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The sad death of the very brave Mr Rhodes Moorhouse, brother-in-law of Mr Morritt Rokeby) is announced. Morially wounded, a flew thirty-five miles, after dropping a bomb the station at Courtrai, back to his base, at the same at the hew of Mr J. J. Bell-Irving, is attached to he Royal Flying Corpe, on probation.

LOCAL AND OTHER

NOTES.

The Isspector-General of Islantry came down from the War Office on Friday last, and of their training programme, which included company drill, rifle exercises, physical drill, whistle drill, havenet fighting stantry, whilst performing the various items t, trench digging, machine gun work, eral was very satisfied with everything he aw, and complimented the officers on the noy of their men.

Mr M. C. Peck, President of the Scarborough philosophical and Archaeological Society, of Pack has been spending several months at mard Castle, sends us his reading of the is soulptured on the noble font in our ed old church :-

M. T. A. E. Maria te adoramus eternalis Maria Thee we adore eternally the church being dedicated to the B.V.M.) perchant's mark on similar shields.

Lieut. Atkinson, of the 18th Durham Light infantry, son of Mr George Atkinson, of West Shaws, who has been at home on a few days' leave of absence, rejoined his regiment at short notice on Saturday night. The battalion is stationed at Cocken Hall, right opposite Finchale Abbey, Durham city.

Yesterday morning a Belgian officer in full afform travelled with the Newcastle train, resching Barnard Castle at 10 44, on Belgian

The Darlington Training Corps will arrive at Barnard Castle with the 9-15 train on Sunday perning, and will march over the Stang to chmond, where they will entrain for arlington. The Teesdale Corps will escort the visitors through this town.

The men of the North Eastern Railway Company Royal Engineers - the 114th Battalion -from Barnard Castle, left Longmoor Camp, Hants, for foreign service, on Saturday, May 1st. Among them are four townsmen, in Sapper W. Comfort, Supper R. Dye, Sapper T. Guy, and Sapper C. Hillary.

A pony, yoked to a coup cart, belonging to Mr Eliwood, gamekeeper, Scargill, was slightly injured in an accident at the Sills, on Thursday night. It is supposed that a chain supporting the shafts had enapped, and the animal pited and fell, sustaining somewhat serious leg wounds. The pony was taken to the White Swan inn, where it still remains, and where it was astended by Mr Phorson, veterinary surgeon. A boy, who was driving, miraculously escaped unburt.

By special telegram from King's Cross we are sked to say that Mrs H. C. Watson, of the Mount, Barnard Castle, will gratefully receive gifts of tobacco, cigarettes, matches, or other forts for the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry.

The names of Captalo Stanley E. Badcock and Lieur. Walter E. Badcock, of the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, sons of Mr is a native of Barnard Castle, are in the list of

Three - bundred - and - thirty - six soldiers attended the parish church sacvice at Barnard Castle on Sunday morning.

Mr and Mrs T. Walton, builder, of Crook, whose son, Captain Fred Walton, of the 6th Durham Light Infantry, has been wounded in the left knee, and is at present in hospital in London, paid a visit to Mr and Mr Nicholson, Newgate, Barnard Castle, on Sunday, who also have a son (Lieus, Harry Nicholson) in the same battalion, and who was twice his near Ypres in the fierce engagement of last week He is also at present in a military hospital in London, and occupying the next bed to Captain Walton.

The Headmaster and authorities of the North Eastern County School, as soon as they were aware of the big local recruiting movement in hand for Whitsuntide, at once postponed the school sports, sod, before the deputation waited upon them, had already agreed to ocoperate with the town in bringing to a successful issue the full programme which has been drawn up by the sub-committee.

Yesterday, Mr and Mrs Ratcliffe left the lessaale Union Workhouse for the oversight of a similar institution at Sedgefield; and Mr and Mrs Warnes, Darlington, the incoming master and matron, arrived at Barnard Castle, and took up their duties.

On the occasion of his marriage, Mr W. Robinson, postman, has been the recipient of a handsome clock, snitably inscribed, and a plate-glass mirror. The presents were most generously subscribed by the inhabitants of Boldron and Startforth districts. Mrs Woodhams, of Buldrop, and Miss Mitchell, of dount Pleasant, kindly undertook to collect

A swe belonging to Mr Tiplady, of High artforth, on Wednesday last, gave birth to amb. This was immediately followed by the birth of two other lambs, which were partially The latter did not survive.

