Gainford.

The War.

FINE EXPLOIT OF THE 2nd DURHAMS.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT.

Death of Sergeant Call, of the King's

Royal Rifles.

Formerly Bank Cashier at Barnard Castle.

A feeling of profound regret has been experienced at Barnard Castle on receipt of

King's Royal Rifles. The decensed gentleman.

in Messrs Barclay's Branch Bank at Barnard

Castle, where he was very highly esteemed. A

letter from the deceased gentleman's mother, written to Mr John Sherlock Helmer, the bank

manager, conveyed the sad icteligence, and a

desire was expressed by the bereaved lady that the facts might be made known to the

late Sergeant Gall's many friends, all of whom

were deeply grieved to bear the fate which had overtaken the promising young fellow, just in the prime of life. The happening was regarded in the light of a personal loss, though

it was felt that the late Mr Gall had yielded

his life in an honourable cause. Sergeant Gall

was the son of Mr James Gall, of Barnes, formerly manager of the Nottingham Joint

Stock Bank at Earlswood. The deceased soldier entered the Notts Joint Stock Bank at

Nottingham in 1904, and, in the following year,

he came to Barclay's Bank in this town as

junior clerk, and was transferred to Richmond

in 1912. The same year he returned to Baroard Castle as cashier, and he occupied this position when, in 1914, he entered the 7th

soldier. He was, however, quickly made corporal and then sorgeaut. The late Mr Gall,

Now the British Re-took the Trenches

Graphic Letter from Private A. W. Little.

Private Arthur W. Little, of the 2nd Battalion

Durham Light Infantry, who has been in France practically since the outbreak of hostilities, writes to his father, Mr James Little, Thorn-

gate, Barnard Castle, on August 13th, 1915, as follows: Our brigade has had a very severe time of it, but I am still alright. We were

time of it, but I am still alright. We were detailed to retake the trenches which were

lost through the Germans using liquid fire. It

was a very strong position, and was as import-

ant for the enemy as it was for us, because it

commanded a big stretch of country. There

were two of our companies to lead the attack, mine being one of them. We started out of the

wood, where we had been in reserve trenches,

at 2 o'clock in the morning, and advanced a hundred yards or so, and then laid down until

our artillery commenced the bombardment. We laid under our fire for ten minutes. Mesa-

shell fire, which soon began to thin our ranks.

We were not long before we reached the

enemy's first line of trenches, and at once occupied them, the Germans retiring up the

mmunication trench to their second line.

We soon had them out of that, capturing two

machine guns. Then the bombers got to work.

both theirs and ours, and one of our fellows

bombs, but I am sorry to say he was not seen

again. We advanced again up to the third line of trenches and took them, and also the crater of a mine which the enemy had blown up when

they took the trenches. They held it strongly,

they had retired into it. It was very well fortified, but it was no use. They had to come

out. We then occupied it, which was like a

shambles, and I hope never to see the likes of it again. We started to repair the fort as soon

all our officers then except one, who deserves

every honour, as he was a bravo man. Mean-

up the flanks, prevented the enemy from cutting

us off. We both took the trenches and advanced

a good way past, and also held them under the most awful shell fire, which destroyed whole lengths of trench at a time, for fifteen hours

forgot to mention that for three days previous

The Gallantry of the 6th Durhams.

Grateful Letter from Private Robert Jones.

The Urban Council's Cenerosity.

Private R. Jones, of Barnard Castle, who is

serving with the 6th Durham Light Infantry in

France, writes to Mr T. B. Ilisley, Market-

lace, under date 9th August, 1915, as follows :

have been in hospital for a week or two, but am glad to say that I am back amongst the

boys again. The Barney lads received a parcel each from the members of the Urban District

the kindness they have shown to us. I will

tell you how lucky I was myself the first day

we were in action. We were given the word

to advance, and then the Germans opened fire on us with their "coal boxes" and "Jack

Johnson's," and, mind you, we got a warm

reception, but our lads stuck to their gans, and that is how we are called the "mad Durhams"

by all the regular soldiers. We made an advance of over one mile, ard when we got to

the brow of the hill they opened fire on us with

their maxims, and then we started to lose some

of our chums, and that was the last I saw of

our brave officer, Lieut. Nicholson. I had two

bullets put through my pack, but the luckiest one was that which went through my haver-sack and broke my razor, but did not hurt me

at all. I don't think the Barney folks will call

a the "firealde soldiers" if we are spared to

Ret back home again after what we have done for our King and country. We had General French talking to our battalion, and he com-

plimented us on the magnificent way we did our duty on the 26th of April, and said we were a credit to the name webure, the Durhams. We

Patiently until the end.

to the name webore, the Darhams.

Private C. W. Wilson Recovering From

His Wounds.

ell, and we all thank them very much for

re being relieved by another regiment. I

other regiments of the brigade, moving

took off his cost to it, and yelled for more

great patron of all outdoor sports.

talion of the King's Royal Rifles as a private

has a brother fighting in France, was a

news of the death of Sergeant Gall, of the

diately prior to enlistment. was cashier

later.'

thanks :--

(Special Reserve).

