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Miscellaneous Wants, Sales, Etc. FOR SALE a Stack of Hay, about 5 Tons.—Apply, W. H., "Teesdale Mercury" Office, Barnard Castle. FOR SALE, Shed of Good, Old-land Hay, on Darlington Road.—Apply, Mr Wm. Heddon, East Selaby, Gaiford. Property, Etc., for Sale. COMFORTABLE BEDROOM to Let (one or two ladies), share sitting-room.—Apply, Box 20, "Teesdale Mercury" Office, Barnard Castle. HOUSE to Let, No. 3, Park-terrace, Barnard Castle. Entry May day next.—Apply, J. Ingram Dawson, Solicitor, Barnard Castle. TO LET, at May Term, No. 9, King-street, Barnard Castle, containing 7 rooms, with garden, greenhouse and stable.—Apply, 6, The Bank. TO LET, 21 Acres of Accommodation Land, between Darlington Road and Green-lane, Possession 6th April.—Apply, F. York, Barnard Castle. TO LET, House and Shop, with double windows, in good position, all conveniences, including capital bakehouse and warehouse. A good chance for any trade.—Apply, Robt Arrowsmith, 28 Bank, Barnard Castle.

Education. High School for Girls, Bede Terrace, Barnard Castle. Principal - Miss Eglington. Pupils prepared for Cambridge Local and Royal Academy of Music Examinations. Outside Pupils are admitted to instruction in Music, also to the Art Class. Prospectus on application. School re-opens on January 23rd, 1917. Principal at home on and after January 17th. Apply, 5, Bede Terrace. Westholm College, Etherley Lane, Bishop Auckland.

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Religious Announcements. FREE CHRISTIAN (UNITARIAN) CHURCH, Newgate, Barnard Castle.—Sunday, February 11th, 1917.—Morning, 10-45; Afternoon, 3.—preacher, Rev. J. R. Robinson. ALL-STREET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Barnard Castle.—Sunday, February 11th, 1917.—Morning, 10-30; Evening, 6-80; preacher, Mr Nelson, Barnard Castle. PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH, Newgate, Barnard Castle.—Sunday, Feb. 11th, 1917.—Morning, 10-30; Evening, 6-30; preacher, Rev. O. H. Lightfoot. WESLEYAN CHURCH, Barnard Castle.—Sunday, February 11th, 1917.—Morning, 10-30; Evening, 6-30; preacher, Rev. Rubinson Lang.

General Notices. PIANOS and Organs Tuned and Repaired. Country orders attended to.—Arthur Weinwright, Headlam House, Barnard Castle. Barnard Castle and Startforth CONSERVATIVE WORKING MEN'S CLUB. A Whist Drive and Social Will be held in the Club Reading-Room, On THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1917, commencing at 7 p.m. Suitable Prizes offered for Whist Drive. Admission, 1/2 (Light Refreshments Included). Proceeds in aid of Club Funds. Tickets to be obtained from members of the Committee; the Carpenters, at the club; or from the Honorary Secretaries, Messrs A. H. Nicholson (Newgate) and S. R. Leeds (Headlam-terrace). BOWES RED CROSS WORKING PARTY. A JUMBLE SALE will be held in the School-room, ON SATURDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 10th, at 2 p.m. precisely. Admission Free. Tea, 6d. each. To be followed in the Evening by A GRAND CONCERT kindly given by Miss Mettee MacNicol's War Concert Party. Doors open at 6-30, to commence at 7. Admission, 1/2 and 7d. (Children half-price). Supper, 9d. each. All Profits to be divided between the British Red Cross Society and our own Local Branch (for material).

Congregational Church, Barnard Castle. Young Ladies' Effort in Aid of Church Funds. AN ENTERTAINMENT will be given in the above School-room (Queen Street entrance), on Thursday, February 8th, 1917, consisting of Musical Play, Action Songs by Children; Vocal and Instrumental Music, and Patriotic Play by Young Ladies; concluding with a Laughable Sketch, entitled, "AUNT MATILDA'S COLLAR." To be presided over by MISS HEDLEY. Admission, 7d.; a few Reserved Seats, 1/2. To commence at 7 p.m.

To the Public of Barnard Castle and District. THOMAS BOARDMAN, GROCER, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT, Bank, Barnard Castle, HAVING joined His Majesty's Forces, desires to express his appreciation of the confidence and support shown to him in the past, and begs to announce that in his absence the business will be managed by Mr W. KIPLING (who has been in his employ for the past eight years). As in the past, all orders will receive prompt attention.

