

# *Brain of Brancepeth!*

So you think you know everything about the history of Brancepeth or would you just like to research more about it? Archives & History Group challenge you to answer the following 10 questions.

Answers by email to: [peppermires@btinternet.com](mailto:peppermires@btinternet.com) Good luck!

Q1. Emma Marie was the daughter of Matthew Russell of Brancepeth Castle and later became the 7<sup>th</sup> Viscountess Boyne. What relation was she to the poet Alfred Lord Tennyson?

Q2. Which Rector of Brancepeth was also Provost of Eton College?

Q3. In September 1939 The Durham Light Infantry transferred its depot to Brancepeth Castle. This was the first time it had been based in County Durham for many years. Where did it transfer from?

Q4. What relation was the 9<sup>th</sup> Viscountess Boyne to the Princess Royal?

Q5. Which owner of Brancepeth Castle attended the sealing of Magna Carta?

Q6. In 1925, Sir Cuthbert and Lady Headlam moved into Holywell Hall. Lady Headlam's brother was well known in Brancepeth. Who was he?

Q7. In 1903 Viscount Boyne agreed a lease for the School in Brancepeth. What was the charge per annum?

Q8. Matthew Russell while living at Hardwick Hall, served in the Durham Militia. What rank did he hold?

Q9. The Belasyse family owned Brancepeth Castle in the eighteenth century. Where are they all buried?

Q10. Which owner of Brancepeth Castle was imprisoned for conspiring to murder his wife and father by magic?

