esdale Mercury TLE, SEPTEMBER SOTH, 1916 TTLE FOR FREEDOM.

's latest desperate rts to break through th ave failed, and capable Paris are convinced tha prolonged struggle in The German losses ated at 2,000, and Brussel asted at Sussian troops. Sir and General Joffre are troops magnificently, egy in the eastern theatre

fair to become a military hands of the Grand Duke is generals. Nothing can The way to rnately, Berlin, is rapidle it is said that the Czar is mand his colossal army in s march to the German German strategy, so far, poor, though the troops in a fine sporting spirit. In ila, the brutal King of the errified the Romans, the e, it is stated by the baye, has pillaged her Champaubert, and taken it is stated by ikons and vases, together sents given to her late e Czar, as well as valuable rniture. German "culture"

AND OTHER NOTES.

as been arranged between you, 42nd Reyal Highlanders son of the Hen-Francis and was-Lyon of Ridley Hall, and Northerwood Park, Katherine, daughter of Sic igge, K.C.B., and Lady Selby. braham-place, London, and

his ancual subscriptions to a and institutions, amounting is a year, Lord Barcard has the following doubtions to His the Prince of Wales' National L.—To the County of Durham imp, a first instalm and of £150; me, a first instalment of £150; of Salop Branch of the same, a of £100; to the County of trauch of the same, a first is; to the Brough of Wolverty of Stafford Branch of the talment of £10. Lord Barnard donation of £100 towards the sing and equipping a special County of Darham, known as now Battalian.

ones the supreme right, and what is right is decided by of war. War gives a decision, since its decision nature of things," declares

s eldest son, the Hon. H. C. mission for some years in the th Special Reserve Battalion lufantry. Mr Vane received sience to serve in India and to the Governor of Mades-sara' service in India, where he with enteric fever, Mr Vand, the rank of captain in the in Light Infactey, resigned his ale, and joined the Sheopshits ag to other calls upon his time, ned his commission in the two-aud-a-half years ago-reak of war, Mr Vane, who weeks ago, has been much g work in connection with North Riding of Yorkshire ency during the present wat.

Vane, Lord Barnard's second in the ranks in the Eton Corps, and in the cavalry ambridge Officers' Tesining Oambilisation, he joined his as volunteered for foreign may at any time be sent

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t-George forty young men Harworth one young man Yeasham all eligible youths

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University Officers' Training
and's third son, the Hon. R.
ad a commission in the 4th
Battalion Durham Light
year. He joined the 2nd
m Light Infantry, at Lichfield
months' training in January,
ing the annual training with
purham Light Infantry,
in July, and since the
agust has been serving with
that to be sent to the front in
a draft for the line regiment.

at the Victoria Hall diss Mario Danvers-Smith layed a fine drama, entitled ome." 15 was excellently well received by the vast performance concluded by nembers of the company and

my, although all of them have at at least two of them will perience. ice on active ser

Church Anniversary.

saful Services.

E. Gibson, of Middlesbrough gand evening on Sunday, the gand evening on Sunday, the property of the desired process of to-day, on joining christian activity. The sunday of the desired to a fairly good congressing in Mark xiti., 1-2. The war was materialism, to the war was materialism, to get prevail. Yesterday after a prevail. Yesterday after the Revs. T. B. Theobald, of Greta Bridge, presided. The C. Theobald are the Revs. T. B. Theobald.

The Continental War.

Teesdale War Notes.

h Walton, son of Mr John B. Walton, bare, formerly of Middleton, is at erving with the Royal Army Medical sol and is engaged on board a hospital is a solid in sogland, conveying wounded soldiers in sogland hospitals. He has had a number ded Germen as well as English ters under his charge.

Misjoney Walton, son of Mr William Walter, sationed as a policeman at Pittington, is sationed as a policeman at Pittington, is say with the 2nd Battalion Coldstream eds, and took part in the battle of Mous. letter home he refers to the hard marches heavy fighting in which he had been

Mantell, of Calafornia Row, Middleton, and a letter from ber husband, last week, is serving in the Third Division Field is serving in the Third Division Field they, in France, and who has been noted from gunver to bombardier. In his see he says: "I am very well, but would be set with a smoke. What a coughty this is that—apples, pears, etc., by the million—tommy Atkins. What a welcome we take. These people are kindness itself, are overjoyed with Engleterre. Thanks the cake. They were lovely." These referred to were sent to Buiford Camp, whis, but have evidently been forwarded. bire, but have evidently been forwarded firedee. Mr Mantell was well known firedele, having been postman for the me district a few years ago.

ho Was Attila ? The Scourge of

was king of the Huns, and was med the Scourge of God. His ruling ion was war ; and the Romans learned to che was war; and the Romans learned to che at his name, so terrible were the che at his name, so terrible were the che he inflicted on them. On the last should be inflicted on the mighty city of the died in 458. The Prussian is caste are to-day feeely emulating

seral Friedrich Von Bernhardi and "The Right to Make War."

