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### LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Captain T. Gilbert Dugdale has been awarded the Military Cross, which is considered an honour to Gilmonby.

We regret to record the death of the Rev-Henry Lloyd Brereton, who was Second Master of the North Eastern County School during the years 1897 to 1901. In January, 1902, he succeeded his father, the late Prebendary Brereton, as Rector of Little Massingham, in the County of Norfolk. For several years he has revisited the County School as Presiding Examiner in the Cambridge Local Examinations.

A brace of woodcock was shot at Barningham on Saturday.

Mr J. W. B. Heslop, Startforth Villa, sat as Deputy-Registrar at the County Court, on

Ganner Wilfrid Hird, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, son of Mr J. J. Hird, Spital, is in hospital at Paisley, suffering from injuries to the foot, caused by a shell, on October 30th

Private G. W. Richardson, son of Mr J. Richardson, of East Mellwaters, an old County School boy, and Private J. W. Walker, son of Mr J. N. Walker, Gilmonby, both of a Yorkshire Regiment, have been killed in action. Both were members of the bible class in connection with the Wesleyan Church at Bowes

Mr W. J. Watson left Spring Lodge, on Friday, for Bournemouth, for the winter.

The committee of the Barnard Castle Cooperative Society, at their meeting on Friday, agreed to forward to Mrs Etherington, widow of the late Private H. Etherington, a former employee, the sum of £10.

The Chairman of the Urban Council has received from Headquarters Northern Command a military medal awarded to the late Private George W. Croft, Durham Light Infantry, a native of Barnard Castle, to be presented to his mother, and arrangements will be made for carrying out the order on November 22nd, if possible, of which notice will be given in our next issue.

The funeral took place at Hutton Magna, of Dr. Robert Robinson, of Aldborough, who died in a nursing home at Darlington, on Monday week. The deceased gentleman was a son of the late esteemed Mr William Robinson, of Hutton Hall, and married Miss Moore, daughter of the late Mr J. M. Moore and Mrs Moore, of Mayfield. Among the private mourners was Mr G. C. Moore, of this town, brother-in-law.

Sergeant Rudd, youngest son of Mr John Rudd, Harmire, has been seriously wounded on the western front, but is recovering in a Nottingham hospital.

Mrs McColl, Thorngate, Barnard Castle, has received word that her husband, Corporal J. W. McColl, East Yorkshire Regiment, is in hospital at Folkstone, suffering from wounds received in action. This is the second time he has been wounded, and he has seen service both in Egypt and France. Their son, who is on active service abroad, has recently left hospital, after illness.

The Secretary of the Rokeby Coursing Meeting reports three nominations vacant in Rokeby stakes; and one in Egglestone Abbey one-course maiden, which he hopes to fill before the draw, fixed to take place at the Three Horse Shoes, on Monday next, at four o'clock. The cause is that of the redoubtable Red Cross, and coursing men are patriotic. The keeper reports abundance of fur. The Greta Bridge, Brignal Maiden and Thorpe Stakes are full.

Driver A. Rutter, of Streatlam, is on a visit from the Western front to his home, Kingstreet, Barnard Castle.

Official news was received on Sunday morning by his mother, that Private Stanley Willis Wilkinson, of King-street, Barnard Castle, had been killed in action between the 19th and 24th ult. Private Wilkinson had only been in the army seven months, and was in France about eight weeks, where he was serving with the Sherwood Foresters. Previous to the facts arriving from the War Office a comrade had written to Mrs Wilkinson, saying that her son had been hit on the head by shrapnel, and died shortly afterwards. The deceased young man in his earlier days attended the National Day School, and was further educated at the North Eastern County School. He entered Mr T. W. Bainbridge's office, about four years ago, where he remained up to the time of enlistment, being called up when 18. He was very courteous and obliging, and was greatly esteemed by his employer and by all who knew him. He was also a bellringer, and taught a class at the Church of England Sunday School. He had a very promising future, and, while devoted to work in civil life, yet felt that he owed a duty to his country.

### UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Temperance has been very much to the front in Teesdale during last week. On Wednesday night Mrs Bernard Storey, organising secretary of the British Women's Temperance Association, paid her first visit to Middleton, and addressed a largely attended public meeting in the Primitive Methodist school-room, taking for ber subject, "England, my England." The address was of a high order, and very much appreciated. A return visit is anticipated. Mrs Wheeler presided over the gathering, and solos were rendered by Mrs Tinkler, Mrs Jenks, Mrs F. Watson and a pianoforte solo by Miss Dent.

The annual temperance festivities in connection with the Band of Hope were held during the week-end. On Saturday night a concert was given by Mr George Dickinson and party, Cockfield, when the school-room was crowded to excess. The following excellent programme was rendered :- Anthem -Softly fall the shades of evening-choir; Song of songs-male voices; solo-Sunshine of your smile-Miss Walker; trio-Fight the drink-Misses Waite, Renwick and Mr Dickinson; recitation-The yamless lad-Miss Graham; solo-Nightingale and the rose-Miss Johnson (encore); anthem-Rock of ageschoir; solo-Promise of life-Miss Hammond; solo-When you come home-Mr Dickinson; chorus-Meeting here tc-night-male voices; recitation - Come, stop at yam to-night, Bob-Miss Graham; chorus-Happy is the manchoir; solo-God send you back to me-Miss Johnson (encore); trio - Good night - Mrs Stevens, Miss Renwick and Mr Dickinson; anthem - Cumrades' song of hope-choir. Mr. A. Hammond was the accompanist, and Mr James Watson presided. On Sunday Mr John Walton, Eggleston, preached, and a cantata, "Manger to Orcss," was given in the afternoon, Mr R. Dobson presiding. Mr T. J. Fletcher, Newcastle, gave a lantern lecture on Monday night, under the presidency of Mr C. J. Walton. Solos were rendered by Miss Dobson and Miss Dickson.

The following soldiers are visiting their respective homes from the front: Privates W. J. Dowson, Payne and A. Shaw, Middleton; and Drivers R. Robinson and Ted. Addison, Eggleston.

## fxtract from a Letter from a Barnard

Castle Officer at the Front. At present we are "living at a farm" in a whacking big field which is one vast expanse of big shell-hules all more or less full of water, and with connections of thick, claggy mud. We, the -- Company Officers, live in one shellho'e, partly baled out, and partly covered with old ground-sheets. Although we're only in support, we're rather much strafed by the Boche gunners with 5.9 high explosive shells; this country is very flat, and we can be seen moving about memetimes; besides, they know we're here. However, I've got on all right up to now, with only a diot in my tin hat, and a slight dose of gas, which only made me very sick. Ve are to be relieved to-morrow, when I shall p at this, so you will know I'm all right. We shall be glad to get out, because we've had no shave or wash for five days, nor have we had cur boots off, and such a collection of muddy, grimy scarecrows you never did see ! I hope we shall not have a lot of this ocuotry, for it's too muddy for words, and life in a shellhole is too cold and wet-no hot food at all, and only one small warm drink a day! To get to this salubrious neighbourhood means miles and miles of trudging over duck-boards-the only way to arrive. At the present moment the "evening hate" is in full swing. I thought I learnt something about gun-fire the last time I was out, but the Somme neighbourhood was child's play to this spot. When our barrage really gets going, Brother Boche must have a frightfully thin time. In spite of wet and cold and muck, I'm in a topping condition, and very chirpy; I've done a great deal of night work here. I quite expect that when we're relieved we shall go right back for the rest we haven't had yet, so don't worry, for I'm splendidly fit, if rather whiskery and dirty !

(Later). We got out last night after a somewhat arduous time, and are now in more wornout tents, out of range of everything except the very beavies and the raiding 'planes. . . The Durbams usually get their share of any scrapping that's going, and of course are well spoken of, being THE Regiment!

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## Memorial Service at Staindrop.

THE LATE CAPTAIN THE HOH. HENRY CECIL VANE.

THE BISHOP OF DURHAM AND THE EARTHQUAKE OF NATIONS.

[BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.] On Briday afternoon, in the old and historical fane of St. Mary, Staindrop, a touching service took place, commemorative of the death in France of the eldest son of Lord and Lady Barnard, and husband of Lady Enid Vane-Captain the Hop. H. C. Vane, of the Royal Field Artillery, whose body was interred at St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen, with military honours. The church was well filled by a thoroughly representative congregation long before the service began, there being a cossation of business in the quiet village, and the blinds being drawn at every house. The Raby Estates are extensive and far-reaching, and from the farthest limits of the domain came farmers and retainers in token of high regard to the memory of an officer whe, but for the interposition of death, was destined to succeed to the vast possessions and title of the henoured House of Raby.