Mr Eric Dixon Dent, second son of Mr W. D. ent, of Bishop Auckland, has been gazetted cond Lieutenant in the 14th Durham Light antry, and left home yesterday for Glasgow, undergo special training at Glasgow iversity before joining his regiment. listing in the ranks of the 12th Northumberhad Fusiliers in September lost, he has been stationed most of the time hitherto in Triog, Herts. He was quickly promoted to lancecorporal and corporal, and, only four days before he was gazetted, bad again risen to the rank of sergeant. His prior experience in the Omeera' Training Corps at the North Eastorn County School placed him at a considerable advantage over those who, before entering the Service, have had no military observation, and to is now reaping the benefit of the excellent triaining given in the school corps. His elder to the relief to the result of the result o Lieut. Wm. A. Dent, who was gazatted on 27th March last, to be Second Lieutecent in the 6th Durham Light Infantry, is already der orders for the front, and expects to go abroad this week. He is transferred to the 8th Durham Light Infantry, to be one of those to replace the nineteen officers who fell in that battalion in the severe fighting last week near pres, when the 6th and 7th Battalions also offered so many casualties. Like his brother he is an old County School Boy, and a member of the Officers' Training Corps. After leaving school he was in the ranks of the Border the Officers Training decorated by the Border degiment, and, since joining His Majesty's Teesdale.

Teesdale.

The snow-white blossom of the black thorn as a conspicuous feature of the country lanes is a conspicuous feature of the country lanes in Teesdale at this moment.

Clipper Air Tubes, 2/6; Best D J. Tubes, 3/6; Ships' Cover, 4/6; Clipper Company's, 6/6; Ships' Cover, 4/6; Clipper Company's, 6/6; Michelin, 8/-.—Teesdale Cycle Depot.

WESLEYAN SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL

Sermons by the Rev. F. C. Catchouse.

The services in connection with the local

Vesleyan Sunday school were held on Sabbath sat, the special preacher for the day being the Rev. F. G. Gatchouse, one of the popular ninisters of the cturch. The morning discourse was based upon the ninth verse of hapter six in St. John's gospel: "There is a ad here which bath five barley loaves and two mall fishes: but what are they among so Having briefly outlined the circumtances attending the miraculous feeding of be five thousand, the preacher observed that ifferent men approached the same problem rom different points of view. Philip was ype of the theoris', who reduced the task to ofthmetical terms, and gloried in statistics and tables, and, said the preacher, there are bose who took up the same attitude in relation to the present war. They were ready with their statement as to the probable cost it uen and money, the duration, etc, but their beorising was not utilitarian, and practical fort was at a discount. Andrew was a type of the more practical man, with but a limited vision. He discovered "necessaries," and in the hands of Christ those were sufficient, and so would ever be. The prescher emphasiased he need of same judgments as to relative values. Children were not to be under-rated because of their youth. The children presessed the necessaries-life, optimism, enthusiasm, personality—and if they succeeded in bringing the young ones to Christ He would multiply their qualities and distribute them broadcas for the enrichment of the whole world .- The evening subject was the "Re-crowned Christ" (Revelation, xix, 12). The preacher's points were—they discovered on the head of Jesus (1) the crown of a perfect humanity. (2) the rown of full and essential divinity, and (3) the crown of world saviourhood.

Afternoon Service of Praise.

In the afternoon a service of praise was endered by the scholars, assisted by the choir, under the able chairmanship of Mr D. M. Spence, of Lartington Hall .- The Chairmac, in opening the proceedings, expressed his great pleasure at being there that day, although in coepting the invitation of the Wesleyan Sunday school at Burnard Castio he was foregoing the pleasure of attending the anniversary of the Ragged School Union in London, which he had attended for over twenty years .- A very delightful part of the afternoon service were the special musical items rendered by the children of the primary deparement, who were under the leadership of Mes Greta Parkinson, daughter of Mr T. Parkinson, one of the superintendents of the school, while Miss Baisbridge officiated at the piano. The following was the complete programme:-Opening hymn-From the eastern mountains; prayer; hymn-He loved the flowers in the field; lesson-St. Matthew v., 1-16-Jim Bell; Chairman's remarks—Mr Spence; recitation— Life's arithmetic—Annie Ireland; hymu— Praise God for light; recitation—Mother's son

-Eisie Burnett; hymn and chorus-Happy days-6 girls; recitation-A parable-Eva Richardson; hymn-Where the flag of Britain flies. Musical items by children of the primary department: - Hymn - Lest we forget; Children of the year-6 boys and 6 girls closing hymn—Teach me to live; benediction; God save the King.