the Rev. J. B. Rebinson in the

Unitarian Church. at Sanday night the Rev. J. B. Robinson og in the Unitarian Church, Barnard the from St. Matthew's Gospel. 12th ter and verse 37—" By thy words thou i be justified, and by thy words thou shalt indemned "—reviewed the famous work of Bembardi bearing the above title, and mated the resurrected, cruel, pagen rines therein enucoiated with the epics teachings of christianity. He said in arek becamo minister and president sis, and he was man with a policy, and policy was the federation of the whole Germanic states into the Prussian German confederation. and brilliant campaign

Prussian military system stended throughout Germany, and the in to become a dominant world-power p far fostered and more deeply rooted book disclosed the characteristic ily of the Germans to look at facts and atside of themselves in any other way rough German spectacles, and the stred, and malice which the nation entertained for England could be conceived. Might was at once me right, and in defending the of conquest there was a deep and eaning in the book. It was boldly med that the desire for peace had the most nations arremic, and marked a of spirit and political courage such as often been shown by a race of Epigoni. has always been," H. Von Treitschke is, "the weary, spiritless, and exhausted which have played with the dream of this peace." Von Bernbardi contended everyone would admit, within certain that the endeavours to diminish the ers of war and to mitigate the sufferings war entailed were justifiable. It was incontestable fact that war temporarily urbed industrial life, interrupted quiet coule development, brought widespread my with it, and emphasised the primitive ty of man.

Paganism versus Christianity.

de aspiration to abolish war altogether directly antagonistic to the great universal which ruled all life. War, he asserted, a blological necessity of the first ortace, a regulative element in the life of akind which could not be dispensed with, hout it an unhealthy development low, which excluded every advancerace, and, therefore, all real ion. " War is the father of all things," the sages of antiquity, long before Darwie, d this. "God will see to it," says bke, "that war always recurs as a medicine for the human race." The of a great state, declared Bernhardi, ive aims. The appeal to arms was the right of the state, and it must keep the in fresh in the national consciou Levitableness, the idealism, and the alog of war, as an indispensable and atedly emphasised. The apostle of the les must be confronted with Goethe's quarries, left yesterdey for Hull.

"Dreams of a peaceful day? Let him dream who may!
War is our rallying cry.
Onward to victory."

the preacher devoutly commended, in the advocacy of willtarism, the greater obler ideas and philosophy of Christ, and led his hearers to cultivate the noble les of truth and justice and righteous-oth for themselves and all the world, ing ever that the whole work ged to that family for which they prayed ather Who art in heaven," and might Rdom speedily come for His holy name's longladed Mr Robinson.

The Day of Retribution.

aiser Wilhelm of Germany,
What are your thoughts to-day?
In you thinking of sonly in eternity
That through you are hurled away?
I are you thinking of the northern sea.
Of a few more more mires you can lay; es lost? Is it nothing to thee-

to thing to you the horrible deed
Your men are doing this day;
to these your boasted men you lead
To mutilate and to alay?
It nothing to you the homes they defend
Are wantenly burnt to the ground,
and widows and orphans left to depend
Upon friends who will rally around?
Is it nothing to you the homes of God

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September 25th, 1914.

bere many "tho' dead " still live? the search and bring to the sod the search and bring to the sod the search and bring to the sod the search and search and search and the search and searc

it nothing to you, when called to stand. or the terrible havee you have wrought—
innocent children with arms and no hands—
into that your "culture" has brought?
c. woe to thee, Kaiser, for the tide will turn,
not the clouds are gathering fast,
en justice is meted out you learn
hat "might" is not "right" at last. A.L.W.
September 25th, 1014.

The War and the Central Store in the City of Durham.

To the Editor of the " Teesdale Mercury." DEAR SIR,-May I carnestly appeal through our columns to those who have so willingly and zealously undertaken the making of I the committee, of which I am president, fully xplains our wishes I feel confident that we thereby avoid the evils of over-lapping. and shall be able to combine the production of rticles which are most needed. If need'ework parties throughout the County of Durham will assist us, we shall be efficiently carrying ut the excellent advice given by the Queen.aw, yours truly, ANNE LAMBTON. Lambton Castle, Fonce Houses, September 5th, 1914.

Blankets for the Troops.

To the Editor of the "Teesdale Mercury." SIR, -There are one-and-a-half million blankets wanted for one troops. We have our gallant men on French territory and Belgium. They want blackets, and so do the Perritorials and recruits for the New Army is samp and at home. Lord Kitchener saks overy man and woman at home to send blackets for the men who are at the frontier fighting for the oufety of the empire. This is an urgent call, and must be done at once. According to the military regulation two blankets are allowed for each man, and in many hundreds of the camps we cannot even find one. I am not in a position to state what steps are being taken locally to meet the requirements. It nothing has been done I will be very pleased to assist in having the town canvassed, whereby blankets could be collected and sent to the proper authorities, and have the names and addresses of each contributor published week by week in our local paper .- Yours, etc.

