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F. J. SMITH,

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ectro-plate, Telescope Dining Table,
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J. PARKINSON & SONS,

INSTRUCTED by the Representative of the late Mr G. T. Wall, of Ware-street, and others, will remove to the above Rooms and Sell by Auction, on THURSDAY, APRIL 18th, 1918, the following Household FURNITURE and Effects:—Settee, in tapestry; 3 small chairs, to match;
Mahogany Couch, in Hair; Lady's and Gent.'s Armchairs, 4 Small Chairs, to match;
mahogany folding table, 3 trays, fishing rods, oil pictures, old swing mirror, elbow chair, rocking chairs, gipsy table, 2 TAPESTRY CARPET, 3 by 3 yards, nearly new;
Old Oak Secretaire, 5 Antique Chairs,
framed sampler, lustre jugs, willow pattern dishes, whatnot, mahogany elbow chair, small chair, oak box desk, 5 iron bedsteads,
Mahogany Double-Chest of Drawers, Inlaid, Brass Mounts;
full-chest mahogany drawers, walnut mantel mirror, 2 mahogany hall chairs,
Pair Mahogany Duchesse Tables,
brackets, kitchen clock, small clock, bedroom carpet, 3½ by 3½ yards; elbow chair, hand-painted fire screen, pair Marley horses, small table, brass lamp,
Antique Double-Chest Oak Drawers,
old oak revolving table, chiffonier bedstead, kitchen fender and irons, good wringer, 100 volumes of books, patch quilts, counterpanes, kitchen chairs, kitchen armchairs, linen and cotton sheets, pair mahogany dressing tables, towel rail, painted corner cupboard, painted brass bed, wooden bedstead, kitchen tables, painted dressing tables, pots and pans, and many sundries, 2 LADIES' CYCLES, Gent.'s "Eadge Roadster" Cycle.
Sale at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Further consignments solicited.

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INSTRUCTED by the Misses Dent, Strathmore Lawn, who are relinquishing housekeeping, will remove to the above Rooms, and Sell by Auction, on

Thursday, April 25th, 1918,

the whole of the Valuable HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE,

INCLUDING:—

2 walnut hall stand, brass gong, metal umbrella stand, 2 local oil paintings, hall chair, mahogany mirror, hall mats and rugs, Brussels carpet, 6 by 3½ yards; oak and brass coal box,
PIANO, in Rosewood Case, by H. Tolkein;
mahogany music stool, small inlaid oval walnut table, CHOICE BRASS KERB AND BRASSES, feather cushions,
Ebonised Overmantel, with 7 Bevelled Mirrors and Panel;
2 ebonised plant stands, ebonised table, cake stand, gipsy table, 4 small brackets,
EBONISED HIGH-BACK CHAIR, IN WOOL-WORK;
2 Ebonised Occasional Chairs,
HIGH-BACK MAHOGANY WOOL-WORK CHAIR,
Ebonised Music Ottoman,
4 Walnut Small Chairs in Silk Tapestry, Couch to match;
2 ebonised brackets, few pieces of old-china, brass stand fire screen, in wool-work; mantel board and curtains, linoleum mat, vases, pictures, steel engravings, good brass cornice pole, 2 easy chairs,
FAWN GROUND AXMINSTER CARPET, 4½ by 3½ yards, with Fitting;
steel fender and irons, cinder pan, 2 footstools, mahogany sofa, armchair and 6 small chairs, in hair covering; base rocker, mahogany extending dining table, 9 by 3 ft. 6 in., 2 leaves; table cover, walnut work table, walnut chess table, mahogany folding table, japanned coal box, work box, paper rack, mahogany fire screen,
4ft. Mahogany Sideboard, Glass Back, Cellarette;
standard lamp and shade, massive gilded mantel glass, gilded cornice, cornice poles, lace and plush curtains, quantity of cut glass, tumblers, 5 dozen custard and wine glass, pair of bronze figures, 6-bottle electro-plated cruet, electro-plated forks and spoons, table cutlery, brass lamp, pewter candlesticks, full dinner service, tea service, breakfast service, electro-plated coffee pot, electro-plated biscuit jar,
PAIR OF 4FT. MAHOGANY KNEEHOLE DRESSING TABLES,
towel rails, 4ft. all-brass bedstead, spring mattress, hair mattress, 3 feather beds, 4 pairs of blankets linen and cotton sheets, linen clothes, patch quilts, counterpanes, Axminster carpet, 3 by 3½ yards; 3 sets of bedroom crockery, 12 yards of Brussels stair carpets, 1 dozen stair rods, painted dressing tables, 2 iron bedsteads,
ENAMELLED BEDROOM SUITE,
toilet tins, feather pillows, handsome full chest of mahogany drawers, ¾-chest of mahogany drawers, swing mirrors, pair of 3ft. satin walnut toilet tables, bedroom fenders, bedroom carpet, grandfather clock, in oak and mahogany case; folding chair, steel fireirons, knife cleaner, kitchen press, kitchen table, kitchen chairs, fender, oak corner cupboard, oak table, sewing machine, mahogany tray and stand, linoleum, pots and pans, wringer, poss tubs, house steps, lawn mower, and many sundries.
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FEES.—A limited number of mares, owned by Small Farmers, at £1, payable at end of season, and 10/- when proven in foal; others £1 at end of season, and £2 when in foal. Five Shillings to be paid as Member's Subscription. No groom's fees. For nominations and particulars apply, THOMAS IRELAND, Sec., Startforth, Barnard Castle.

