Che Ceesdale Mercury

BARNARD CASTLE, JUNE 7TH, 1916.

FATE OF LORD KITCHENER AND STAFF.

YESTERDAY afternoon the intelligence was issued by the Secretary of the Admiralty that His Majesty's ship Hampshire, with Lord Kitchener and staff on board, was sunk on Monday night, west of the Orkneys, either by a mine or torpedo. Heavy seas were running at the time. Only some bodies and a capsized boat had been found. The vessel was on her way to Russia. The Commander - in - Chief, later, announced that there was little hope of any survivors from the Hampshire. A statement reached Barnard Castle last night that Lord Kitchener was safe, though a feeling of great tension and gloom rested on the entire neighbour- the hymo, "For these in peril on the ses." hood.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Lord Barnard has lont his town house, 20, Balgrave-square, as a club for the use of wounded officers on sick leave in Lendon.

Lientenant-Colonel Maurice E. Sowerby, Royal Engineers, Director of Railway Trans-port in Saloniks, has been awarded the Distinguished Borvice Order.

Mr Stanley Wilson, M.P., who slove shot over Holwick Moor, last season, is a prisoner in Austria.

On Thursday. May 18th, Private Charles Bodfrey Platt Welfs, grandson of the late Mr Morley Hoadlam, of Gilmonby Hall, Buwes, and ad son of the late Mr E. A. Wells, of Highfield School, Southampton, who has just come over with the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada. was married to Joan Katherine, second daughter of Lieut -Colonel A. E. Wynne-Egton, of Plas-lass, Mold, North Wales.

Captain Charles Fitzgerald Sowerby, His Majesty's ship "Indefatigable," the eldest son of the late Mr T. C J. Sowerby, Snow Hall, Gainford, Darlington, was born in 1866, entered the service in 1880, attained the rack of Captain in 1905, was Flag Captain to Admirst Sis John Finhes His Mainta's Shin W Barara Bir John Fisher, Sis Majesty's ship " Renown," Naval Attache at Washington from 1908 to 1912 and appointed Captain of His Majesty's ship "Indefatigable" in January, 1913. He received the Good Service Pension in 1915. Captain Sowerby was killed in action on the Sim of May.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take pisce shortly, between Violet Anno, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Pescock, Spanham House, Barningham, and Gilbert Stalker, Second-Lientenant Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, second son of Captain and Mrs Stalker, Port Bannatyne, Bute, Sootland.

Miss Molly Smith, eldest daughter of Mr Charles J. Smith, S5, Galgate, Barnard Castlo, bas been awarded the cap and gown of the London College of Music, the examiner being Mr Wabt. Mise Smith is undoubtedly a mignificent player.

The death took place last Thursday night from pneumonia, after a short illness at Brunc-stock, near Carlisle, of Mr Mason Thompson Scott, fourth son of the late Sir Walter Scott. Bart., the well-known Newcastle contractor, who was born at Abbey Town, Camberland. Mr Mason Scolt, who is a brother of Sir John Scott, of Beanclere, Kiding Mill, formerly of Cotherstone, the present barenet, was born on December 2985, 1865, and was educated at Eductorgh and Cambridge University. The well-known firm constructed the huge reservoirs in Lunedale and Baldersdale for the Tess Valley Water Board.

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Mr George Bell, Staindrop, the treasurer of the Barnard Castle Agricultural Society, has been appointed secretary of the Barnard Castle and Teendale Farmers' Auction Mart Company, in succession to the late Mr J. E. Thompson. There were 27 applications.

Miss M. E. Davis, sister-in-charge of the Typeside Scottish Hospital, is back in Barnard Castle, an leave of absence, after her recent tovero illuest.

A Medical Board will alt at Darbam, on Friday first, June 93b, 1916, for the purpose of examining a limited number of attested men by request. Any man who wishes to be examined must make early application to the Becamine of attest of the second Recruiting Office, Drill Hall.

Mr W. Ilisloy, third son of Mr and Mrs T. B. Histoy, Barnard Castle, who was recommended as a dentsl operator in the Royal Army Medical Corps, has been drafted to the Royal Garrison Artillery, the former corps being full. He has seen Mesers F. Down and C. Watson, and on Sunday, at church, heard 2,000 male voices sing

The Military Cross has been awarded to Captain Kirkup, son of Mr Philip Kirkup, of Birtley, and for the summer months resident at Park House, Lartington.