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bebauew need par he Datham Light Regiment (Militia) Faithful Darhams" romoted lisutecant On October 30th. porary major, and on Ducham Light was for three years 6th Battalion the baa Attached which trained at ht in the Snath served in India.

licers and private the Congregational Sunday night, and mulking. nd Lady Moore are

Mr Gerald Headlam Saturday from the

J. S. Heimar, Mr. over the Hunderants on the a of sixty brace of

v, consisting of five

### THE TEESDALE MERCURY-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1915.

### DEATH OF MR ROBERT LODGE, CF Lieutenant Gregg, of Barnard Gastle, EAST WOOD HALL. Pathetic Letter to Mr and Mrs Kirtley

## Funeral in Barningham Churchyard.

It is with regret that we chronicle the death "Tell them all at Gross Lanes about Poor Bob." of Mr Robert Lodge, of East Wood Hall, Mr and Mrs Kirtley, caretakers of the Primitive Methodist Church, Barnard Castle, received the following touching letter from Forest Hall, Northumberland, on Sunday Barningham, which occurred under somewhat tragic circumstances on Friday last, at Dr. Waldy's Nursing Home, Darlington. Deceased. who had been alling more or less for some time, morning: "You will be very sorry to hear took more seriously ill about a fortnight ago, that poor Bob was killed in action last Monday. and, on Thursday, was conveyed to Darlington I am about heartbrokes. I wish I had been to undergo an operation for an internal combeside you. I had just got in the house from a plaint, but, alss, it was too late, for he succumbed before the surgical performance holiday when I received a telegram from the War Office. I am in great trouble. Cannot could take place. The late Mr Lodge, who resided in the neighbourhood of Barningham write any more. Will you tell them all at Cross Lage 4 about plot Bob? Will write again all his life, celebrated his seventy-fourth birth-The deceased officer belonged to the day only recently, and during his long earcer he served the parish in which he dwelled in Fourth Battaliou Durham Light Infantry various capacities. He was a Guardian and member for Barningham of the Startforth Rural District Concell for a long number of years, Gifts to the Local Territorials. and previously was a way warden of the old Greta Bridge Highway Board, before the Council came into existence. He retired some Mr J. Wiseman, the chairman of the Urban District Council, in place of entertaining the officials of the Cyclists' Meet, at Whitsuatide last, suggested that the members' usual contri-

Killed in Action.

five years ago, owing to advancing years and failing health, and, after an interval of three years, was succeeded to the councillorship by butions to the entertainment should be devoted his son (Robert), who represents the parish at to providing gifts for the Barnard Castle and the present time. The late Mr Lodge, about 51 years gove April, married Miss Alderson, Teosdale men of the 6th Durham Light Infantry (Territorials), now under Captain T. B. Heslo Barningham, and she, together with four at the front. Two large boxes were dispstehed daughtors and seven sons, survive bim. He lived at East Wood Hall for over half-a-century, and was held in great esteem by all and ultimately arrived at their destination in France in the beginning of August. Captain Heslop has written to Mr J. Ingram Dawson. with whom he came in contact. the clerk to the Council, the following letter of

### The Funeral.

France, 6th August, 1915. On Monday afternoon, in the presence of DEAR MR DAWSON, -- I wish to convey through you to the members of the Urbau District Council of Barnard Castle, the thanks of the large gathering of sorrowing relatives and friends, all that was mortal of the late Mr Lodge was consigned to its final resting-place Baruard Castle and Teesdale men of the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, for the very in Barningham Churchvard. The beautiful church, despite the inclemency of the weather, acceptable gifts of chocolate, sweets, toffee, was filled, and, as the Rov. A.W. Sewart, Rector of Brignal (in the absence of Canon E. Spencer ocoa, and cigarettes, which arrived yesterday. I distributed the gifts myself, and can, there-Gough), read the impressive yet hopeful service fore, tell you how much the men appreciated appointed for the burial of the dead, feelings being so well remembered by their townsmen, and particularly did they welcome the of sorrow and regret at the loss of a good husband, father, and neighbour were manifest, handkerchiefs and post-cards of their town and, at the graveside, when the committal sent by Mrs Dawson. The men wish me to express their thanks, with which I couple my sentences were pronounced, the expressions of grief were most couching. At that moment the sun broke forth, and, feebly reflecting its golden rays through the haze, the bared heads own, for the very generous gifts which they have received .-- Yours sincerely, T. BERNARD HESLOP, Captain. of the mourning throng bespoke an air of reverence to the memory of a kind neighbour and willing friend. The Recent Visit to Barnard Castle of

