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AN OLD PAPER MILL.

In 1775 a tiny mill- complete with **MAXXYXXEET** water wheel was built in a lovely part of the Pennines.

Today the same mill stands -- but greatly modernised with electric power in place of the water wheel.

The first process in the making of paper is the filling of the boilers with old scrap.

Then they chop rags on a chopping machine.

After cleaning, the boiler comes to a halt and is emptied. A mass of much is wheeled in special barrows and emptied into a vet called a "Bester". This is constantly revolving, making a kind of liquid pulp. It then travels along an 80 ft paper-making machine. The liquid is poured out which finishes inta roll of been paper.

In the stock room they cut sheets of paper into various sizes from the roll.

And so this ancient mill over I50 years old, carried on from father to son through successive generations, has become a thriving factory in some of the most picturesque country of Northern England.

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