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**LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.**

An opinion seems to have become rooted at Barnard Castle that the new pipe-track is to be laid by German labour. This is entirely erroneous, and we are asked by Mr Hugh Wilson, clerk to the Tees Valley Water Board, to say that only British working men will be engaged in the enterprise. No foreign labour of any kind will be employed. It is expected that the work may be commenced late in this week.

The only son and child of the Hon. John Bowes Lyon, son of the Earl of Strathmore, who holds a commission in the Black Watch, and is at present attached to the embassy at Washington, has died.

Two valuable ducks have established a record in the production of large eggs, both ducks belonging to Mr William Bayles, Birkhat, Baldersdale. One egg weighed eight ounces, and measured 10 inches by 8 inches, and another nearly 6 ounces, measuring 9 inches by 7 inches. The eggs can be seen at Birkhat.

Lord Barnard says no cartridges are allowed for sport, and if game is wanted it will have to be taken by hand.

Captain Mangles, the adjutant of the Durham County Volunteer Regiment, told the Teesdale Detachment, at Barnard Castle, on Sunday, that nobody knew what was going to happen in this war, but they must be prepared for any eventuality.

Official information has been received from the Infantry Record Office, York, to the effect that Sergt. J. W. Walton, of Stainton, of the Northumberland Fusiliers, is lying dangerously ill in the 13th General Hospital, France, suffering from gun-shot wounds. His left arm has been amputated, and his right arm is fractured. It is only about a month since the unfortunate soldier was at home on leave from the front, after two years' fighting, during which time he was twice wounded, and had just recently been recommended for a commission for bravery in the field. Yesterday, a further letter was received stating that Sergeant Walton's right arm has also been taken off.

Lady Anne Lambton's Durham County War Depot acknowledges garments from the Staindorp Working Party, per Mrs Philipps; the Cockfield War Workers' Guild, per Mrs Gardner; and from the Gairford Girls' Friendly Society, per Miss Watson.

The committee for providing comforts for sick and wounded at Malta (Barnard Castle branch) desire to express thanks to the many friends who, by contributions and assistance, caused the jumble sale to realise the extremely satisfactory sum of £24 4s. 8d. In particular it is felt that thanks are due to the Rev. H. W. L. Bircham for the loan of the Mission Hall, and to Mr and Mrs Borrowdale for officiating at the sale. In addition, the committee gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following contributions for the funds of the organisation: Mr and Miss Summerson, Cockfield, 10s.; Mr R. T. Richardson, 10s.; Miss Armstrong, 10s.; Mr F. York, 3s.; Mr H. York, 2s. 6d.; Mr Lee, 2s. 6d.; Mrs Adams, 2s. 6d.; Mrs Black, 2s. 6d.; Mrs Dodds, 2s. 6d.; Mr Beetham, 2s. 6d.; Miss E. Harris, 2s.

The members of the Mothers' Meeting, in connection with the Church Mission Hall at Barnard Castle, visited High Force on Monday, and spent an enjoyable day.

Regimental Quartermaster-Sergt. A. Armistage, of the General Staff, France, who left Barnard Castle on the 10th inst. to rejoin his depot, was taken ill on the way, and was conveyed to a military hospital at Chelsea, where he still lies.

The Rev. J. B. Robinson reports that 1,000 eggs have been despatched during the last fortnight from the local depot for our wounded soldiers and sailors, per the National Egg Collection, the receipts being: 47 from Bowes (Misses N. and M. Alderson); 74 Spital (Mrs J. J. Hird); 30 and two shillings and sixpence, Scargill and Hope (Miss Hillary); 38 Ravensworth (Miss Plews); 34 Startforth (Mrs Douglas and Miss Will); the remainder being collected in Barnard Castle town and market.

There is a fine pencil sketch in the town of the Cricketers' Arms at Barnard Castle in 1660. It is the property of Mr Robinson, chemist, Darlington.

A band is being formed in connection with the Startforth and district detachment (C company) of the North Yorkshire Volunteer Regiment.

In connection with Miss Mitchell's visit to the Barnard Castle Wesleyan Church, to-morrow night, there are some special items of music, including Mr Singer's quartette party and a solo by Mrs Willey. Mr J. G. Willey is the organist for the occasion.