Greditable Roll of Honour.

A most impressive feature was the reading of the roll of honour of old scholars who had answered the call of "King and Country," and who were now sarving with the colours in various parts of the country: -R. S. Atkinson, Fred Addison. Thos. W. Brown, A. Roy Burn, J. Harold Burn, Bertie Chatt, Arthur Drummond, Maurice Drummond, Jack Emerson, Waldo Emerson, Harry Snater, Arthur Harris, William Harris, Percy Hewitt, Sydney Hewitt, Wm. Hodgson, Ralph W. Jones, Robt. H. Jones, John Kavanagh, Wm. N. Kipling, Fred Morley, Wm. Nelson, Gao. W. Nixon, William Nixon, Wm. Parkinson, Jos. D. Rudd. James Walker, Leslie Walton, Keymand Ward, Brank Wilson, and Geo. W. Wilson.-After reading the roll of honour, Mr Gatehouse asked the congregation to rise and sing "God be with them till we meet again," the rendering of which verses produced a profound impression throughout the church.—The musical arrangements were in the capable bands of Mr T. Parkinson, and Mr J. Wightman presided at the organ.—The financial results of the day were most satisfactory.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

The river has get somewhat low for successful angiling. There were a good many fishers to be seen on Saturday, and a few brout were oreeled with the fly. A good flood would be welcome.

A jumble sale was held at the school-room Middleton, last Saturday night, in aid of the local Red Cross Society. The sale was on a very large scale, and, although it was got up in a very short time, it was an immense anecess. There were goods of every description given by friends, and a ready sale was effected for the greater part of them. The sale, together with some subscriptions, realized 29 is. 6d., all of which was clear profit to the local fund.

The fifty-seventh auniversary celebration of Middleton Primitive Methodisa Sanday school is to be held this week-end. Mr J. W. Robson Bishop Auckland, an old scholar, is the special.

The funeral of Wilf Arthur Dent, of Hudegate Middleton, took place on Thursday of las week. He was the eldest son of Mr and Mrs George Dent, and was only ten years of age He was only ill for two days, and it was no considered that he was seriously affected. His mates in the same class at school attended the funeral, and a memorial globe was sent by the teachers and scholars of the Primitive Methodist Sunday school, of which he was a scholar. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved parents, who have other two children

Bombadier Martell, whose wife is living at Middleton, has had another very narrow escape at the front, his house having been killed under him. There are other four Middleton men in the war, all being with the gallant Territorials. Their names are W. M. Watson, S. Kidd, G. W. Walton, and R. Gill.

Coal was quoted at over thirty shillings ton at the North-Eastern Railway depôt at Barnard Castle, on Saturday. It is rumoured that a coal seam at Bluestone may shortly be worksd.

Mr Thompson, of Jook House, Bowes, has lamb with five legs and six feet.

Last Wednesday, the 28th ult., the scholars attending Langleydalo School collected, and forwarded to Mrs Philipps, the vicarage Staindrep, six dezen ben eggs for the National Egg Collection Fund. The scholars are collecting donations for the Serbians this week, and it is hoped there will be a good response

Swifty, common sandnings, house and san martins and "chiff-chaff" (late this season)

Our Territorials in Local Officer Twice Action.

TEESDALE MEN IN THEIR BAPTISM OF FIRE: MADE OF RICHT STUFF.

> GRAPHIC SKETCH BY LIEUT. HESLOP.

'I am Uncommonly Proud to Belong to Such a Fine Set of Men."

The following letter has been addressed by leut. T. B. Heslop to his parents at Startforth was on Monday, April 26th, that the ith Battalion came into real action, sithough

we had been within range of German shells for a day or two. I am able to give you so tactical features of fonday, and no indication of the locality,

because it would be censored.

