cursetji Jehangir M.B., B.S.Edin
Kuhlman Anthony

Fox Samuel John Brookfield L.R.O.P. & L.R.C.S.Edin. surgeon
Green Charles, fancy draper
Greener Henry, clerk to the parish council & assistant overseer
Hedley Memorial Institute (Thompson Little, sec)
Hedley Thomas & Bros.colliery proprs
Hutchinson Joseph, shopkeeper
Johnston Alexander, news agent
Khambatta Jal Cursetji Jehangir M.B., B.S.Edin.physician & surgeon
Leighton Samuel, Craghead hotel
Little Thompson, district representative for Co-operative Insurance

Society Limited & sec. to the Hedley Memorial Institute
March Wm. confectar. & post office
Oswald Robert, butcher
Pomeroy Charles, carrier
Reed Thomas, grocer
Richards Thos.shpkpr.Standerton ter
Richardson J. & Son, drapers
Shield James, beer retailer
Stevens Thomas, boot repairer
Taylor Alec, shopkeeper
Turnbull John George, hair dresser
Willson Walter Limited, grocers
Wilson William Thomas, shoe maker

COMMERCIAL.

Armstrong Mary (Mrs.), draper
Barber George, shopkeeper
Barker Samuel, grocer,Standerton ter
Buckton Christopher, draper
Carr Thomas, draper
Collicott Sidney, Punch Bowl P.H
Craghead & Holmside Co-operative Society Limited

CRAWCROOK, see Ryton Woodside.

CRAYKE, formerly in Durham, but by Acts of Parliament annexed to the North Riding of Yorkshire, is given with Kelly's Directory of the latter county.

CROFT, see Hurworth-on-Tees.

CROOK is an Urban District and ecclesiastical parish, formed January 21, 1845, from the parish of Brancepeth, with a station on the Darlington and Blackhill section of the North Eastern railway, and is 6 miles north-west from Bishop Auckland and 10 south-west-by-west from Durham, in the Barnard Castle division of the county, north-west division of Darlington ward. Bishop Auckland petty sessional division, union and county court district, rural deanery of Stanhope, archdeaconry of Auckland and diocese of Durham.

Crook is governed by an Urban District Council of 15 members, formed by Local Government Board Order No. 37,374, April 1, 1898, under the "Local Government Act, 1858" (56 and 57 Vict. ch. 73). For Urban purposes the district is divided into three wards, viz.: Crook, Mount Pleasant and Sunnyside. The district is lighted with gas by a company.

The church of St. Catherine, restored in 1877-78, at a cost of £1,590, enlarged in 1885, by the erection of a chancel, at a cost of £1,000, is an edifice of stone in the Gothic style, consisting of chancel, nave of six bays, aisles, north and south porches, and a western bell-cote containing one bell; there is a very beautiful font: the church will seat about 520 persons. The register dates from the year 1845. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £290, with residence, in the gift of the rector of Brancepeth, and held since 1913 by the Rev. Jacob Ridley Barker M.A. of University College, Durham, and surrogate. The Catholic church of Our Lady Immaculate and St. Cuthbert is an edifice of stone in the Gothic style, with a tower, added in 1897, in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and containing 8 bells and a clock with chimes: a convent and school adjoins the church. There is a Wesleyan chapel, erected in 1862, a Baptist chapel, built in 1897, United Methodist chapel, built in 1859, Primitive Methodist in 1888, Presbyterian Church of England in 1864, a Moravian chapel, a Gospel room, a room in which Welsh services are held, and Salvation Army Barracks. The Cemetery, at Wheatbottom, enlarged in 1878, at a cost of £2,500, now comprises 9 acres, with two mortuary chapels: it is under the control of the United Burial Committee. The Theatre Royal, erected in 1893, is a structure of red brick, and will hold 600 persons. The Mechanics' Institution, erected in 1868, at a cost of £1,000, is of stone, and contains a library of about 900 volumes; the building includes a large concert room, which is let for public entertainments &c. The Freemasons' Hall, consecrated July 17, 1889, is a building of stone in the Gothic style. The market is held on Saturdays. The Hon. Francis Bowes-Lyon, of Ridley Hall, Bardon Mill, Northumb. is lord of the manor. The principal landowners are Viscount Boyne, Messrs. Pease and Partners Limited, Bolekow, Vaughan and Co. Limited, Messrs. Mawson and the Wilkinson trustees. The soil is generally light; subsoil, strong clay. The chief crops are wheat, oats and potatoes. The area of the civil parish of Crook and Billy Row and Urban District of Crook is 4,056 acres; rateable value, £45,205; the population in 1911 of Crook and Billy Row was 12,308.

The population of the wards in 1911 was: Crook, 6,630; Mount Pleasant, 4,267; Sunnyside, 1,411.

The population of the ecclesiastical parish in 1911 was 9,788.

BILLY ROW is a hamlet, part of which is in Stanley parish, about a mile north from Crook. There are Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist chapels; a Church mission room at Peases' West, opened in 1892, at a cost of £600, and seating 250 persons, and a Miners' Institute. Messrs. Pease have extensive collieries with coke ovens here, the produce of which is known in the market as "Peases' West."

Sunnybrow, with Helmington Row and Job's Hill, have been formed into an ecclesiastical parish, and will be found under a separate heading.

Post, M. O. & T. Office, Hope street (letters should have co. Durham added).—John G. Jolly, postmaster. Letters arrive at 6.35 a.m. & 2.15 & 6 p.m.; on Sunday, 10 a.m.; dispatched at 8.30 & 10.55 a.m. & 3.10, 6.45 & 8 p.m.; on Sunday, 5 p.m. Telegraph office open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sundays, from 8 to 10 a.m.

Wall Letter Boxes.—Bridge street, cleared at 10.15 a.m. & 2.30 & 6 p.m.; High Hope street, cleared at 10.45 a.m. & 2.45 & 6.15 p.m.; Railway station, cleared 6.25 & 10.55 a.m. & 2.55 & 6.30 p.m.; West road, cleared 10.5 a.m. & 3.30 & 5.45 p.m.; Bowden Close, cleared 9.15 a.m. & 4.35 p.m.; Mill street, cleared at 10.35 a.m. & 2.35 & 6.5 p.m.; Low Beechburn, cleared at 8 a.m. & 5.30 p.m. week days only

Post & M. O. Office, Billy Row.—Martin Johnson, sub-postmaster. Letters through Crook, co. Durham, received at 8.30 a.m. & 3.40 p.m.; box cleared at 10 a.m. & 5.40 p.m. week days only. Crook is the nearest telegraph office, 2 miles distant

Wall Letter Box, Billy hill, cleared 9.30 a.m. & 5.15 p.m. week days only; no collections on Sundays

Post & M. O. Office, Helmington Row.—Robert Armstrong, sub-postmaster. Letters through Crook, co. Durham, dispatched at 8.45 a.m. & 4.15 p.m.; arrive at 8.45 a.m. & 4.15 p.m. week days only

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Offices, Council offices, Market place.

Meeting day, 1st tuesday in the month, at 6 p.m.

Members.

All retire in April, 1916.

Chairman, Farrer William Morson.

Crook Ward.

John Gowland	Thomas Walton
Farrer William Morson	William Drury White
William Pallister	Alfred Wilson
Robert Steel	Isaac Wilson

Mount Pleasant Ward.

George Armstrong	John Barron Hood
Thomas Bell	Patrick Leonard
Thos. Muncaster Graham	

Sunnyside Ward.

John Cape	John Edward Gilliland
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