The arrangements for the grand military carnival, at Barnard Castle, on the first Saturday in July, are almost complete, and include comprehensive items of interest. Good contests are assured, and supporters can look forward to a pleasant afternoon and evening's enjoyment. Several special "turns" are promised for the concert. Intending competitors for the 100 yards local handicap are asked to send their names to Mr C. Raine (handicapper), Bridgegate, with as little delay as possible.

Mr J. T. Marquiss has kindly undertaken the duties of secretary to the local Tradesmen's Association until Mr Dunn is released from military service.

Private Alfred Smith, of the Durham Light Infantry, who was wounded during the fighting in France, has arrived at his home, Thorngate, Barnard Castle, for a short furlough.

A memorial service was held in St. John's Church, Ingleton, on Sunday last, for Private Stephen Todd, son of Mr and Mrs Southern Todd, of Hilton, near Gairford, who was killed in action on June 7th, in France.

**MILITARY WEDDING AT COTHERSTONE.**

**Captain L. W. Whitty Married to Miss Saville.**

Wedding Cake Cut with Bridegroom's Sword.  
 "Bridals, who had neglected bridegrooms," asks the old sexton in Scott's "Bride of Lammermoor," and surely the venerable Scottish kirk official would have been mightily pleased with the happy event of Wednesday last, when the bells of the church dedicated to St. Cuthbert, at Cotherstone, rang out a merry peal, heralding a joyous wedding morn. In this hour of England's great need, when so many stalwart sons of Britain have bravely done the uniform of our beloved Monarch, it was fitting that the choice of the bride should have been a gallant officer who had served his King and country during practically the whole course of this war. The people of Cotherstone evinced a kindly interest in the event, and, as the appointed hour of the ceremony drew near, the ornate church became nicely filled with a congregation of well-wishers, and included, amongst others, Mrs Whitty, Mrs Saville, Mrs Herbert Lingford, Mr and Mrs Ernest Lingford, Mrs Cothay, Miss Jopling, Miss E. Jopling, Miss J. Jopling, and Mrs Leahman. The parties thus united in the bonds of holy matrimony were Captain Lowellie Wallingford Whitty, of the 3rd Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers, youngest son of the late Rev. W. J. S. Whitty, of Farthinghoe, Northants, and of Mrs Witly, of Hethe, Oxfordshire, and Miss Grace Christine Stafford Saville, elder daughter of the late Rev. A. A. Saville, of Lincoln, and of Mrs Saville, of Cotherstone. The bridegroom is of smart, soldierly bearing, and wears the gold braid as an evidence of being wounded, was mobilised with his regiment on the 6th of August 1914, and went to the front with another battalion of the Lancashire Fusiliers on the 28th of October, 1915, returning on March 28th, 1916. Being transferred to yet another battalion of the same regiment, Captain Whitty again proceeded to France in the following October, and came again to England on the 14th of March, 1917. He was wounded on the 22nd of October, 1915, near Arras, by an aerial torpedo. On Wednesday morning, accompanied by his cousin, Mr Edward Livett Frank, the gallant captain, in the well-known uniform of his rank, walked to the church, where Miss Walton, the organist, played the "Wedding March." The bridal party were shortly afterwards motored to the door of the sacred edifice, and as they walked down the aisle the choir and congregation sweetly sang the hymn, "O, perfect love." The bride looked extremely pretty in a neat dress of charmeuse and Georgette, trimmed with pearls and silver. She also wore a veil of tulle, caught with a wreath of orange blossom, and carried a lovely bouquet of white roses. Miss Dorothea Whitty, sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Isabelle Matthews attended as bridesmaids, and they were daintily attired in dresses of pale blue and grey Georgette, with black hats. They also each had a bunch of sweet peas, and wore gold bangles, the gifts of the bridegroom. The officiating clergy were the Rev. G. R. Wilkinson, Chaplain to the Forces, assisted by the Rev. E. E. Wilkinson, Curate of the parish. After the nuptial knot was tied the Rev. G. R. Wilkinson uttered a few words of counsel to the newly-wedded pair, and prayed that God's blessing might be upon them. There was nothing happier in the world than a career based upon religion, and if they in their married life looked to God as their source of help they would not be disappointed. The bridegroom was now on active service, but the speaker hoped it would not be long before the war was over, and the bride and bridegroom settled in their new home, where, if they trusted in Jesus Christ, and believed in prayer, charity and the holy communion, they would form a sure foundation of joy and happiness throughout their lives. As the bride and bridegroom emerged from the church—the sun, meanwhile, shining in all the splendour of a summer morn—the village bells pealed forth in joyous melody, and the bridal party were literally covered with confetti as they made their way to the awaiting motor-car. The wedding breakfast was held at the home of the brides sister (Mrs Herbert Lingford), and the happy bride out the cake with her husband's sword. Before motoring to Larlington railway station, where Captain and Mrs Whitty left by the 12-25 p.m. train, the wedding groups were photographed by Mr Allan Ramsden. A large number of hands me presents were received.