The battalion was suddenly called upon to take a certain position, and in five minutes we were deployed to do this, and commenced to advance. We had hardly started when the Bosches" got on to us with strong artillery, and the battalien advanced in perfect order over some two miles of country under a most emoralizing fire of "Jeck Johnson's" poison shalls and abrannel. The hombardment was continuous during the advance, and the discipline and bravery of the troops was perfectly splendid, and you will learn that the good old 6th woo its laurels last Monday, od proved is was made of the right stuff. I am uncommonly proud to belong to such

ine set of men. I personally was lucky with my platoon, and had some killed, and only 14 wounded, whilst I, by the help of Providence, came through

I am not usually given to bragging, but really what I have stated is only simple fact. It was Tuesday morning before it was known where all the battalion was, and what a price and been paid. We lost ten officers and about 140 non-commissioned officers and men killed and wounded. The two officers killed were poor Joe Monkhouse and Lieut. Kylock, The wounded were 2 Badcocks, Mackay, Walton. Devey, Thorpe, Nicholson, and Kirkhouse. I bink there are only about 8 men killed.

The price was terrible for oce day's work. Since then I have been in a series of dug-outs with C Company, of which I find myself in command, with R. N. Hare and Geo. Augus as

subalteros. "Jack Johnsons" and shrapnel flop about all day long, but up to now I have only had one The amount of heavy man wounded. ammunition expended by both sides is pro-digious, and heavy firing frequently continues all night long, but we get quite used to it, and are quite a happy party, and get good rations. Officers pig in like the mer, and I am quite an export at making soup out of corned beef and oxo cubes, and, of course, the jam rations suit me all right. We also get boiled beef, tinned butter, eigarettes, tobacco, tea, and the good old army biscuits (I am glad I had my teeth seen to). To-day we get ordinary bread. Captain Jeffries has assumed command. and the other three battaliens having suffered

Brigade, so my address is now 6th Durham Light Infantry, 11th Infantry Brigado, British Expeditionary Force.

While I am writing this my little dug-out is vibrating every minute to the concussions of "Jack Johnsons," which are trying to find one

pretty badly, and probably for other reasons

too, the 6th is now part of the 11th Infantry

of our batteries. The battalion is moving back to-night. hope for a bis of rest. The weather now is just perfect, glorious supshine all day. I haven't seen my again yes, but hope to come up with it in a day or two if we go back for a rest. Its wonderful how you get used to sleeping in your boots, etcetrs, and how extraordinarily fit you keep out here. One night the battalion had to sleep in the open with no blankets or waterproofs and, of course, it was a beastly cold night. The officers, however, always seem to manage to get a little extra personal comfort, and that night, while the men slept in a ploughed field, we slept on a midden-for warmth-we'd none of us had a wash for about two days, so comparatively speaking the bed was nice and I must stop now as I am rather busy, being

in command of the company.

OTHER SOLDIERS' LETTERS.

Private Alf. Parkin, of the East Yorkshire Messrs Down, Newgate, Barnard Castle, in a letter to his parents at Lartington, under date April 28th, says that his regiment had just come out of the trenches after seven days of very severe fighting, which was still going on at the time of writing, although, he thought, the enemy were then safe in hand. His regiment made the attack on Friday, April 23rd, when a bullet pierced his pack, but, fortunately, his shirt and some articles which were rolled together prevented it from doing him any barm. His haversack was riddled with holes by shrapnel. The doings of the Canadian contingent had already appeared in the papers. contagent had already appeared in the papers.
Perhaps theirs will be published shortly, as they "stuck it like men." Whilst his regiment were marching to meet the enemy, the Canadians shouted: "Good old East Yorks: give 'em it." The colonel was very proud of them. They had been in the very thickest of the fighting, but he was sorry to state that not many men of his company were left. They were experiencing very hot weather, which made it rather uncomfortable for soldlers who

were marching. The Germans are still using poisonous gases. The fumes nearly blinded some of his comrades whilst in the trenches. Writing to his parents at 27, Queen-street, Barnard Castle, under date April 28th, Private R. Deacon, of the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, states that his company had aiready been in action. Lieut. H. Nicholson led their platoon, but got wounded badly, and the last words Deacon heard the officer say were: "Come on, lads of number 12 platoon," and they

went bravely into it.
Private J. W. Nelson, 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, writing home (21, Bridgegate, Barnard Castle), says he got wounded in his left hand on Monday, April 26th, near "Oxfordshire," en route for Dublic. - Writing later from St. Magdalon Ward, Mater Infirmorum Hospital, Belfast, Private Nelson speaks of the kind treatment of the wounded.

and adds that he is going on alright.