Eggleston Church Social Will be held in the SCHOOL ROOM, On FRIDAY, February 9th, 1917, 7-30-2 a.m. Admission, 1/7, which will include Light Refreshments.

AND SATURDAY, FEB. 10th, 6-11 p.m. Admission, 6d. (Refreshments not included). Re John Coates, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having Claims against the Estate of the above-named John Coates, of Long Green, Barnburgh, Yorks., who died on the 8th day of January, 1917, are requested to send particulars of such Claims to the undersigned, the Solicitor for the Administratrix, forthwith; and all persons indebted to the said Deceased are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me. Dated this 29th day of January, 1917. J INGRAM DAWSON, Solicitor for the Administratrix.

Re Mrs Mabel Carter, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having Claims against the Estate of the above-named Mabel Carter, of Crich House, Galgate, Barnard Castle, who died on the 18th day of January, 1917, are requested to send particulars of such Claims to the undersigned, the Solicitor for the Executors of the Will of the Testatrix, forthwith; and all persons indebted to the Testatrix are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me. Dated this 29th day of January, 1917. J INGRAM DAWSON, Solicitor for the Executors.

MICKLETON. AN ENTERTAINMENT will be given in the Institute, on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1917, consisting of Songs, Recitations, Action Songs (in Costume), Ribbon Drill, etc. Proceeds in aid of the Fund for Providing Woollen Comforts for the Mickleton Boys serving their King and Country. Doors open at 6-30 commencing at 7 p.m. Tickets to be obtained from Mrs G. V. Tero, Hawberries.

LOCAL AGENT - E. HOLDSWORTH, Masons' Pharmacy, Barnard Castle.

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Sales by Auction. BARNARD CASTLE & TEESDALE FARMERS' AUCTION MARI CO., LTD. JOHN BAINBRIDGE, Kirkby Stephen; and GEORGE TARN BAINBRIDGE & SON, Darlington, Auctioneers. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH, 1917. THE Usual FORTNIGHTLY SALE will be held, when there will be forward the usual supplies of DAIRY COWS and HEIFERS, FAT and STORE CATTLE and SHEEP. Sale in both Kings at 10.30. FAT STOCK. 4 FAT CATTLE, Mr Geo. Atkinson 2 Do. " R. W. Brown 2 Do. " Walker Wilson 1 Do. " T. Atkinson 1 Pen FAT SHEEP, " Wilkinson 2 FAT HEIFERS, Lord Barnard 2 FAT BULLOCKS, Mr John Jackson 1 FAT PIG, " Do. STORE STOCK. 7 BULLOCK SPIRES, Mr J. R. Metcalfe 4 Do. 2 1/2 yrs. & 1/2, " J. C. Metcalfe 4 STRONG BULLOCKS, " J. E. Porter

BULL SHOW AND SALE, TUESDAY, February 20th, 1917. Entries for Catalogue close February 14th. GEO. BELL, Secretary. Blakely, Staindrop.

PARKINSON & SON, AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, Central Sale Rooms, Established 1876. THOMAS ADDISON, Auctioneer and Valuer. Sales of all Descriptions. Valuations for Probate and Legacy Duties. Prompt Settlements. Pasture End, Bowes.

Central Sale Rooms, Barnard Castle. JOHN PARKINSON & SONS, INSTRUCTED by Mrs Lawrence, Newgate, Barnard Castle, and other vendors, will remove to the above Rooms, and SELL BY AUCTION, On Thursday, February 15th, 1917, A quantity of useful HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE TRAP, ETC., including:- Good Toned PIANO, in Walnut Case, by Squire, of London; massive mahogany extending dining table, round table. 7-piece Saddlebag Suite, in good order; mahogany couch, in hair; couch, in figured velvet; glass-door bookcase, couch, in leather; hinged table board, Fine Gilded Pier Glass, walnut overmantel, brass kerb fender, stool fender and iron, 2 treadle sewing machines, couch, in leather; 4 small chairs, to match; pictures, cornice poles. Edison Phonograph, 2 Trumpets, 85 Records; medicine cupboard, mandolin, 2 brass mantel rods, round tables, small tables, children's chairs, passage oilcloth, floor oilcloths, mats linoleum, tapestry square, 3 by 8 1/2 yards; clock and vase, 2 aspidistra plants, birch tudor bedstead and banglows, Heavy Black and Brass Bedstead, combination bedstead, 4 iron bedsteads, wire mattress, flock bed, zinc bath, swing glass, deal box, pair stained dressing tables, painted tables, painted three-quarter chest of drawers, quilts, tablecloths, quantity of Sandow's cocoa, child's sec-saw, painted kitchen dresser, kitchen press, 3 kitchen tables, kitchen rocker, kitchen chairs, kitchen fender, fireirons, poss tub and stool, tidy belt, lamp, house steps, 2 wringing machines, and many sundries; also SPRING TRAP, in good condition, suitable for 12 hands pony. Sale at 1 p.m. Trap Sold at 3 p.m.