R. LAMB, 20, Montalbo Terrace, September 29th, 1914

Local Men in the War.

Private J. Warwick, of the 2nd Durbams who is now in Manchester Military Hospital has been shot in the shoulder and lower part of the neck. He writes to his friends in capital heart. Several Barnard Castle lads are in this regiment, including Sergeant Chatt (son of Mr Tom Chatt), Corporal S. Hewitt, and Private H. Patterson, Ex-Sergeant William Heelep has three sons in this regiment and two sons in Kitchener's Army. Mr Jonathan Evans has three sons who have joined the New Army.

A Patriotic Yorkshire Village.

A spirited and patriotic example has been set by the small village of Osmotherley, Yorkshire, of what eee moorland village, without any rich or influential residents, can do by the united action of all its citizens, to help their country and cause. A public meeting was held at Osmotherley on Saturday, which elected representative committees to deal with: (1) recruiting; (2) relief; (3) the starting of a needlework guild; and at once roceeded to offer to entertain and support a family of six or eight Belgian refugees for six months, rendered homeless and destitute by the war. A well-furnished cottage was offered by Mr J. M. Gutbrie. The meeting eed a minimum sum of 103. for their maintenance, towards which offers of 7s. 6d. s week, in sums of is, a week down wards, were at once received, and contributions in kind invited, a sack of flour being mmediately offered, amid cries of " We'll not let them starve." Osmotherley is well known in the North Riding as a picturesque old village in a beautiful moorland district, very nealthy, situated 600 feet above the sea level, and seven miles distant from Northallerton. and has already nearly 20 soldiers and sailors enlisted and serving at the front or in training, including four married men. Brave, Osmotherloy! Your country thanks you, and needs all your young men of this breed of grit and independence.

Precautions in the Mauritius. Letter from the Wife of Sergt. Cooke, of Barnard Castle.

Mrs Cooke, wife of Sergeant Cooke, who is the on of Mrs Cooke, King-street, Barnard Castle. writing from Vacoas Camp, on August 14th, says ber husband is down country, and on the efences, fixing barbed wire entanglements in case the Mauritius is bembarded by a Jerman boat. This war seems to be a terrible thing We can't get any regular news. Hindustani s spoken here by the natives, who are mostly Indians. There are also a lot of Africans and French. The sugar cane is just being cut. Things are very dear, especially boots and draperies. A peopy reel of cotton is 18 cents (threepence in English money). The weather is just nice and pleasant, it being winter time. After October it begins to be hot, as then the summer commences.

Bowes Men for the War.

Eleven recruits from Bowes went to York on Monday, and nine passed. Ronald Lee and Robert Bousfield, of Bowes, and others living in the village and working at Hulands

Teesdale and the War of Freedom. Rebellion to Tyrants is Obedience to God.

Parliamentary Recruiting Committee : Coming Meetings in Teesdale. Meetings in connection with the above will be held in the parliamentary division of Barnard Castle during the whole of next week, commercing at Middleton and Eggleston on Monday. Two mostings will be held at Barnard Castle next Wednesday, at 3 p.m. and 7-30 p m. Speskers: The Lord Barnard (who will preside at all the meetings), Mr G. H. Roberts, M.P., Norwich; and Mr A. Henderson, M.P. We understand that the Boy Scouts are assisting the movement by the distribution of literature and so forth, and it is hinted that a suitable display of bunting on the part of the residents and tradespeople will be highly appreciated.

Barnard Castle and the Belgian Refugees.

Preparations were in progress in Barnard Castle to provide a furnished home for Belgian refugees, and offers of money and furniture were generously made. The War Refugees Committee, however, recommend that no further funds should be raised or expense incurred in preparing hospitality which may not be required, and, consequently, the movement in this town is not being carried further at present.

Barningham and Belgian Refugees. BY TRLEGRAPH

Barningham Church collection on Sunday last, on the occasion of the barvest thanks-

Patriotic Meeting at Mickleton.

A meeting in connection with the war was held in the Church Institute, Mickleton, on Thursday, September 17th, when a good number of the inhabitants of the village listened attentively to speeches explaining garments and other necessaries for the the position of this country in the war, and of purposes of this war, and for the relief of our duty as Englishmen in this great crisis of distress, to support the Central Store in the her history .- Mr W. H. Ralston, J.P., occupied oity of Durham? The notice sent out on behalf the chair, and at the commencement of the fithe committee of which I am president, fully meeting read a letter from Mr Charles Hunter, of Wemmergill Hall, expressing his regret at ball hest achieve the objects we all have at not being able to be at the meeting, and his eart by combining in organisation. We shall great sympathy with its objects, -He was ably supported on the platform by the Rev. F. W. Holmes, Mr Walton, headmaster of Middleton school; and Mr Stokos, beadmaster of Eggleston school, who made excellent appeals to the men present to respond to the call of duty .- The Rev. A. E. L. Walker proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and speakers, which Mr John Brown, of Bowback, seconded.

