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#### LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

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Lieutenant H. H. Nicholson, of Barnard Castle, has taken over headquarters of the 6th Durhams, at Bishop Auckland. Major Hawdon having retired through ill-health.

Corporal Tallentire, son of Mr and Mrs James Tallentire, of Spital Grange, presided at the organ on Sunday morning, at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Windsor.

The war mementos at the Museum continue to attract much attention. The latest addition is one of the Prayer Books supplied to German (Roman Catholic) soldiers, which was picked up on Vimy Ridge by Captain the Honble. Christopher W. Vane, by whom it has been

Private G. Wright, of the Canadian Scottish, son of Mrs Wright, Cambridge-terrace, is enjoying a short leave of absence from the

The people of Cotherstone, at a public meeting on the 7th instant, decided that the balance of £8 3s. left over from the entertainment of wounded soldiers, etc., should be distributed as Christmas presents amongst those local men who have been called-up, some of whom are working on farms and munitions. A motion was made that the money should be reserved for the purposes for which it had been collected, but this was defeated. The fund is to be augmented by the proceeds of a whist drive and dance, advertised in our

Mr F. C. Dalgarno, head gardener at the Bowes Museum, was adjudged by the Durham County Appeal Tribunal, on Friday, to be engaged in essential national work, and the military appeal was dismissed. Respondent has been appointed horticultural representative under the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries for the Rural District of Startforth, his work being to organise cottage gardening and food production.

The Rev. Sidney Martin, senior curate of Barnard Castle, has left for London. He will not at present undertake further duty.

The names of local soldiers at the front and in hospital, to each of whom it is intended to send a postal order at Christmas, are coming in slowly, and it is urgently requested that their friends will send in the information required in the advertisement in this day's issue, without delay.

Gunner J. Smith, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, writes to Miss Hawman, of 23 Baliol-street, from France, stating that he was wounded on the 25th September, and was now an inmate of a general hospital. Headds: "We have had an egg each to-day, for tea. The one I got gives me your address, with the hope that I will soon be better, and I am glad to say that I am getting along splendidly. I thought it would interest you to know where at least one egg found its billet, and to give you my grateful thanks for same."

Woodland Beagles will meet on Saturday November 24th, at Mickleton, at 12 30.

Private E. Phillips, of Scotton Camp, Catterick, writes to Mrs Winpenny in appreciation of the kindness the troops received while stationed at Deerbolt Camp. In a long and interesting letter he says: "I have been in conversation with quite a lot of the boys here of all creeds and stations in civilian life, and they will never forget the very kind hospitality of you ladies of Barnard Castle during their stay there this last summer. It would indeed make you all pleased if you could only hear first hand balf what I do, and how they all were so pleased with their very nice handkerchief."

It is stated that in the immediate future there may be a considerable restriction of the present railway services. If this is found to be not enough, all public travel will be stopped, except in cases of absolute necessity.

Private Harry Blackett Ashmore, late of this office, and now in France, has been transferred from the Highland Light Infantry to the Royal (City of London) Fusiliers.

On Monday evening, at the annual meeting of the Ansdell Institute, Mr Edwin Wells, late bursar and secretary of the North Eastern County School, said, as honorary secretary, in response to very high eulogiums from many members, there was no need to thank him. Before he came to reside at Ansdell he had led a very active life, and he soon found that an idle life was not a good one, and he was looking round for something to do. He had travelled far and wide, but he did not know of another institute so excellently litted up. He well remembered the welcome which be received on first, coming. The few weeks' work in assisting to catalogue the library had now slipped on to nineteen months, and he was not yet tired. The work had been a real pleasure, and he was glad to have the opportunity of doing what he could.

# Speech Day at the County School.

BISHOP OF DURHAM AND PHYSICAL TRAINING.

EXIT SLOUCH IN THE ENGLISH BACK.

Briday last was Speech Day at the North Eastern County School, Barnard Castle. The Lord Bishop of Darham distributed the University and prize certificates, and there was a large gathering of parents and friends of the school. Dr. Moule, Chairman of the Governors, presided, and was supported by Lord Barnard and the Headmaster (the Rev. F. L. Brereton, M.A.) There were also present Canon E S. Gough, Rector of Barningham and Rural Dean, and Miss Gough; the Rev. A. W. Sewart, Rector of Brignall, one of the school examiners; the Rev. H. Straker, Vicar of Bowes; the Rev. A. L. Manby, Vicar of Startforth; Mrs J. G Hall, Mr and Mrs John Guy, Dr. Adams, Mr M. J. Dixon, Mr W. Burkitt and many of the Assistant-Masters and others. Headmaster's Review of the School's Year.