Marriage of Mr Charles M. Forbes and Miss Sadgrove. The marriage of Mr Charles M. Forbes, York, and Mildred Edith, eldest daughter of the late Rev. F. E. Sadgrove, formerly rector of Winstan-on-Tees, took place very quietly on January 31st, at St. Olave's Church, York. The officiating clergy were the Rev. Canon Nolloth, D.D., Vicar of Beverley Minster (the oldest friend of the bride's late father), assisted by the Rev. A. E. M. Glover, Vicar of the parish. Miss Sadgrove, who was given away by Miss Horsfall, Inglethorpe, Harrogate, wore a deep coral and tulle of purple chiffon velvet, trimmed with black and touches of gold, and diamond ear-rings, the gift of the bridegroom. Mr Forbes was accompanied by the Rev. W. O. F. Campbell, Vicar of St. Mary's, immediately after the ceremony Mr and Mrs Forbes left for the south.

Entertainment at Romalldkirk. A most successful entertainment, in aid of the Durham Prisoners of War Fund, was given in the reading-room on Thursday and Saturday last. In spite of the weather the audience on both nights was good, and the sum of £9 14s. was taken. It is hard to say whether "Alice in Wonderland" or the "Niggers" were the most popular, but the general opinion was that it was "much too short," which speaks well for the general entertainment.

Canon Parfitt at the County School. A most instructive and realistic lecture was delivered at the North Eastern County School on Friday night, by Canon Parfitt, a series of lantern slides helping successfully to illustrate Eastern topography and architecture, and to typify the manners and customs of various nations. Mr J. G. Hall, J.P., and Mrs Hall, Mr R. T. Richardson, J.P., the Rev. A. W. Stewart, Brigant, school examiner; Mr John Robson, Mrs J. B. Holmes, Miss Cookson, Mrs Brewster, Miss Drummond and others were present, the assistant-masters and boys assembling in full numbers in the large school-room. The Rev. F. L. Brereton, M.A., in a few introductory sentences, said Canon Parfitt had resided and worked in the East—in Syria and Palestine—for twenty years before the War, and came to them in a peculiarly interesting way as the exponent of knowledge gained by direct experience. The lecturer, in a forceful, lucid and most convincing manner, dealt with Germany's plans for her expansion eastwards, in the deepening of canals, the joining-up of rivers and the making of railways through Asia Minor to the Persian Gulf. Lord Montagu, as they had seen, had foreshadowed the sending of mails to India from London in three to five days, by perfected air service. Germany contemplated the opening of a corridor from the North Sea to the Persian Gulf, and in developing the Asiatic provinces of Turkey, an ideal railway service had been projected from Berlin to Baghdad, the journey to be encompassed in eight days. The lecturer enlarged upon the rich alluvial deposits in Mesopotamia, the irrigation schemes, and the possible growth of two crops in one year. The Viceroy of India had declared that it was a veritable Garden of Eden, and in terse sentences Canon Parfitt dealt with the characteristics of Erzerum, Mosul, Baghdad, Basra and Koweit, which is on the Persian Gulf, and Alexandria and other notable places. In an eloquent passage the distinguished missionary sketched the heroic fight put up by General Townshend, and declared, in the midst of enthusiastic applause, that the gallant soldier, notwithstanding his capitulation at Kut, yet saved the situation on the Indian frontier. The lecturer featured the tomb of Ezekiel, the Tower of Babylon, with fine allusions to antiquities associated with Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonian Monarch. In choice sentences the learned traveller described the attributes and scenery of the Tigris and Euphrates, and enlarged upon the dwellings and the life and idiosyncrasies of the people. Whilst the foes of Great Britain had been tramping down little nations, England had valiantly supported the cause of the weaker states, and the action of the Allies had made a tremendous impression on the Eastern races, while civilization had been rescued. Passionately sincere was the scholarly Canon in emphasizing the darkest plot in this terrible War—the diabolical attempt to arouse to Pan-Islamism a Holy War, and leading on the Turks to a descent on the Suez Canal and Egypt. He thanked High Heaven that the intrigue failed in so far as the Mohammedan population of our Indian Empire were concerned, and then was screened a truly marvellous photograph, representing tens of the ascetics of Moslems in devout prayer for the success of the English arms. It was certainly a most remarkable exhibition of fealty and loyalty, and was of a truly memorable feature in a never-to-be-forgotten lecture. The Headmaster, in thanking the Lecturer in the name of the boys, said he was quite sure that all of them personally had been not only interested, but they had learned a great lesson. He concluded: "We shall go out of this room this evening realizing, as none of us have realized before, what is the character of this glorious struggle in which this country and this empire is involved. We realize better than we did before how intense our danger has been, how intense has been the struggle, and how confidently we, on our side, may trust in God, and persevere in doing the right." The boys then accorded the Lecturer three rousing "North-Easters," and Canon Parfitt suitably replied.