**WOUNDED SOLDIERS AT MIDDLETON.**

**Terrific Blow on the Food Supplies: all Attacks Repulsed by the Villagers.**

The wounded soldiers from the Bishop Auckland Infirmary, having decided to make an attack upon the catering abilities of the inhabitants of Middleton, from whom they had previously received a very hearty invitation, set off on their outward journey about 10-30 a.m. on Wednesday of last week. Finding their ranks had been somewhat depleted a day or two previous, a hurried invitation was extended to Windlestone V.A.D. Hospital to make up their fighting strength, and, in addition to this, to make sure of their success, a further draft of some 53 non-commissioned officers and men were obtained from Brancopeth Castle, to whom the invitation from that strong committee of workers had been extended through the honorary secretary to the Bishop Auckland committee. They, too, set off at 10-30 a.m., but, as in actual warfare, various mishaps had to be contended with, and, though one of the transport motors broke down some three miles from home, another was quickly requisitioned, and they again sped on their way. Travelling by way of the Groves and Woodland Fells, Egglestone was eventually reached, and the usual refreshment was again served by Mr Thompson, of Gate House Farm. The party arrived at Middleton at 1-30 p.m., the town being gallily decorated with flags and bunting. The tables in the Wesleyan school-room, where dinner and tea were served, were beautifully adorned with emblems and flowers, and a very active staff of ladies was in attendance. Dr. Beadle, president of the local committee, bade the heroes a warm welcome. After a most enjoyable day a start was made for home at 7-45 p.m. Staindorp having been warned of the soldiers' return, a collection had been made by the Misses Lawson of that village, and "smokes" to the value of over £4 had been obtained, which were divided out during the short halt, the whole party reaching their destinations feeling much refreshed for their day's outing. Grateful thanks are extended to all who contributed in any way to the day's enjoyment for the wounded lads.

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**WILLIAM GEORGE PEARSON,**

clerk, 57, James-street, Jarrow, said Mr Johnson seemed suddenly to lose power, and Lewis White and he seemed to founder. When the latter got up to Johnson both of them went down directly. Mr J. H. White, with the rope round him, could not get down, though he tried two or three times to dive. Witness and his brother held the rope, and J. H. White was awfully exhausted, he having swallowed a good deal of water. The bodies were recovered by grappling irons.

**DR. WELFORD**

said he was stopped on his way from Briscoe to Barnard Castle, and immediately the bodies were recovered artificial respiration was resorted to, which was done and efficiently done. Everything was done that could be done. Johnson was first got out of the water, and then White.

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spoke approvingly of the recent act passed which diminished the number of juries then necessary, and suggested extended powers in the way of judicious discrimination on the part of the Coroner and medical faculty in determining whether an inquest was really necessary in certain cases. Mr Gardner complimented Mr J. H. White for his heroic conduct, and a jurymen said P. C. Forder himself strongly persisted in stripping and entering the water, but was prevented, and he "worked like a slave."—The jury found that the two men were accidentally drowned, and the bodies will be interred away from this locality.