Surely death lays his icy hands even upon kings, and in the solemnity of the hour a train of thought associated with high events in national history crowds upon the memory, in the subdued mellowness of an autumn sup, and within the precincts of this accient house of prayer. Here in the east window, an amorial coas of the Nevilles and their allegiance with the Beauchamps and Plantagenets, in very old stained glass, recall architecture of the fifteenth century, as exemplified in mullions and transoms, while to the north are the handsome windows restored by the Duke of Oleveland.

The original foundation of a church at Staindrop is considered to be co-eval, at least, with the time of Canute's grant, and the first incumbent is named in 1131.

The remembrance of the mighty Ralph Neville, first Earl of Westmoreland, in a shirt of mail, is here perpetuated in an altar-temb of alabaster. On his right is his first wife, Margaret Stafford, with coronet and collar; while on his left hand, in mantle, kirtle and surcote, is his second wife, Joan, daughter of John of Gaunt. A fine exposition of modern sculpture is seen in Westmacott's marble tomb erected to the memory of the First Duke of Cleveland, on the 2nd of August, 1843, by the Duchess Dowager. The figure of the Duke is recumbent, and is beautifully executed.

The floral tributes on Friday were simple, appropriate and effective. The caken stalls. boldly carved, in the chancel, some four-andtwenty in number—the chancel is 49 feet in length, and 18 feet 8 inches in width-and the rood screen were covered in royal purple, and fastened with white resettes—the identical drapery used in the church when the remains of the last Duke were placed in the mansoleum bard by, somewhere about the year 1891 Exotic plants from the Castle gardens were placed within and without the chancel by the tasteful and accomplished Mr Tullets, the head gardener, and Mrs Millett, the esteemed housekeeper, arranged the draperies. High over the screen was a tall cross of white chrysanthemums.

The chief mourners, seated in chancel, were Lord and Lady Barnard, who were accompanied by the Lady Enid Vane, widow of the deceased officer, and daughter of the Earl of Westmoreland; Captain the Hon. Christopher William Vane, now heir to Raby and the title, second son of the Lord and Lady Barnard; Captain the Hon. Ralph F. Vane, the youngest son, and Mrs Ralph Vane, his wife; Lady Katharine Vane, aunt of the deceased officer; and Lady Louisa Cecil, daughter of the late Marquis of Exeter, of Burleigh House, Stamford, and sister of I-dy Barnard. Colonel the Hon. William Lionel Vane, being on active service, was, of course, unable to be present.

Major L. B. Graham represented Brigadier-General Mullins, R.A., commanding the Tees Garrison; and Lieut Pyman represented Colonel L. R. baon, R.G.A., C.M.G. DSO.

The clergy participating in the service included the Lord Bishop of Durham (the Right Rev Dr. Handley Moule), the Rev. E. Maish Bishop's Chaplaio) being in attendance upon his lordship, and bearing the pastoral staff; the Rev. J. E Pailipps, Vicar of Staindrop, Rector of Cockfield, and Private Chaplain to Lord Barnard, who conducted the service; the Rev. Canon Walker, Vicar of Darlington and Rural Dean; the Rev. J. R. Gardiner, Cockfield; and the Rev. S. Taylor, Priest-in-Charge at Irgleton. The seating arrangements for the memorable service were entrusted to the courteous Messrs Valentine Hodgeon and T.