BELGIUM AND THE BELGIAN REFUCEES.

BY JOHN INGRAM DAWSON.

Every Britisher should ask himself the llowing questions :- (*) Ic what position would the Belgians be to-day if they had not stemmed the German invasion at Liege? (b) In what position might the French have been and the Allied Forces of France and Britaio? It might fairly be assumed that Belgium, while very strongly objecting to the Germans marching through her country, would have stated quite honestly that she was far too small and weak a state to aftempt to stop the on-rush of the powerful German army. Has she taken up this attitude, might it then not be fairly assumed (1) that her country would not have suffered the awful devastation is has? (2) that the first collision, would have taken place between the French and the Germans upon French soil? (3) that possibly the British Force would have been prevented from landing in the north of France? It is uppless to speculate on what might have been. Let every Britisher draw his own conclusions. Al' however, must admit that if Belgiam had taken up neutrality, (a) in the event of the Ailled Forces being ultimately successful she would not have lost her territory ; (b) in the event of the Germans being successful, she would have done so, whether she was neutral or not. The defence of Liege undoubtedly changed the whole aspect of the campaign and the debt this country owes to the Belgians for taking up the attitude they did should be clearly brought home to every person in the United Kingdom, and a thoroughly systematic endeavour made to repay at once the material damage she has sustained. It would, therefore seem that this country cannot do too much for the Belgians.

Greta Bridge Police Division and Early Closing.

Richmond Houses Closed : Some Village Inns

Open as Usual. At the Greta Bridge Police Court, Wednesday morning, Mr John Smith presided the other justices present being Messrs M. Dixon and W. Hutchiesen-and be referred to the recent Act of Parliament dealing with the earlier closing of public-houses during the war. He said the new Act did not deprive the justices of the power which they already cossessed to close public-houses and restrict the sale of intexicants in times of riot or though noder the new enactment th magistrates acted on the recommendation of the Chief Constable in the matter of the early closing of public-houses. - Mr Hutchingon said the want of uniformity in the hours of closing was somewhat unfair, as in some North Yorkshire villages the inus closed at nine, and in others at ten .- Inspector Bland : They have closed them in the Richmond district, and they are closed up to Newsham .- Mr Wells (deputy-clark): They have done it very largely where a big number of troops are stationed .- The Chairman said the Act set out that the licensing justices for any district might, if they thought fit, upon the recommendation of the Chief Officer of Police, when it was desirable for the maintenance of order or the suppression of drack-nuess in any area, by order direct that the sale or consumption of intoxicating liquor on the premises, by any persons holding any retailer's license in the area, and the supply and consumption of ntoxicating l'quor in any registered club in the area, shall be suspended during such hours, and subject to such conditions and exceptions (if any) as may be specified in the order. That being sr, the Bench could go no further in the matter that day.

Red Cross Requirements.

To the Editor of the " Teesdale Mercury." DEAR SIR, -Owing to the Queen's appeal for sceks and body belts I enclose directions, as your readers may wish to have them. present no more nighting ales are required, and there is a sufficient stock of helpless case shirts, bad jackets, and foot-warmer covers. The Red Cross Society appeal more for socks (with heels), Cardigan jackets, vests, pants (preferably woven). prjama suits, dressing gowns, day shirts (flannel), kit-bage, slippers, blankets, jersey and knitted helmets. Tobacco and chocolate are always acceptable to soldiers, and many recommend sending peppermint dreps .- Yours truly, Eva Bell-Inving. have pleasure in again publishing official details issued by Her Majesty for the guidance of women who are going to make socks and belts. For the hand-knitted socks four-ply super-fingering or wheeling should be used in grey or Lovat's mixtures. No. 13 needles are necessary, and the feet when ficished should be in four sizes-the first 10in., the second 101in, the third 11in., and the fourth 111in., the largest number required being two sizes and three. The size should be marked on each sock. The directions for the machine-knitted regulation socks are as follows:—Sizes 1, 2, 3, and 4 should be 10, $10\frac{1}{2}$, 11, and $11\frac{1}{2}$ ia, long in the foot, and the width of the needles should be 72, 76, 80, and 84 respectively. The socks should be made of three-thread worsted yarn, with spliced ankle and foot throughout, and they should be spliced at least 5in. from the bottom of the heel. Grey or Lovat mixtures should be used, and the largest number required are of sizes 2 and 3. Here are the directions for the hand-knitted woollen belts. They should be in three sizes—9in, wide and 12in, long, 10in. wide and 121in. long, and 11in. wide and 13in. long. They should be joined by knitting.on needles Nos. 16 and 10 (four needles of each) in four-ply fingering worsted in natural shades, the amount required being from two to three ounces. The knitted belt .- As confusion may arise in the case of the belt keltting, we give herewith fuller instructions than in the case of the socks, which every woman knows bow to knit. Size I. of the belt should be worked with No. 16 needles, cast on 234 stitches, knit No. 16 needles, and knit 1, purl 1, for 3in. size II, with No. 16 needles cast on 260 stitches,

Comforts for Boy Scouts.