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Barnard Castle and Startforth Nursing Association. The monthly meeting of the Executive Committee was held in the Dispensary, on Saturday last, and there were present Mrs White (in the chair), Mrs Martin, Mrs Watson, Mrs Mosby, Miss Barker, Mrs Gurn, Mrs Cooper, Miss Penderleith, Mrs Bainbridge, Mrs Wells, Miss Harris, Mrs Dawson, Mrs Wiseman, Mrs York; Miss Soar and Miss Walton (honorary secretaries), and Mr Dent (honorary treasurer). The Nurse reported 293 visits paid during January to 21 patients.—The income for the month was £23 11s. 1d.; made up of subscriptions, £4 4s.; members' subscriptions, 17s.; collectors, 11s. 11d.; fees, £4 19s.; donation from the Dispensary, £10; bank interest, £2 19s. 2d.—It was resolved to hold the annual meeting on February 22nd, when a good attendance of members and subscribers is hoped for.

What He Says of German Treatment. Private J. Simpson, 76, Galgate, Barnard Castle, who is a prisoner in Germany, writes to his mother under date January 1st, 1917, from Kriegs-Gefangenenlager Wshn (Rhd.), as follows:—"Just a few lines hoping to find you all quite well, as it leaves me at present. I had a good Christmas here, and I was alright. I am still in hospital, but am almost better. They have good doctors here. I think I can get English money changed. I am now able to talk about. I expect to see all my friends someday, although if I hadn't been treated so well by the Germans I would have said good-bye. But keep your heart up, as my wounds were not very serious. One on the arm and another on my hip gave me the most trouble, the others being only small. Altogether I had eight wounds, but they are all healed up, or thereabouts. I was injured whilst fighting on the Somme."

A Letter from a Barnard Castle Man a Prisoner in Germany. YOU SHOULD NOTE THE FACT that your fowls will be healthier and lay more Eggs if you give them a sprinkling of Ovon Thorley's Poultry Spice in their soft food.—Sold by the Successors of A. E. Barker, Corn Merchants, Barnard Castle.

Barnard Castle Freemasons. At the installation meeting on Thursday, at the Masonic Hall, Barnard Castle, Bro. William Brown was installed W.M., the ceremony being performed by the retiring W.M. (Bro. Lionel Simpson), assisted by Bro. O. S. Scott, P.P.S.G.D.; C. H. Welford, P.P.S.G.D.; J. W. B. Heslop, P.P.G.R.; and H. A. Thompson, P.P.G.St. The W.M. invited his officers as follows:—I.P.M., Bro. Lionel Simpson; S.W., R. Moore; J.W., C. H. Nicholson; Chaplain, the Rev. H. W. H. Brotham, M.A., P.M.; Treasurer and Almshouse, C. Hedley, P.M.; P.P.G.P.; Secretary and Charity Rep., Owen S. Scott, P.M., P.P.S.G.D.; D.C., J. W. B. Heslop, P.M., P.P.G.R.; S.D., R. Pelras; J.D., G. B. Welford; Organist, R. Woodhams, P.M.; P.P.S.Std.B.; I.G., J. W. Dent; Senior Steward, R. Liddle; Junior Steward, A. Howe; Assistant-Stewards, J. B. Jackson and W. Allison; Tyler, C. W. Stockdale. Owing to the War the usual banquet was dispensed with, the officers of the lodge, in an informal manner, having supper. The usual loyal and masonic toasts were duly honoured, absent members not being forgotten. The rest of the evening was spent in harmony.

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