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LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

To-day the Greta Bridge Browster Scasions held. There are no cases down for

It is stated emphatically that Italy will take the field against Austria in April.

The Government is going to take the whole time is the Commons.

Yesterday the death took in Headlam-terraco, d Castle, of Mrs Mary Anne Bainbridge, ridow of the late Mr J. T. Bainbridge, who ded the Teesdale photographic studie. The sed lady's maiden name was Rilcy, she came from buftus, and was formerly in the ervice of the late Mr John Dickonson Holmes, Galgate House. It is eight years gone August Mrs Bainbridge went to reside with Mrs rilson, in Headlam-terrace.

Private Richard Watson, nephew of the feesdale Poet, of the Roya! Garrison Artillery, has been spending a few days at Baroard Castle,

A rew order has been issued continuing the Wesleyan Suldiers' recreation-room at Barnard

A draft of eighty-seven recruits arrived at he barracks in this town on Wednesday night. Mr T. Pattingon, of Longlands, Newsham, has a ewe which gave birth to two half-bred

ambs on Thursday, the 28th of January.

The Bonorary Secretary of Lady Ann Lambton's Durham County Work Der of acknow-ledges with thanks the receipt of garments from the Ladies' Needlework Guild, Middletonin Teesdale, per Miss J. E. Dent; and garments also from Miss Trotter, Staindrop.

The Zetland Foxhounds will meet to-morrow at Moulton village, and en Saturday, February 6th, at Brusseltor, each morning

Among the names of the candidates who have passed the Cambridge Local Preliminary Examination appear those of Miss Mildred Garbutt, of Cambridge-terrace; and Miss Dovis Addison, of the Horse-marker. Both were pupils from Miss Eglinton's High School, Bede-terrace, Barnard Castle.

The Durham County Council, on Wednesday, approved an order granting two extra representatives of Cockfield on the Teesdale Board of Guardians and the Barnard Castle Rural

Messrs Watsor, of "matchless cleanser ame, per favour of Miss Smith, Grove Park, have contributed three guineas to the local Belgian Refugee Fund.

Nearly twenty per cent. of the staff of the National Provincial Bank of England are at the present moment serving with the colours.

The Rev. H. M Dix bas arrived at Gainford, nd the Rev. F. J. Bacchus has left.

Miss Watt, the well-known teacher of swimming and life saving, and who had a very narrow escape from death at her home in Hartiepool, a piece of shell weighing one stone going through her ceiling and wrecking two of her rooms, at the recent bembardment, is giving a course of lessons on the latest dances at the Unitarian school-room, Barnard Castle (children at 5 p.m.; adults at 7 p.m.), at a very low fee, in thankfulness of her escape.

The Barnard Castle Urban District Council bave accepted the tender of Mesars William Wear sad Company for steam roller, hire. There was an offer from the Edison Steam Rolling Company.

Mrs M. J. Dixon, of Woodleigh, will distribute the prizes at the Wesleyau Sunday school on Sanday.

Dr. James Ramsay, formerly chapter clerk of York Minster, died yesterday.

Mr W. J. Watson, Spring Ledge, is in

A Keighley mill was gutted by fire yesterday

morning, the damage being estimated at 250,000. This is the second cutbreak on premises busy with khaki. Canon E. Speucer Gough has been gural dead

el Richmond North and rector of Barningham for twenty-six years. The agricultural lectures in Marwood have

had an average attendance of forty-six, and have been highly successful in a strictly practical, farming point of view. Woodland beagles will meet on Friday, February 5th, at Romsldkirk, at 12 noon; and n Saturday, February 6th, at East Barnley,

Eggleston, at 12 o'clock. Father Knuckey, of Gainford, has presented a organ to the new Cathelie Church of St. Lawrence, Lartington.

On the 29th of May, 1822, at Bowes, sged sixty years, the Rev. Richard Wilson, vicar of Bowes and incumbent of Whorlton, died.

Father Ryan, formerly of Lartington, is attached to the forces, as priest, at the

The Rev. J. Bagot Stack, the Rev. Edgar Jackson, Miss Laue Fox, and Miss Anna Scaw have arrived at Gainford.

Private Arthur Haigh, of Lartington, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, bas been at home on ough for a few days.

At the Council School, North Stainmore, on Thursday evening, a presentation of a silver tes and cofee service was made to Miss F. Sage, who for four years has been headmistress of the school. She is leaving London next Saturday for East Londor, South Africa, where Saturday for East Lon-she is to be married.