The Rev. F. L. Brereton, M.A., said: My Lord Bishop, Ladies, Gentlemen and Boys: Another Speech Day has come round, and marks for us the passage of another year of strained conditions of life in war-time. For even we, amid our peaceful and happy surroundings at Barnard Castle, are becoming more and more fully conscious of the stern and solemn realities of the great struggle in which we as citizars of our empire are all involved. The school in war-time cannot be as it was in peacetime. Proportions and perspectives have been altered. The immediate prospects before the boy who is leaving school have become different. Service in the Army or Navy has been substituted for university studies or business apprenticeship. Military drill as well as gardening and farming activities are making inroads upon times and energies formerly devoted to games and less serious recreations. Even the dining-hall and the tuck-shop have been subjected to war-time influencesinfluences which anxious parents, looking into their sons' faces, to-day, will pero ive to be producing no very ill effects, physical or moral. If the boys of Great Britain are learning to be less wasteful and solf-indulgent they are still being very well-fed. Warcollections, war-gifts and war-savings ask uncessingly for generous and ungrudging pocket-money contributions. Prize books are replaced by cardboard certificates. Such are a few of the more obvious and superficial features of the changes which the great war is bringing into school-boy life. But undernessh the surface deeper and more penetrating traceformations are at work, producing in our minds and hearts changes of feeling and of thought. The war has become a schoolmaster to us all. Our conceptions and ideals of life are being freshly built up under its influence. We are being taught by it special lessons of patriotism and duty, of responsibility and sacrifice. The heroes who have died for God and country, and who figure so prominently in our thoughts this afternoon, seem to demand of us, the present members of their school, that there shall appear in our lives, even in the midst of the old-established routine, some reflection, however faint, of the heroism of the field of battle. We are proud to believe that in British schools the sheen of such reflection is to be seen. And so, though at this time we as a school mourn our losses, and as a school are experiencing our special difficulties, we believe that this terrible war is strengthenieg and ennobling us, and is helping to make us more worthy than we were of the great opportunities and responsibilities that are laid upon us. And looking back upon the year which bas elapsed since our last Speech Day, I do feel able, my Lord Blahop, to report with thankfulness and confidence upon our work and our progress. It is not only that the school has been fuller than ever before in its history, or that the school year has been marked by excellent physical health, or that much honest work and activity has been manifested indoors and out : it is also time that the school has been sharing in the experiences of the nation, and has not been unaffected by the peculiar lessons of this peculiar time.

It is a Time to be Rem mbered, and whatever memorial we may raise of cur old boys who have died will also be a memorial of those pobler feelings and higher resolves which have been enkindled at this time in the hearts of those who have survived them, and have roused themselves to perpetuate not anworthily so great a memory. But our war memorial will be to the school more than a record of the past, it will be a lasting token of the greatest lesson which the war is teaching the world. It will tell of the larger fellowship. It will be a symbol of faith and hope. (Cheers). It will remind every future generation of schoolboys that those who have been taken from us are not lost to us, but have gone before us to that which we have been taught to think of as the real goal and the true home not only of the full-grown man but of the child and of the boy. (Loud applause).

THE HONOURS LIST.

The following certificates were presented by the Bishop, each recipient receiving a cordial reception from his schoolmates and a great ovation was hestowed upon a senior boy who wore the uniform of quartermastersergeant of the School Cadet corps :-