Sir Robert Baden-Powell appeals for comforts for Boy Scouts, of whom 1,400 are doing regular coastguard duty. The Admiralty are paying for their subsistence, but they need great-coats, sweaters, blankets, stocking, mits stocking caps, and comforters -school-children should help with these. Sir Robert also appeals for scontmasters to take on the many boys joining the movement.

Barnard Castle Choral Society and the Belgian Refugees.

To the Editor of the "Tocadale Mercury." SIR,-In response to a lotter which appeared n your issue of the 23rd inst., asking for beip for the Belgian refugees, I may state that this ppeal is an urgent and a deserving one. I iska the liberty of asking the members of the theral society or the Secretary to call s necting to consider the advisability of giving a concert for this object. What I would nggest is to give an oratorio, such as Farmer's "Christ sad His saldiers," Spohr's "Last adgment," and, if desired by the members, iscellaneous concert for the second part No principals need be engaged, and very little xperse would be entailed. These works could e given with, say, four or six weeks' practice, Of course this is merely a suggestion, but I do hope something is done in gratitude and loyalty for the noble stand the Belgians have made at rest sacrifice of life, and for those who are elt bomoless and destitute through no fault of their own.-Faithfully, A MEMBER.
Barnard Castle, September 29th, 1914.

Public School Battalion: Scenes a

Barnard Castle Railway Station. One of the most stirring scenes yet witnessed Barnard Castle in connection with the war took place last Wednesday night at the rail way station. A great cheer was given to the "boys," who numbered 13, and who have joined what is known as the Public Schools' Battalion, Unfortunately we are unable to publish their names. When they drew up on the platform they were quickly surrounded by a host of friends, and there was bearty hand-shaking. The young men appeared to be in the highest spirits. Well they might. Cigarettes were freely banded to them. But here and there were pathetic scener, and the tear-stained faces of some of these who had come to bid them farewell revealed semething of the heart-breaks that are in so many homes as a result of the war! Asithe train moved out of the station there was renewed cheering, and waving of hats and handkerchiefs. Similar manifestations were responded to by the boys." to Fog signals, placed on the line, exploded like miniature cannors.

Langleydale School War Fund Subscriptions.

Letter from Buckingham Palace. One-huedred-and-four persons contributed ast month. This week only forty-three have subscribed, amounting to 21 3s. 3d., viz :- Miss Aiselbie (GP), 6d.; Mr M. Allen, 6d.; Mrs J. Bayles, 24.; Mr J. Beadlo (K), 61.; Mr W. Bell DG), 31.; Mr Jac. Bell (K), 21.; Mr W. H. Berry, 2s. 61.; A. Britton, 1s.; Mrs B. Cross, 2d.; Mrs. Favell (FB), 1s.; Mrs Featherstone, 3d.; Mr A. Guy, 1s.; Mr Jan. Hall, 1s; Mrs J. Porter (AF), 6d.; Mrs H. Porter, 23.; Miss E. Proston (H), 2d. ; Mrs Bsine, 3d.; Mrs Richardson, 1e.; Mr Robson (GH), 1s.; Miss Robson (GH), 6d.; Master Robson (BH), 3d.; Miss Rogerson (TS), 31.; Miss Sayer, 1s.; Mr S. Sheppard, 34.; Mr J. Simpson, 2s.; Mrs Tallentire (DG), 6d. ; Mrs J. Tallentire (CH), 3d ; Mr G. Tallentire, 31; Mr J. Tallentire, 2d. Mrs Thompson (CT), 6d.; Mr J. G. Walker, 3d. Mr W. Wilson (GH), 6d.; Mr Jos. Wilson, 6d.; Mr W. Wilson (LW), 6d.; Mr W. Walten (8L), 3d.; total, 21 3s. 32.-Mr W. H. Barry, Langleydale Church of Rugland Eshoot Bernard Oastle, has received the following letter: - " Ruckingham Palace, 24th Soptember, 1914 .- Dear Sir, - I am desired by the Prince of Wales to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23:d instant, enclosing the sum of £2 in one pound notes, being the fifth donation from the Langleydale Church of England School towards the National Relief Fund. His Royal Highness is much touched at the continued help which he is receiving from this school, and asks you to be so good as to convey to all the subscribers his warmest thanks for their kindness and generosity .- I am, yours faithfully, WALTER PEACOCK, treasurer to His Royal Highness."

Winston Harvest Festival.