Private N. Burtonwood, also of the 6th Battalion Durham Light, writing to a friend at Barnard Castle, says they have been in the trenches four days without being relieved. The Sixths have made a name for themselves. loiog up to the front trenches under very heavy shell fire not one man "turned tail." Writing to his parents at 51, Bridgegate Barnard Castle, from No. 3, Stationary Hospital, Rouen, Private J. Bailey, 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantsy, states that he has been slightly wounded in the arm, and also gassed with Molonite fumes, but is going on alright now. Their whole division was in action five days after they landed. Lieut, Nicholson led their platoon, but he had heard that the officer had

SOCIETY. Wounded.

SECOND-LIEUTENANT WICHOLSON'S THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

Mr Arthur H. Nicholson, managing clerk for Messrs Watson, Watson and Wells, solicitors of this town, and secretary to the Barnard Castle Agricultural Society, received a telegram on Friday, from the Record Office at York, that his son, Second-Lieut, Harry Nicholson, of the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, had been somewhat seriously wounded. This young man who is a most popular officer in his battalion. btained his B.A. degree at Cambridge, and while at the university he became a member of the Officera' Training Corps. Last October he joined the Durhams, and was gezetted second lieutenant. A fortnight last Monday he left Gateshead with his regiment, and arrived in France the following day About one-hundred-and-fifty men from Barnard Castle, Staindrop, Cockfield, Bowes, and Middleton, in F Company, are with the 6th Battalion. Second-Lieut. Nicholson, who was a County School by, and a member of the Cadet Corps, is a very pice, unassuming young fellow.

The Skilful German Sniper. The esteamed Second-Lieut, Nicholson, who is now in Viscount Ridley's Hospital, 10, Carlton House-terrace, London, and who is progressing very favourably, tells a thrilling narrative of bis haptism of fice. "We were soon pushed up to the front," says he, "and on Monday, April 26th, at noon, I was hit behind the knee. While trying to tie up the wound I was badly hit in the buttock by a ciece of strapuel which is still in my back. Whenever I looked up I was promptly rewarded by a sniper. This happened three or four times-missed by thousands of shells and bullets. (lay slope under fire until 9 p.m , when I started to crawl away.



SECOND-LIEUTENANT H. NICHOLSON. think I fainted, but swoks about midnigh to find some officers near me, who carried me to their trench. They tied me up, but could not get a stretcher, and had to leave me about 2 a.m. About 4 s.m., when there was a loll in the firing, I started to walk back to the field dressing station. I was just about done again when I met two artillerymen, and shortly afterwards un came

Colonel Watson, Major Hawdon, Lance-Corporal Watson, Privates Ridadale, Brass, and Others of my Men.

who carried me off. I was not a protty sight. As I was hit early in the action, I do not know how our boys fared, but several officers were arrived at —, after continuous and painful journeyings in stretchers, dorse and wounded. Alf is alright, so far as I know. I mbulances, and trains. I expect the doctors will poke out the pieces to-morrow, and then shall be probably sent across to England. left all my possessions, when I crawled away to safety, in Belgium.

We are Treated Exceedingly Well. Nothing is spared for our comfort, and the sisters, doctors, and medical orderlies are kindness itself. I think the sisters do hard and noble work unceasingly." Writing later. Second-Lieut. Nicholson states that "the officers of the 6th have got hit badiy. Stokeld was with me when I was struck, and must have been hit too, but I do not know for

Another Successful Concert at Lartington.

One more most successful concert was held n the Institute, Lartington, on Thursday sen. in aid of the local Belgian Relief Fued. arrangements were in the hands of Mr Stoddart (the fifth of a series promoted by the committee), and were of a very satisfactory character, The Chairman of the committee (Mr Richard Gill) presided in his usual good style, and M. Victor Schooneknaep and his daughters took part in the programme, which was as follows: -Pianoforte dues - Miss Ridley and Miss King: song-Miss Lea Schoonekasep; song-Miss Stoddart; song-Miss Edza Schoonekasep duet-Life's dream-Miss Wall and Mr S Hodgson; song-Miss King; comic song-Ladics' hair-Mr Victor Schooneknaep; violin solo-Mr Wm. Hall; comic song-Mr S. Hodgson; sovg-Miss Wall; song-Poor old Joe-Mr Jack Hodgson; song-Mr Joshus Coulthard; duet - Very suspicious - Miss Ridley and Mr S. Hodgson; song - Miss King; recitation - Through the fields of barley - Miss Coulthard; comic song—Mr S. Hodgson; song —Miss Wail; comic song—Mr Jack Hodgson; duet—Sweet and low—Miss Wall and Miss King; violin solo-Mr Wm. Hall; sketch-Blundering Barney-Cotherstone Sketch Party. The satisfaction of the sudience was frequently manifested by rounds of applanse, and numerous encores were accorded. Voices of thanks and the national anthem concluded the evening's enjoyment. The proceeds of the concert amounted to £3 6s. 6s. nett, which speaks highly for the energies of the committee. and the handsome way in which the public respond to their endeavours. We carnot foretell the future, but whatever may be the fate of the two families now in residence, they will carry with them pleasant memories their stay in the Yorkshire village of Lartington.