**MILITARY WEDDING AT BARNARD CASTLE.**

A wedding of local interest took place at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Barnard Castle, on Thursday last, the contracting parties being Company Sergeant-Major Sibbald, Durham Light Infantry, and Miss Hilda Watson, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. Watson, Coronation-street. The service was fully choral, the bride being a member of the choir, and the nuptial ceremony was conducted by the Rev. C. H. Lightfoot. The bride was given away by her father, and was attired in white silk, with Leghorn hat to match, and carried a bouquet of roses and wore a gold wristlet watch, the gift of the bridegroom. She was attended by her sister, Miss Ida Watson, as bridesmaid, with hat to match, and wore a gold bracelet, the gift of the bridegroom. The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a gold signet ring. The duties of best man were carried out by Private J. E. Watson, brother of the bride. Numerous presents were received.

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**UPPER DALE NOTES.**

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Private T. W. Watson, son of Mr and Mrs J. S. Watson, Hude Gate, Middleton-in-Teesdale, who is attached to the Durham Light Infantry, and was severely wounded on the Somme, on January 24th, and sent to Rouen, from there to Dr. Stevens private hospital, Dublin, invalided to Corrig Castle Hospital, then to Holly Wood Military Hospital, Belfast, is now on ten days' leave at his home. The brave soldier tells some wonderful tales of his experiences.

The many friends in Teesdale of Lieutenant J. G. Gargate, son of Mr and Mrs A. Gargate, divisional superintendent of police, Feilong-on-Tyne, who was severely wounded on June 8th, will be pleased to hear that he is doing well. His father and mother visited him, in London, recently, and found him most cheerful. Lieut. Gargate had a providential escape. Three trees have been amputated from his right foot, and he suffered a fair dose of shrapnel wounds from head to foot on his right side. He only changed places with the corporal half-a-minute before the shell burst. The corporal and a private were both killed. Mr and Mrs Gargate wish to thank the friends in Teesdale for their kind enquiries.

Private A. Griev, son of Mr and Mrs R. Griev, Breckholme Farm, Middleton, is now at home on leave, after being wounded in France. He has been in Napsbury Hospital.

We are pleased to note that at the recent examinations, held at Bishop Auckland under the Durham County Council, three scholars, Annie Bowron, Peggy Beadle, and Stanley Thompson, from the Middleton Council School have been successful in winning scholarships, which entitles them to three years' tuition at Bishop Auckland Secondary School.

The Newbiggin Wesleyans celebrated their Sunday school anniversary last week end. On Saturday night a public meeting was held, presided over by Mr P. Beadle (Forest), when addresses were given by Mr J. Toward (Harwood) and Mr E. Emerson (Evenwood). Mr Emerson was the preacher on Sunday, when the chapel was crowded to excess. Special hymns and recitations were rendered at all the services by the scholars and choir. Miss Nabrass and Miss Watson presided at the organ.

The death took place, after a short illness, at Hungary Hall, on Sunday, of Mrs Florence Raine, wife of Mr Thomas Raine, at the age of 39 years. The deceased lady was a daughter of Mr James Hird, of Spital, and was married about nineteen years ago. The late Mrs Raine was of a generous and courteous disposition, and will be greatly missed in the district. She took a great interest in the Nursing Association and was a lifelong churchwoman. Husband and four children are left.