The Rev. H. W. H. Bircham, vicar of Barnard Castle, conducted special services on Sunday at the Bensham Camp, Gatesbead, in connection with the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry (Territorials), which regiment hocludes the local companies. The battalion has received notice to hold itself in readiness to move, and Lieut.-Colonel H. C. Watson, who says an honour has been conferred upon his regiment, visited his home at the Mount, Barpard Castle, on Sunday. Sergeants Johnson, Horace and Fred Beer, Corporal and Orderly-room Clerk Fred Watson, and Private Harry Walker and others. others were also in the town.

Last Wednesday, at a meeting of the directors of the Teesdale Associated Farmers, fourteen applications—the advertisement having appeared in this journal—were received for the office of cleak, traveller and assistant. Mr Henry Richardson, late in the service of Mr M.J. Arrowsmith, game dealer, Barnard Castle, was appointed.

The Rev. Philip Crick has returned to horlton Vicarage from Scotland.

Yesterday afternoon the King and Queen, with Princess Mary, attended Covent Garden

# UPPER DALE HOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.] The normal meeting of the Tessdale Workmen's Industrial and Provident Society, Limited, was bold in the Primitive Methodist school-room, Middleton, on Friday night attendance was not representative of the 1,319 members, but still it was an improvement on some provious occasions. The President being India posed, Mr R. Brignall, one of the directors, was appointed chairmar. The first business was the consideration of the seventy-second art hal statement of the flour and meal department, which was read by Mr J. D. Pattinson (secretary), and which showed that the total sales of 148,140% stones amounted to £9,297 17s. 2d. This was a decrease in the sales of 667 stones, but there was a financial increase to the extent of £86 2s. 2½d. The profit on the year's working had also to creased by 215 16s, 01d., the total profit being 21,047 16s, 5d. The membership in this branch was 792, a decrease of 4.- A discussion then took place amongst the members with regard to the cause of the decline during recent years, and also the prices as compared with private tradesmen. It was pointedwont that a dividend of 2s. 2d. in the pound was paid, which meant 10 per cent. returned of all money expended with the society.—The statement was adopted.—Mr J. T. Hornby (general secretary) gave the last quarter's statement of the other departments. The sales showed a quarter's expenditure of £6,444 16s, 4d., which was an increase of £508 8s. 91d. on the corresponding period of last year. The dividend declared was 3g in the pound on groceries etc. 4d in the pound on butcher's meat, and 8d. in the pound on coal purchases. society's share capital was 221,923 1s. 2d.-The heavy depreciation of the coal derot was commented upon, and a strong appeal was made for more loyal support in this branch, which had been instrumental in keeping down

rule 20 if it proved unsatisfactory. The open winter has brought vagetation or rather soon this year, and some of the early blooming plants are coming on apace. Mi Amos Lowe, of Union-square, Middicton, has three clumps of snowereps, now in full bloom, growing in the open.

prices.-The Secretary remarked that the 21

years' lease on the depôt would expire on April 6th, 1915, but the Earl of Strathmore had

granted them a renewal on the same easy

terms .- The statement was carried .- The

to consider the case.—A small committee

The longevity of the Tecadale people was exemplified last week. On one of the cold days two old ladles were observed walking out together, in the persons of Mrs Allinson of Sievey Hill, aged 84 years; acd Mrs Sally Dowson, aged 88 years.

Two of the Belgian refugees, who have been resident at Middleton since Christmas, left on Thursday for Paris. One of them had a brother icjured in the war, who is in a hospital in the French capital. They expressed their great appreciation of the kindnesses shown to them by the people of Middleton.

Sickness in Middleton and district during the past week or two has been very severe. In fact the authorities have closed the school for a week, owing to the meagre attendance.

Much sympathy is extended to Mrs Darry, s white, of Middleto , whose eldest son, Thomas Anderson, aged 17 years, was buried on

Melancholy Death of Lady Cowell's Son.

Saturday after a very brief iliness.

Her Ladyship an Extensive Landed Proprietress in Bowes District.