The chief mourners were : Margarat, Elizabeth, Thomas Atkinson (Manfield), Robert, John George, Arthur (Darlington), Walter (Newcastle), Edith, Henry (Sacriston), Adeline (Mulberry), and William Gladstons (Darling-ton), family of the deceased; Mrs T. A. Lodge and Mrs W. G. Lodge, daughters-in-law; Mr Lee (Darlington) and Mr Grabam (Mulberry), sous-in-law; Messrs J. Alderson (Barnard Castle), T. Alderson and D. Alderson (Barningham), brothers-in-law; and Messre F. Alderson and D. Alderson (Barningham), pephews.

while the Germans started retallating. We I hope you will receive in good health. It then commenced to advance under a terrific was a great happiners to me that I passed Included amongst the large general body of mourners were noticed Mesers Councillors W. Ven. Archdeacon Derry on Mational Loyalty. Bowes, Startforth Lodge; A. Nicholson, Sunday in St. Mary's Parish Church, Barnard Cestle. Holy communion was celebrated at 8 scarcely thank you enough for the present Rokeby ; and J. Allison, Street Head ; W. Porter, which you sent me when with my relations. sanitary inspector, Cotherstone ; and W. Raine, Darlington ; R. Brunskill, W. Todd, Coates, H. fourishing and beautiful country around Barnard Castle will remain engraved on my Chilton, M. Pearson, Lowson, Robinson, Anderwhen suitable hymns were sung and inter-cessions offered. The sermon was preached son, D. Pearson, J. Metcalfe, Atkinson, J. Hird, Stockton; W. Wilkinson, Hawsteads; Hind, Nicholson, Birtwhistle, J. Errington, Brignal; memory, and will continue with me during the time that I am fighting at the front in this desolated country. Again, Monsieur, accept the thanks of a little Belgian soldier, who is Cartor, Cross Lanes; Watson, Rowa, Greta Bridge; W. Bowman, Brignal; Jackson, Tutta doing his duty to his country in the trenches. --DE MEYER DESIRE, Machine Gau Company, Abboy Bridge; C. Hedley, M. Gash, J. Ward, T. Boardman, J. H. Dung, F. W. Lithlo, T. Black-burn, and J. W. Dent, Barnard Castle; Mrs W. remarks would be on the subject of " patrictism "as being suitable for the instruction of Bowes, Startforth Lodge; Mrs Atkinson and Miss Atkinson, Wilson House; the Misses Second-Licutenant Alan C. Challoner, of the Johnson, Mrs Green, Miss Wilkinson, Haw-

Duko of Cornwall's Light Infantry, has met a steads; and several others. Messrs B. Pool and Son, Houndgabe, Darling-

### Work of National Registration. Mr J. Anderson, of Stockton, was the specia

# The Military Banned at this Stage.

THE URBAN COUNCIL AREA.

Barpard Castle urban area way divided int 10 districts, and an enumerator appointed for each, with an average number of 110 houses at which to call, and something like \$30 forms to be given out. By Friday all the dwellings had been visited. The counters, it is said, are unanimous in expressing their satisfaction at the really welcome reception accorded them. Everyone, with an odd exception or two, appeared auxious to belp the country in some

way, and the chief difficulty was in convincing form-fillers that they were only wished to volunteer their services in some way in which they were really proficient. Column number 9 caused some apxiety because the majority were apxiets to "do their bit." Another significant frot, pointing to she general employment of men in government work, or to the large number who have joined the army, was the large prependerance of woman in Burnard Castle. Is ought to be the happy bunting ground of bachelors. The large majority, too, of visitors are of the fair sex. In rare instances was admission refused to the numarators, Some persons seemed to connect

the visit with the demand for more rates, and one case the occupants refused to answer the door, though within the house, the chances being that the caller was possibly the balliff in scarch of the reni. There were the usual number of people who wanted to be assured of the secrecy of the registration, and whose forms will be found earofully sealed in eavelopes. These may reas consent, for both enumerators and cierks and assistants are under a very heavy penalty, and oven liable to imprisonment, if they disclose to anyone anything they have leaved irom any paper. It may not be generally known that not even the local registration anthority, whose duty it is to carry through the registration, can demand to see a single form, and any official or assistant giving information shout any

individual who has filled in a form is liable to severe original proceedings. Neither can the military authorities at the present stage ask for any returns or domand to see the forms.

### Schedule of Counters :---

Barnard Castle: South side of Bridgegate and west side of Thoragate, Mr A. Winpanny; high side of Bridgegate, west side of Bank, and Market-place to Horse-market, Mr John Graham ; west side of Horzo-market and north side of Galgate to Marshall-adreet, and weak side of Marchall-stress and Fintis, Mr J. W. mith ; east side of Marshall-atract and north eids of Gaigate to goods station, Mr J. Adame; Montalbo-terrace, Railway Conseges, Ocronsion-street, and Cambridge-torrace, Mr T. Johnson ; Bodo-totrace, Bade-terrace West and increased, have they? - The Clerk: The Norsh, Victoria-terrace, Victoria-terrace East, Guardians have no leans. We paid off the Johnson ; Bodo-tournee, Bede-terrace West and ed east side of John-street, Mr. O. S. Soott;