Twin foals, a colt and a filly, have been born at Naby farm, on the Lartington estate.

Pigs are scarce and very dear throughout the whole of the Tuesdale district.

M. Guismaert, a local Belgian refogee, bas had his wrist badly crushed in munitica worke.

The Rev. J. B. Robioson reports that 890 The Rev. J. B. Robinson reports that 800 eggs were despatched to the central depot last week, from Baroard Castle district, the collectors being as follow :-Scargill, 10 (Miss Hullary); Brignall, 9 (Miss Sewart); Staintor, 55 (Miss Laogstafi); Startforth, 57 (Miss May Dixon and Miss Scott); Bawaw, 103 (Mrs Hird, 40; Mrs Straker, 51 and 23 6d.); the Misses N. and M. Alderson, 102 and 1s. 44.); and 566 from Barnard Castle town and market.

Yesterday morning, at the Startforth P lice Oflice, before Mr Diron, a private in the 3rd Battalion Durham Light Ictuatry, named Thomas Walker (29), who had been arrested at Low Startforth, was remanded to await an escort on a charge of absenting bimself from his regiment at Birtley, on the 3rd instant. The escort arrived yesterday afternoon, and accased left with the 2.55 p.m. north train.

Go Wednesday night Mr T. Parkinson, the On Wednesday night ar T. Parkinson, the superintendent, and Mr J. R. Arrowsmith, the secretary of the Barnard Castle Wesleyau Sanday school, with a willing staff of helpers, were busily engaged packing various vory acceptable gifts for the use of about sixty soldiers on active service who were formerly scholars of this school, and also other soldiers from various parts of this circuit who ware connected with the church and Sunday schools. Savoury oaker, writing wallots, light literature, cigarettes and milk chocolate formed part of the presents. In connection with the chocolate it should be stated that Mr S. H. Altcheson, the governing director of the firm of Messrs Waiter Willson, Limited, has been very generous. Mr J. Lynn, Montalbo-terrece, wrote to Mr Aitoheson for a makers' quotation for the supply of chocolate, and the laster sent the goods free of cost, the value being about 23 It may be added that the attenuous collection at the recent school anniversary was devoted to the purchase of presents for this express object.

Lord Lonsdale has been elected president of the Carlisto Otter Honads, and Mr A. L. Payne, Staffield Hall, has become a vice-president.

Private F. Hunter, Hall street, Barnard Castle, of the Durhim Light Inlantry, who has been service abroad, is spending a short leave of absonce at home.

The Commandant of Nowton Morrell Hospital wishes to thank the following ladies and gentleman for their kind git to the hospital: Mr Richard Wilson.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.] The quarterly meeting of the Primibive Methodist circuit, Middleton-in-Teesdale, was held at Forest on Saturday lest. Considering the inclement weather the attondance was good. The Rev. O. Pettler presided, and Mr T. Collinson, of Lunedale, was appointed secretary.—The business was gone through pleasably and with despateb.—Reports from the district synod were received and dealt with.—The circuit reports showed the station to be steadily holding its own, notwith-standing a number of removals from the district.—The financial report showed a balance in hand, after meeting the ordinary expenditure, together with special expenses incurred on the manse.—Arrangements were incurred on the manse.-Arrangements were made for special antiversaries and camp meetings.-Morning service will be hold at Middleton, and special preachers appointed for the summer months.—Mr J. Coltman and Mr T. Dent were unanimously elected circuit atewards.—Notice was given to invite circuit stewards.--Notice was given to invite a minister at next quarter day for 1017 and 1018.--The Rev. T. Sykes, the popular minister of the Central Church, Newcastle-on-Tyue, will visit Middloton on Wednesday, August 9th, and preach and locture. Mr Sykes cemes from the plough, and his brilliant gifts and striking personality are a triamph over early environment. Large crowds will, no doubt, give bim a dales' welcome.--The uext quarterly meeting will be held at Middleton on Septem-her 2a3.--At the duge of the meeting tea was meeting will be held at Middleton on Septem-bor 2aJ.--At the close of the meeting tea was gratuitously provided by Mrs Steley. The tables were presided over by Mrs Steley, Miss Lee ard Miss Steley.--Voice of thanks were accorded by Messrs J Coltman and R. Raine.

during last work has been much spprediated by the farmers, as good crops are now stated. This will be a great rollof to stock-keepers, as the shortage of fodder during last winter became quite serious. *** Conital heaters of tout are being second

Capital haskets of trout are being secured this season in Upper Teesda's. &r Reuben Lowe, of Middleton, landrid 98 fine fish on Saturday, and Mr Jue Bell 45. These were got above Cauldron Scout.