Ac lequest was held at Sheerness, Monday, on the body of Captain Albert Victor John Cowell, of Culton Castle, Bedale, Yorkshire, who shot himself with a revolver. From the evidence is appeared that he had been iil, owing to a nervous breakdown, but was actions to serve during the war. He was appointed to the 6th (Reserve) Battalion Rifle Brigade, but, according to a letter, found himself untit for work. The jury returned a verdict that the wound was self inflicted during temporary insanity, and expressed regret at the less of so galiant an efficar. Captain Cowell was the eldest sen of the late Major-General Sir J. Clayton Cowell, Master of the Household to Queen Victoris, by his marriage with the buly child of Mr James Pulleine, of Crakehall, and Clifton Castle, and was born in 1869, Queen Victoria standing sponsor at his christening. Ho was educated Charterbouse and Sandhurst, and entered the army in 1889. He got his company in the 3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade in 1897, and joined the Reserve of Officers in 1900. The deceases contleman's mother bis fatter, as we have said, being dead-owns Spital farm occupied by Mr J. J. Hird, and has several other properties at Stoneykeld and elsewhere, in her own right. Lady Cowell is also the third largest owner of Bowes manorial rights, and the tragic death of her son is deeply mourned in the neighbourhood.

Entertainment in Baldersdale. A capital entertainment was given in Baldersdale, on Thursday night. Mr J. Bell-ably occupied the chair. The following programme was well rendered :- Song-Flag of Britain—school-children; song—She pushed me into the parlour—J. Gowling (encore— Whops! let's do it sgain); duett—The pig-tail and the fan-Miss E. and W. Addison; sopg-Guess-school-children; song-She was only two-and-twenty-J. Foster (encore-Serves you right); dialogue—Teasing—seven school-children; song—Ramember me to cousin Fan —J. Bussey (encore—Domestic pets); song— Right before the missis-J. C. Bainbridge (encore-Molly Molloy); song-Mr Nobedyschool-children; song-The man from Lanca shire-J. Lowson (encore-The rain came pitter-patter down) ; recitation-My dolly-Miss Thwaites; song—For old time's sake— Miss S. A. Waller; song—Four the now—Wm. Brown (encore—Breakfast in bed on Sunday morning); dialogue-Old Betty and the visitor -Misses H. Wearmouth and H. Dover; song-Teddy bear school children; song The cows are in the clover Miss E. Addison; duett A. B. C .- J. Foster and M. Waller ; recitation -Without a wifey-J. Bussey (encore-The freman's wedding; song—Little-Dame Crump—school-children; sketch—Domestic frugality—Messrs J. Kipling, S. A. Waller, Sowerby, T. Walker, H. Walker, M. Walker, and H. Dover; song-Red, white, and blue-school-children and recitation-Good night-nine school children. The committee desire to thank M Waller for the loan of the piano, and also Mrs Walton for the training of the school-children, After all expenses had been paid, there remained a balance of £4 15s.

Patriotic Effort at Eggleston.

Red Cross Ball.

The committee of the above are pleased to state that they have been able to forward the to give advice, also fresh stocks of Plates sum of 25 10s. 6d to the headquarters of the Papers, and other photographic materials—R

### MUSICAL SERVICE AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

High-Glass Organ Recitals : the Antiquity of

the Instrument. Last Sunday afternoon a fairly large congregation assembled at the parish church, Barnard Castle, when a musical service tool place under the direction of Mr Fred W. Raper, F.R C.O. organist and choirmaster. A fine feature in the programme were the organ recitals, in which great skill and conspicuous ability were manifested. The "Toccate," by Widor, which was the concluding instrumental item-abounding in light and shade, and fully realistic-was a very fluo exposition of the capabilities of an instrument which approaches nearest to perfection in the domain of musical contrivances. The antiquity of the organ is established. In the tenth century they were ecmmon in all the churches of the western world, and especially in England. In the eign of King Edgar, St. Dunstan gave an orga the abbey of Malmabury. An organ was rected in the cathedral at Winchester by St Kiphegus, the bishop, and in 1470 the pedal employed a domestic organist in the person of Dr. Gibbone. At the Restoration th was found that few organs had escaped the organoclasts, and, when instruments had to be replaced in the various churches - only four organ-builders existing in the country-foreign ones were applied to and settled in England. Organs op reeds of various lengths side by side, and known as the Syrinx on Pan's-pipes, but to which the less classical term of "month-organ" s more frequently applied This most likely furoished the idea of supplying larger quantities of wied than can be emitted from the human langs to more capacious pipes, and in greater number and variety of tone. At all events, we dismissal of Mr Joshua Bussey from the flour and that the expedient was resorted to in very department was again brought forward, and a early times by the Greeks and Romans. The resolution passed asking the new directors following v. cal items were well rendered: Anthem-"Hark! hark, my soul" (Shelley)-(sole) Mr Woodhama; air - "Consume them all" (St. Panl-Mondelssoba) - Mr J. Brown; bymn Co-perative Union the exact authority of the directors and members as specified in the "O! God cur help in ages past"—choir; recitative and air—"Ye people rend your hearts" (Elijah), and "If with all your bearts" (Mendelssohp)—Mr Evans; anthem rules, with a view to making an alteration to "Shopherd of Souls" (Jones)-choir; and the national authem. - The Rev. Spenser Wade music for the choir.