Paid Labour for Women and the Startforth Meeting.

Board of Trade Scheme.

A meeting will be held at Startforth Morris Memorial school on Saturday, at 3 p.m. to consider and explain the Board of Trade scheme for paid work for women. In agricul-tural work there are several branches, including milking, dairy work, care of live stock, light farm work, market and ordinary gardening, and poultry work, but there are many other brauches, such as clerks in civil service, leather stitueing, brush making, and clothing machinery. Women are needed to take the places of men required elsewhere, and they will be paid for the work. Two ladies are acting as postmen at Hawick, some drive cars, others become lift-men and messenger boys. All women should, if possible, register, and say if they are free for the whole time or part time, and if willing to leave home if the pay is sufficient and housing satisfactory. Among those who have promised to be present are Viscountess Mailland, Mrs J. J. Bell-Irving, the Rev. Dr. Headlam, and the Rev. F. Graham.

BARNARD CASTLE CO-OPERATIVE

105th Half-Yearly Meeting.

The 105th helf-yearly meeting of the above ciety was held in the faraiture-room of the stores on Monday night, Mr J. W. White (president) presiding over a good attendance of members.—The Chairman, in presenting the eport, said he was pleased to state that the sales for the past half-year were on the increase. The amount of goods sold during that period totalled 210.276 4s. 6d., or an average of £9 spent per member, which, for an gricultural district like that, was very good. he profit for the last six months had not been so large as the previous half-year. It was a very difficult matter at the present time to earn big profits unless they placed exhorbitant prices upon their goods. Considering the state of the market he thought they were selling their food-stuffs, etc., at a resonable price. They had carned a dividend of 1s. 10, 1, in the pound, but the committee had taken the course of raising it to 2s, in the pound by taking £48 16s. 5d. from the reserve fund-a course they were rather reluctant to pursue Although they had drawn that sum from the reserve fund they still had a balance of 2636 9s. 81., or 8 per cent. of the liabilities of the society, which was very satisfactory. The investments account had increased by 2146, and the banking account was £104 larger than the preceding six months. The fixed stock and property account was lower than the previous half-year owing to depreciation, and the horse ecount, which had been reduced by £2 10s. now stood at £66 As regarded the grocer; department the goods in stock represented 2894 15s. 5d. and in the drapery department they had £1,750 9s. 5d. worth of goods standing to their credit. With respect to the former branch they turned their goods over every three weeks; and, as regarded the latter, old stock had been disposed of at considerable reductions, in order to make room for new goods. This part of the business, he was sure was also in a flourishing condition. The expenses secount had slightly increased, our of the causes being bigher taxation. After perusing several items in the balance-sheet the Chairman remarked that a few members had complained about the amount of money owing to the society. The outstanding accounts were not so high as they really appeared to be in the report, owing to the fact that some of neir m mbers paid fortnightly, whilst others paid monthly. He assured them that the anney which was still outlying was practically secure. The outstanding accounts worked out at 21 per member. With their loyal co-operation he had no lesitation in saying that these accounts could be reduced to an average of 150, per member. If they had not extract great profits they got their articles cheaper in their weekly purchases. Dividend, in that store, was paid on everything. Taking Meet. and the high cost of living, he thought the balance sheet was very satisfactory. — Mr Balabridge then raised the question about the bad debts.-The Chairman said that 2] per cent, was set azido time after timo to meet chat deficiency. - Mr Bainbridge : With regard to members who are paying fortnightly or 17th Durham Light Infactry, Lisat. Kenion, of monthly, I think it is not fair to those who the Officers. Training Corps, North Eastern pay weekly. all should be made alike. The Chairman: If we had to rely on ready money our trade will fall off considerably. All persons are not in the same circumstances. Besides, some of the outlying own was owing by a number of influential gentlemen who had got Sports' plenty of money. - Mr Joseph Chilton said that the reduction of 2; per cent, was detrimental to his fellow-members and bimself who were men serving in any branch of His Majesty's to his fellow-members and ningert who work regular payors. He was in favour of a bigger divided being paid. Alston co-operative society were paying a dividend of 3s. 9d. in the pound. Was it beneficial to the society to depreciate the property 250, the horses 22 10s.