Race, the churchwardens. In the very large assemblage were Mr H L. Fife, JP, of Staindrop House, chief agent for the Raby estates, and Mrs Fife, and their two daughters; Mr C. T. Fogg-Elliot (the private secretary of Lord Barnard), and Mrs Fogg-Elliot; Mrs George Trotter, Mr E. Trotter, and Miss P. Trotter, Lady Gainford (representing Lord Gainford), Miss Nesham, Gainford; Mrs Thompson, Westholme; Major Cradock, Mr Harry Straker, Mr W. H. Ralston, J.P. Streatlam House (representing the Earl of Stratbmore and Lord Glamis); Mr J. W. Hartley, J.P., Gainford; the Rev. W. Apter, Denton; the Rev. Peter Hughes, Winston; the Rev. R. W. Young, Staindrop Congregational Church; Messrs C. H. Dent, Snow Hall; J. Hanby Holmes, Owen S. Scott, John Robson, C. H. Welford, M.D., J.P., Barnard Castle; W. H. Berry, Langleydale School; T. Emerson, Denton School; L. Simpson, Rural District Surveyor; E. C. Surtees, land steward and architect for Lord Barnard's Upper Teesdale estates; and J. May, one of the oldest workmen on the Raby estate; H. Buckle, head game-keeper; I. Teward, J. Fawoett, clerk of works; T. Bewick, head forester; T. W. Applegarth, estate rffice; J. Nixon, gamekeeper, Riggside; Will Freeman, huntsman of the Zetland Hounds; Supt. Riddell, Sergt. Dixon, Durham County Constabulary; W. Littlefair, Keverstone; R. G. Heslop, Langton; R. P. Hett, Headlam; Percy Widdas, A. Summerson, Cockfield; W. Routledge and Miller (representing the Darlington Chamber of Agriculture); and nearly the whole of the vast body of tenantry, and many others.

On the congregation assembling, Mr T. G. Frankton, the accomplished organist, played Shand's plaintive meditation, and the wellknown passage from Spohr's " Last Judgment" -"Blest are the departed." The service commenced with B S. Ingemann's consolatory bymn, translated by S. Baring-Gould, "Through the night of doubt and sorrow," which was sung as a processional by the well-trained surpliced choir. A sanctioned form of memorial service prepared by the Bishop of Stepney, at the request of the Bishop of London, was used, and Psalms xivi., to the setting of Dr. Turner, and xxiii., to that of Boynton Smith, were chanted.

The lesson was taken from the memorable letter of the Apostle of the Gentiles to the wicked city of Corinth, and is the sheetanchor of the christian's faith, and was Impressively read by Canon Walker, Rural Dean. Then followed the hymr, "Ten thousand times ten thousand," Dean Alford's triumphant and supreme effort, sung to its well-known tune. Prayers were said by the Vicar of Staindrop, and then came an

ADDRESS BY THE BISHOP OF DURHAM. Dr. Moule delivered an address charac .orised by great fervour and deep thought, the learned Prelate basing his remarks on the words: "These are they that came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb."-Revelation vii., 14 The eminent Divine said they had met that afternoon for an occasion sacred with human and divine hallowing. They gathered with great love and honour to commemorate and to express their indelible sense of what it was to die for righteousness, for country, for liberty and for God. They were assembled to remember the sublime connection of it all with things eternal, and with Him who was eternal, and, above all, with Him who, being eternal, became subject to our time, our life and our death the God that died for us and rose again. For they christians had the wonderful privilege of allegiance and worship in belonging to a Got who, that He might give life, died, and, that He might be the perfect consoler and consolation, gave Himself to be foresken, and died with a heart broken that the broken-hearted might be sustained and comforted. Scientists told them to-day-men with surgical knowledgethat the flood of blood and water let issue from the side of the Redeemer was the physical token of a broken heart, and, from that day to this, all with the will may find in the wounds of the broken-hearted Christ a balm for their bruised spirits. The text brought before them the aspect of the blessed before the throne robed in white as clean as heaven, bearing palms, which to the Greek m ant victory and to the Jew rest. It reminded them that they were there not because of their courage or self-sacrifice, but because they had washed their robes and made them white in the blood of another - shadowing the solitary yet majestic uniqueness of the death and sacrifice and the bloody victory of the Lord Jeans Christ. Let them remember two facts on an occasion like that, side by side-Christ's sublime solitude as the world's Redeemer, and our Lord's tenderest recollection of man's endurance and suffering in the path of duty. In the death which they commemorated that day-a priestly act was the sacrifice of that unfathomable thing, life-they had a new sense of the sublimity of the cause for which England had sacrificed her wonderful some for such tremendous material ends. This struggle was a labour for all that was good for home, for country, for the world and every man. Yes it was for the glory of God, and it was that the world might be saved from the most gigantic threatening of tyrrany which christendom had ever known. Let them not be weary in this earthquake of the nations. for they would reap if they fainted not. And as he closed those brief and broken meditations let them present to the hearts of those who chiefly mourned-aye, and how many hearts there must be in that congregation with the experience of grief-the thought that their sorrows had within them such possibilities of greatness and joy. Let them take their trials from the hand of God and lift them up as a eacrifice, and they would become a thing holy, sacred, beautiful, and already touched with the light of immortality. The joy and peace in believing, limned in the