CAMBRIDGE LOCAL EXAMINATIONS-DECEMBER 1916 - First Class Senior Honours-C Appleby (iii). Second Class Senior Honours-C H Thompson (ii), Prest Memorial prize (Scripture Upper School), John Shield a Memorial prize (Latin), French prize (Set A), geography prize and mathematical prize, Midsummer Examination, L King, G T Scott practical chemistry prize Midsummer Examination; 7 Watson (i): N Paling, English subjects prize, Midsummer Examination. Third Class Seuior Honours—W O Horsbrough, distinguished in drawing (third among 2.157 candidates); L J A Miers, distinguished in drawing (15th among 2.187 candidates); C W Wood, distinguished in drawing (19th among 2,187 caudidates). Second Class Junior Honours—J Atkinson (iii): W R Taylor (ii), distinguished in arithmetic (1st among 5,487 candidates in bracket of 5), dislinguished in bookkeeping (4th among 782 candidates); F H Todd (ii), Latin B prize, Midsummer Examination; Erercton (ii), distinguished in chemistry (2nd among 1,017) Third Class Junior Robours—W J Bradley: R E Richardson (v), distinguished in arithmetic (5th in 5,487 candidates, in bracket of 2). I M McLachlan, E A Martin (ii). Distinctions audidates, in bracket of 3); English language and literature P Scholes (4th among 1,017 candidates); bookkeeping, J E Thompson (vi) (1st among 782 candidates, in bracket of 3)
Agricultural Form prize, Midsummer Examination.
PRIZE, LIST, MIDSUMMER EXAMINATION.—Prest

Memorial prize for Middle School, T W Shields; Prest Memorial prize for lower School, J H Anderson (iii); French Al. I' Kellett: chemistry-Set A (theoretical). A F Richmond chomistry—special work, D Stockdale (i); physics, D Stockdale (i); freehand and model drawing, G V A Deas (ii); Upper Fifth Form, C Sawden; Lower Fifth Form, A W Kendall (ii); Engineering Form, A H Harris (ii); Commercial Form, R E Barker (ii); Upper Fourth Form, K Mustard; Lower Fourth Form, J Mollanby; Remove Form, A Waine; Shell Form, A Crabtree (iii); Third Form, R Watson (vii); Second Form, E E Bell (vi); First Form, J Richardson (i); Preparatory School, Mounford (i); Thompson Richardson Prince K Museum ize, K. Murray.

## SPEECH BY THE BISHOP OF DURHAM.

greatness of the times, and the interest which Blocks for trying and Shredded for puddings,

as a special event in his life and work in Durham, on that particular day, to be entrusted with the duty of giving the priz a and manuag a little to the boys of the North Eastern C naty School. It was interesting and delightful to feel so very much of the old schoolmaster in bim, he having gone to Marlborough in 1865. They all knew that taken by itself, and considered alone, war was a terrific evil, and he supposed that if they could be transported to view some specimen parts at the western front they would decree that war was a hideous thing-the terrific desolation upon what, remember, only three-and-a-balf years ago. were smiling villages, beautiful towns and farmhouses as dear to the hearts of the French and Belgian boys and girls as England was to them, taught them to realise what an awful thing war was. But it was a blessing in the mercy of God that nothing took place on a large scale in human life, however bad in itself, which was not capable of being the cause of some particular good, and he thought the war had done them more than one sort of wonderful national good-it had in England accomplished a great deal of physical good. In walking through Swiss, French or German towns he had never feiled to be struck with the fine, set-up physique and look of the ordinary man who passed, and how much less slouch there was than in London or any other big English town. The national system of military training in vogue on the Continent had given alertness and aelf-reliance. Very far be it from him, however, to be the advocate of the importation into England for good of the methods of Continental conscription, for thereby they would lose some of the most precious elements in the English character, though it were well if they had, through the necessities of the war, just so much of that kind of thing introduced as would take a very great deal of slouch out of the English back. In the physical sense the war had made the average young fellow a very much brighter man than he was before. It was truly amezing the way a young Englishman, who seemed a weed, had in due time, under physical drill and the splendid inspiration of discipline, and with good food, of which he got neither too little or too much, been turned into a man splendidly fit.