west side of John-street, south side of Galgate to King-street, east side of King-street, Head-The annual festival services were held on lam-terrace, Wilson-street, Bowes Museum, and North Eastern County School, Mr T. A. Southers ; south side of Gaigato from King- Hail drew attoution to the fact that the pay-Southera ; south side of Home-market, Hall-street, bill was twice as much this August as com-and west side of Queen-street and King-street, pared with the corresponding period last year. a.m., and was well attended. A crowded congregation was present at morning prayer. Mr M. J. Dixon ; oast side of Markei-piece to Hall-street, both sides of Newgate, Park-terrace, and Edward-terrace to Queen-street, by the Venerable Archdesers Darry, who taking for his text St. Luke, 19th chapter, and Mr R. Wood ; east elde of Bank, east side of | children's homes meant additional expenditure. Thorngate, and all yards leading to the -Mr Hall thought it would be interesting to Demeanes, Mr J. Guy. verse 41, "And when He was come noar He beheld the olty and wept over 14," said his

# RUBAL DISTRICT OF BABNARD CASTLE.

childrer. Ho pointed out that our Lord was This work has been in the hauds of the represented in the text as a patriot when He

helpers, if obtaicable, after the enumerators' books and forms ave in. A Government official gave a lecture and demonstration at Darlingbe done with the forms after collection. Mr Leeds attended this lecture. The amount of work to be date after the collection is over, in coding and what not, is very heavy and complicated, and requires careful handling. Nevertheness the work is of an intensely interesting character, and those free-born Beilorn who have been associated with the underiaking have not only had a hand in the making of contemporaneous history, but have shown a very fine patriotic spirit in the national crisis, splendid loyalty to our beloved King George V, and a magnificent exhibition of lave of country and all that it means to an Englishman

The Numbering Party :-- Barforth : Mr J. Crooks ; Bowes : Rev. H. Straker, Mr E. C. Hitchcox, and Mr J. A. Gargett: Baroingham: Mr Thomas Posrson: Boldron: Mr T. H. Plows; Brignal: Mr J. Anderson; Cotherstone: Mr J. B. Bourne and Mr T. N. Heslop; Gilmosby: Mr Robert Walker; Egglestone Abbey: Mr Robert Clarkson; Holwick: Mr T. Scott; Hope: Mr Richard Alderson; Hundertawaite: Mr J. Bell; Hutton: Mr E. Fenwick; Lactington; Mr W. Haigh ; Lucedale : Mr M. Pickney and Mr T. Collins m; Mickision: Mr M. Raine and Mr J. Raine; Ovington: Mr J. Spence; Rokeby: Mc A. Nichelson; Romaldkirk: Mr R. Forrest; Sowrgill: Mr W. Dent, jun.; Startforth: Mr R. J. Belley, Mr W. Longworth, and kir J. W. White; and Wyeliffe and Thorpe: Rev. A. W. M. Close, Hutton Magna,

TEESDALE GUARGIANS.

Mr John Smith presided at the fortnightly meeting of this body on Wednesday. - A letter was read from the Local Government Board intimating that they had decided to postpone local elections for Guardians and Rural District Councils, and that accordingly there would be no election next spring. Until the new register came into force suy vacancy, instead of being filled by an election, was to be filled by the choice of the Council or Board. Any person so co-opted would have the same powers as an elected membar.

Economy Strenuously Advocated.

There was a further circular from the Local Government Board dealing with the necessity for economy among local authorities. It was extremely important that every effort should be made to reduce local rates. Expenditure on parks, recreation grounds, libraries, street lighting, etc., should as far as possible be cut down.-The Chairman : I agree with every word they say, but it would be better if they set the example, and reduce half the salaries in their own establishment. The County Council was the biggest spending machine, and they might stars and set us a good example .-Mr Fife: The rates on our loans have not been Workhouse debis many years sgo .- Mr M. J. Dixon said he did not see the necessity of appointing a committee to ensure the carrying out of the suggestions in the circular. They were all economists on that Board. - Mr J. G. Last Augues is was 2110, and this year it was 2212. Batchers' meat was 284, as compared with £18.-The Clerk pointed out that the know the actual over of each immate, and it was decided to get these figures out.

### Other Matters.

represented in the text as a patriot when He wept over Jerusalem. Patriotism was said by some to be out-of-date, and had been outgrown since the French Revolution, and now work-men said "King Georgoor Kaiser William-it's all one to me!" This was a policy of soil. The Master reported on increase of nine was decided to have the same repaired .- Migs Haykin was appointed permanently fostermother.- & man. it was reported, was admitted that morning sufficing from cold and exposure. He had £4 5s. 71d. in his pockets. -

The annual treat of these schools was held on Thursday last at Mr Lowes' farm, Stainton to which the girls, boys, and mission scholars marched, in charge of the Vicar and Miss Bircham, Miss Harris, Mr R. Wood, and Mr R. B. Gent (superintendents), and their scoohers. The infants, under Mr R. Browe, and the provisions, etc., were conveyed in waggons kindly lent from Deerboit camp and Streatlam Home farm. Games and competitions were indulged in, and a merry afternoon was spent. Tea was served in the field. A passing shower, however, broke into the otherwise flae day.