saintly Bishop Bickersteth's "Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin," was sung in modulating expressiveness by choir and congregation, and the Bishop at the altar having given the Blessing, the shrill notes of the " Last Post " leapt as it were from brizen throats, and reverberated with thrilling eff-ot in transept and tower, the trumpeters being from the Royal Garrison Artillery. The cavalry and artillery calls, by the way, are superior in the musical sense to the bugle summons of infantry regiments. "God save the King" was right loyally sung by the congregation, and the clergy and choir left the church singing as a recessional the h mn of assurance in the resurrection of Christ, written by C. F. Gellert, and translated by F. E. Cox-" Jesus lives! no longer now can thy terrors, Death, appal me." Very impressively Mr Frankton played Chopin's solemn "Marche Funebre," as the congregation dispersed in measured step, and the final voluntary was the aris, "O, rest in the Lord," from Mendelssohn's "St Paul."

## Memorial Service in Forest Church.

The solemn service to Captain the Hon H C. Vane which was held in Forest Church on Sunday afternoon last was very largely attended. Practically every house in Forest was represented, and some came even from Middleton to pay a last tribute of respect to the memory of one who faithfully did his duty in his day and generation. The service commenced with the singing of the bymn, When our hearts are bowed with woe," followed by a special form of intercession, on behalf of the war, after which the office for the burial of the dead was said. Other wellknown hymns were sung, and the monner in which "Peace, perfect peace" and "On the Resurrection Morning" were rendered by the large congregation must have made a deep impression on all who were present -- The Vicar (Rev. A. T. Randle) who conducted the service. said that many from that district who wished to attend the great memorial service held in Staindrop Church found it impossible to do so owing to the inconvenient train service. He was therefore glad to comply with the request made to him by many parishioners that they should have a service in their own church, not only as a token of respect to the memory of one who would have succeeded to the position which his father held in Upper Teesdale, but also their deep and true sympathy with Lord and Lady Barnard in their bereavement. 10 was little more than three years ago since they flored their tribute of good wishes to Captain Vane on the occasion of his wedding, and now they were called upon to commemorate his death under circumstances which would always cause his name to be held in honour, for, although he did not die in battle, he nevertheless in the fallest sense gave his life for his country. They in Upper Teesdale w.ud never forget Captain Vane and the many other young men who had responded to the country's call and gone out to face the terrors and horrors of this awful war, which was delugirg Europe with the blood of its best and bravest, and straining hearts here at home almost to breaking. Let them pray that God in His mercy would bring it to a speedy end, and also that the lesson of unselfish devotion to duty which they were learning from their sone might take root in their hearts, and bring forth fruit in their daily lives -At the conclusion of the service the Dead March in Saul was impressively rendered,

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### BIRTUS, MARRIAGES, AND BEATHS.

Marriage.
Rylands: Smith. - On October 17th, at Christ Cource, St. Leopards-on-Sea, by the Reverend E. C. Henley, Eric Claud Rylands, Lieutenant, R.F.C., to Greta Florence, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. E. bank Smith.

Roll of Honour,

COOK .- Killed in action in Brance, on October 80:n, 1917, Private O'iver Cook, North Eastern Railway Battalion, Northumberland Busiliers, beloved son of J hn and Isabella Cook, of Boldron, aged 23 years.—Deeply mourned by his father, mother, brother and sisters, also pister-in-law and nephew, John Edward.-He did bis duty.

ICHARDSON. - Died from wounds in France, on Occober 14th, 1917, Private George W. Richardson, Yorkahire Regiment, beloved son of James Richardson, of East Mollwaters, Bowes, aged 22 years.