There had been created a revival of the old and appreciative sense of duty, which was the signal of Nelson at Trafalgar. The word "duty" was a deep thing in the English hears, and, though speaking in no denominational sense, the English Church catechism was tremendously full of God and duty-duty towards God and neighbour, Archbishop Temple, in his remarkable notes on the watchwords of nations, had ascribed to the French, "victory." to the German, "Father-land," and to the English, "duty," and the war had been a schoolmaster to lead them all to duty. Again. Young men and women, as well as older people, had come to take life vastly more seriously than they did, and to serve God and fellow-man faithfully was by far the surest way to have a good time in life themse.vesliving so as to shed a little more sunshine into the hearts of other people. He could not imagine a drearier or a wearier heart than that which thought of nothing but personal pleasure. The surest path to the truest pleasure was duty well done. (Applause). Speaking of the proposed memorial, the Bishop remarked how grand and glorious was the thought of the lade whom they had loved, and who had now passed beyond, having laid down their lives upon the field of battle. They wanted not only to think of them with reverance, but to put their memory in some concrete form, being assured that they largely died for unutterable love of England-they died that England might live. There was a call to everyone personally to be a memorial of them by living devoted and ennobled lives, not only by following their example, but by the recellection of what they had died for, for England might have experienced some of the horrors of Flanders And, please God, although this was a tremendous mement in the war, and only the thoughtless would speak in brag about it, and without the name of God, their sacrifices would not be in vain, and England would live. (Applause).

But More Had been Done.

Lord Barnard and the Proposed Memorial, Lord Barnard said none of them could be too often reminded that stagnation in this world was impossible, and yet at the same time be thought that they must also admit that until a comparatively recent period, owing to material wealth and prosperity, a certain amount of stagnation had set in in this country. However, the crisis of the war had effected a great change in the whole of their fellowcitzens, and noteworthily in one particular of vital importance to the rising generationsthose who come after us would be provided with adequate and suitable education, including every boy and girl in the country. He wished to ask parents as well as boys to remember the origin of that school, which was based upon two beneficent foundations given by their predecessors in days long gone by - the foundation of St. John's Hospital, and that of Benjamin Flounders, of Yarm. Their forefathers were undoubtedly liberal in the provision of colleges and public schools, which testified to the fact that they were not negligent in the matter of education. He would appeal to everybody to do what lay in their power to provide a memorial for the boys of that school who had in many cases given their lives for their country, while others had eacrificed health and limb, and their prospects in life bad been seriously injured. He said it had not been definitely fixed the form the memorial was to take, but he suggested an educational scheme for assisting in some way the children of those who had fallen in the war, and, as there were people who were richer in consequence of the war, let them impose a little conscientions excess profits-tax for the banefit of those who were suffering through the war. His Lordship moved: "That the fund opened by the committee of the Old Boys' Club for raising a memorial of boys at the school who have died in the service of their King and country through the great war is worthy of the warm support of members and

friends of the school." Mr Burkitt, Grange Hill, chairman of the Old Boys' Club, seconded the resolution, and remarked that a memorial scholarship of only 230 a year would require 2600, and, as there would be many such scholarships, the gifts would have to be generous.

Mr Walroud outlined the proposed scheme, and the resolution was carried.

The Bishop was thanked on the proposition of Alderman Taylor, of South Shields, one of

the governors. How to Save Bread

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# UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Teesdale people will be pleased to hear of the success of an ex-dalesman in the person of Mr J. Hutchinson, who left Middleton some eighteen years ago for Darlington. He has been elected president of the Darlington Bowling League for the ensuing year. The league consists of nine clubs, extending to Barnard Castle and Bishop An kland, with a membership of upwards of 600. Mr Hatchinson has been connected with the East Park Bowling Club since its formation in 1908, and is entering upon his third year as secretary. He is well-known as a keen exponent of the old

Driver J. W. Souts, Middleton, who has been in France for about two years, and Private F. Waterfield are now at home on leave for fourteen days.

A memorial service was held in the Wesleyan Chapel, Agglestone, on Sunday night week, in honour of Private A. Stephenson, son of Mr J Stephenson, quarry manager, who died of wounds, in France, in October. The Rev. G. Glandfield (circuit minister) conducted the service, and there was a large attendance.

Lantern lectures were given in the Primitive Chapel, Mickleton, on Tuesday night, and at Newbiggin Wesleyap school-room on Wednesday evening of last week by Mr T. J. Bletcher, of the North of England Temperance League,

The monthly meeting of the Middleton Parish Council was held on Wednesday night sen., Mr T. R. Gowling presiding. Several applications for garden allotments were before the Council, and the whole of the remaining portion of the allotment field is now taken. It was decided to try and get permission to have a few of the street lamps lit at the most dangerous places in the town during the dark nights. The sub-committee for the uniform closing of shops submitted a report, and the matter was left over.