### The new barytes find at Harwood is at a standstill at present. The working has interfered with the water supply at some of the neighbouring farms, so that operations have been stopped until this is remedied.

Grouse are said to be numerous on the various moors of Upper Teesdale. Mr Turner and party are staying at Middleton House, and are shooting the Wire Gill moors. The first day's beg yielded 210 brace.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

preacher at the Wesleyan Church, Middleton

on Snuday morning and evening. A large

number of visitors were present at the services.

Hay-making is being found a very difficult matter this season. The crops are light, and considerable quantities of hay have got sosked with the rain, and been discoloured balore being stacked. The harvest is very backward. A number of fields are not yet cut. \*\*\* St. Mary's Parish Church, Middleton, garden

party, which ought to have been held on Bank Holiday, but had to be shandoned owing to the inclemency of the weather, will take place to-day (Wednessey), (weather permitting). to-day (Wednesday) in the rectory grounds

The ladies' sowing committee, in connection with St. Mary's Parish Church, Middleton, had a motor outing on Wednesday afternoon Richmond was the place of destination. The weather was fine, and the ladies had a most enjoyable time in the old Yorkshire borough.

The special preacher at the Bapaist Church Middleton, on Sucday night, was the Rev. A G. Bowman, of Gainford.

Parish Church Sunday Schools,

# Barnard Castle.

Annual Treat and Festival

The tea for the teachers and friends was partaken of in Stainton school-room, which

was well filled. Games, etc. were then resumed until 7 o'clock, when a start was made for home, hags of sweets being hauded to the scholars.

furner, senior, Mr and Mr Dowding, gust 13th on the of birds fall. runs, 240 brace of Law Moor. Birds and healthy. Mr of the sporting couples Middleton

### has left Whorlton ge, Hampshiro.

um on Thursday d Barney was at its orm-sky, wondrous are sable still were forast-trass in ling their Grego:ian ons discoursed is's Guards-sweet lo's lute. And vo is flower-like," dship is a sheltering many and various; d in the gloaming of old religion were Naturo's of the crowd ward ith, and the esso so sweetly slogs. g cropt in, Keble's oar," "Abide with ics low and sweet, was hushed again there's not a joy the takes away."

### nd-heartedness.

rnard Castle. dy Clara Vero do nore than coronets, and Castle late on officer of the 10th a lady with four a lady with four be railway station, ofact in her arms, by her side, had lost and had telegraphed the facts. There indows in Montalbo-lost and gentlemaniy a of the occupant of a. The gentleman is the efforts of the the shores of the ed the efforts of whole in, and the whole lodgings. In the lif of distant wheels the husband came invelled far more or to take his, wife in the west. The e would not leave shout fielding them inverse how in unveyance hove in united thanks to be strangers in a

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is the Ointment reputation, 1/1; per pres, the Zemoline

bravely figh the shell fire and aerial torpedces, which are swial things. I was one of twenty-five who were buried with one of these things, but escaped with a severe shaking and the drum of Flanders on Jaly 31st. He was 23 years of one of my ears burst. We could not get our age, and the only son of Mr and Mrs Fred wounded away, as the Germans had blown down Challoner, of Ealing. He was a grandson of communication trench, and the poor the late Mr Joseph Crawhall, of Newcastleon-Tyne, and was well known in that city. A few days before his death he wrote the followfellows had to lay there until they either got buried with explosions or managed to secure help to remove them. We had practically lost ing pathetic lines, and sent them to his parants;

"If I were killed to-day, my chief regret In this, the greatest, worst of all Would surely be that I my fate had Without a chance of furthering the cause, If I could put one bullet in a foc. Put just one German helmet in my kit. Then, if I have to, I'm prepared to go, For, after all, I've done my little bit ! "

Roll of Monour.

a Wounded Belgian Soldier.

that a wounded Belgian soldier was staving in

Startforth with the Beigian refugees, relations

of his. Before the soldier left a gentleman

belonging the town sent him gifts for the

return journey, and he has received the

'Yser, 4th August, 1915 : MONSIEUR,-I hasten

to write you on my return a short note, which

The lovely memories which I have of the

A Gallant Lieutenant: His Chief Regret.

I can

following characteristic letter of thanks :-

some time in your beautiful city.

4th D.A., Armee Belge."

In our columns a fortnight ago we mentioned

o the attack we were up to the knees in water. To the Editor of the "Teesdale Moreury." so it will give you some idea what we are going DEAR SIR,-I shall be greatly obliged if every through, but we do it willingly to beat these erson in Barnard Castle who has a relative brutes. These are facts as they actually ormerly residing in the town, but now serving occurred, without exaggerating in the least In fact it was really worse than I have said. in any branch of His Majosty's Service, will b good enough to send me the following particulars as soon as possible :--

Name in full. 1. Name in full. 2. Address in Barnard Castle. Name of Regiment or Ship.