WALKER. Killed in action in France, on October 9 o, 1917, Private J. W. Walker, Yirkshire Regimens, beloved son of J N. and J. Walker, of Gilmonby, Bowes, aged 19 years.

WILKINSON. - Killed in action in Branco, between the 19 n and 24 h of October, 1917, Private Stanley Willis Wilkinson, Sherwood Foresters, only s n of Mrs Wilkinson, Portland-aquare, Klug-street, Barnard Castle, aged 19 years.-Deeply mourned. Memorial Service.

MEMORIAL SERVICE for the above Private G.

W. Kicumidsup and Private J W. Walker will

be held in the Wesleyan Chapel, Bowes, on Sunday, November 18th, 1917, to be conducted

by the Rev. R. Lang, Wesleyan Minister, Bernard Castle, and the Rev. H. Straker, Vicar of Bowes. Deaths. ALDERSON. - At 2, South View, Barnard Castle, ua N vember 12sh, 1917, Seymour Alderson,

neday), at 3 pm.—No flowers, by request. RAHAM. - On October 24th, 1917, at Rokeby R coory, Barnard Castle, Durham, England, Rov. Francis McMinn Graham, M. A. (formerly of St. Columba's Church, Knock, Belfast).

aged 76 years. To be interred to-day (Wed-

JACKSON. - At Staind op, on Sunday, the 11th ..., Charles, the beloved husband of Janes Jacks r, aged 52 years. Interment at Staindrup Can on on Thursday (to-morrow), at 3 o'clock - Friends please accept this (the or it) intimation.

RAINE. - At Station Road, Mickleton, on Monday, N vember 12 h, 1917, Mary Hannah, beloved wife of Charles Raine, aged 50 years. To be interred at Laistkirk, on Briday, cortege leaving residence at 2-30 pm.

in Memoriam,

BROWN. - In loving memory of my dear husband, Jouathan Brown (late of Middleton-in-Teesdate), who died at Thornaby on November 15 b, 1916, aged 32 years; also of our dear brother, Corporal John Allison, Northumberland susiliers, who was killed in action on Ostober 28th, 1917, aged 22 years. - "Until the day dawns."

BULL - In loving memory of my dearly beloved tusband, Private J. J Hall, late of 4, West View, Baroard Castle, who was killed in action on November 14 b 1916.

One year has passed and none can tell the less of one I level so well; His cheerful ways and smiling face Are pleasant to recall, He had a sindly word for all, And did beloved by all. A devoted husband and a faithful friend,
O e of the best that God o uld send; We do not forget him, nor do we intend, For dearly I loved him and will to the end,

A day of r membrance and to recall, A dearly loved husband, loved by us all. -Too do 113 I ved to be forgotten, From his corrowing wife and children. We will not forget him.

BULL. Killed in action in France, on 14th N vember, 1916, Private J. J. Hull, Durham Light Islantry, dearly beloved son of Alice and R hert D ddg of Barnard Castle.

In a far and foreign graveyard, Where the trees their branches wave, Lies a loving son and brother in a cold and silent grave;

We of en at and think of him, His name and oft recall, There's a thing left to answer But his photo on the wail.

BULL.—In loving memory of my con-in-law, Private J. J. Hull, late of 4, West View, Barnard Castle, who was killed in action on November 14 b. 1916.

Oft I think of you, dear John, And my heart is filled with pain; Oh, this world would be Heaven If I could hear your voice again. Could I have risen your dying head, Or heard your last farewell, The grief would not have been so hard

For the mother who loved you so well.

As in my dreams I see thy face,
T'ny loving voice I hear,
Whispering "Mother, do not weep,"
For I am near.

When last we clasped our hands in thine And said good-bye to thee, We little thought that you would be

In a grave across the ses -Ever remembered by his father, mother, mister and brother.

BULL - In loving memory of our dear nephew, Private J. J Hull, Durham Light Infantry, late of Barnard Castle, who was killed in action 0a November 14 b, 1916

Tis but a year ago to-day,
When one we loved w u called away;
He is too far away from word and speech But not too far for our thoughts to reach. -From auus, ucole and ocusius (Mr and Mrs

Brown and family, Sheffield). Return Thanks. MR AND MRS COOK AND FAMILY, Boldron, wish to thank all friends for letters and

sympathy shown to them in their sad beresvemant.

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