## Death of a Faithful Roadman.

Funeral at Cotherston. The interment took place on Saturday, after short illness, of the remains of the late Mr. Joseph Kipling, who for fifty years had worked upon the local highways in charge of the old Grets Bridge Highway Board and the present Startforth Rural District Council. Mr Kipling was bordering upon eighty years of ago, and followed his employment nearly up to the time of his death. His wife prodecessed him by about two years The decoaced at one time was keeper of the Westeyan Chapel in the village, and it is somewhat rewarkable that he lived all his long life in Catherstor. His family are all grown-up. A short service was held in the Westeyee Chapel, on Saturday aftereson, conducted by the Rev. F G Gatehouse, and the interment took place in the cometery.

National Provincial Bank of England, Limited.

The Attempt to Reduce Creat Britain to a Second-rate Power.

Lord Inchaspe, presiding at the annual general meeting on Thursday, said that when he directors bad the pleasure of meeting the shareholders a year ago they naticipated period of normal trade and continued prosperity, though possibly for a time on a ower place than the country had enjoyed for the preseding year or two. Everything went well till the regioning of August, when they found shemed ves, after every possible and honourable more a had been exhausted to evert it, engaged in war with Germany. When eredit got the shock which it did at the outreak of the war, the position was promptly ackled by the Government and by the banks, with the result that within three months the moratorium which had been proclaimed was brought to an end, and the ordinary conditions of business were to a great extent resumed The loans to the Stock Exchange against securities were still under what might be termed a limited moratorium, and could not be called up natil the conclusion of the war, but interest on these was being regularly paid, and to some extent the loans were being discharged. The position of the National Provincial Bank in regard to these loans was perfectly easy. The amount outstanding against the securities which they held was very moderate, and they had no reason to anticipate that they would incur any eventual loss. The publication of the English White Book and the French Yellow Book had clearly demonstrated that our enemy meant the conquest of Europe and the reduction of Great Britain to the position of a second-class power. The country to a man was behind the Government in its determination to see the war through to successful issue. (Applause). Notwithstanding the firsucial troubles of the past five months, the bank's not earnings amounted to £680,000. This would have enabled the directors to distribute a dividend of 18 per cent, but they had considered it prudent it the present condition of affairs to set aside 2200,000 for contingencies, and to reduce the dividend for the year from 18 per cent, to 16 per cent. The bank held something like £14,000,000 of gilt-edged securities, and though these had been valued at or under list prices there was a possibility that the provision which had been made in previous years for depreciation might have to be augmented The progress of the business of the bank continued to be in every respect satisfactory Their customers had increased by nearly 50 per cent. in the last ten years, and their turn-over had increased in the same proportion. The deposits in the same period had risen from 250,038,477 to 274,916,017, and now stood at something over £76,000,000, bairg the highest figure in the history of the back (Applause). It was early days yet to make foregast of any value as to what the condition of trade would be when the war was concluded

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was unanimously adopted.

but he felt bound to express the fear that it would be a good many years pefore the

# "Sin: What is it?"

Address by the Rev. Spencer Wade at the Parish Church, Barnard Castle.

