died October 1909 aged 69, his younger son James junior died December 1911 aged 69, Mary the wife of James jun. died May 1911 aged 67 and their daughter Ann died June 1944 aged 62.

In the 1891 census there is no mention of the Penty family but the Leaf family are well represented and shown, in one household as :

James Leaf - Head - Married - 49 years - Farmer and Fisherman - born Naburn
Mary Leaf - Wife - Married - 47 years - born Hutton Wansley
James Leaf - son - Single - 16 years - Fisherman - born Naburn
Jane Leaf - daughter - Single - 14 years - born Naburn
Mary Leaf - daughter - Single - 10 years - born Naburn
Ann Leaf - daughter - Single - 9 years - born Naburn

and in another household :

Margaret Leaf - Head - Single - ? years - born Naburn

St.Matthew's Church was built quickly and cheaply at a total cost of £2,407 raised mainly by subscription from the village, but was never really finished and needed many additions and alterations in the period up to 1891. (which is where I was supposed to start !).

New bells, chancel hangings, altar cloths, candlesticks, vases, altar rails, the altar cross, a new organ and screen, the choir stalls and the large brass lectern were all gifted to the church in the 1880's and a "re-opening" service was conducted by the Archbishop of York on the Easter Sunday morning of April 21st 1889, when all the additions and improvements were consecrated.

As can be seen from the 1891 census the Vicar at the time was Rev.Randall W.Vickers. He had been the Vicar since 1878 and there had been four previous Vicars since the church opened :- Rev.J.Sabben, who gave the land on which the church is built, Rev.W.E.Harrison, Rev.H.Newton and Rev.W.L.Palmes, former Rural Dean and Vicar of Hornsea, who laid the conerstone.

Rev.Vickers was born in London but met and married his wife in Scotland and spent some time in Coatham, on the Yorkshire coast overlooking Tees bay near Redcar. He lived in the Vicarage (now the "old" Vicarage), with his wife Emma, his daughters Mary and Edith and his sons Randall and Kenneth, together with Ann Bell (cook), Ellen Philips (Lady's maid), and Sarah Moorfoot and Alice Steel (housemaids). Of his family only Kenneth was born in Naburn Rev.Vickers stayed in Naburn until 1904 when he retired having reached 65 years.

From 1904 to 1926 the Vicar was Rev.G.Palmes who gave considerable financial support to the church as well as being its spiritual mentor. He was not present in Naburn at the census in 1891.

The Vicarage was built in 1877 at a cost of £2,000 (nearly as much as the church) and Rev.Vickers was the first occupier. To maintain his family and four servants he must have had private means because the Benefice was valued at only £95 per annum in 1890.

During his term Rev.Vickers gave to the church the choir stalls, in memory of his mother, and the Rerodos, in memory of his wife's mother. The Rerodos was painted in Florence in 1895 by C.Bargellini and framed by Senor Bisoni who framed many pictures for Queen Victoria.