

The York and Lancaster regimental sports will be held on Whit-Monday at Deerpark. There will be a 220 yards flat race open to competitors within a radius of four miles from the camp-ground. The prizes will be: 1st, £1; 2nd, 10s.; 3rd, 5s. The entrance fee will be 6d. each, and names are to be sent not later than Saturday, May 26th, to Mr W. Ascoug, Bank, who has kindly consented to handpick this event. A collection will be taken on the ground for the local funds and battalion sports club. A grand concert will be held in the evening of the same day, in the Victoria Hall. Admission by programme to be obtained at the door. See programmes and posters issued later.

With the many special veterinary hospitals at the bases, and with the Mobile Veterinary Section attached to each division of the British armies in the field, there exists now a perfect chain of organisation devoted to the care of the many hundreds of thousands of animals that bear their share in our war by hauling guns and ammunition or supply waggons, besides the cavalry horses that are now with the advancing armies. This care is undertaken by the society which Miss Drummond represents in this town and district, and on whose behalf a "War Horses' Day" is fixed for Whit Wednesday at Barnard Castle. This appeal to farmers and others will, we feel sure, meet with a hearty response.

Cottage services in isolated farm-houses are still continued in the parish of Bowes, though on account of snowstorms a service at Sleightholm and a second at High Spital had to be abandoned.

In Rokeby Parish very much of men's work is being done by women, and the various organizations and working parties for providing comforts and helping the Red Cross are very active, and others try to do their bit by speaking for the good cause.

The Rev. C. Hilton Hutchinson, Rector of Wycliffe, is taking up his new work, under the National Service Scheme, at Killinghall Camp, near Harrogate, at an early date.

A warm welcome was extended to the soldiers attending the Wesleyan Church, on Sunday night, by the Rev. Robinson Lang, superintendent minister.

The Bowes contingent of the North Yorkshire Volunteer Regiment is flourishing under Corporal Soper's able and patient instruction. The Institute forms a very suitable covered drill-ground, and the squad is increasing numerically.

The Honorary Secretary of Lady Anne Lambton's Durham County Work Depot gratefully acknowledges the receipt of garments, etc., from Barnard Castle 1st Company of Girl Guides (per Miss Scarce); Miss Smith, Barnard Castle, and the Butterknowles Ladies' Working Party (per Miss J. K. Douglas).

The Board of Agriculture say that some varieties of seed potatoes, such as Up-to-Date and Abundance, stand cutting well; others, such as King Edward and Ninetyfold, may be much injured by cutting; others again, such as Arran Chief, are uncertain. Cut tubers are always less safe for planting in dry soils than in moist loams, and are less satisfactory in a dry than in a moist spring. The cut surfaces should be sprinkled with slaked lime, which prevents the potato drying after it has been cut.

Company Sergeant-Major R. Barnes, of the Durham Light Infantry, has arrived at Barnard Castle from the front.

For having fed pheasants with grain, Jeremiah Snelling, gamekeeper, in the employ of Lord Pirrie, at Witley Park, was fined £1 at Guildford. James McLean, head keeper, was fined £10 for causing the pheasants to be fed, and Henry Purkis, corn merchant, was fined £10 for aiding and abetting.

In the recent pupil teachers' examinations at Bishop Auckland Girls' County School, the following Middleton girls have been successfully passed:—Miss V. Bainbridge, Miss D. Brignall, and Miss J. Pettler.

Horse-owners are reminded that a recent Order of the Quartermaster-General under the Defence of the Realm Regulations required them to make returns of their horses before May 1st. Any horse-owner who has not yet made a return should obtain a form without delay from the nearest police station, and fill it up as directed.

Father O'Leary celebrated Holy Mass for the Roman Catholic troops at a neighbouring camp, on Sunday, May 6th. A suitable tent has been erected for the service, which will be continued every Sunday, at 10 a.m.

Mr and Mrs John Featherstone, employed by Mr John Errington, of Brignall, and aged respectively 70 and 66, have four sons and two sons-in-law serving in His Majesty's army.

The death is announced at Cleethorpes, of Mrs Anna Elizabeth Cawkwell, widow of the late Rev. Henry Cawkwell, and sister of the late Rev. George Brown, D.D., of Sydney, Australia, and formerly of Barnard Castle.