A service for mon was held on Sanday afternoon under the auspices of the Church of England Men's Society, and was conducted by the new curate of the parish the Rev Spacer Wade). The subject above was selected for his discourse, the text he took being St. John, first chapter and 29th verse : P Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. This subject he was glad to take, especially in these days when there was a tendency abroad to lessen the heinousness of sin. They must get back to the old idea of sin. Sin must be sin. They must not shrink from being regarded as signers. Civilization had done much to improve mankind, but they were under the same temptations and subject to the same sins. The devil was by no means dead, but was very lively and very eneming. He would consider the subject very briefly. They must assume the existence of sin-vide Romans, vii - which gave St. Paul's experience. He tried to live a good life, yet, in spite of himself and his efforts destruction of such instruments took place by the destruction of such instruments took place by the Puritans in 1641. Oliver Cromwell had was be to do? This battle was proof that are the Puritans in 1641. Oliver Cromwell had was there. What was the origin of sin? to discriminate between good and bid, he found himself at the mercy of the bad. What removed to Hampton Court, where it appears Thicking mon must recognize there were two he often performed upon it bimself. He also theories. There was the bible theory: Adam theories. There was the bible theory: Adam and Eve-the story of the fall. Though he personally could not regard this story, as absolutely true in all its details, he thought is was a parable. However, it got at the root of the matter. It told them that man was made perfect in the image of God. Fomptation came from without, contrary to God's wishes, mest probably derive their origin from that God was able to look on His work, and primitive instrucent, which is formed by tying pronounce it very good. The devil was not a creature with Lorgs. Nevertacless evi! was a persuality who had got into the world somebow, and epoiled God's creation, and, behold, his word was very had. Though Milton's details were not true, his prescriptive language was fine. Man, as in described, was perfect, but was met by an opposing force He was given free-will liberty to choose. Adam knew the evil, and chose the bad, and sin entered the world. This theology came up against modern scientifis ideas. Evolution held than man could be fraped back to the animai or plant life.

The Higher Forms of Life Culminated in Mas. If they studied this apward progress, ho would they account for the set-back of sin The two theories were not irreconcilable. Man was originally more of an animal, and was Hymn of peace" (Callcott) - choir; anthem occated "perfect," as God conceived him perfect. So far he was getting on. The very fact that man was created in a lower form, as (curate) announced that the effectory was to an animal, accounted for allo. There was be applied towards the cost of the purchase of still a bit of the old animal in them. There were two kinds of sin-sins of disposition, typified by the elder brothers of the parable; and sins of the body, as by the prodignt son. Sins of the body are reties of our past savage stage. The Old Testament idea of sin seemed to be lawless-ness. The Jews received the decalegue, the breaking of which was sin. There were in the New Tastament ten Grock words used for sig The first word might be translated ' mission the mark," or original sir, whereby man ' i very far gone from original righteonseess. Wordsworth, in his ode on "lotimation of immortality in childhood," fuely described the regrets of childish conscience loss. The next word expressed "a stepping over the line." God had drawn a line round woman by marriage rite, which a man may not overstep or ignore without committing air. What wrong was there in baving a drick? Where the wrong came in was when men stepped beyond the limit of temperance. So it was in the law of possessions. The root love of money produced the gambler. Another wird was "ignorance." A false exception of Gon caused many people to fail into neglect of. The old Greek proverb, "know thyselt," counselled men to spand time in the study of hemselves, their tendencies and their lives Augustice of Hippo said temptations of six might be summed up in four words—thought, fascination and fall. temptation as the thought, so that it proceeded not to picture. They had to realise how Jesus Ohrist bacame may, and was tempted as they were, but without sie, and died for Loom, and having a lively faith in Him, then and then only would they succeed in conquering ain .- The reverend gentleman's discontso was delivered in a strikingly able and convincing manuer, and was much appreciated by the men present He is an elequent and learned exponent of God's word, and he such is heartily welcomed

to the parish.

War Emergency Committee. A meeting of the above committee was held in the council chamber on Wedgesday night. Mr H. Walker, J.P., presided, and there were also present Messes J. S. Helmer, Walker Waise, Robert Waine, W. J. Bainbridge, G. Burt, R. Boardman, W. Coater, C. Hedley, J. 1 Dawson (clock), and Miss Walton, Miss Dicken, Miss Scarre, and Mrs Shilcock.—The Clerk announced that a number of gifts had been received and acknowledged.—Air Hedley moved, and it was agreed, that the Clerk kindly prepare a detailed statement of the weekly cost of the maintenance of the two houses b next meeting .- Miss Scarre also asked for the weekly expense of running the Guild recreationroom.-Reference was also made to the cost iavolved in connection with the Wesleyan Sunday school recreation-room, and it is understood that the matter will come up sgala.

### Death at Ninety-Two at Cotherston.

Mrs Martha Hurworth passed peacefully away on Saturday night, as the age of ninety-two years, and her remains will be interred this afternoon in Cotherston Cometery. The deceased was the widow of the late Mr T.W. Hurworth, who was a member of the firm of Hurworth Brothers, quarry proprietors, of Shipley. Before her marriage the deceased lady was Miss Dodds, sister of 5! Robert Dodds, of Osmondfist; and Mr W. Gill, butcher, of Cotherston, married the niece of the late Mrs Hurworth. There will be a short service this afternoon in the Wesleys: Chapel at Cotherston.

Crime Statistics in the Barnard Castle Division.