Middleton was thrown into darkness about 8 o'clock on Saturday night week on account of shortage of gas. Great inconvenience was caused in the shops and public places, and candles in many cases had to be brought into

#### Funeral of the Late Mr C. Jackson of Staindrop.

The funeral of the late Mr Charles Jackson took place on Thursday last, amidet many manifestation of respect and esteem. The cortege was preceded by a large representation of members of the Rose of Raby Freemasons' Lodge, and a large number of tradesmen and farmers of the district were also present, the deceased being a familiar figure at the auction marts, having carried on an old-established butchering business for many years. The chief mourners were Mrs. Jackson, widow; Messre George A. and Charles, sons; the Misses Jessie, Mary, and Janet, daughters; Mr and Mrs E. Jackson, Mr and Mrs George Jackson, Private and Mrs E Jackson, brothers and sisters-in-law: Mr and Mrs H. Robinson, brother-in-law and sister; Mise C. Jackson, sister; Mr and Mrs A Jackson, nephew and niece: Mr George Jackson, the Misses F. and N. Jackson, Mr G. W. Jackson, and Mr J. G. Johnson, coucins. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. E. Philipps, assisted by the Rev. D. W. Marsh, chaplain to the Rose of Raby Lodge. The service was choral, the masonic funeral "Days and moments quickly flying, being sung in the church. After the committal sentences the Freemasons sang their final anthem, and dropped sprigs of acacia in the grave as they filed past. There were several floral tributes, including a beautiful emblamatic wreath from the W.M. and members of the Freemasons' Lodge.

## Lartington Working Party.

A public meeting of the above was held in the Institute on Thursday last, when an account of the work done during the year was given by the secretary (Miss Spance) :-Forwarded to the County Work Depot at Northallerton-11 pyjamas, 10 shirts, 23 pairs of socks, 8 pairs of slippers, 6 mittens, 2 muffers; forwarded to the Lartington med serving-16 shirts, 16 pairs of socke; in hand-18 pairs of socks, and 1 pair of mittens Total 111. The balance sheet: Income: Balance from last year, 12s.; subscriptions 6s. 61.; proceeds from whist drive, £21 0s 61; proceeds from permits to fish in Lartington High Pond, £4 1s. 9d.; total, £26 03. 91. Expenditure: Whist drive expenses, 230 . 61; flannel, wool, etc. £16 7s. 6d.; cigarettes. postage of parcels to Brance and Northallerton, 21 12s. 6d.; to Wright, prisoner of war in Germany, 6s.; two announcements in the Teesdale Mercury," 4s. 4d.; total, £21 10s. 10 i Balance in hand, £4 9s. 11d.-The meeting decided that the balance, with further subscriptions, be spent on providing Christmas gifts to the 19 Lartington men serving in the army and navy, and that the gifts be one pair of socks and a 5s. postal order to each. - Great regret was felt at the loss during the year of Private Wm. Wilson.

## ROKEBY COURSING MEETING.

Yesterday there was a good attendance, abundance of bares, and good sport. The judge was Mr George Lowson, and the slipper Mr T. Sutton. Only one stake was run out Mr J. J Bell-Irving's Jack Spraggon and Mr J. Little's Lucky Box divided the Rokeby stakes for 5 pupples; Mr Mills' Merry Leo, in a fine deciding course, beat Mr W. Irving's Star Shell, and won the Greta Bridge s akes for 8 all-ages; Mr Little's Lauius II. and Mr W. Irving's Sentinel divided the Briggal stakes for 8 all-ages; Mr Sutcliff ,'s Suz tte and Mr Little's Letter Box divided the Thorpe stakes for 8 puppies; and Mr J. J. Bell-Irving's Pale Face and Mr Mill's Meggie Carr divided the the Egglestone Abbey stakes for 7 pupples. Mr C Hedley ably discharged the secretarial duties.

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### BARNARD CASTLE POLICE COURT.

WEDNESDAY .- Before Messie R. W. Raine (presiding), C. B. Martin, J. W. Hartley, R. Armstrong and C. Hedley.