Mr Bainbridge's notice of motion that in and the Market-place to the cricket field. future nominations for the committee of that | the Saturday previous there will be a society be handed into the stores at least s month before the half yearly meeting, and numination papers be issued to each attended by a detachment of the 17th Durcam member a week or two previous to the Light Infantry; a recruiting meeting at West election, with the names of the candidates Auckland, when the Executive of the Northupon them, and that they be collected the Eastern Cyclists' Meet will be met; and a Saturday preceding the half-yearly meeting, and the votes counted by scrutineors was carried by 21 votes against 3.-Messrs W. Hawman, R. Parkin, T. Robinson, and T. Ireland were appointed on the committee, Mr Walker Waine having resigned .- Mr Bainbridge also moved that any motion which was brought forward at a half-yearly meeting should appear in the agenda of the following balance-sheet was agreed to.

that concern, and if at any time the society

realised, or the horses were not worth the

depreciation every six months. - After further

Cas in the Stomach is Dangerous.

Physicians Recommend the use of Magnesia. Sufferers from indigestion or dyspepsia hould remember that the presence of gas or wind in the stomach invariably indicates that the stomach is troubled by excessive acidity.

This acid causes the food to ferment, and the fermenting food in turn gives rise to noxious gases which distend the stomach, hamper the normal functions of vital internal organs, cause acute headaches, interfere with the action of the heart, and charge the blood stream with deadly poisons, which in time must ruin the health. Physicians say that to quickly dispel a dangerous accumulation of wind in the stomach, and to stop the food fermentation which creates the gas, the soid acid, thus stopping fermentation and the

in the atomach must be neutralised, and that for this purpose there is nothing quite so good as half-a-teaspoonful of pure bisurated magnesia taken in a little water immediately after meals. This instantly neutralises the formation of gas, and enabling the inflamed distended stomach to proceed with its work under natural conditions. Bisurated magnesis is obtainable to powder or tablet form from G. Clarkson Barker, The Baliel Pharmacy; T. B. Illaley, Market-place; Mason's Cash Drug Stores, 8, Horse-market; R. W. Reine, Marketplace, and Middleton-in-Teesdale; and other high-class chemists and stores everywhere but as there are many different forms of magnesia it is important that the bisurated which the physicians prescribe should be distinctly asked for.

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COMING WHITSUNTIDE FESTIVAL.

North-Eastern Cyclists' Meet to be a Recruiting Event.

A meeting of the Barnard Castle Division Parlismontary Recruiting Committee was held at the Conservative Club, Barnard Castle, on We needed afternoon, to consider arrangemovis for celebrating the North-Eistern Cyclists' Whitsurtide Meet as a recruiting can paige. The programme, so far as it has been abaped by a sub-committee which met on Thursday, is given below. Mr J. Wiseman, I.P. vice which met on the committee which were determined. J.P. vice-chairman of the committee, presided at Wednesday's meeting, and there were also present Lord Baroard, Mr W. H. Ralston, J.P., Mr J. Smith, J P., Major J. W. B. Heslop (late of the Sixth Battelion Durham Light Infantry), Captain Myers-Wayman (of the 17th Durhan Light Infantry), Mr T. Boardman, Mr J. Guy, Lieut T. D. Kenion (of the Officers Training Corps, North Eastern County School), Mr W. Wordhead (Unionist agent), and Mr T. W. Dowson (Labour agent). - Mr Woodhead, who is discharging the secretarial duties jointly with Mr Dowson, read voluminous correspondeuce, which included a letter from the London Parliamentary Recruiting Committee, signed by Mr Arthur Peters (the secretary), who stated that they would be pleased to send two see kers for Whit week-end, and to contribute £5 towards the expenses of the effort .-Captain Myers-Wayman said he thought that military sports would be very enjoyable for the men in Whit week-end, and Colonel Caulfold (the commanding officer) had instructed him to say that he would support the committee in every way possible.—Major Healop: We are face-to-face with rather a knock-out if the Nor h Eastern County School are having their sports that day. It was agreed that Lord Barnard, Mr Smith and Mr Kenion from a deputation to the County School with a view to the postponement of the school sports .-Captain Myers-Wayman said the commanding officer would place at the disposal of the committee as many of his men as possible for demonstration purposes. The men would be able to have a route march to Middleton on the Saturday, and to give bugle calls and physical dist lays, the battation band accompanying .was considered that Captain Myors-Wayman's suggestions could be adopted for he Middleton portion of the district, and that the other speaker could address meetings at West Auckland and Staindrop. It was decided o hold a concert in the castle grounds on the Morday moretog in lien of the usual dramatic sketches, and to arrange for an address on the need of " more mor, and still more men."-The discussion was ample and thoughtful, and comprehended a complete grip of the situation, A sub-committee, with power to carry out the while arrangements, was appointed, consisting of three representatives from the Parliamen tary Recruiting Committee, three from the 17th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, three from the Orickes Club, and three from the Executive of the North-Eastern Cyclists'