Funeral of the Late Mrs J. Harris, of Barnard Castle.

Yesterday afternoon the interment took place at St. Mary's Parish Church ormebery, Barcard Castle, of Mrs James Harris, of Carlton House, Galgate. The Rev. W. B. Blackett (Curate) was the officiating clergyman. The inscription on the breastplate of the coffin, which was of pitch-pine, with brass monatings, was as follows -- "Annie Elizabeth Harris, died June 2nd, 1916, aged 32 years." The deceased lady was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Blackburn, of the Angel Hotel. The principal mourcers were Mr Jamos Harris (widower); Master Caeil Harris (son); Mr T. Blackburn, Barnard Castle (lather); Mr W. Blackburn, Colwyn Bay (brether); Mr and Mrs H. Sayer, Baroard Castle, brother-in-law and sister; Mr J. Phillips, Newcastle-on-Typo, brother-inlaw ; Mrs Gibson and Missos M. and L. Harris, Barnard Castle, sisters-in-law; Mrs Bateson, Normanton; and Mrs Rapp, Leeds; ants; Mr and Mrs Dawson, Grost Ayton; and Mr and Mrs J. G. Harris, Barnard Castle, cousins. The general mourners included Messes F. J. Wilson, J.P., W. J. Bainbridge, J. Rudd, J. Guy. J. Wiseman, G. W. Elllott, J. T. Pearson, J. W. Denr, R. Woodhams, G. W. Jackson, H. Walker, Dens, R. Woodhams, G. W. Jackson, H. Walker, R. Wood, M. Gash, J. Suddes, E. Winpenny, J. H. Dunn, J. E. Dent, J. R. Arrowsmith, W. G. Richardson, W. Plews, J. Branklin, J. Appleby, jusior, J. Brown, J. H. Brown, R. Faweett, P. Hunter, W. Hewitt, E. A. Metolife, R. Wilson, W. Garbutt, C. Weldon, G. Addison, F. Carber, J. Brownless, Mr and Mrs C. J. Smith, Mr and Mrs W. Hodgeon, Corporal H. Castes, Mrs Bell, Mrs Barker, Mrs Watson, Mis Banks, Mrs H. Browoless, Mra H. Dowe, Misses Dramound, Dalkie, and M. Smith, Barnard Castle; Mr T. Rohiesoo, Lardington : and several obbors. Robioson, Larlington; and several others. The bearars were Measure G. Craig, J. Blenkirsupp, G. Burt, and J. Quinnen. Lovely firal tributes were sent. Messas J Hunter and

Local War News.

Letter from Driver Albert Rutter.

Mr R. Wilson, Red Lion Hotel, Barnard Castle, has received a letter from Driver A. Rutter, written from the front on May 27th, in which written from the front on May 27th, in which he says: We are baving some decent weather again, sithough it is a little chilly at nights. The country is looking spisndid, and things are very forward. Nearly all the work is done by women and children. They plough right up to the road, leaving no waste at all. There are no hedges parting their lotw. When they put their cows out they rope them, and only allow them a swall neach at a time to garage upon, and their cows out they rope them, and only allow them a swall patch at a time to graze upon, and the old abeptords go out with the sheep. The fruit trees are all in full bloom, and blenty of it, too. On the whole everything is looking at its best. Our mon look well, also our horses. I have seen a lot of trees that have landed here. They look flue, big fellows, and thay keep themselves and their horses very tidy and next. There are plenty of trees in this cruntry all slong the roads, which make a flue pleture, but, after all, I would rather be in England, and will be giad when I am back there again. I have been out here thirteen months. I saw one of our aeroplands on me two pieces within ten yards of me, but lackily neither the pilot or observer were burt at ail.

Corporal Richard Watson Wounded.

Report of his Death Contradicted.

An esteemed correspondent says: I bava received news about Corporal Richard Watson, recently 'bus-driver at Barnard Castle, who has we have heard from the War Office that he is in a base hospital suffering from wounds and shell shock received on the 13th of May. His felends will be glad to know the facts.

Private Fred Merryweather in France.

To the Editor of the " Teesdale Morcury."