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The Teesdale Mercury

BARNARD CASTLE, APRIL 10TH, 1918.

POTATOES ARE THE GREATEST NEED.

THERE can be no question that the most urgent need of the hour is potato planting. The Prime Minister has asked for a million acres of the esculent this year, and the Food Department says there will be 400,000 acres short unless farmers, market gardeners and allotment-holders make up for lost time. This is a very serious problem indeed for all classes of the community, and more especially for the working classes Lord Rhondda and Mr Prothero, for three weeks in succession, in our columns, have made an earnest appeal for an extended cultivation of the potato, and if any man wishes personally to be immune from positive food shortage in the coming autumn he should apply himself zealously to plot culture. There is no lack of seed, and the confidence of growers should be restored by Lord Rhondda's action in taking over the remainder of last year's crop at a price that must be regarded as remunerative. The purchase of the 1918 crop is assured. No man can say what lies before this nation in the matter of food exigencies, and it is the first duty which a patriot owes to his country, and, as a matter of fact, to himself, to help the food production to the utmost of his ability.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Captain the Hon. C. W. Vane, 7th Battalion Border Regiment, is at the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn Road, London.

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There has been a phenomenally heavy crop of lambs in the lower Teesdale district.

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Captain G. J. E. Trotter, of Laugton Grange, has had excellent trout fishing in the Tees in the Gainford district.

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A damson tree in Mr R. W. Storey's garden, at the Lendings, is snow white in blossom.

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MrT. Cooper, station-master, Barnard Castle, who has become run down in health, is advised to take a month's rest.

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There are excellent prospects for stone fruit in this neighbourhood.

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Mr J. I. Dawson is recovering from his recent somewhat serious indisposition.

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A muffled peal was rung on the bells of St. Mary's Church, Barnard Castle, on Sunday morning, and kindly reference was made to the death of Mr J. Hanby Holmes, by the Vicar. Mr F. W. Raper played a funeral march at the close of the morning service. The deceased gentleman was a devoted churchman, and a conscientious office-bearer.

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Mr Ridley, schoolmaster, and the inhabitants generally of Cotherstone will be glad to hear of the promotion to orderly-room sergeant rank of Fred Kipling, who is a native of the village. He has been on active service in France since March, 1917. He is the youngest son of the late Mr Joseph Kipling, of Cotherstone.