The harvest thankegiving services were held in St. Andrew's Church. Winston, on Friday and Sunday last. On Friday the Rev. A. C. Headlam, D.D., of Whorlton Hall, preached an elequent and practical sermon on some of the lessors of the harvest time, emphasizing the need, amid material blessings, of striving after high spiritual ideals. There was an excellent congregation of devont and attentive worshippers. The Rector of the parish (the Rsv. P. Hugher) intoned the sarvice. The lessons were read by the Rev. A. W. M. Close (vicar of Hutton Magna) and the Rev. W. Apter (vicar of Denton). Mr E. Hardy presided at the organ, and the musical portions of the service were admirably rendered by the efficient choir under his direction and leadership, while the congregation joined most heartily in the singing of the well-known harvest hymns. The church had been very elaborately decorated and with good taste by the young members of the congregation, and presen very pleasing spectacle.—The thanksgiving was continued on Sunday, when two impressive and helpful sermons were preached by the Rev. C. S. Wilson, M.A. (vicar of Stanley, Crook) The weather was altogether favourable, and the congregations large, especially in the evening, when nearly every seat was occupied by people who had come from far and near.

Assault on the Police at Bowes. Yesterday morning, at a special sitting of the Grets Bridge Police Court, before Mr J. Smith and Mr M. J. Dixon, a labourer of Bowes, named Juseph Kearton, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and assaulting P.C. Wilcox, on Monday night.— The constable said that about eleven o'clock the defendant was near bis own house creating a disturbance. On being requested to go inside he refused. Eventually, however, the accused did go into his house, and seized a oker, with which he struck the officer over the shoulder, bending the thin poker to a right angle. The constable then closed with the man, and, fearing being overpowered, he 1 plain, 1 purl, for 3in, then with No. 10 struck the defendant with his baton, causing needles knit 1 plain, 1 purl, for 6in. Take his nose to bleed. He afterwards took his assailant to the police station at Startforth.— Defendant said he did not remember anything knit 1 plair, 1 puel, for 3in, then take No. 10 about assaulting the efficer, and thought he needles, and keit 1 plain, 1 purl, for 6in, and had beut the poker over his own arm. The again take No. 16 needles, and kuit 1 plain, 1 | constable hit him several times, and he thought puri, for Sin. For size III. with No. 16 needles he had had enough.—Nothing wrong was Lord.—Miss Wall. Mr J. E. Dent, of Summer cash on 286 stitches, knit 1 plain, 1 puri, for known against Rearton, and, being cautioned Les, procided, and the concert was followed by Sin., take No. 10 needles, knit 1 plain, 1 puri, by the Bench, he was fined 5s. in each case refreshments, and the usual sale of fruit. The giving, was £4 13s. 2d., which was given to the for 7in, and then take No. 16 needles, and knit and the costs, time being allowed for congregations at all the services were good,

BARNARD CASTLE REVISION COURT.

Absence of Party Contention. Yentarday, Mr MacKaskie, barrister-at-law,

sat in the Witham Hall for the ravision of the lists of parliamentary, county council, and United being the visitors. Winning the toss parochial electors in the Bernard Castle the Mission took advantage of the wind, Parliamentary Division, so far as relates to and at once developed a strong attack Barnard Castle, Cleatlaw, Cockfield, Eggleston, Forest and Exith, Gainford, Headlam Hilton, Logleton, Langton, Langleydale and Shotton, ynesack and Softley, Marwood, Middleton-in-Teesdale, Morton Tinmonth, Newbigger, Raby and Keverstone, Staindrop, Streatlam and Stainton, Wackerfield, Westwick, Whorlton, Wieston and Woodland polling districts. Mr. W. Woodbead, represented the Unionists; and with him was Mr Slater, egent for the Ducham Missioners were continually on the aggressive, County Conservative Registration Association. | but failed to augment their score. Mr James Corrie, secretary of the Northern Liberal Faderation, appeared for the Liberals; and Mr G. W. Dowson watched the revision to the laterests of the Labour Party. - His Honour asked the Assistant-Oversoor for Cockfield if he had any aliens on his list, and the official answered in the negative.

An Eggleston Lodger Claim. John Murray, a servant in the employment of Captain Hutchinson, of Eggleston Hall, claimed the lodger franchise. He occupies two badrooms on the first floor, and a sittingroom on the ground floor, at a rent of five shillings per week. -Mr Raine, the assistantoverseer, said the applicant occupied his own rooms, in which he could entertain his own friends. He was a servant. -Mr Corrie: He is not entitled to the claim. -His Honour: No, that is what I think. -Mr Woodhead: This man is married, and living in the hall. He lives in the ball because he cannot get a house a Eggleston. You allowed a similar claim last year if that is anything to go by, and it is a good claim -The Barrister: Well, I don't think I can allow it.

Echo of the Late Big Property Sale at Middleton.

The overseer for Middleton objected to the vote of Mr Charles Robert Rivington, of Castie Bank, Appleby, on the ground that he had sold his property at Middleton-in-Teesdale.—Mr Woodhead: The property was not sold until the 18th of July. Mr Rivington owned the property on the 15th of July, and the objection is bad,-His Honour ruled that the objection was bad .- Mr Dont, the overseer, put "dub ' for duplicate, and the Barrister said : "You go in for phonetic spelling." (Laughter).