SIR,-Perhaps is would interest the readers of your well-read journal and friends of Mr. Frad Marryweather, hairdreasar, of this town, who religquished his basiness some eight mouths ago to do duty for his country, to know shat ho has now banded in France, and in a lotter received on Monday by his mother (Mirs Gast, Barns' Road), says he is in the pink of condition, and that he expects to be in the trenches soon -- Yours Arnly. M. GASH.

Burns' Head, Barnard Castle, June 6th, 1916.

Local Malta Fund for Sick and Wounded.

The committee gratefully solnowindges the receipt of a large parcel of gifts from Miss Watson, Spring Lodge; also gifts from Miss J. G. Hall, Mrs Wellanby and Miss Eglinton, and 4s. into the treasurer's fund from Miss Eglinton, and 2s. 6d. from Mr J. G. Johnson, Letters have frequently been received from Malta expression the highest appreciation of the valuable hospital comfirts which have been sent, and gratitude to the ledles who have worked so long and steadfastly in this cause

PROSPECTS OF NORTHERN LEAD MINING.

Teesdale and Arkengarthdale Mines.

When the President of the Loeds Chamber of Commerce (Mr J. E. Bedford) announced that there was a possibility of a re-opening of many of the disused lead mines of Yorksbire, he was speaking well by the book. The possibility refers to lead mines on the Duke of Devonshire's Yorkshire estates. Pig-lead bas

thing over £16 a ton. Many fortunes were made in the middle af last century out of the lead mines of Grassington Women's Work in India : Brahminism and Pateley. Even so the industry declined ; and Christianity. and, though it was well known that lead abounded in the country, there was not a single mine being worked in Yorksbire ten years age. The decay was brought about entirely by foreign competition of lead in Spain. The effect of that competition is shown by the following table giving the average price of pig-land in the last 115 years :-

Teesdale Guardians. Agricultural Conditions in the War Area. ILLNESS OF MR GEORGE BAINBRIDGE, THE CLERK.

A meeting of this body was held on Wednesday, under the presidency of M. John Smith, J.P. The Clerk's Indisposition.

The Chairman said that Mr George Bainbridge. The Chairman said that Mr George Baubridge, the clerk, was ill, and he regretted the fact, an would also the Guardians, but, by the belp of the Assistant-Clerk, he had no doubt they would get through the business. — The members sympathetically concurred.— Mr Bainbridge. who has been suffering from an acute attack of influenza, is slowly recovering, being now able to leave his hed.

The County Council Again.

Some plain speaking followed the reading of a letter by the Assistant-Clerk (Mr T. W Bala-bridge), who voiced a note from Mr H. Jevons clerk to the Ornaty Connell), informing the Guardians that there had been repeated delays on the part of certain unions in the county in on the part of certain unloss in the county in the payment of the precepts for the county and golice rates, and that serious financial inconvenience had resulted from such delays. He had, therefore, to inform the Guardians that in future it would be impossible to give the same latitude, and that the question of taking steps under the County Rates Act, 1852, to add ten per cent to the demand would have in consequence to be seriously considered.—Mr H. L. Kile : I don't think we have kent them H. L. Bile : I don't thick we have kept them waiting .- The Chairman : I don't think we have .- The Assistant-Olark : Never more than

a few days. It has only been a question of gesting the cheque signed at the nearest meeting after the receipt of the procept. But is should be explained that we have never yes received the process for the county rate in this half-year from the County Council to tell us what we have to pay, or when we have to py is, so we do not know when it is due. - The Chairman: If the y is a other utions as they do us, there is no velocity at the delays. For a number of years they have never had the accounts ready to enable us to make the rate

the county precepts could not be met. In March, Mr Bottomicy, the county accountans, who had slways blee very good, was written to, and he told them that the county rate would be she came as last year, but it was not unbil May 3rd that he gave them the actual particulars shat the rate would be 1s. 4d, in the pound. That was the only information they had hed. The Guardians had laid a rate

to over the charge, but they had not been told when the payment was due. - Mr Gibson : How much was it last time? - The Assistant-Clerk : 1 tulck is was about the same. - The Chairman: There may have been some defaulters, but they should not make it appear as a general tule by such aweeping asserilons. —The Assistant-Clerk: We have always paid it within a few days, or, st all events, near to

the time. The Telephone.

On the application of the Barnard Castle Rural Council, the Gnardiars agreed to pay balf the cost of the installation of the selephone in the Clerk's office and half the yearly rental.

