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The Noted Wedding Ring Shop.

Situations Wanted and Vacant.
WANTED, Man as Cartman to deliver Groceries, etc.—Apply, The Stores, Cotherstone.

WANTED, June 10th, a Strong, Young General Servant. Country girl preferred. Cook Housekeeper kept. Reference required.—Apply, Mrs Beecham, Rokoby Grove, Barnard Castle.

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General Notices.
MR E. BANCROFT, Ophthalmic Optician, attends at Barnard Castle, as usual, TODAY, at Mrs PEACOCK'S, No. 35, Market-place.

DON'T forget to come to Ye Tea House, Cotherstone. Open every day but Sundays.

THE PRESENTATION to the Rev. J. W. Brent who is leaving Cotherstone, on his being preferred to the Benefice of Lathkirk, will take place on Thursday evening, May the 20th, at 8 o'clock, in St. Othbert's Church School-room. All subscribers and friends please note.

HOUSEHOLDERS having accommodation for the Billeting of Troops, and who are willing to receive them in parties of not less than four men, should forward their application, in writing, to the Quartermaster, 17th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, The Barracks, Barnard Castle.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Creditors of Joseph Willis, late of Holme Farm, Bowes, who died on the 5th day of May, 1915, are requested to send in to me, the undersigned, Solicitor to the Executors of the Will of the Testator, particulars of their claims forthwith.

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New Blouses
New Gowns
New Underclothing
New Carpets
New Costumes
New Coats
New Neckwear
New Hosiery
New Suitings

First-rate Dress and Costume Making Department on the Premises. Special attention given to Wedding and Mourning Orders. Teesdale House, Barnard Castle.

Notice of Removal. J. ALLISON, Joiner and Undertaker, begs to inform his customers and the general public that he has removed his workshop from Bridge End, to 24, The Bank, where all orders will receive prompt attention.

FARMERS and others requiring SULPHATE of AMMONIA for sowing use are advised to place their ORDERS with the GAS COMPANY before the stock is spoken. ROSE WOOD, Secretary, Gas Office, Flatts Lane, Barnard Castle.

Analysis of Sulphate of Ammonia as Sold by Barnard Castle Gas Company. Moisture (212 F) ... 1.25% Free Sulphuric Acid ... 0.34%

OPENING OF NEW PREMISES. F. C. FOSTER, Family Grocer and Provision Merchant, begs to announce that the Business recently carried on by him at 16, GALGATE, will on Friday, May 14th, 1915, be transferred to 1, THE BANK.

Reliable Quality. Reasonable Prices. Prompt attention to all orders. New Bonus Scheme, 5/- worth of Groceries (free of charge). Ask for Particulars. 1, THE BANK (Opposite Market Cross).

NOT A BEETLE lives—once it comes into proper contact with KEATING'S. ALBERT FOOTT, Tees Mill Carriage Works, Barnard Castle.

HAVING acquired the Business and Premises of Mr R. F. Thompson, Coach-builder, hopes by strict attention to business and moderate charges to merit a share of the patronage of the district. Up-to-date Machinery, and all the latest improvements in appliances employed. Motor-Car Renovating a Speciality. Estimates given free.

IMPORTANT BOON TO LADIES. NO Pills or Drugs used in this treatment, my never-failing remedy, and I guarantee to cure all female ailments. I invite those cases that have failed elsewhere. Send, free advice.—NURSE ROSS, Laboratory, 95, Walsley Road, Torquay.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Yesterday afternoon, in the House of Lords, Lord Kitchener called for 300,000 more recruits to form new armies.

The 10th Gloucester Regiment is expected at Deerbolt Camp in the course of a few days.

Mr J. H. Holmes, of the Grove, Barnard Castle, presented the plans of the original Whin Bridge to the Bowes Museum.

A magnificent display of spring flowers have burst into bloom at the Bowes Museum Park, where some lovely white hyacinths have attracted a good deal of attention.

To-morrow night the Rev. J. W. Brent, the new vicar of Lathkirk, will be presented by the inhabitants of Cotherstone with a roll-top desk and 250 in gold.