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Yesterday morning Mrs Breen, Commercial Hotel-yard, received official information that her husband, Private F. Breen, of the Northumberland Fusiliers, has been killed in action in France.

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The funeral took place at Waterhouses on Wednesday, of Mr G. G. Donkin, surveyor to the Brandon and Byshottles Urban Council. He was 41, and was surveyor to the Barnard Castle Urban District Council from 1900 to 1903.

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Rifleman E. S. Blades, Rifle Brigade, of Barnard Castle, has been wounded, and is now in a London hospital.

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The Cotherstone and District Allotment Association have secured a one-and-three-quarter acre field for allotments near the cemetery, which is central, and twenty-two holders are now busy trenching down the sod, and, if the weather keeps fine, good work is expected. Mr Dalgarno is superintending.

Major Samuel Rigg, Border Regiment, one of the best-known athletes in Cumberland, is reported killed in action.

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The Startforth Allotment Association has secured the field adjoining the Manor House for allotments, spade-work having already commenced. A field has also been had at Boldron for the village members. There are a few allotments at Startforth to let.

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Captain and Adjutant Alan Garthwaite, Wiltshire Regiment, has been wounded in the recent fighting on the Somme. He is the son of the late Mr Joseph Garthwaite, of Raby, Staindrop, and an old boy of the North Eastern County School. He was for some years engaged in Lord Barnard's Raby Estate Office before becoming private secretary to Lord Guisborough, which position he held when he joined the forces. He is a son-in-law of Mr W. Charlton, of Guisborough, and a brother-in-law of Lieut.-Colonel Bernard Charlton, whose death in action is announced.

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At the Primitive Methodist school-room, on Friday evening last, a dwelling-house belonging to Mr Robert Wallace, situate in the main street, Cockfield, was offered for sale by public auction. The bidding commenced at £150, but the property was withdrawn at £215, bid by Mr George Richardson. Mr J. Stirk was the auctioneer, and Messrs Heslop and York were the solicitors for the vendors.

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Second-Lieut. John Charles Heslop, Durham Light Infantry, second son of Major J. W. B. Heslop, Territorial Decoration, and Mrs Heslop, of Startforth Villa East, has been admitted into the Countess of Pembroke's Hopital, Salisbury, suffering from gunshot wound. He joined the Artists' Rifles in January, 1916, and received a commission in the Durham Light Infantry about eight months ago. Major and Mrs Heslop have three sons who are officers in the army.

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Mr H. Mudie, solicitor, Darlington, who was for many years his managing clerk, attended the funeral of the late Mr Holmes, as did also Mr Thomas Alderson, one of the Lords in Trust for the Manor of Bowes.

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Forty officers from the Sunderland Volunteer Training Corps have had fourteen days' special training at High Force. They are quartered at the hotel, in romantic scenery.

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A large congregation gathered at Union Chapel, Islington North, on Sunday evening, to hear the Rev. W. C. Wake's farewell sermon upon the "Romanticism of Life." Mr Wake has been presented with a sum of money and a fountain pen in recognition of his services to the church.

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Official information has been received that Chief Engineer Simpson, of this town, is missing, and is supposed to have been drowned. His ship was torpedoed in the Mediterranean.

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Hapton is a small country place, about ten miles from Norwich, and the Unitarian Church there has had but three pastors during the last eighty-one years. On Sunday afternoon last a hearty welcome was accorded to the new minister, the Rev. J. B. Robinson, by the trustees of the Hapton Trust, the local congregation, Rev. Lawrence Redfern, M.A., of the Octagon Chapel, Norwich, and over a dozen members of his adult class, who cycled over and gave considerable aid in the musical portion of the service. The devotional part of the service was conducted by Mr Robinson, the address being given by Mr Redfern, who extended a very hearty welcome to the new minister.

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Two game trespass cases, involving assault and threats to the informant; two summonses under the licensing laws; one under the Highway Act, and an affiliation case will be heard at the Barnard Castle Police Court, this morning.