Rank. Any other information. Yours faithfully,

### OWEN 8. SCOTT. Bowes Mussum, 17th August, 1915.

Suicide in the Tees near Waterman Island.

Yesterday afternoon Mr J. T. Proud, coroner and a jury held an inquest at the Police Station, Barnard Castle, touching the death of Peter McVoy, a labourer, aged 72 years, whose lifeless body was found near the Waterman Island, in the Flatts Wood, on Monday morning. -Jane MoVoy, the widow, said her husband who was an old-age pensioner, had been mentally depressed since his attack of influenzs, and had threatened to destroy himself. On the ill-fated morning she followed him to above the "Gentleman's Hole," in the Flatts Wood, where she missed him in the riverside bushes. The deceased formorly worked at the waterworks .- Peter Jones said he found the deceased in the Tees with about six inches of water over his face, the man having been in the water about two hours. He had deliberately placed his stick and cost about a yard from the edge of the water. With assistance witness applied first aid in artificial respiration, but without avail. -The jury at once returned a verdict of "suicide by drowning."-Sergt. Carr acted as coroner's officer. -The deceased was a quiet and incfensive man, and bore a good character. A good deal of sympathy is being extended to his widow.

are all hoping for a speedy ending to this A Newsham Wedding at Scarborough. terrible war, but we will all have to wait

> The marriage took place on Saturday sen., at Holy Trinity Church, Scarborough, of Mir Henry Gordon Hutton, son of Mr W. J. S. Hutton, fish merchant, and grandson of the late Captain

Thomas Hutton, marine superintendent of the Hull and Netherlands Steamship Company, In a letter to his parents at Headlam House, Barnard Castle, dated August 13th, 1915, Private 6. W. Wilson, of the 2nd East Yorks Regiment, Hull, and Miss Annie Raw, youngest daughter of the late Mr John Raw, of Hutton Magna, who was recently wounded in the trenches, writes: I am straid I shall not be able to get and of Mrs Raw, of Newsham. The bride, who was given away by Mr W. Wilson Gross to England for about a fortnight yet. I Middlesbrough, was neatly attired in a navy am still in bed, after having had 13 days of it whipcord costume, with a champagne picture to-day. I didn't tell you I had to go through hat and a spray of cream roses and maidenhair an operation to have the bullet taken out of fern, the gift of the Mayoress (Miss Graham). an operation to have the bullet taken out or ay bead. The wound affected my cycsight, and I was not allowed to read, but they let me read The bridesmaid was Miss Irene Hutton, the bridegroom's sister, and Mr Wilsher was best now. I am dieting on eggs, fish, and puddings for dinner, also fruit. I don't think I shall man. The presents were numerous and costly. including a cheque, silver tea service, and

be in bed much longer than four or five days bride's cake from the Mayor and Mayoress, how,

all one to me ton, were the undertakers, and Mr Pool, sen. was in attendance, and carried out the funeral arrangements. The bearers were Mesers John Atkinson, Wilson House : Hutchinson, Saunder's Atkinson, Wilson House; Butchingon, Saunder's national congresses. Science, peetry, and House; Metcalfe, Barvingham; Ward, Grein labour all claimed to be international. But Bridge ; and Johnson, Grets Bridge.

Beautiful wreaths and floral tributes were Beautiful wreaths and floral tributes were gave way to instinct, and the patriot came sent by the widow and family at home, Arthur forward to do his good and glorious work, and Gladetone, Mr and Mrs Lee, Tom and Mary, Walter and Kitty, and Mr and Mrs Raine (Darlington).

The hearse and mourning concises were supplied by the King's Head Hotel, Mr T. Oliver, and Mr James Atkin, Barnard Castle, jointly.

# the Bowes Museum Park.

The eagerly anticipated second visit of the band of the Scots Guards took place on Thursday, and it is certain that the expectations of veritable musical feast entertained by those who heard the band on the occasion of its former visit were fully realised. The programme was extremely well selected, pleasantly varied, and superbly rendered. Its outstanding features were, perhaps, the very fine cornet solos of Musician Everson, the piccolo playing of Corporal Ireson, and the perfect rendering of Lassen's lovely song, "All Souis' Day." The audience was large, and for the most part highly appreciative, although the loud chattering of certain persons, with whose names we are not familiar, was the subject of much caustic and deservedly unfavourable comment in the alternoon. When will such people realise that discussions on the perfections or ailments of their children, the ccentricities of Mrs Blank's costume, or the peculiarities of Miss Dolly Flapperton's latest fance do not interest the music-loving public, but on the contrary are, especially when carried on by individuals endowed with piercing, dominating voices, sources of great annoyance and irritation, and by no means marks of refinement or good breeding, or an index of social importance ? Besides which, such disregard of other people's pleasure is paying svery poor compliment to the Trustees of the Bowes Museum, who must be called upon to pay very large sums for the engagement of first-class bands. But we know that there are, alas, people who, in the words of the old tale, " would take a ham sandwich to a Lord Mayor's banquet." During the afternoon and evening collections were made by several young ladies in aid of the fund for providing comforts for the soldiers of the Durham regiments who are prisoners of war, which produced the handsome sum of £16 4s. 6d. The avening concart was concluded by the playing of the evening hymn, " Abide with me," which was given in such a manner as to produce a very marked effect upon the audience. As a lady observed in my hearing, "It seemed that every bandsman folt the words of the bymn