Lord Strathmore has agreed to accept £125 to release the Tees Valley Water Board from all obligations with respect to the stocking of the Grassholme reservoir with trout.

Judge Gawan Taylor, of Croftlands, Heads Nook, county court judge for Cumberland and Westmorland, well known in the old days as a practising barrister-at-law at Barnard Castle, has been notified by the War Office that his youngest son, Second Lieutenant Norman Gawan Taylor (York and Lancaster Regiment), has been missing since April 24th. His brother, Second Lieutenant Francis Gawan Taylor (also York and Lancaster Regiment), was killed in action in 1915. Before the war both were at Cambridge.

Saving food is first and last the "Women's Job." They are the quartermasters of the home. They buy the food, they prepare it, and they cook it. "The Win-the-War Cookery Book," published for the Food Economy Campaign, shows them the best ways of doing that job, backing up our soldiers and sailors, baffling the U-boats, and helping to win the War. 500,000 copies of it are being distributed.

Her Imperial Majesty Empress Eugénie attended a special service, held by Her Majesty's command, in the Imperial Crypt, at Farnborough, for all soldiers killed in the War. The Empress was attended by Madame d'Attinville. Mr Edleston was also present. The Rev. Dom J. B. Brin officiated.

The father of Driver J. H. Raine, Darlington (Mr W. Raine, of Didsbury, Tower-road), is a native of Barnard Castle, and the movements of his gallant soldier son in Egypt possess much local interest. Driver Raine figured conspicuously in an incident in the Munasib Pass, which is some 24 miles west of Girba, and is the only pass between the latter and Jarabub, which is possible for camels. The official communique issued at the time says that this pass has already been occupied by a part of our forces, and an enemy convoy marching from the west was captured in the pass. Shortly after this the leading party of the enemy retreating from Girba was ambushed in this pass. The main body of the enemy, with Sayed Ahmed (the Grand Senussi), finding the Munasib Pass occupied, were obliged to abandon the road in order to escape from our forces, and were compelled to march southwards through the high sand-dunes and the waterless desert. "This is the first real fight I have been in," says Driver Raine, writing to his sister, "and if it did only last for two days and two nights, I can assure you we were all thankful when it was over. We were fighting an enemy 200 miles from our base. I was along with the party which occupied Munasib Pass."

Members of the Church of England Men's Society re-visited the pews at an Islington Church.

Prince Paul Riedelski Piast is on a visit to Mr Edleston, at Cambridge.

Mr J. J. Cumming has left Norwich to reside for a time in London.

Scripture Successes: Presentation of the Shield.

Mr and Mrs R. W. Davies have offered a beautiful silver challenge shield for the school in the Darlington and District Sunday School Union which secures the highest average of marks in these examinations, the average being calculated on the number of scholars in the school who are eligible to sit at the examinations. This is the first year the shield has been offered.

The other night, at the Friends' Meeting House, Skinnergate, Darlington, in a few bappy words, Mr Davies handed over the shield to Mr Dent, the superintendent of the winning school, and that gentleman appropriately acknowledged the gift on behalf of the school.

The distribution of prizes and certificates won by the scholars of the Congregational Sunday School, Barnard Castle, promoted by the Sunday School Union, took place in the Hall-street Church on Sunday afternoon last. The Rev. G. Coates, of Ripon, presided, and there was a good attendance, all of whom were deeply interested in the proceedings, which consisted largely of a service of praise—Mr Coates, in presenting the shield to Mr Naisbitt, warmly congratulated the scholars on having won the trophy for the first time in its existence, and the school would be entitled to hold the shield for at least one year. It was a very great honour, and the shield was a beautifully artistic production, and would not only be an adornment to the church but a very great source of comfort and delight to the friends who were associated with the school. Mr Naisbitt, on behalf of the Sunday school, said he was very pleased at the success of the scholars, and particularly as it had been won by a comparatively small number.—Mr Coates remarked that the subject on which the children had been examined was "The Ministry of Jesus," and, in the course of a most appropriate address, said in the little child there was all the light of the man or woman of future years. The Sunday school was the training-ground for citizenship, and was an institution which had helped to make England what it was.

