

METHODISM IN NABURN

MISCELLANEOUS

The care of the church was first committed to Mr. Richard Leaf, who faithfully discharged his duties for 40 years. He died at the age of 87 and was buried in Acaster churchyard on 22nd January 1847. He was succeeded by Mr. Christopher Brown who carried out this duty until his death in 1854. He also was buried in Acaster churchyard. Mr. J. Peart then took over the oversight of the members for 18 months, after which time he had to resign as he moved from the village. Mr. T. G. Dickinson was then installed into the office of Class Leader and Chapel Steward which position he held until his death in 1884.

In 1880 the Society had increased so much that a second class was formed under the charge of Mr. Wm. Ashton, but, as he moved elsewhere shortly after his appointment, the members were transferred to the care of Mrs. E. W. Dickinson, who along with Mr. Tasker and Mr. James Bell now had oversight and charge of the Society.

Considering the size of the village, the Society was a very large one, far above the average, and every Sunday evening service, monthly address on the Sunday afternoon, and evening service every alternate Monday, were very well attended. The singing was led by Miss Roberts, skilfully playing a good harmonium.