The Workhouse.

The report of the Workhouse Committee showed that Mr R. Armstrong, J.P., had been re-appointed chairman. - Miss Leigh (a Local Government Beard inspector) had paid a visit to the children's home and the institution, and hor report was awaited. - The committee

etc., J. INGRAM DAWSON,

Compulsion All-Round.

THE SECOND MILITARY SERVICE ACT, 1916.

[BY J. INGRAM DAWSON.] The much discussed and much debated Ocepulsory Service Bill has now become law, and it is necessary that its provisions shull be widely known, so that those persons sfielded by it may not, by their ignorance, ronder themselves liable to pousities through a breach of the law.

The Married and Single Alike.

By the present act, all male British subjects " any time resident in Great Britain since the 14th of August last, who, for the time being, have attained the agreef 18 years, and not attained the age of 41 years before the appointed date, shall be taken to have enlisted either with the regular forces for service with the colours, or with the reserva for the period of the verse. of the war. In other words, every man as he reaches the age of 18 is eligible for military service. But stops are to be typen not to send men to serve abroad before they attain the age of mineteen.

Exceptions to Compulsory Service.

There are a few exceptions, namely, those men was are mantioned in the schedule to the first act. They are shortly: (1) British subjects fr.m abread for the purpuses of education; (2) members of the army; (3) the may; (4) dirgymen ard ministers; (5) men who have been discharged from the army or navy; and (6) man who have been rejected as modically unit since 14th August lasr, subject to the provision as to re-examination in section 8 (sub-section 2).

When the Act comes into Force,

The appointed day for the act coming into operation as respects neuronoone wibble the operation of the act on the passing of the act shall be the 30th day after the passing of the act. As the date of the passing was the 25th of May 1905, this is a very involved way of properly. Led them put their own house in order before making these assertions. Bancy charging 10 per cent. and giving no time to collect the rate 1 That is just like the County council. It is an imperfunent lettor. It is tyranoical. There might as well be martial law.-Mr F. Gibson: They are always bohind time.-The Assistant-Olerk said he was afraid the County Council bid power to charge the criter 10 per cent. and that was the worst of it, though the fact remained that until the afraid the County Council had power to charge the cales 10 per cout, and that was the worst of it, though the fact remained that until the overseets had paid the money into the bank which they so come within the operation of this section."

Position of the Medically Rejected.

It will be remembered that under the first Mili ary Service Act a certificate of rejection on medical grounds sfor 15th August last was a sufficient examption from lishility to be called up. By section 3 of this new act this is entirely charged, and, after the 1st of September next, a man is liable to be called up for re-examination if he receives a written notice to that effect before 1st September next. This, of onarse, only applies to three who have been rejected absolute since 15th August last and not to those who have been examined and accepted for some form of service at home. [To be continued.]

National Registration Act: Voluntary Assistance Needed.

To the Elitor of the "Toesdale Moroury." SIB,-The Local Government Beard have asked that the registration forms of all males registered in the Barnard Castle urban area registered in the Barnard Castle urban area should be gene burough, and the military authorities funciated with copies on pick forms of the registration forms of all makes who were under the age of 18 as the date when the National Register was made up (15th August, 1915). The Local Government Board, knowing Devonshirs's Yorkshire estates. Pig-lead bas to-day reached the almost record price of 232 per ton-higher than it has over been since the Napoleonic wars — and it used to be said on Grassington muor that the mines there could be worked if the price of lead was nor-thing over 216 a ton.

The Rector of Romaidkirk was present at the marriage of Commander Leveson-Gower and Lady Rose Lyon.

Second-Lientenant Arthur Magnus Sponse, eldest son of Mrand Mrs Spence, of Lartington Hall, who has recently base at home on leave of absence, has been awarded the Military Cross for meritorious work whilst attached to a tunnelling company of the Royal Engineers In Gallie

Mr F. J. Wilcon, as Chairman of the Urban Council, took the oath, qualified as a county magistrate, and sat for the first time at the Bernard Castle Police Court on Wedgesday.

The Roy. W. Callonder Wake has arrived in **France**, and is quite sale and is good health. He says the weather is fice, but, on the 30th of May, he had no definite address.

Fing days will be hold at Middleton-ic-Teedale on June 10th, and at Barnard Castle on June 14th, when the pard of the 6th Battalion Durbam Light Infantry will play in the Museum Park. A collection will be taken on behalf of the flag day.