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Private Joseph Simpson, son of Mrs Simpson 76, Galgate, Barnard Castle, who is a prisoner in Germany, in a letter just received says he had had a long talk on January 31st with a soldier called Powell, who belongs to Gayles by Greta Bridge.

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Lieut. Walter Heslop, who was buried at Darlington on Sunday, died on the eve of his marriage, the circumstances being of a particularly painful character. Lieut. Heslop, born at Barnard Castle, went to Salonika about two and a half years ago, with the Durhams, and was subsequently transferred to the Borderers. He was about to be transferred to the Indian Army, but he contracted malarial fever and was sent to Alexandria. From there he was sent home on leave. The wedding was fixed for Easter Monday, at the home of his intended wife at Darlington.

Eastertide Services at Marwood.

The above services were celebrated as follows: On Good Friday, a public meeting was held, the speakers being Mr Emerson, of Barnard Castle, and Mr J. T. Gardner, of Frosterley, who gave two stirring addresses of encouragement for the present times. The gathering was presided over by Mr J. Bainbridge. On Easter Sunday two sermons were preached by Mr J. T. Gardner which were much appreciated by the companies who met at each service.

NEW MEAT RATIONS.

THREE COUPONS AVAILABLE UNTIL MAY 5.

Hints to Housewives: Register for Bacon.

The meat rationing scheme is extended to the whole of Great Britain from Sunday.

Much confusion has already arisen among housewives, and butchers themselves are in somewhat of a fog as to the allowance on the meat cards. The changes announced this week are partly responsible.

Butchers should understand that until May 5 three of the four meat coupons are available weekly for butcher's meat. After May 5 only two will be available, and the remaining two can be used for the purchase of bacon or other meats.

This means that customers are entitled to 1s 3d worth of butcher's meat per head per week until May 5. After May 5 they can only secure 10d worth.

After April 14, children of six years and upwards are entitled to full rations. At present the full ration age is 10.

From May 5, boys who were between 13 and 18 on March 1, 1918, will be entitled to an extra 5oz of bacon each week.

Supplementary rations of bacon for heavy workers will begin on April 14

April 13 is the last day for registering for bacon, which after May 5 can only be obtained at the shop where the individual is registered.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

The monthly meeting of the Middleton Parish Council was held on Wednesday night, Mr T. R. Gowling presiding. The sub-committee appointed to get a water supply on to the allotments reported that they hoped to accomplish this at an early date. A letter was before the Council from the directors of the Co-operative Society stating that they declined to offer their field for allotments, as they were not yet in full possession of the same.

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The tank model, "Sister Susie," paid a visit to Middleton and surrounding villages on Easter Monday, and a public meeting was held in the evening in Middleton Market Place, when addresses were given by several gentlemen urging the dales' people to invest their money in the tank "Egbert" at Bishop Auckland this week. Intending investors will be conveyed by motor free of charge. Mr T. R. Gowling, chairman of the Parish Council, presided over the meeting.

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Official news has been received by Mr and Mrs T. Bainbridge, Hude, Middleton, that their second son, Private R. H. Bainbridge, died of wounds on December 20th, 1917, at Kriegslay Hirson. Private Bainbridge had previously been reported a prisoner of war. Much sympathy is felt for his parents, as it is only about nine months since their eldest son was killed in France.