Mr A. H. Midgton, of Barnard Castle, has been recommended to the July committee as a candidate for the Wesleyan ministry.

The meeting in Barnard Castle to explain the Board of Trade proposals fixed for Thursday, 27th May, Lady Ankerwith has promised to speak. Both her sons have been wounded at the front.

Yesterday afternoon, in the House of Lords, Lord Kitchener said the British and French Governments felt that our troops must be adequately protected against the employment of poisonous gases by the use of similar methods, to remove the enormous and unjustifiable disadvantage which must exist if we took no steps.

Canon Brown, who is improved in health, arrived at Raby Avenue, Barnard Castle, on Wednesday night, on a short visit. He assisted in the morning service at the parish church, on Sunday.

Corporal Hall, of F (Barnard Castle) Company, has been promoted to full sergeant, and has, it is believed, been mentioned in the despatches.

The Barnard Castle and Romaldkirk Boy Scouts are working with commendable sincerity in the movement for the sale of this Warrenton of Red Cross and St. John badges, Empire Day being on May 24th.

Lieutenant the Hon. John Bowers-Lyon, second son of the Earl of Strathmore, is reported to have been wounded in the hand, and is now in hospital at Boulogne. Major Lord T. Glamis, the eldest brother of Lieutenant Bowers-Lyon, was wounded early in February.

Seventy-two eggs were forwarded to Mrs Phillips, on the 11th instant, for the National Egg Collection Fund, and on Friday, the 14th, one hundred and twenty-seven were sent to the First Northern General Hospital at Newcastle for the wounded soldiers and sailors in that establishment. The scholars attending Longleydale School kindly collected the eggs, and the residents very generously provided the same.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. C. Watson, who, after leaving King's College Hospital, has been staying at Bexhill, Sussex, and Barnard, Surrey, will return to Barnard Castle, to-day, for a short time prior to returning to the front.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

Mr H. Patterson, of Newby, has written the well-known temperance advocate, William Teesdale last week, and addressed a meeting at Mickleton on Tuesday evening, when he placed the Rev. C. Potter, president, and other members of the Temperance Association, who were a fairly large attendance.

Mr George Laws, of Middleton, was exceptionally fine trout while he was fishing last Thursday morning. It was a plump beautiful specimen, and weighed 2 1/2 pounds. Other fishermen have landed a few good fish this season. One day last week an angler took two, which scaled over one pound each.

The death took place on Friday night of Joseph Allison, of Middleton, who attained the ripe age of 84 years. He was a well-known and respected citizen. He was married to his daughter, Mrs Geo. Dent, of Newby. Old Joseph was well known in the district. His illness was only of a very few days' duration. He leaves a family growing-up sons and daughters.

The severe spell of frost and snow, which was experienced in Teesdale last week, had disastrous effect upon the garden in the district. Potato-tops which had come to the surface were frozen off, and all the crops are seriously set-back. Some fall to the ground, several inches of the higher parts of the district and patches are still lying on the ground in various places. It is feared that the next month birds will have suffered considerably.

A report was current last week that Mr H. Robb, who was teacher at Middleton Council School, and volunteered for the war last September, had died of wounds received at the front, but we cannot ascertain if there is any truth in the statement, which is sincerely hoped, is false. So far as Middleton men given to have been seriously injured, with the exception of John Watson, whose friends have been afraid that he was wounded, and is in hospital.