Disastrous Fire at Park End.

Staple Industry of Taesdale Grippled. The most serious fire that has cocurred in

Quarries, last Tuesday night week. Shortly before nine o'clock it was noticed that something was wrong, when the neighbouring farmers observed flames in the interior of a huge shed enclosing the breaking plant, and, the heavy pitch-pine beams, constituting the big frame-work, was more lasting, The screens, which were built out from the main building, were the only accessories that invalids. had not become ignited to any great extent, and it was upon toose that energies were turned, and by the continuous help of willing workers they were preserved. A number of Minimax extinguishers, which are kept at Middleton, were brought to the spot, with a supply of fresh chavges, and these helped very considerably to keep the flames back from the screeus. The plant comprised most medero machinery, and when it is considered that over 300 toes of stone could be broken in a nine hours' day, the material being of such a hard nature as the whinstone at Park End is known to be, some idea of the magnitude of the mechanical appliances can be formed. There were four breakers and two sets of very heavy rollers. Attached to the machinery was an sir-compressor, from which the rock drills were driven. The whole concern was proposted by a suction ras-plant on the west ide, whilet on the east portion was a large team engine, which also could be used to drive the mill. These were all included in the swift and inevitable destruction. The gasplant was quite of recent erection, it being less than three years since it was installed. The quarry at Park End in the main working of the firm's Teesdale quarries, and the bulk of the men are employed there, and naturally it is of serious concern to the industry of the neighbourhood. It is, however, pleasing to note that the firm are increasing their working hours at the Middleton plant, and, to some extent, find work for the men, it now being worked night and day to relieve the stress. The cause of the fire is quite unaccountable, as the man left in the ordinary way at five o'clock, and at that time all was safe and right as usual.

The Late Mr Ernest Barker, of Langdon Beck.

The following is the text of the memoria brass eracted in Forest Church in memory of the late Mr Ernest Barker :- " To the glory of God and in memory of Ernest Barker, of Langdon Beck, in this parish, aged 32, who was drowned in the Indian Ocean, February 13% 1914, in a brave attempt to save the life of a fellow-passenger, this tables has been erected in recognition of his gallactry by his fellowpassengers on the s.s. Llandovery Castle. The tablet is well engraved, and there is a nest border surrounding the reading matter.

Primitive Methodist Church, Barnard

On Sunday last barvest thanksgiving services were held, the prescher, morning and evening, being Mr Dan. McCarton, of Sunderland, In the afternoon a service of song, entitled " The Sylvan Retreat," was effectively rendered by the choir. The connective readings were given by Mr T. Cooper; leader, Mr T. Berry; and planist, Miss S. W. S. Berry. On Monday last a miscellaneous concert was given with the following programme: - Solo - Jessie's dream -Miss D. Elliott : piano duet-Qui vive-Miss Berry and Miss Wolford ; solo-Sunshine and rain-Miss Bertha Raine; violin solo-Miss Todd; solo-A new commandment-Mr Charles Watson; roading--Mr T. Berry; solo-Song of sleep -Miss Todd; and solo-O, rest in the and the proceeds highly satisfactory.

FOOTBALL.

Church Mission, 3; Eldon United, 3.

On Saturday afternoon last a good game was witnessed on the Demesnes ground, Eldon Several hot shots were saved by the United custodian. After twenty minutes' play Parkin miskicked, and Eldon, taking the opportunity, easily seared. The home team again took up the offensive, and, after smart menceuvres by their forwards, ASHMORE equalised with a nice Several abortive corners were gained by the Mission. From a melee Young gave the homesters the lead. Towards half-time the

Half-time score: Mission, 2; Eldon, 1 On re-starting the United had most of the play. The home rearguards were playing anything but a safe game, and their goal was often in peril. The visitors equalised from a penalty kick. The game still continued to be fought with vigour. The home torwards organised well, Borrowdale's centres being perfect. Half-way through the second half Ashmore bast the United defence and scored. Soon after Eldon again equalised. Play was now chiefly in favour of the Mission, and Hall had bard lines when he hit the upright. Key played a useful game at centre-ball. Both teams played hard for the winning goal, but the defences prevailed, and a hard game ended with honours equal.

Next Saturday the Mission will be without a fixture. The games for the two following Saturdays will be both played away, viz., Hawthorne Junious (of Shildon), and Ramshaw Institute.

Woodend, Eggleston, Sold Privately.

The house known as Woodend, Eggleston, recently advertised in our columns for sale by auction and withdraws, has now been sold by private treaty through Mr R. T. Handley, suctioneer, of Darlington, to Mr S. Moore, of Bishop Auckland. The property comprizes residence, two cuttages, with about an acre-and-a-half of land adjuding. The residence was for many years used by the late James Haward, of Davlington, as a summer resort. The solicitor acting in connection with the matter was Mr J. lugram Dawson, of Barnard Castle.

Our Mational Egg Supply.