Acetylene Lamps Unshaded. Allan Wall, F ggarth waite, Egglestone, farmer; Joseph Alderson, Prospect House, Newbiggin, miner; Edward Raine, Green Gate, Lunedale, labourer; Alfred Jawitt, Low Nook, Lunedale; and John W. Morton, Harrison House, Woodland, miner, were summend for not having their acetylene lamps shaded, after dark.—Raine and Jewist, who appeared, pleaded ignerance of the Lighting Order, and were fined 7s. 6d. each, and the absent defendants were each fined 10s. - The Chairman expressed surprise that the terms of the order appeared to be so little known in the district, and boped that the Press would draw attention to the requirements of the

The Demands of Somerset House. Parkin Raine, Laneside, Middleton, farmer,

was fixed 10s. for using a two-wheeled vehicle

on the 7th of July, without having a license, authorising him so to do .- Defendant was Neglected to Shade his Windows. William Teward, of High Dyke, Middleton, farmer, was flued 21 for having neglected to shade his windows on the 5th of November .-P C. Minchell said he had warned the defendant

several times, and occasionally he put some-

thing in front of his windows, when he thought

fit to do so, otherwise it was left undone.

The Excuse List Trouble, The adjuncted matter of Mrs Mary Liddle, weistant-overseer and rate collector, against Jane Armstrung, and which had arisen on the presentation of the excuse list for Lynesack township, was further considered by the Bench. -The complainant stated that defendent's son. who owned the house, had decliced to pay the rate. - The Bench asked the nominal defendant if abe could not go into a smaller house, as the one in which her non allowed her to live cent free appeared to be worth 51 or 64. a week, which was equal to between £13 and £15 a year. - D fordent said she could not get another house. Moreover, hergon said she had to live to this house as long as she lived .-After consultation the Bench said she would be excused this time, but would have to pay in the future. - Defendant: Can I not pay half be rate to future?-The Coairman said the Banch would have to consider that when the case came up in in.

### FOOD ECUNUMY CAMPAIGN.

To the Editor of the "Teesdale Mercury." FIR, -Permit me through your columns to make a permal appeal to the inhabitants of Barnard Castle on the urgent and pressing entject of economy in food. The need for easomy is becoming more apparent daily, not only in food but in every other article. The situation is very plain: it is either voluntary rationing on the scale laid down by the Bood Controller for every person, or on the other hand compulsery ratio ing by the Government -a combersome, expensive and unsatisfactory

the present consumption of food is far in excess of the actual needs of the cation. The supply cannot be k pt up : a feast to-day means a famine to-morrow. This can be avoided by self-restrain', and a determination on the part of every individual to take only what is barely necessary. la the U-ban District, a Food Economy

Committee has been appointed, on whom will fall the operous task of bringing home the geed of economy and the duty of the individual to the State to voluntary help in saving food stoffs. May I beg for the committee a welcome in their work and a receptive mind for their message? The form the campaign will take is not yet fully decided upon, but the aim is to convey to everyone the imperative pecessity of complying with the request of the Government for the naving of food. A public meeting will be held shortly, probably to be followed by a house-to-house canvass, with a request to join the League of National Salety. I most exceedly bog every reader as a patriot to follow the lines laid down by the Food Controller, and so save the nation the burden of compulsory rationing. Let reason rule, and not force c mpel. - Yours faithfully. CHRISTOPER HEDLRY.

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## RIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Roll of Honour.

ETHERINGTON - Killed in action, in France, on October 31st, 1917 Robert Henry Etheringson (dearly b loved husband of Hannah Esberington, of Barnard Castle), of the Durham Light Infactry, aged 39 years. -Doeply mourned

In Memoriem.

BRASS -Cn the 25th November, 1916, at his res d non, 7. Ware street, Barnard Castle, James Brass, aged 63 years .- " At the going down of the sun, and in the morning," slways remembered by his plece, Greta Y ung.

SAYER .- In loving memory of Thomas Sayer, of West New H ness, Baldersdale, who died November 21:4, 1909.

B-tura Thanks. THE SONS AND DAU JHEERS AND GRAND-CHILDREN of the late Mrs Allinson wish to thank all friends for their kind sympathy to them in their audden, and bereavement; and special that ke are tendered to the ministers, choir and organist of the Wesleyan Church.

MRS RAW AND FAMILY, Bank, Barnard Castle, dealer to express their sincere thanks to the many friends for sympathy shown to them during their recent sad horesvement

MRS WILKINSON AND FAMILY. King-street, wish to that kall friends for expressions of sympathy shown to them during their and bereavement: also for the num rous kind letters received.