At a meeting of the members of the Barnard Castle Tradesmen's Association, on Monday sight, it was agreed unanimously to close the shops on Whit-Monday.

Mr James Wharton, blacksmith, a native of this towo, residing in one of the churchyard E Stages, died on Monday morning. He was 15th January, 1897, and was navigator of the

Bergeant Carr at Barnard Castle.

Dr. Jowett, who arrived in this country from New York the other day, reafirmed his view that the American people remain firmly on the side of England, though the effects of the Irish executions were disquieting to Americans, who believed that the policy adopted in Dublia was a mistake.

A remarkable story is told of a prophetic hell in an East Lancashire town. In the France-German War, it is stated, one of the bells in a certain church belfry anddenly and without any warning foll to the floor uc-domaged. Exactly three months from the date of its fall peace was declared in that

war.

During the Boer War the same bell came down agair, and just three months afterwards pence was declared in that great war. The same bell fell to earth again last week. If the old bell is not on this uccasion misinformed, the world war should come to an end about the end of August.

COMMANDER ARTHUR EGWARD SILVERTOP.

Mr Arthur Edward Silvertop, second in command of the ill-fated "Defence," who was killed in the naval battle off Jutland, on the Police-Sergeant Carr left Barnard Castle by the noon train on Saturday last to take up his new duties at Crook. The Vicar of Barnard Castle is on a visit to Plymouth, and is staying at the Grand Hotel. Middleton-in-Teesdale has cent a further Contribution of 22 5s, through Mrs Isaac Parkio, to the Red Cross Pency Fund. This, with the previous contribution of 27 for the Month of April, makes, for the past two months and the provides contribution of 27 for the set bard, has been the service. He entered the experiences in the service. He entered the experiences in the service. He entered the navy as cade on 15th July, 1891, and became indebigment on 15th July, 1893. In this capacity he joined the battleship "Hood" on 17th August in that year, and then served in the served is the served as the served the capacity of the served be at 1 the looped of the served be at 1 the served be at 1 the looped of the s Week-ood, as the gaest of the esteemed Roy. J. W. Brent. He preached on Sanday ovening in Laitbkirk Church. 14th Jacuary, 1896, when he was in the "Gibralbar" for a few days, being transferred to the "Volage," in the training squaron, on 28th Jacuary. In this ship he was shipmate

one of the lest surviving workmen who assisted 'Pygmy" from 1st November, 1898. On in the o petruction of the famous Belab 11th February, 1899, he was promoted to the

Visdoot, near Barrar. Darleg the months of April and May 3,557 eggs and 25 14s. in money, to be speat on eggs have been collected in Gainford, legietor. Sammerhouse and Headlam districts. The eggs are sent to the 1st Northern General Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne. 11th Fabruary, 1899, he was promoted to the "Vernon" on 1st October, 1900, to qualify as torpedo lieutenau, and served as torpedo specialist in the "Voican," 17th August, 1905; "Cause." 22nd Jucc, 1904; and "Balwark," 9th May, 1905. On 9th August, 1907, he was appointed to "President" to serve in the ordnance depart-ment, was promoted to commander on 20th one winter. Respiral, Newcastle-on-Tyne. The Archdeacen of Richmood was at Barnicgham on Monday. Hereiter to the first of the origination of the "Victoricus" from 15th September. He re-joined the "Vernon" on 22nd August, 1811, this time for

A meeting in connection with the Women's Auxiliary of Foreign Missions at Barnard Castle was addressed by Miss M. B. Piace, R. List. on Monday night. - The Rev. J. Penrose Hodgson opened the meeting, and Mrs W. Hutohinson, who presided, dwelt upon the physical suffering which women undergo in India, no ray of sumshine, or light, or joy seeming to come to them Women were working and waiting for baptism, and women's work lay at the foundation of general missionary enterprise. - Miss Eacott submitted an encouraging financia! statement, and Mrs Willey rendered a solo, entitled, "The Voice of the Esther."-Miss Place gave a very interesting circumstantial account of her work in a vernacular school in training teachers, and demonstrated the extraordinary and almost insurmountable metaphysical difficulties experienced in dealing with pupils.