Memorandum from Miss Maidment, lecturer and instructor in dairying and poultry keeping to the Durham County Council, late lecturer to the Royal Agricultural Society, England, Royal Dublic Society, Highland Agricultural Upper Teesdate during the present generation, Section. During the very grave crisis through if ever equalled in destructive extent in the | which this country is passing at the present district, was that which took place at Mossrs | moment everyone is more or less concerned as Ord and Maddison, Limited, at the Park End | to our national feed supply, and it seems more than probable that with the closing of the continental markets and for other reasons that we are threatened with a very great shortage of eggs in the very near future, which, as a food for the sick and for children, especially, can proceeding to the place, fire was seen to have hardly be substituted. Poultry keepers who obtained a firm hold of the wood-work. It are accious to develop may note. (1) Instead spread with incredible rapidity, and in less of killing off everything and anything as many than half-an-hour the whole building was one people have done, and fearing a shortage of food mass of fisme. Like a roaring furgace it lit up should now rather prepare to obtain as many the immediate locality, and sprend showers of stock birds as possible. (2) Make a careful sparks around like falling snow. The survey of all birds in stock, pick out all old machinery was erected in a very prominent hens, i.e., those which have finished laying position, so that the conflagration could be their second season's eggs. If no incubator is Hay, 3J.; Miss Heslop (SP), 1s; Mrs Hutchin- seen for miles up and down the dale, and from available for hatching, some of these should be son (HH), 6d.; Mrs Hutchieson (BS), 3d; Mrs far and near crowds of people burried to the kept if they are of a sitting variety, but if not Jemmeson, 61; Mr J. Parkin (CI), 34; Mr W. scene, all anxious to assist to stay the ravages they should all be put in a pen and well fed, Parkin (SL), 3d.; Mrs Parmier, 31; Mr J. of the fire. The dry material of which the and gradually killed off for household use. sheds were made was soon burnt down, but They will be delicious if they have been we'll fed, and are properly cooked by steaming but ss many bours as they are years old, and if it, too, kept falling a pray to the relections to be eaten cold should be immersed in the flames, and, helped by the accumulated oil water under the eteamer when cooked, and left and grease used for lubrication, was beyond the power of man to except. Crash upon basted after steaming and browned in a quick water under the steamer when croked, and left crash, the pieces gave way, while massive oven. The bones and any waste bits of giblets, elevators and heavy machinery kept falling. etc., can be further stewed for many hours, and will make splendid " chicken

The Education of Girls Locally.

To the Editor of the " Teesdale Mercury." DEAR SIR,-I coticed a remark in your last issue to the effect that it would be a great inconvenience for many people in Barnard Castle to have to send their daughters away by train each day to school, now that Miss Mosey's school is no longer open. Perhaps your correspondent is not aware that there is, and has been for a good many years, a school that is much appreciated by many parents in this peighbourhood. I refer to the High School, Bede-terrace, of which Miss Eglinton is the well-known principal - Yours faithfully, PARENT.

Thorngate Mission.

Barnard Castle, September 29th, 1914.

In the above place, last Sunday afternoon Mr R. W. Young gave an address on "A dark page in history," and in the evening preached to a good corgregation, his subject being Failure." A fine duet was rendered by Miss Lizzie Waine and Master Harold Appleby. Organists, Miss Simps on and Miss F. Taylor.

TEESDALE MOTES.

The stock and implement sale at Stotley Hall, last Friday was largely attended, and prices realised were very good. The late Mr Brown's prize sheep were considered a fine lot, and there is no wonder that the figures ranged so high, as sheep are selling well now. some of them made over £2, and many of the cattle were bid up to over 220. Mr John Baiobridge and Mr N. Bousfield were the auctioneers.

The harvest festival at St. Mary's Church, Widdleton, was celebrated on Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday. The Archdeacon of Auckland was the preacher on Wednesday night. The church was nextly decorated for the occasion.

Middleton Baptist Church held a harvest festival last Sanday and Monday. There was s fine display of fruits, flowers, etc, and a number of well-stocked baskets were presented by the young people. The preacher on Sunday merang and evening was the Rev. W. Sumner.- On Monday night a public meeting was held. Mrs Sumper and Mr W. F. Walton were the speakers, and a cumber of concerted items were contributed by local artistes.

A good stock of all the most noted Sheep Dips always on hand, at the lowest prices, from G. Clarkson Harker, Chemist (opposite Galgate entrance to Auction Mart), Baruard Castle, Paint Sticks, Rud, Tar, and Cooper Femp's Shoep Marker.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Morris - Died suddenly, August 9th, 1914, at Fairfield, Sydney, New South Walss, George E. Morris, Ex Sergt.-Major in the New South Wales Laucers, second son of the late Sargt.-Major and Mrs Morris, of Scar House, Barnard Castle.

Return Thanks.

MISS PLEWS, of Ivy Hall, Bowes, desires to thank all friends for their kindness and sympathy in her recent sad bereavement.