## REVEREND MICHAEL HENRY SIMPSON

As indicated in the first chapter of this section, the Simpsons first come into this book through a lever, Elizabeth being married to Rev. Michael Henry Simpson. We are fortunate to have a few early pictures of that time.

This is a photo of the parents in front of the Manse with five of their fourteen children of whom all but one lived well into their senior years. Michael Henry lived for 72 years.





Rev. Michael Henry and wife, Elizabeth Michael Henry was headmaster of Ledsham Grammar School Two views of the school







Michael Henry was vicar of St Philip, St. James, Tow Law church



This brass tablet is mounted by the East window of the church, depicting the Good Shepherd with the Four Evangelists. Restored in 1965. It reads: To the Glory of God and as a Thank Offering This East window was given by MICHAEL HENRY SIMPSON B.A. Cantab. Priest in charge 1862 – 1888 during which period the church 1869 and Vicarage 1885 were built and the organ 1886 was erected.

Dorothy beside gravestones of Michael Henry and Basil Claude Simpson, in the cemetery of Tow Law church. Inscriptions -



In Loving memory of
Michael Henry Simpson
First Vicar of Tow Law
Born January21<sup>st</sup> 1816
Died June 14<sup>th</sup>1888, 72 years
The Lord is my Shepherd

In loving memory of
Basil Claude Simpson
Student in Medicine
Born May 19<sup>th</sup> 1862
Died Christmas Eve 1885
Aged 23 years