The dislect or language, presumably of the Aryan stock, for example, had no word which conveyed exactly the same meaning as the Reglish written sign, "heacour." Girls confused the meaning of the word with that of "dignity," or its equivalons in Urdu or other of the spoken songues. Brahma was the supreme post-Verdio Hindu deity, and the speaker pictured the misory of a young girl being ostracised by family and friends on leaving Brahminism and accepting christianity. breaking of caste was, indeed, a very serious matter in India, and the early marriage of girls for financial considerations was pitiable.

Letter from Mr J. Wright, South Africa.

Fine Career of his Jackey Son.

Mr James Wright, who recently left Barnard Castle to take up his residence in South Africa with his son, who is doing so well in the suddlo, writes to Mr. H. Waine, Newgyte, Barnard Castle, as follows : I am sorry to see by the paper that so many young men have given their lives for their country. I am thankful that I arrived here safely, although we had a parrow escape. This is a very beautiful country, and my son's place is four miles out of Durban. He has got a lot of poulary, and they are goud bred birds. He has also six louse-boxes, and I into d putting up other six. I get my trainer's liceuse out on Monday, and I am going to train for one of the richest gentiemen in Durban. I ar entering two borses to run on May 24th. The first races I storded L are wild and all other lead since gone. It is recorded first races I attended I saw my son ride one winner, and at the Darbaa Easter meeting I had the pleasure of witneming him ride four winners. He is the leading jockey out hore, and tons the list of wiening mounts up to now by a good fow - Mr Wright encloses a cutting of a paper containing a commens upon the Easter racer. It says that Wright was the most successful jockey, winning four races in the two days, no other jockey riding more than the two days, no other jockey riding more than

The latest gifts sent to the Church Army for its war hospital in Soutland for the Navy are a fine pony chair, given by a Somersetshiro family Police-Sergeant Kalkener, of Jarrow, recently mireless telegraphy duties. His last appoint-moneted, will, it is understood, succeed lost his life, having joined her on 2nd starrangements, received from September, 1913.

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The supply of ore in most of the Yorkshire mines shows little or no sign of becoming exhausted, and experts who have gone thoroughly into the question have given it out that there are many districts on the Yorkshire Moors where the industry might

Yorkshire Moors where the industry might be carried on for generations. Roughly, the load-mining area of Yorkshire covers 1,000 square miles, the districts where lead is found being in Tausdale, Lundale, Swaledale and Atkengarindale. Wensleyedzle, Nidderdale, Upper Wharfedale, Ribblesdale, and portions of the Airedale district. The best because mires probably are house in Tausdale. known mines probably are those in Teesdale, which were worked almost without interroption from 1690 to 1905. The mines within the mapors of Richmond,

Middleham, and Arkongarthdale are of great antiquity, there being prosfs that they were worked so far back we 1582. In Arkengarthdale there are mines which are said to have been worked by the Romans. In Woosleydale, some filty mines are known to have been worked, and all were exceedingly profitable

The Alredale district has been comparatively little investigated for lotd-ore except between Malham and Sottle, and at Concolley, which is in many a desorted dale as a reminder of a prosperity long since gone. It is recorded that Yorkshire's output was 12,406 tons in

The engagement is announced of Captain Horbert B. En'ey, 10th Darban Light Lifactry, son of Mr Brack Enloy, Johannshurg, and Miss Dorolly M. Horrecky, daughter of Mrs

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Middleton and District Annnal Hospital Effort.

The annual effort last week-oud for hospital funds exceeded all expectations The com-mittee deemed it wise to somewhat modify the and the lack of young men in the district. The procession, which is always a great attraction, wasabandoned, but an extensive house-to-house collection was carried out by the following only a few shillings below last year's takings. -On Saturday night a public meeting war held on the Bair Hill, under the presidency of

Mr R. W. Raine, J.P., who, in an interesting address, referred to the work of voluntary hospitals. He spoke of the self-sacrifice of the medical profession, and alluded to the large number of operations and expert attention given free at the infimary to the working classes of the district, and commended the work to the sympathy and support of the residents.-Addresses were also given by Councillor W. McClenning, J.P., and Mr S Coultbard (representatives of the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Type).-Mr A. Fletcher (function) secretary of the infirmary) gave a brief report of the year's working and the fivancial position of the institution. He also wished to convey the thanks of the Governors of the infirmary to the workers in this district, and to place on record their high appreciation of the services of the late treasurer (Dr. J. Beadie), who had for so many