In the return compiled for the year ending 31st December, 1914, it appears that it indictable offences 7 persons were proceeded sgainet-5 makes and 2 females. 1 was discharged and 6 were convicted. In non proved and discharged, I recognizance, 185 convicted, 2 sent to prison without the option of a fire, and 183 fired. In juvenile cases 9 prosperity which characterised the trade of the world generally would be restored. So far as the National Provincial Bank was were proceeded against, I charge proved, and concerned, he believed it was in a favourable position to meet any eventuality which might coour, and with their enormous clienteis. order made without convincion. 87 persons were proceeded against for drunkeeness - 7 for their extended ramifications and efficient staff simple drunkenness, and 80 for drunkenness with aggravation. In the latter list 84 males and 3 females were involved. Out of this they ought to maintain a large earning power, though possibly the results might not be what they had been in recent years .- The report number there were 78 males convicted and females, and 1 male was discharged.

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# India as I Saw It.

BY J. WHITE, FORMERLY QUARTERMASTER-SERGEANT, INDIAN STAFF.]

ence asked an Irish lad why be enlisted i the English army? Well, he snawered, I love the coat. We now turn our faces towards the nome wa love so well. You have been the upward march. We have cross a six y primitivo means, but now we are going aw car country's greatness. Where it opened days to cross a broad river and its sand pargins, all is now changed. An iron tubular bridge space water and quicksand, and we cross at a speed which is a marvel to us. The arch that took months to accomplish is a lone in a few days. When we desceed from the sigh table-land, and have to attain the sea vet by means of a spiral railway, we are lost in wonder at man's ingenuity and person rance, and we say to ourselves "my country did tals," uni feel glad to be a Briton. The sea at last cannot describe my scutstion on application blue expanse of water so dear t every falsader. We are about a noble ship Nay, I may call it a " bridge" that is to bear us home. We pass through the ledian Ocean and Red See, and enter the Mediterranean Sea by the Suez Canal. We then arrive at one of our outposts - Malta. The flesh is just coming out of the Grand Harbour as we easer. bunting is hoisted to give us a hearty welcome and the bands play "Home, sweet home." After a brief stay here to cost, we again resume our homeward journey. The Bay of St. Paul, where the great apostle was warded, is pointed out to us, and the ship pursues its urne at a good speed, but shill we think it is travelling slowly. Every mind is full of anticipations or forebodings. Some of us are going to reap sorrow for our neglect of not criticg letters. Young folks who are away from their native land do not realize what icttor means to the old people at home, especially at the present time. Such want of thought is often punished to their own isoppointment. "When the hagle sounds mail," their thoughtlessness comes home to them. I had a chan with a soldier lately, whom saw for a few hours on his return from India o take his share at the frest. He remarked that if anyone could only see the expression on some of the faces of the men who turned away when there was not a letter for them, bey would think that the men had been at a If any soldier reads this, I trust it will stir him up. I know that a soldier's heart is full of leve. A few lines often relieve a father's or a mother's anxiety. Prograstication and neglect lead to indifference.

While I have been prosing, our ship has been skirting the coast of Africa, and we get a glumpee of the Atlas mountains. We then run along the Spanish above until we sight the pillars of Hercuies, and the bold outline of the rock of Gibraltar is before us. We pass and salute. The Straits of Gibraltar begin to widen, and we enter the Atlantic Ocean. We feel the chilly air-it, is October-but our hearts are warm. We pass Trafalgar Bay, and bink of our sailor horoce. Old Neptune sats ha Bay of Biscay in an uproor in our honour, adgree gaisd see odd baim a'nob ew due ere pearing England. The time has arrived back to the days of my youth, and have not been written without an object. I believe I save mentioned somewhere to the memoirs that I found the general public had but a vague idea of our Lordian Empire, and how it has been built up by Britain, as no other country could have done in. Let future history ave in abore what it may, our past somicis tration, with all its faults, use been a glorious success. Many years ago it was said that when British rule was over, a monament of their departure could be erected of the empty botties they left behind - but no. In my own we shall leave? Roads and railways, rivers bridged, commercial confidence, and higher and better education are strong against outside foes, and strong in good laws with us. Need I say more? Look on the continent now. to we see? The sens of the sun figuring, willingly and well, side by side with sheir As a compact empire, and when future elstory is written, it will be said that India was consultdated and made an empire by British plack and fair dealing. Just one more word, and I am finished. One day we falt no vibration of the sere w. The side was sectionary, sud we saw the flag ut half-mast, wi signified a death on board. A little girl was done. She had escaped the Indian climate, and had nearly reached her masive land. We got orders to parado. The body wis laid on a grating over the ship's side covered by the Union Jack When the words, "we commit this body to the 'deep," were uttered, the grating fell. The ship again puisated on her course. The flag trailed in the water, and the corpse was gone. Nothing to mark the epot, and the poor mother arrived home without her child. The cliffs of Dover now appear in sight. We steam into the harbour amid ringing cheers. England once more, and each heart will have to bear its own servow or joy. I will now bring my crude memoirs of India to a close, trusting that they may have amused, if not instructed, the reader, and also hoping that