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A sale of work was held at Bowlees on Saturday afternoon in connection with the Primitive Methodist Chapel anniversary. The sale was opened at 3 o'clock by Mrs R. W. Todd, of Ferryhill. Mr J. W. Temple presided, and in introducing Mrs Todd referred to her early connection with the society, and of the many years of faithful service rendered to the cause at Bowlees by her late father, Mr W. Nixon.—Mrs Todd, in a neat speech, said that when she received the invitation to come to Bowlees she had no hesitation in accepting it, as her earliest recollections were in connection with that chapel of which her late father was so long associated. Mrs Todd said she missed many of the old standards, but noted that there were many fresh faces, and was glad to know that the work was still being carried on. She congratulated the members on the beautiful chapel, which was such a great improvement on the old building, and hoped the effort the ladies had put forward would receive the success it deserved. The speaker understood the difficulties of carrying on societies in rural districts, especially in these times when so many young men had been called away. Bowlees chapel had always been a great attraction to her, and would ever remain a very sacred memory. She then formally declared the sale of work open.—Mr J. W. Temple moved a vote of thanks to Mrs Todd for coming to open the bazaar, and also for her very liberal donation, which was seconded by Mr Cook, of Newcastle, and carried in a very hearty manner.—Mr Todd suitably responded on behalf of his wife.—In the evening a public meeting was held, presided over by Mr J. Dickinson, when addresses were given by Messrs J. Alderson and J. Hope, Etherley, and Mr P. Beadle, Forest. On Sunday Mr Alderson preached afternoon and evening, and special solos were given by Mr Hope. Capital companies assembled at all the services, and the whole effort was a great success.

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A benefit concert was held in the Institute, Mickleton, on Saturday night, on behalf of Mr C. Raine, a resident of the village, who has passed through great trouble, having been bereft of his wife, a son and two daughters during the last two years. The Rev. J. W. Brent, Vicar of Laithkirk, presided, and the place was packed to its utmost capacity with a sympathetic audience. The programme was given by the Sunday school teachers of St. Mary's Mission Church, Woodland, assisted by Miss N. Johnson, soprano, and Mr J. W. Longstaff, humorist.

Staindrop Congregational Church.

The anniversary of the above church was held during Eastertide, and despite restricted conditions was a great success.—On Good Friday there was a miscellaneous stall, and in the evening a splendid concert was given by Mr T. Longstaff and party, of Butterknowle, in the Scarth Memorial Hall. The efforts of the party were highly appreciated, as was evidenced by the demands for encores from the large audience. Mr A. Copeland ably presided.—On Easter Sunday the Rev. R. W. Young preached special sermons to large congregations. An anthem and suitable hymns were sung at the evening service by members and friends, under the leadership of Mr Etherington. Miss Soulsby presided at the organ, and rendered appropriate Easter music. It is most encouraging to see how the efforts of the members have been blest by the wonderful growth in every department of church life.

Wedding at Cotherstone.

A very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday, April 2nd, at St. Cuthbert's, Cotherstone, from the quiet and peaceful hamlet of Briscoe, of Mr C. G. Pratt and Mrs Dorothy Wood, widow of Able Seaman John R. Wood, who was killed in the Dardenelles three years ago. The bridegroom, who is well known in the district, comes of an old and well respected family. The bride, who was very neatly attired in a grey costume, was given away by Mr W. Robson (of Briscoe) The bridesmaids were Miss Robson and Miss Dorothy Wood, the groomsman being Mr J G Sutherland (of St. Helen's). Afterwards a reception was held at Briscoe. The presents were numerous, useful and pretty.

Death of Mr John Hutchinson, of Bowes: Yesterday's Funeral.

The death of Mr John Hutchinson, late of Bowes, took place on Friday, 5th April, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs John Lowes, Thorpe Farm, Richmond. Deceased, who was in his 85th year, was a native of Newbiggin Teesdale. In early life he was employed in the Teesdale lead mines, and also spent a few years in the United States, as a miner, at the well known "Tom Boy" silver mine. Being of a bright, cheery disposition, he made many friends, and his knowledge of mining, aided by his racy, descriptive ability, marked him at once as a man to be remembered. His remains were interred at Bowes, yesterday, with every token of sympathy and respect. Two daughters remain to mourn his loss, one being resident in the United States.

POULTRY KEEPERS SHOULD WRITE to Joseph Thorley Ltd, King's Cross, London, who are the manufacturers of OVUM, Thorley's Poultry Spice, for Thurley's Poultry Keepers' Account Book, also book giving useful Hints to Poultry Keepers. Both sent free.

BOWES.