# King's Head Hotel Workmen Accidentally

Mr Thomas Raine, mail 'bus driver in the service of Mr John Halifax, of the King's Head Hotel, Barnard Castle, was accidentally thrown from the box when near the railway crossing, on the station road, on Wednesday night. He alighted on his face, and sustained somewhat serious injury to his jaw. The fracture was promptly treated by Dr. Leishman, and Mr Raine, having regained consciousness, is now progressing favourably .- Shortly afterwards Mr John Nicholson, who manages the land in connection with the hotel, was accidentally

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which ignored England and har history. Give him his beer, and he did not care about anything else. These were days of interwar came, and these links snapped. Reason

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which was of great spiritual value. In France self was not considered, only love of country so that she could be free. A soldier wh eturned from the trenches was a man of dignity. There was no " class " distinction in the trenches. Patrictism must have the Band of Nis Majesty's Scots Guards in with Kipling's "Lord God of beats be with us the brotherhood of the whole human family. true patriotism. Each should ask " What can I do"? Something to kill selfishness. We will never have such a chance again. England asks us, and so does Christ. Is will take us out of ourselves, and bring us into the greater love.-A service for children was held in the afternoon, when the address was given by Archdescon Derry from 2 Timothy, 2nd chapter. and verse 3, " A good soldier of Jesus Christ," in which he showed that the three marks of a good soldier-one who had enlisted in the war, submitted to discipline, and couragewere equally applicable to the soldier of Jesus Christ, who was enlisted at baptism and confirmation, must learn obedience like the service there was a large congregation. The Vicar preached from St. John, 21st chapter, and part of verse 15, " Feed My lambs "

strikingly enforced our Lord's command for the care of His little ones. Our Lord in His would take a ham sandwich to a own life had honoured childhood. The reverend gentleman urged the importance of parents showing their children a good example by not merely seading them to church, but also going themselves. He took the opportunity of publicly expressing his gratitude to the Sunday school teachers of the parish for their self-denying labours, and made an appeal for others to come and help to carry out the Master's command .-- The offertories throughout the day were given to the Sunday school fund.

Museum Park Concert.

" To the Editor of the " Teesdale Mercury." SIR .- The Trustees of the Bowes Museum Park are to be congratulated on their generous ublic spirit in engaging the band of the Scots Guards, whose fine performances were so much appreciated last Thursday. But would it not be a desirable thing to have exhibited near the chairs a notice requesting silence to be observed? The concert in the afternoon was almost spoilt for those in the vicinity of two gentlemen who talked incessantly (even through the soles), in very sudible voice, they being afterwards joined by a third, which made matters worse. The irritation felt by the audience was most markedly shown on the countenances of the listeners seated near, and not least on that of yours faithfully,

A LOVER OF MUSIC. August 17th, 1915,

districts, and procure the assistance of an enumerator for each ares. Very pairiokically and willingly shis work was taken up in response to the Clerk's approvis for volunteers.

### Full List of Enumerators, The following ladies and ganblemen have

Castle rural district :- Marwood : Weet side, Mr G. C. Lec, Galgabo, Bataard Castle; central, Mr W. H. Borry, school house, Longicyusic; mat side, Mr R. Brewe, Barnard house. Streathen and Stainton : Mr J. W. antia Bewick, Stainton. Westwick : Mr J. Wight-man, Barnard Castle. Wherlton : Mr Robt. Kay, Whorlton. Eggicatone : Mar T. Ausmann. Middleton-in-Tecchici : North side, Mr C. H. Nicholson; ozst alde, Miss Anole Hostop; yet, lest we forget." What was our Saviour's Nichelson; oast side, Also Anose Hoslop; teaching on the matter? He gave none as date. Narhierin - Me L W Washing at L such, as He gave no complete code of morals. He taught the spirit. It was unnecessary to Forest and Brith : Ettersgill, Mr Ralph Le He taught the spirit. It was unnecessary to Midaicton-in-Teesdale; central, Mr J teach the Jews patriotism, but He taught them Wearmouth, Harging Shaw; Harwood, Mr central, Mr J. the brothermood of the white and an and a separated He set up the Catbolic Church, and separated Himself from the ultra-national element. Yet when He saw Jerusalem He wept at what was ford : East wide, hir Jas. Norton ; west side Allingon. Cockfield : West side, Mr Juo. when he saw series for we were the man may to come upon it. A christian Englishman may feel proud of his nationality, and yet he a christian. The glory of this war was our christian. The glory of this war was our Timmouth : Mr H. S. Subberland. Ingloton : desire that other constries should share our privileges. We believe we are fighting for something which others are to have. That is Keverston : Mr V. Hodgson. Staindrop and Keverston : Mr V. Hodgson, Staindrop and Cleatham : Mr J. W. I. Davidson ; Staindrop (ezat side), Mr G. Nessham ; Staindrop (west ide), Mr T. Bewick. Walkerfield : Mr Jasper Robsey. Woodland : Mr J. W. Campbell and Mr Hardy. Winston : Mr E. Bardy.