#### graves for, and which is essential for the whole world's welfare. Cotherston War Relief Committee.

our nation will soon have that pesce she

On Saturday night last, January 30th, ac emtertainment was given in the Temperance Hall under the auspices of the above Mr and Mrs Andrews kindly committee. undertook the task of providing the programme HURWORTH.-At Cotherston, on January 30th, for the evening, and, judging by the manner in which the various items were applauded, their efforts had proved entirely successful. Mr. J. Berriman, of Middlesbrough, presided, and also rendered valuable service to the programme by his recitations, which stamp him as an elecutionist of the highest type, as he is, indeed, most popular. The programm was as follows :- Song-When the nears is young-Mr Bulmer ; planoforte duct-Miss G. Jounings and Miss A. Walton; song by Miss Russell; song-The ragtime curate-Mr Sydney flodgen; recitation-One more-Mr Berriman; duet by Mr and Miss G. Bulmer song-In friendship's name-Mr E. Porter violin solo by Miss Russell ; comic dust-Stewed prunes and prisms-Mr S. Hodgson and Mr S. Clarkson; recitation-The midnight charge-Mr Berriman; song-The white squall-Mr Bulmer; sketch-The model mistress-Cotherston massot party. Antie Walton ably accompanied the soloists. The entertainment was concluded by the indictable offerces 214 persons were proceeded against. 11 were totally discharged, 15 charge of the above committee.

#### Middleton-in-Teesdale Belgian Refugee Committee.

To the Editor of the " Toesdale Mercury," SIR .- The Middleton-in-Toosdale Balglan Refugee Committee beg to thank, through your columns, all those who so kindly helped to make this effort of the 22ad of January such a success. It may interest them and the public to know that the nett proceeds amounted to the sum of £15 6s. 6d. —C. H. NICHOLSON,

### Hudo, Middleton-in-Teesdale, February 1st,

### THE NEW CATROLIC MISSION AT LARTINGTON.

Some few weeks ago this arciont Catholic mission was re-opened, and even in this short time marked progress has been made. The now church is now finished, and well night farminged. Outside benefactors have been mat kind and generous. During the past ck the so an entire set of beautiful vestments, rer cirds and linen, benches for the church, a magnificant vestment chest were coived. All these were given by the Mother bess of the Pour Clare's Convent, York, any other things are kindly promised, and in share time it is hoped the church will be employely furnished. Much has yet to be e by way of financing the mission. Contribufons will be most gratefully acknowledged from intending benefactors and friends. There 23 been a large attendance at the services since the opening, and the people of the parish are to be congratulated on their splendid unity and generous response. The new church is wall worth a visit, and is open for anyone who may wish to see it. The first Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament will be given on Sunday evening, at 6.30.

#### Mr Arthur Henderson and Food Prices.

Yesterday afternoon the Member for the Barnard Castle Division asked, in the House of Commons, whether the House would be given an opportunity of discussing the question of the price and supply of food-stuffs and other necessary commodities. -The Prime Minister replied that the Government were fully alive to the argency of the subject, and the House would certainly have an opportunity of discussing the whole question.

### Eggleston School Fund.

The following children and parishioners have contributed to His Royal Higaness the Prince of Water National Relief Fund :- Miss Emmfe Adamson, 6d; Mr John Bainbridge, 3d; Mr W Rainbridge, 3d; Mrs M Bainbridge, 3d; Mrs Emerson, 3d; Miss M G Watson, 6d; Mrs Fawcstk, 6d; Jane Maddison, 1d; Doris Walker, 1d; Madge Walker, 1d; Eva Icaton, 34; Mary Addison, 24; Peggy Stophenson, 24; Mabel, Rorace, and Evalcoton, 1d each; Mary Alderson, Id; Laura Dalkin, Id; Irone and Gladys Talientire, Id each; A Kidd, Is; Wilfred, Robert, Sarah, Jack, and Edith Kidd, Id each; Herbert Foster, 2d; Wm Nicholson, 31; George Kettlewell, 2d; James Stephenson, 3d; Isaao Baiobridge, 24; Hannah, Ralph, and Edith Bainbridge, 1d each ; Harry Coates, 24 ; Bertie and Robert Morton, 1d each; Wilfred Allison, 1d; Claude and William Coates, 1d each ; George Liddle, 2d ; Percy Ingham, 2d Irone, Brands, and Lavinia Lodge, 1d each ; John Coulthard, 2d; Edna Moore, 1d; -1s; total, 9s, which has been forwarded