Gainford Nursing Association Jubilee Sale. A jubilee sale was held in the Courtyard Hall, Gainford, on Wednesday last.—The B. H. C. was represented at the evening sale by Mrs. Layfield, before declaring the sale open, spoke of the usefulness of the nursing association, the wide district it covered, and the organising ability of the executive committee. She also mentioned that the yearly expenditure of the association was £100, and that the subscribers, and alluded to the many generous friends of the society.—Mr E. Trotter responded.—The stallholders and helpers were as follows:—General stall—Mrs. Place, Mrs. N. Calvert, Mrs. Peacock, Mrs. Fox; books stall—Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. G. Teakley; hat stall—Mrs. Rickman, Mrs. Simpson; miscellaneous stall—Mrs. A. Chapman, Mrs. Brown; flower stall—Mrs. J. Pease, Mrs. George, Mrs. Pim, Mrs. G. Pease, Mrs. T. Pease, Mrs. A. Pease, Mrs. G. Pease, Mrs. H. Pease, Mrs. J. Pease, Mrs. K. Pease, Mrs. L. Pease, Mrs. M. Pease, Mrs. N. Pease, Mrs. O. Pease, Mrs. P. Pease, Mrs. Q. Pease, Mrs. R. Pease, Mrs. S. Pease, Mrs. T. Pease, Mrs. U. Pease, Mrs. V. Pease, Mrs. W. Pease, Mrs. X. Pease, Mrs. Y. Pease, Mrs. Z. Pease.

Private T. Harwood, of F (Barnard Castle) Company, 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry (Territorial) has been wounded in action.

At the usual meeting of the Barnard Castle Rural District Council, on Wednesday, it was stated that the original total value of the Cookfield reservoir and pipes was £168, and the assessable site value £22.

Lieut. Vincent Smith, son of Mr John Smith, J.P. Grove Park, Barnard Castle, and formerly a Lieutenant in the 4th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, has been gazetted captain in the Army Service Corps, and anti-dated to December 9th, 1914.

Mr John Errington and Mr James Ward have been re-appointed churchwardens of Brigall Church for the ensuing year.

Several local ruckeries were shot over on Saturday.

Major Henderson, of the 17th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, left Barnard Castle last Wednesday night by the 9-12 train, for foreign service. A party of officers and men assembled at the railway station, and accorded the gallant officer a most hearty send-off. He is a jolly good fellow, and his presence on the platform being crowded by khaki-clad enthusiasts anxious to give the worthy Major a regimental expression of good-will and good luck. As the train steamed out of the station loud cheers were raised, which were again and again repeated.

Lord Zetland, on concluding his fishing holiday at Makerston, has returned to Aske Hall, Yorkshire.

Mr A. H. Nicholson, Newgate, has been to see his wounded son, Second-Lieutenant H. Nicholson who is in Vincent Ridley's Hospital, Carlton-terrace, London. The esteemed young officer had the honour of shaking hands with their Majesties the King and Queen, who had visited the patients. It is feared that it will be some time before Second-Lieutenant Nicholson will be able to walk. Curiously enough Captain Walton from Crook, who is over 6 feet 5 inches in height, was met in the hospital by Mr A. H. Nicholson, on his visit. The 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry (Territorial) are now at the base.

Mr (not Mrs) Jackson is the new organist at Whorlton Church.

Private W. Brown, Flargate, of the local Territorials, has been wounded in action.

An unusually excellent photograph of the members of the Australian contingent, taken on the Pyramids, has reached a young lady at Barnard Castle, whose brother is one of the very large group. Nothing could possibly excel the clearness of this picture, the facial expressions being perfect. It is, in fact, a triumph in the photographic art.

Private Weymouth Wash, 8th Battalion Durham Light Infantry, formerly a sergeant-major at Butterknowe Council School, and son of Mr Walter Wash, Potters Cross, Butterknowe, has written to his father stating that he is a prisoner of war at Munster, Germany.

The Marquis of Zetland, P.C., K.T., who has been appointed to succeed Colonel Henry Williams, M.P., as a military member of the York (North Riding) Territorial Force Association, has been honorary colonel of the 1st Western Division Royal Artillery since 1874. He was Vicerey of Ireland from 1889 to 1892, and Mayor of Richmond in 1895.

Private J. Sinclair, school teacher, of Gainford, of the Bede College Company, 8th Durham Light Infantry, who was wounded in the Territorials about eight weeks ago, is now a prisoner in Germany.

Photographers visiting Barnard Castle will find at Raine's, the chemist, an expert willing to give advice, also fresh stocks of Plates, Papers, and other photographic materials.—W. Raine, Chemist, Barnard Castle.

Post-card Map, showing each Theatre of War in detail, is now to be had at the "Teesdale Mercury" Office, Barnard Castle.