

APPLEBY.

COUNTY COUNCIL INQUIRY.—The two parishes of Appleby Magna North and Appleby Magna South having applied to the County Council to be united into one parish for all civil and secular purposes—to be governed by one Parish Council instead of two—an inquiry was held in the Grammar School on Tuesday, on behalf of the County Council, by Mr. Thos. Cope (chairman), the Rev. Richard Tutley, Mr. H. Hulton, and Mr. T. Aucott (members of the Boundary Committee), and the clerk (Mr. J. W. Freer). Among those present were Mr. George Moore (chairman of the Council), Messrs. Price, Rice, and Smith (parish councillors), the Rev. C. T. Moore (district councillor), and Mr. E. Farmer (clerk to the Parish Council).—The Chairman explained that the Appleby parishes had been transferred from Derbyshire to Leicestershire.—Mr. George Moore stated that at the last meeting of the Parish Council on April 16 their previous decision to apply for the amalgamation of the two parishes was unanimously confirmed. At the present time there were two separate Councils in name, but each Council consisted of the same members, with himself as chairman of both. It was the wish of the Council that the name of the united parishes should be Appleby Magna instead of Appleby, because there were other Applebys in the county, and there was a danger of telegrams going wrong.—No one appeared to oppose the application, and the Chairman said that the committee were unanimous in deciding to recommend that the order be granted, and he hoped that the amalgamation would tend to the welfare of the inhabitants. They would recommend that there should be five councillors, as before. Their recommendation would be brought before the County Council in May, and he thought that by Michaelmas they would have received the Local Government Board order confirming the decision.—Mr. George Moore expressed the thanks of the villagers to the committee for conducting the inquiry.

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