### Wide and Scattered Districts.

The work of giving out the registration forms was begun on Monday, the 9sh instant after each enumerator had received the necessary forms and instructions from the Clerk, and so keen have been the efforts of th band of volunteers rist the whole of the 2,700 houses in the district ware visited, and nome 9.000 forms given out before Saturday last soldier at crill, and must show courage like Soveral of the counters had many miles the herces now at the front.-At the evening to travel in their wide, seathered districts, and the Newbiggin and Harwood men completed their distribution on the first day-a remarkable and note worthy feat. The collection of the forms hegan to this district on Monday, the 16th instant, and the whole of the world will be completed in that respect before Saturday 1-x: Mb Hatchridge, along with the three Registrated the desired, were as rendering must invaluable assistance in th work, attended the conference at Darlington on Briday last, when Mr . Dodds, of the Registrar General's staff, attended, in compacy with Mr Jon. Samuel, M.P., and addressed a clerks to the local authorities and their workers, and gave final instructions as to that netheds to be employed of coding the forms, stc. A large staff will be employed upon this work for some considerable time, and his Bainbridge is getting together a number of volunteers to help in this great task, which will be undertaken in the Board-room of the Guardians, kindly lent by them for shat

> purpose. STARTFORTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL AREA.

### There are twenty-one townships involved. and twenty-eight enumerators have done the work. Two days were occupied by hir W. J.

Watson, the clork to the authority, and har Leeds in motoring the district, and seeing each counter personally, and appointing him. The population of the area is 4,929. There are 1 135 inhabited houses, and, roughly, 4,300 forms have been distributed. Up to the present Mr Leeds has executed the clerical work himself-on behalf and under the oversight of Mr W. J. Watson, who is clerk to the local registration authority-and without

assistance, but he will require some voluntary

### FOOTBALL.

con appointed commerators in the Barnard The following is a list of matches played on the Deerbolt camp field, Startforth, for the week ending August 15th -D Company (Derbams) best C Company (Durhams) by 4 goals to 1, on Tuesday son. B Company Leicesters) were victorious over B Company (Durhams) by 6 to 4, on Thursday; and B Company (Leisseters) drew with A Company (Dorbams), 1 each, on Monday.

Deerbolt Camp Football League.

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| C Company (Leicesters) | 2   | 2     | 0   | . 0 | 8  |     | 4 |  |  |
| B Company (Leicesters) | - 4 | 1     | 1   | 2   | 10 | . 9 | 4 |  |  |
| A Company (Durhams)    | 3   | 1     | 1.  | 1.  | 67 | - 4 | 3 |  |  |
| B Company (Durhams)    | - 4 | 1     | 2   | 11  | 7  | 10  | 3 |  |  |
| A Company (Leicesters) | 2   | 1     | 1   | 0   | 4  | -6  | 2 |  |  |
| C Company (Durhams)    | 3   | 1     | 2   | 0   | 4  | . 6 | 2 |  |  |
| D Company (Leicesters) | 2   | 0     | 2   | 0   | 5  | 20  | 0 |  |  |
|                        |     |       |     |     |    |     |   |  |  |

A report has reached London that Mr. Joseph Conrad, the well-known novelist, has been streated by the Germans and interned.

Mr Lloyd George is confined to his bedroom with a feverish coid. He has been obliged to his proposed visits this wook to caucel Sheffield and Newonstle-on-Tyne.

With the consent of the Local Government Board, inmates of the Ratford workhouse are engaged in making candbags for defensive works at the front.

Yesterday morning Vernon's huge four mills at West Ham wore destroyed by fire.

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### Beaths.

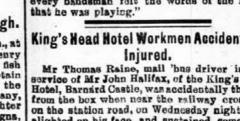
HALL .- At 71, Buddle Road, Benwell, Newcastledearly beloved wife of Jonathan Hall, formerly of Barnard Castle, aged 44 years.

### In Bemoriam,

BAINBRIDGE, -In loving memory of our dear mether, who died suddenly, on August 18th, 1914 - Ever remembered by her loving family.

One and year has passed and gone, Since our Savioar called her home; But in heaven we hope to meet. With all our love'd ones round His feet.

HINCHCLIFFE.- In loving memory of my dear sister, Rachel Annie Bincheliffe, who died on August 15th, 1913. - Svor remembered by her sister and brothers. - Cat Castle, Lartington.



struck on the shoulder by a horse