

The Teesdale Mercury

BARNARD CASTLE, JANUARY 20TH, 1915. REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE BRITISH. Fresh British troops are reported to have arrived at the front and a battle is said to have been in progress at Ypres since Monday morning.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Dr. Leishman wishes to convey his thanks for the many kind inquiries and expressions of sympathy with him during his recent indisposition. The Rev. F. E. Sadgrove, formerly rector of Winton who is now at Witton House, Vico-terrace, is rigorously ill.

War Items.

Local Soldier's Experience at the Front. Letter from a Barnard Castle Man in the Trenches. The Luxury of a Hot Bath. Writing on the 16th of December, Private Barry Patterson, of the 2nd Durham, tells his brother and sister of the Commercial Hotel, Gosgate, Barnard Castle, of his thankfulness for a parcel received in the trenches.

THE BELGIAN SOLDIERS' FUND.

To the Editor of the "Teesdale Mercury." DEAR SIR,—I enclose letters from the Belgian Soldiers' Fund. Hearing that our own men were now well supplied with the front I sent a parcel of the following articles to the front.

Eggleston School Fund.

His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales National Relief Fund. The following have very kindly contributed to the above fund: Mrs. Pavey, 64; Mrs. W. G. Watson, 64; Mrs. W. B. Barber, 64; Mrs. M. B. Barber, 64; Mrs. W. B. Barber, 64.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.] The election of the committee of directors as they are now called, of the Teesdale Workmen's Industrial and Provident Society was completed on Saturday, and the result was known immediately after the closing of the poll at 8 o'clock.

Glimony Moor Drivers' Supper.

The annual supper given by Mr. A. Dogdale to the beaters and friends was held on Friday evening last, at the home of Mr. T. G. Dogdale, at Gosgate, Barnard Castle. The following toasts were heartily drunk with musical accompaniment.

Wesleyan Home Missions.

The Rev. Copeland Smith on "The Life of the Poor: Its Humour and Pathos." The annual public meeting in connection with Wesleyan Home Missions was held at Barnard Castle on Monday night, when there was a fairly good attendance.

Private Patterson a Generous Soul.

A More Recent Letter. The latest letter from the cheerful and ever buoyant "Private Patterson," now on service, is a communication to his niece, dated 11th January, in which he says he is glad to be able to say that "I received your parcel and letter quite safely, and there is no need to tell you that I don't think the Germans are any nearer just come out of the trenches for a necessary rest."

Letter from 12th Royal Irish Lancers.

Private Robert Hunter, of the 12th Royal Irish Lancers, writes on the 13th of January, from the trenches, that he is very well, and is continuing to rest, but in all probability we are to move sometime this week.

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Benefit Concert at Woodland.

A concert was given in the Assembly Rooms, on Saturday night, in aid of the widow and family of the late Mr. George Scott. There were five performances, and the programme was well rendered by local talent.

Accommodation for School-Children at Barnard Castle.

The managers of the various elementary schools in the town having received notice that their buildings would be required by the military authorities for billeting purposes, have asked the trustees of the Bowles Museum whether they can provide temporary accommodation for the children.

Letter of Thanks from Commander A. F. Beal.

H.M.S. Princess Royal: 1st Battle Cruiser Squadron. To the Editor of the "Teesdale Mercury." Sir,—I have had the enclosed letter from Commander A. F. Beal, and shall be much obliged if you will put in the "Teesdale Mercury," for, as I am not at home, I think it will be the best way of reaching the contributors.

The Great Volunteer Movement.

It is fifty-five years since the last great Volunteer movement swept over this country. That took place in 1860, when there were fears that the Emperor Napoleon the Third was meditating hostilities against this country.

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Death of Mr James Newton Hutchinson, of Bowes.

The death took place at Langholme-resort Nursing Home, Darlington, last Sunday morning, at nine o'clock, of Mr James Newton Hutchinson, of Castle-terrace, Bowes. The deceased gentleman was born on the 14th of June, 1830, and the remains will be taken to the Bowes Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon.

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