The Sports' Programme.

sub-committee meeting was held on Thursday, when Major Heslop (late 6th Durham Light Iciantry), Captain Myers-Wayman, Captain Farrell, and Captain Davies, of the 17th Durham Light Infactry, Light Kenion, of Caugty School: Mr Dockrill, Mr Fred Boardman, and Mr Wiseman, chairman, were present. -- Mr T. Blankinsopp, secretary to the cricket clab, was also appointed secretary to the Sports' Sub-Committee.--A programme of sports for Whit-Monday was outlined as follows:-100 yards fish race, and where not otherwise mentioned the events are open to all reserve fund? | event for the officers' training corps, to be -The Chairman: It they valued the property, decided by the chicers of the corps (present say, at 24,000, at every half-yearly meeting of County School boys); an event for boy scouts, that concern, and if at any time the society and other competitions which will be decided was wound up, and the above sum was not later. It is proposed to have a procession in realised, or the horses were not worth the connection with the sports, starting at 1-15 amount stated, he considered they would then be in a sorry plight. It was to their own Council and chiciais of the Meet will take part. interest to lay seide a certain sum for and also a detachment of the 17th Durham Light Infantsy, with their drum and fife hand : discussion the balance-sheet was adopted on Hoggett's Military Band, the Cadet Corps from the motion of Mr Stoddart (Lartington), and the County School, the Volunteer Training the County School, the Volunteer Training Corps, and Boy Scoute. The procession will move by King-street, Queen-street, Newsyste,

> Recruiting Meeting at Middleton, hight Infantry; a recruiting meeting at West similar gathering at Strindrop. The Newcastle officials will be received at the Town Head at Barnard Castle, and a reception and recruiting

> meeting will afterwards be held in the Marketplace. On Sunday there will be the usual meeting at Rekeby, at which recruiting speakers will attend. An attractive programme has been arranged to take place in the Inner Bailey at 10 o'clock on Whit-Monday morning, including a concert, arranged by Mr J. Brown, and a gymusetic display by the 17th Battalion Durham Light Infantry.

Some years will elapse before the duplicate line of pipes will be laid from the dale reservoirs to Middlesbrough by the Tees Valley Water Board.

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EIBTUS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATES.

Marriage.

THORPE: THOMPSON .- On April 28th, at All Saints' Church, Margaret-street, Hull, by the Rov. A. E. Smallwood, M.A., vicar, assisted by the Rev. J. T. Hulton, vicar of Pauli, George James Thorpe, of Newton Garth House, Hedon, East Yorks., to Annie Howson, youngest daughter of the late Mr and Mrs James Thompson, Startforth Bank, Barnard Castle. At home, May 26th and 27th.

Deaths. Windens, —On the 3rd inst., at 64. Arnelific Gardens, West Hartlepool, Lucy Mary, relied of the late Joseph Windensy. Interment at Stranton Cemetery, cortege leaving the above address on Thursday, at 2 p.m., for St. George's Church.

in Memoriam. PATTERSON - In affectionate remembrance of my dear husband, William Patterson, Newsbam Lodge, who departed this life in

peace on May 5th, 1914. Days of sadness come over me, Tears of sorrow often flow, When I think of the loving husband Whom I lost a year ago.

I think of him in silence, No eye may see me weep

Yet deep within my bosom His memory I still will keep.

Peace be thy rest, dear husband

He was a husband kind and dear,

A father's love had he,
A friend to all who knew him here,
A brother kind and free.
You do not know, we cannot tall,
The loss of one we loved so well.

Ever remembered by his wife,

daughter-in-law, Mrs Thomas and Martha