worked, and ali wore exceedingly products in their day. The most prolific mining ground of the whole of Yorkshire, however, is that of Greenrow Hill, near Pateley Bridge. The mines there were formerly worked by a Leeds company. Between Pately and Grassington on the moorland were many mines, and with a brarch of the Midland Railway running now to Grassington, the revival of the ladustry which is contemplated is made all the more familie. Higher up the dale there were formed as a state of the kindle and all the state of the brocked by a branch of the Midland Railway running now to Grassington, the revival of the ladustry match is contemplated is made all the more familie. Higher up the dale there were inds. Messis Tinkler and Metoalt acted as masters of ceremonies, and the mulio was supplied by Messis F. Watson, T. Pinkaey, and W. Soott.-Ou Sunday Mr Fletcher, Cour-ciller McClenning, and Mr Coulthard occupied the pulpits at the various Nonconformist phone of multiple which collections were places of worship, as which collections were made for the hospital funds.

Moor Wesleyan Sunday School Anniversary.

The Wesloyan Sunday school enviversary services at Marwood were held on Saturday and Sunday.- On Saturday night addresses were given by Miss Walten, of Cothoraton; and the Rev. J. P. Hodgiou, of Barnard Castle. The meeting was ably precided over by Mr Lynn, of Barnard Castle. - On Sunday aftermoon achi-dwarfs saving was held consisting of dren's service was beld, consisting of reeltations and dialogues. Speelal singing was rendered by the school children, assisted by choir and friends. Miss Walton conducted the risernoon service, and also gave an address in the evening. The reciting, singleg and address were greatly enjoyed by the spierdid engregation who gathered on each occasion.

Olork to the Urban Council. Barnard Custle, Jace 6cb, 1916.

Whit-Monday, Locally.

Effort for the Red Gross and Local Nursing Association.

15 has been decided by the Barnard Castle and Sa offorth Norsing Ass clattor, in con-junction with the Red Oreas Society, to have a collection on Whit-Monday is aid of the funds ten young ladies, who were drezzed in nurses tribe - Mizzes B. Nicholson, A. Hunt, A. Gibzec, S. Bell, L. Nixer, G. Dent, J. Coltman, M. Beil, Peggio Besdle, and Jennie Raine. This proved to be very satisfactory, being wery generically allowed collections to be made very gener usly allowed collections to be made in the park near the entrances. The noted St. Hilda's Band is ongaged to give concerts in the afternoon and evening at the Museum Park.

> The care of a family of eight daughters was considered by the Teesdale Guardians on Wednesday.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND GEATHS.

Marriage.

ELDERS : ANDERSON .- At Baroi gham, on the labicstrate, by Canon Hough, John, yourgest son of Mras d Mrs Eldors, of Bredbury, to Acole, yourgest daughter of Mrs and the late Mr M. Accorson, of Newsbra Hall.

Dastas.

BAYLES .-- On Thursday, June 1st, 1916, Mary O'ive, eldest and dearly beloved daughter of William and Jaco Bayles, of Mourt Pleasant, Bowes, oged 17 years .- Was interred at Bowes, on Monday, Jure 5th.

HARRIS .- On June 2nd (unddenly), at Carlton House, Guigate, Barnard Castle, Annie Rizzbeth (Naccy), the beloved wils of Jämen Barris, and daughter of Thimas Blackburg, Angel Hotel.-Was interred yesterday, Jane 6th.

In Memoriam. BROWN.-Is loving memory of our doar mother, Jano Brown, Folly Same, Egglestene.

Two years have parsed, and none can tell, The loss of one we loved so well; But while abe lies in peaceful sleep. Her memory we shall always keep.

- Ever remembered by the family.

JACKSON.-In leving memory of cur doar nother, Elizabeth Jackson, who died at River-terrace. Middlaton-in-Teresdale, on Jun 7th, 1915; also gur dear father, John Jucktor, who died on Bebruary 2nd, 1916.

Life is long without our parents, Lonely are our hearts to-day, For it brings back to our memoriu How they quickly passed away. In memory we can see them. As we did in days gone by. And hope that we will meet them In heaven by and by.

-Ever rem orbered by their two daughters, 5f. and L. Jyckson.

Boturn Thanks.

Mit HARRIS wishes to thank all friends for their kindness and sympathy in his sorrow and and den beroavement.

ME METCALFE AND FAMILY desire to seturn theoks for kind enquiries and sympathy shown to them during their sad boreavement, also for 6 ral wreaths and flowers.- Valley Barm, Bowes.

1856-that was when pig-lead was £22 a tou.