#### Death of Mr J. Robinson, Middle End.

The death took place at Middle Hod Farm, Middleton, on Thursday night, of Mr John Robinson, at the ripe age of 83 years. The deceased gentleman had been in falling health when I must bring my ludian impressions to a since the latter part of last summer, and his close, the writings of which have carried me demise was not altogether unexpected. Few persons were better known in Teesdale, and not many who were more respected than the Farm for the itst 25 years, and, previous to that time lived at Borost. He served under foreman, and later as a checker of the lead output. Whilsh residing at Forest he acted as choirmaster at the Wesleyan Church, and also took a keen intorest in the affairs of that body. On soveral occasions he served on the committee of Middleton Co-operative Society. He was a member of the Barnard Castle Rural experience I marched through an India just District Council and Tesadale Union Board of recovering from the shock of a rebellion. Gardians since 1898, and on these bodies his Everything was in chaos. I feft it as prosperous services were of great value. He interested and contented as far as it was possible for himself in the dologs of Middleton agricultural bumsnivy to make it. What is the monument show, and acted as chairman of the committee for some time. The mortal remains of the isto Mr John Robinson were consigned to ir last resting-place to St. Mary's cometery, Middleton, on Monday afternoon, amidst every manifestation of the despest respect. The coffin was of unpolished oak, with brass mountings. too chief mourners were Messes J. Robinson d R. Robinson (sous), Mrs Waiton and Miss Robinson (daughters), and several other istives and friends. The general mourners cluded the Rev. O. Glandfield, and Mesers W. Raine, J.P., L. Gibson, F. E. Gibson, J. S. slep, and W. F. Watton. The bearers were esses ff. Robinson, J. Wearmouth, G. Robinand Forrest (nephaws of the deceased). funeral arrangements were in charge of J. R. Robson (Messrs J. Robson and Son, undertakers, Middleton). The Newbiggin bearss was used, and the cabs were supplied by Mrs Parkin, Middleton.

### What Will You Say ?

What will you say in the years to come? You who are deaf to-day To the call of the bugle, fife and drum-O young man! what will you say?

Into the spadow I towned to vide! This must your answer be To the stalwart son who walks by your side,

The child who stands at your knee, Grasmere. J. A. BROOKE.

# RIETES, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Birth. DIXON.—On January 19th, at 8, York-avenue, Seften Park, Liverpool, to Mr and Mrs M. Cery Dixon, a son.

Unaths.

1915, Martha Hurworth, aged 92 years. To be interred at Cotherston, on Wednesday, Pobrusry 3rd, cortege to leave residence at 2-30 p.m. for the Wesleyan Chapel. Friends please accept this (the only) letimation. No cards.

AINBRIDGE. -At Headlam-terrace, on February 2nd, Mary Anne, widow of the late Juseph T. Bainbridge, photographer, Barnard Castle, aged 84 years. Funeral arrangements

### In Memorism.

YKES.-In loving memory of Jonny Sykes, who died on February 3rd, 1913 - Ever remembered by her loving mother, brothers, and sisters. "To memory ever dear."

Longe. - In loving memory of our only beloved Newsham Villa, who departed this life Japany 10th, 1899, aged 32 years.—Ever remembered by his loving father and mother.

We lov'd him, ah, no tongue can tell How much we lov'd him, and how well; God lov'd him too, and thought it best To take him to his heavenly rest.

RICHARDSON.-In loving remembrance of our dear father, John Reay Richardson, who died at 9. King-street, on February 13th, 1912; and also of our dear mother, who died January 30th, 1913.

When the weary, seeking rest, To Thy goodness flee; When the heavy laden cast All their load on Thee.

When the troubled, seeking peace, On Thy name shall call: When the sinner, seeking life, At Thy feet shall fall.

Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry , In Heaven Tby dwelling place on high.

Ever remembered by their sons and