**DURHAM COUNTY VOLUNTEER REGIMENT.**

**Local Detachment Inspected.**

**Address by the County Commandant.**

On Sunday afternoon Lieutenant-Colonel W. C. Blackett, formerly of the 8th Durham Light Infantry Battalion, the new Commandant, and successor to Colonel Barton, inspected the local detachment on the Demesnes. Major J. W. B. Heslop was in command. Lieutenant-Colonel Blackett, addressing the men, said the Volunteer force in that county was receiving a very great deal more attention from the Government than it ever did before, and it behoved every one of them to live up to that ideal. It was true that uniforms came slowly, but arms and equipment were more fully supplied. But they must remember that the Government were in great straits in every possible way in finding supplies, and arms marked for home service had been sent abroad. All these conditions called upon them all to work more strictly than they had hitherto done. The force had increased in the county, where twelve battalions were now in existence, and other branches were being formed, such as artillery, electrical units, engineers and so forth. Discipline was improving daily, because men and officers alike were realising, as they were getting more trained, the value and importance of it. He wanted men to be patient in their drill, and especially in learning the smaller details, because there was no detail taught in the army which was not of importance. Do everything according to the letter of the book or the instructions. Do not lose faith in perseverance, and never let them forget that a fault once learned was bad to unlearn. He might tell them that he was the new county Commandant, and he had the County Adjutant with him, and he understood that in Barnard Castle the strength of this movement was not what it should be. From what he knew of the town it was a place which certainly ought to provide a really good, well-drilled, smart company, of which the district should be proud. He was quite aware that Volunteers in the past had not received the encouragement they would have liked, but that appreciation was coming on, as day by day they were being more encouraged, and he hoped that every man there, and every non-commissioned officer and soldier would do his best to bring the present detachment at Barnard Castle up to the full strength. For, as they got to be better in efficiency and greater in numbers enthusiasm in the work would increase, because zeal and keenness always had intensified as men got prouder of their position. He trusted the detachment would become one of the best detachments in the 4th Battalion, as the men in that district were bred in clean, good air, and must make clean and good soldiers. Sincerely would he like to see it come to pass.—Captain Mangles, the County Adjutant, afterwards delivered an instructive address on the importance of initiative squad drill.

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**Harry Lauder's practical help to the boys in the trenches.**

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**BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.**

**Marriages.**

**SIBBALD: WATSON.**—On the 21st of June, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Barnard Castle, by the Rev. C. H. Lightfoot, Company Sergeant-Major Sibbald, 17th Durham Light Infantry, to Hilda, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. Watson, 11, Coronation-street, Barnard Castle.

**WHITTY: SAVILLE.**—At St. Cuthbert's Church, Cotherstone, on Wednesday, June 20th, 1917, by the Rev. G. R. Wilkinson, Chaplain to the Forces, assisted by the Rev. E. E. Wilkinson, Curate of the parish, Captain L. W. Whitty, 3rd Lancashire Fusiliers, youngest son of the late Rev. W. J. S. Whitty and of Mrs Whitty, of Hethe, Oxfordshire, to Grace C. S. Saville, elder daughter of the late Rev. A. A. Saville and of Mrs Saville, of Cotherstone.

**Roll of Honour.**

**ALLISON.**—In loving memory of my dear husband, Private Frederick Allison, Northumberland Fusiliers, killed in action, April 28th, 1917.

How little we thought when we bade him "good-bye," We had to part for ever, and he was to die; The grief that we felt, for we loved him so well, That we could not be with him to bid him farewell. But the hardest part has yet to come, When the warriors return, And we miss among the cheering crowd The face of our loved one. In France he rests in peace, A soldier true and brave, And there with honour now he sleeps In a noble soldier's grave.

—Ever remembered by his loving wife and little one, mother-in-law, and sister-in-law, also his two little nieces, Jenny and Lizzie.

**LITTLE.**—Died of wounds received in action, May 9th, aged 34 years, Sergeant Arthur W. Little, 10th Durham Light Infantry, dearly beloved brother of Mrs Janet E. Murgrew, of 26, Crispin-street, Mill-ace, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

I mourn for thee, dear brother,  
 But not with outward show,  
 For those who mourn sincerely—  
 Mourn silently and low.  
 Like ivy on a withered oak,  
 When all those else decay,  
 My love for you will still be green,  
 And never fade away.  
 Duty called, and he was "here"  
 To "do his bit" and take his share—  
 His heart was good, his spirit brave—  
 His resting place is a hero grave.

—Deeply mourned by his loving sister, Janet, and his nephews and nieces, Emily, Jack, Arthur, Ethel, Leslie, Ruth, Terence and Dennis Murgrew.

**ROBSON.**—Killed in action, 14th June, 1917, Frank Robson, second son of Mr and the late Mrs Clayton Robson, North Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**WHITTAKER.**—Killed in action, in France, on the 10th of June, 1917, Joby Whittaker, brother of Mrs William Jones, Thorngate, Barnard Castle.—He answered his country's call.

**Deaths.**

**COULTHARD.**