The vestry meeting was held on Wednesday last. The Vicar presided over a small attendance. The wardens (Messrs Longstaffe and Pickersgill) were re-elected. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the voluntary lady organists, and also to the ladies of the congregation for their valuable help in organising the sale of work on behalf of the Church Expenses Fund. The accounts (which were not yet quite completed) showed a balance in hand. They are to be reported to the next Church Council meeting after audit.

A pleasant evening was spent last Friday by a fine company of friends, in a whist drive and dance. The proceeds, about £7, were on behalf of the Red Cross Working Party.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Roll of Honour.

GOLIGHTLEY.—Died of wounds, on March 30th, in hospital, France, George, youngest son of the late Robert and Annie Golightley, of Barnard Castle aged 35.

HESLOP.—On April 5th, at 2, Cliffe-terrace, Darlington, Lieutenant Walter Heslop, son of Mr and Mrs Heslop, of 1, Coronation-street, Barnard Castle. Was interred at West Cemetery, on Sunday, the 7th inst.

HETHERINGTON.—At the No. 1 Canadian General Hospital, Etaples, on March 27th, 1918, Lance-Corporal Isaac W. Hetherington, West Yorkshire Regiment, died of wounds, dearly beloved husband of Mary Jane Hetherington, and beloved son of Thomas and the late Margaret Hetherington, of Neamour, Eggleston.

He bravely answered duty's call
He gave his life for one and all.

KNIGHT.—Killed in action, March 24th, in his 22nd year, Second-Lieutenant Allan Knight, South Lancashires, son of Mr and Mrs F. A Knight, 66, Oxford-road, Waterloo, Liverpool, and grandson of the late Robert Barker, Barnard Castle.

NOTON.—Died at a casualty clearing station, from wounds received in action, on March 25th, 1918, John Edward Noton, Company Sergeant-Major, Durham Light Infantry, in his 32nd year.

Deaths.

DAWSON.—At the Cameron Hospital, on the 31st March, aged 74, Richard, the beloved husband of Sarah Dawson, of the Promenade, York Road, West Hartlepool, and son of the late George Dawson, of Boldron, Barnard Castle.

DUNN.—On the 7th inst., John Bell Dunn, beloved husband of Elizabeth Dunn, of Hillingdon, Barnard Castle Moor, aged 49 years.—To be interred at Barnard Castle, on Thursday, April 11th, cortege leaving residence at 2 p.m.

HIGHMOOR.—On 6th April, 1918, at 111, Grange Road, West Hartlepool, Robina Haitou, beloved wife of John G. Highmoor, aged 26 years.

STOKELD.—On April 5th, John, the beloved husband of Margaret Stokeld, of Grassholme, Lunedale, aged 69 years.—Interred at Laithkirk, on Tuesday April 9th.

WILKINSON.—At 21, Coronation-street, Barnard Castle, April 5th, Thomas Peter, the beloved husband of Minnie Wilkinson. Was interred at Middleton-in-Teesdale, on Tuesday, April 9th.

In Memoriam.

HIND.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Private Bertie Hind, late of Hutton Magna, who was killed in action in France, April 16th, 1917.

When nights are long and friends are few,
Dearest Bert, how I long for you;
But God will link the broken chain
When once in heaven we meet again.

Dearest daddy, how we miss you,
More and more as time does by,
But in heaven we hope to meet you,
Where we never say, "Good-bye."

—Ever remembered by his loving wife, son and daughter.

Return Thanks.

MRS GIBSON AND FAMILY, Moor View, Cotherstone, wish to thank all kind friends for the many kindnesses shown them in their recent sad bereavement, and also to specially thank the Barnard Castle and Cotherstone bellringers for their remembrance of their old companion in ringing a muffled peal to his memory.

MR AND MRS W. HESLOP, 1, Coronation-street, Barnard Castle, wish to express their grateful thanks to all friends who have sympathised with them and otherwise shown their kindness of heart in the hour of their bereavement the loss of their soldier son, Lieut. Walter Heslop, of the South Wales Borderers.