Mr Coates then presented the certificates to the scholars in the following order of merit:—Winnie Chandler, Frank Holdsworth, and Eva Kelly, first-class, upper junior; Nora E Dent, first-class, lower middle; Rene Hempshall, second-class, upper middle; Ida J. Eden, second-class, lower middle; Phyllis Holdsworth, Winnie Hook, second-class, lower junior; Elsie Johnson, second-class, upper middle; Thomas L. Finlay, second-class, lower middle; Jennie Simpson, second-class, upper junior; Violetta M. Rudd, second-class, lower middle.—The following programme was faithfully rendered:—Prayer—Rev. Geo. Coates; hymn—Little voices of the garden—the scholars; recitation—God's word—Winnie Chandler; recitation—Little seeds—Albert Swinbank; recitation—Little snowflakes—Phyllis Holdsworth; song—Little flowers—Phyllis Holdsworth and scholars; recitation—The best flower—Eva Kelly; song—Children—Seven girls; recitation—Dropping flowers—Lillian Lodge; hymn, verse 2; recitation—The shower—Eveline Varley; solos—Growing—Ida Eden, Vie Rudd and Eva Kelly; recitation—Nettles—Lessie Finlay; recitation—Lessons from little things—Winnie Hook; recitation and song—Lily and pansies—Glady's Hewitt, Nora Dent, and Ida Eden; recitation—The oak tree and the forget-me-not—Stanley Brown and Nora Dent; hymn—Flowers of earth and heaven—scholars; hymn—Vesper. The scholars sang "Flowers of earth and heaven" as the congregation retired.

Allotment Problem at Egglestone.

To the Editor of the "Teesdale Mercury." DEAR SIR,—I would be extremely obliged if you could find space in your valuable paper for the following. In January last a request from fourteen of the labouring population of Egglestone was presented to the local Parish Council for permission to open out some new allotments, and seeing the condition the country is in at the present time as regards food, one would have thought that the land would have been provided by the Council with the utmost dispatch. But, no! for some reason or other opposition cropped up in a certain quarter which has apparently proved all-sufficient to prevent us from obtaining these allotments as yet. Now, Sir, this is the way things have worked out. At the first meeting of the Council there were five members present, two voting for the application being upheld, and the other three were neutral. The two supporting the request were delegated to see Mr Grosswell, the estate agent, and try to obtain some land. This was done, and was met with success, and being interested in the production of food for the country took the scheme up earnestly. He talked the matter over as to where the plots were wanted, and promptly offered to see the tenant (Mr T. Hebbington) to make arrangements with him with regard to letting the Council have the field. I hear that everything was satisfactorily settled between them. The next thing was to raise money for fencing, etc., and, as certain members objected to the money being taken from the rates (which would have been a good speculation, seeing that the two acres of land could be had for £5 per annum, and the Council were going to receive £3 a year from the allotment holders), it was proposed to borrow the sum of £50, which was forthcoming from a local gentleman. The sanction of the County Council was wanted, and they apparently thought we were in no hurry, as there was no definite reply from them until we sent a representative to Durham to see the Clerk a fortnight ago. Now we are stopped again until we get the sanction of the Local Government Board. I consider it a shame and disgrace that we should be prevented from opening out these allotments, and especially after we have obtained seals, etc., for the same. I might say that within a radius of 100 yards from where the land has been obtained there are 30 cottages belonging to the labouring class, chiefly miners, and there is not one who has a square yard of garden belonging to the house he lives in. We are not sitting so warm as some who have opposed the scheme, and I only hope that the ratepayers in Egglestone will bear these things in mind when they vote. Let our motto be: "Live, and help others to live, not live for self alone."—I remain, yours humbly, HILL TOPPER.

Egglestone, May 16th, 1917.

THE LATE REV. GEORGE BROWN, D.D.

Memorial Service in the Wesleyan Church.

A RELATIVE OF BISHOP RIDLEY.

"The Town's Greatest Production in Real Manhood," Says the Rev. W. W. Walton.

[BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

There was a deeply interested congregation at the Wesleyan Church, on Sunday night, when a memorial service was held in connection with the recent death of the Rev. George Brown, D.D., of Sydney. The Superintendent Minister (the Rev. Robinson Lang), in the course of an epitome of the career of the late distinguished missionary, said Mr Brown passed away on April 7th, at the age of 82 years, he having been born at Barnard Castle, and of which town he always spoke with the tenderest affection and regard. The deceased gentleman's first reference to the place in his autobiography, published in 1907, was to the old castle, the scene of many stirring events in Border warfare, which still reared its fine walls far above the rushing Tees. The Missionary-explorer was a great figure in British Methodism, with a unique record of glorious service among savage people, and whose name was held in greatest honour throughout the South Sea Islands. His autobiography was a most fascinating book, full of romantic and marvellous incident and adventure. The book contained the narrative of his forty-eight years residence and labour in New Britain, New Ireland, New Guinea, and the Solomon Islands, with information as to the manners and customs and the folk-lore of those lands, together with an account of the principal events in the mission districts with which Dr. Brown was intimately associated, and in which he was the pioneer missionary. He never lost his fervent faith in the power of the gospel to reclaim and transform the lowest types of human nature. It was singularly appropriate and fitting, continued Mr Lang, that some public recognition or memorial celebration of so distinguished a man as Dr. Brown should take place in the town which gave him birth, and in the church with which he was so intimately associated. The late Missionary paid a generous tribute to his honoured father, who was personally known to some of the congregation as a man who rose from orphan boy, step by step, until his name was famous through all the countryside, and regarded with the greatest respect throughout Durham and the North Riding. He was a man of great application and ability in public life, and of singular modesty of character, and was deeply interested in the moral, intellectual and spiritual well-being of the town. He was one of the founders of the Mechanics' Institute, and for some years its secretary. He was also the secretary of the South Durham and Lancashire Union Railway, Clerk to the Boards of Health and Poor Law Guardians, and was in later years called to the Bar in the Middle Temple. Dr. Brown's father was a great lover of nature, and a skilled botanist and geologist. It was worthy of remark that once on a visit to Barnard Castle the late missionary preached in the Wesleyan Church in the morning, and conducted the service at night in the Brown Memorial (Unitarian) Church in Newgate, his father having ministered most acceptably to the latter congregation for many years. Mr Lang, continuing in a fine literary dissertation, noticed that on his father's side, the oldest member of the family Dr. Brown ever knew was an old lady at Stalldrop who had traced her ancestry in a direct line to Bishop Ridley. In 1866, the then Parish Clerk of Stalldrop had personally assured him that the statement was quite correct. Ridley, with Leitmer, died at the stake for the cause of freedom, and with the blood of Ridley in his veins, no wonder Dr. Brown was enabled to prosecute his wondrous career and attain such amazing success in those far-distant islands of the sea. An important letter was read, only a week ago, at the last meeting of the Wesleyan Foreign Missionary Conference, in which Lord Bryce referred to the great value of Dr. Brown's work in the South Sea Islands, while Mr R. L. Stevenson, who knew Dr. Brown, had spoken of him as the man who fought with cannibals. In 1891, the Australian Conference conferred on Dr. Brown the highest honour in its gift by placing him in the presidential chair. In 1907, he retired from the general secretaryship of the Board of the Missionary Society, and drew from the Conference an affectionate and ever-memorable tribute in recognition of his work in the South Pacific. And now the venerable Missionary, this grand old man, with his ripe experience, after his long and arduous toil, and strenuous and whole-hearted services for his Lord and Master, had passed at length into the peace of God: "I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me: write, from henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

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to see the people educated and sending native teachers to less fortunate communities. All the honours the Australian Wesleyan Church could confer were heaped upon him. For many years he was missionary secretary. As a preacher, he was direct, forceful, virile and persuasive, his favourite subjects being the Fatherhood of God, and the wonderful love of Jesus Christ. Preaching was his joy and his delight, and even after he had passed his 80th birthday he still continued in his glorious work to the delight and profit of all the churches. His home life was beautiful and fragrant, and in this his devoted wife, who survives him, was a true and faithful helpmeet. He was a most lovable man, constant in his friendships, true to the highest ideals of faith and conduct, modest and unassuming in his life, entirely unspoil by his success, and devoted body and soul to the great work to which he had consecrated all his powers. He has now received the reward: "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

The Rev. W. W. Walton's Voyage to New South Wales.

The service was concluded by an appropriate address delivered by the Rev. W. W. Walton, of Bede-terrace, and which incorporated the incidents of a visit made by Mr and Mrs Walton to Dr. Brown's own home at Kinawaua, Gordon, Sydney. No more had been said about Dr. Brown's greatness as a missionary than ought to have been said. He was a pioneer missionary like unto Livingstone in Africa and Chalmers in the South Seas, and no greater missionary had ever recorded the transactions of his life, or had ever been sent out by a Christian church. Dr. Brown was a great man, and Barnard Castle had never produced in real manhood a greater man. The first thing that struck the speaker was his simplicity of mind, of heart, of character and life. In missionary work the principle on which Mr Brown acted was, in his own words, to be fair, straightforward, impartial and right, while his unflinching courage in the presence of difficulty and great danger dominated his remarkable career. His absolute devotion to the highest and noblest purposes was the one aim of his life—the bringing of the heathen tribes of the South Seas to a knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Mr Walton had never even read of a heroic to surpass Mrs Brown, and one of the last wishes expressed by the great Missionary was that he would like to see the end of the War, and he desired to see dear Old England rise triumphant and victorious over her foes, his motto always being: "Trust in the Lord with all thy might, and lean not upon thine own understanding." And though Dr. Brown had passed beyond the veil he would yet see the end of the War—not with the physical eye, for that was a small matter, but with spiritual vision he would see his desire upon our enemies.—The concluding hymn was "For all the saints who from their labours rest," and Miss F. M. Dixon, A. R. C. M., sang very feelingly, "O, rest in the Lord."

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Entertainment and Social at Boldron.

On Saturday evening, 5th May, a very successful entertainment and social was held at the above place, under the presidency of Mr W. Farness. A chorus was rendered by the choir; songs were sung by Mrs Tinkler, Mrs Metcalfe, Miss Farness, Miss J. Mitchell, Miss V. Raice, Miss Oliver, Miss H. Cook, Private R. Tallentire, and Mr J. Farness; recitations by Mrs Taylor, Misses L. Oliver, J. Plews, and L. Alestable; and a Cumberland reading by Miss Farness. Refreshments were handed round, after which various games were indulged in, and altogether a very enjoyable evening was spent.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Roll of Honour.

BAYLES.—Died in hospital, in France, May 8th, 1917, Rifleman George Henry Bayles Royal Irish Rifles, dearly beloved son of Thomas and Elizabeth Bayles, Plover Hall, Bowes, aged 24 years. Deeply mourned by father, mother, brothers, sisters, sister-in-law, uncles, aunts and cousins, and all friends.—He did his duty.—Memorial service in the Wesleyan Chapel, Bowes, on Sunday, May 20th, 1917, at 2.30 p.m.

CROFT.—Killed in action, in France, on the 3rd May, 1917, Private G. W. Croft, Durham Light Infantry, son of Mrs Croft, 4, Pearson-terrace, Barnard Castle, aged 26 years.—He faithfully did his duty to King and country.

LITTLE.—Died of wounds received in action, in France, on May 9th, Lance-Sergeant A. Little, of the Field Ambulance, son of Mr J. Little, Thorngrave, Barnard Castle, aged 34 years.—He nobly did his duty for King and country.

RAOBER.—Killed in action, on the 3rd May, Rifleman Walter Raober, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Thomas Raober, Balham, London, S.W.

YARE.—Killed in action, in France, on April 9th, 1917, Private Berlie Jackson Yare, London R.F.A., dearly beloved son of Mr and Mrs J. Yare, late of this town, and nephew of J. Jackson, Newgate, aged 25 years. He bravely answered his country's call.—Deeply mourned.

Deaths.

BARKER.—On the 11th inst., at Gladstone House, Darlington, Isabella, widow of the late George Barker, aged 63 years. Interred at West Cemetery, Darlington, May 15th.

KIPLING.—At Clowde Lodge, Baldersdale, on May 13th, 1917, Elizabeth Jane, the beloved daughter of William and Mary Kipling, aged 27 years. Interred at Cotherstone Cemetery, on Thursday, May 17th, cortege leaving residence at 1.30 p.m.

WARMOUTH.—May 6th, at Torquay, Jane (Jean) aged 23, beloved daughter of Joseph Warmouth, 34, Galgate, Barnard Castle.

In Memoriam.

BUTCHINSON.—In loving memory of Sarah, dearly beloved wife of John Hutchinson, Bowes, who died May 17th, 1916.—Ever remembered by her loving husband and family. "Peace, perfect peace."

KIPLING.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Ruth Kipling, Steakhulme, Lundale, who died May 21st 1915.

We may not, Lord, thy purpose see, But yet we know all that's done by Thee. —Ever remembered by her son and daughters.