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Eastertide at Boldron.

Good Friday, under the able presidency
J. N. Walker, of Gilmonby, a sacre
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THE PATRIOTIC DEAD.

As a rural community we have undoubtedly suffered heavily in this cruel war forced upon the world by the Kaiser, and our columns this morning afford incontestable if melancholy proof that the martial attributes of our forefathers possess Teesdale men of this day in a struggle for right over wrong, and for christianity against paganism. Our lads have faced the avalanche in France unconscious of Prince Lichnowsky's disclosure that Berlin insisted that Serbia must be massacred, though fully aware that Great Britain in time must forfeit her liberty if France and Belgium were the victims of conquest. For the freedom of the world, and emulating the deeds of their progenitors, have our children bled and died—upwards of ninety devoted youths having made the supreme sacrifice in this town and district alone—patriots dear to God and famous to all ages.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Last night it was ascertained that the result of aeroplane week at Barnard Castle was the raising of £25,000.

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Three picked German divisions succeeded, after a furious and bitter struggle, in carrying the high ground south-east and east of Bailluel, which latter has fallen into the enemy's hands. Ten German trawlers were sunk on April 15th by the British sweep of the Cattegat, but the crews were saved.

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The Rev. H. W. H. Bircham, Vicar of the Parish, will, it is understood, be the next Chairman of the Barnard Castle Urban District Council.

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The Rev. Arthur C. Headlam, D.D., of Shorlton Hall, Barnard Castle, formerly Principal of King's College, London, succeeds the late Canon Scott Holland as Canon of Christ Church and Regius Professor of Divinity at Oxford.

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Lieutenant A. P. H. Holmes, of the Royal Engineers, second son of Mrs Hanby Holmes, the Grove, Barnard Castle, is in hospital at Toulouse suffering from a poisoned arm.

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Last Wednesday the marriage took place at St. Thomas', Hanwood, of Captain William Squabe Edmond, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, eldest son of Dr and Mrs Edmond, Totnes, Devon, and Margaret Ellen, elder daughter of Major-General J. Headlam formerly of Whorlton and Gilmonby Hall) and Mrs Headlam, of Hanwood, Shropshire. The Rev. Morley Headlam, Vicar of St. John's, Keswick, assisted by the Rev. J. Chitty, Rector of the Parish, were the officiating clergy.

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Official information having been received that Lieutenant H. E. Raine, late surveyor to the Barnard Castle Urban District Council, was missing, Mr W. Morley, Customs and Excise, Richmond, Yorkshire, wrote to the officer commanding stating that his sister-in-law (Mrs H. E. Raine) had not heard from her husband (Lt. H. E. Raine) for some time, and would be obliged for any news of him. Major Hall, of the Durham Light Infantry, replied, regretting that no definite news was available. Lt. Raine was last seen fighting on the 23rd March, and it was feared he had become a prisoner. It was not thought that he had been either killed or wounded, though he had been reported as missing. Any news coming to hand would be promptly dispatched.

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The Rev. G. W. Elliott (son of Mr and Mrs Elliott, Staffordshire House, Bank), of East Boldon, has been selected for a chaplaincy in the army. He was pledged as the second preacher for Leeds Second next year.

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The weather up to the present has militated against gardening operations, although local allotment holders, like "Richard himself again," are "eager for the fray."

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Information has been received that Second-Lieutenant Harold J. W. Scott, Durham Light Infantry, son of the Curator of the Bowes Museum, who was officially reported wounded on March 23rd, is a prisoner of war, but in what camp is not known.

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As a result of the concert held in the Victoria Hall, organised by Captain Young, Chaplain to the Forces, £12 was forwarded to Lady Selby Bigge, chairman of the Young Women's Christian Association: £8 16s proceeds of the concert, and the balance of £1 1s donation from Captain Young, and £2 3s from Mrs Bellerving.

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Yesterday official news reached Barnard Castle that Private Herbert Evans, Durham Light Infantry, son of Mr and Mrs Jonathan Evans, Thorngate, had succumbed at a casualty clearing station in France, as the result of gun-shot wounds in his right leg, received in action.

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Sapper W. Milner, Barnard Castle, of the Royal Engineers, has been admitted into a hospital near Edinburgh suffering from the effects of a machine-gun bullet passing through his body. We are glad to say that he is progressing satisfactorily.

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Private W. H. Johnston, London Regiment Civil Service Rifles), grandson of Mrs James, Middleton-in-Teesdale, was killed in action on March 22nd.

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The official statement of service for which Captain Dugdale, of Gilmonby Hall, was awarded the Military Cross, is as follows: "For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of his battalion after his commanding officer had been wounded. He showed marked ability in the performance of his duty under exceptionally trying circumstances."

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Lieut.-Colonel H. J. Sowerby, D.S.O., of the Durham Light Infantry, has been placed on the Territorial Force Reserve of Officers. Retiring in 1912, after being in command of the 4th Special Reserve Battalion (Barnard Castle) for five years, he rejoined the colours in September, 1914, and has done valuable service, which has received official recognition by the Secretary for War.

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This morning, three cases of lights and two of alleged malicious damage will occupy the attention of the Greta Bridge magistrates

News has been received by Mrs Robinson, Thorngate, Barnard Castle, that her husband, Gunner A. Robinson, Royal Field Artillery, has been wounded in the chest, and is in hospital at Birmingham.

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The Infantry Record Office at Warwick have informed Mr R. Waine, 108a, Galgate, Barnard Castle, that, through a clerical error, his son, of the Worcestershire Regiment, had been notified as "gassed." It was stated that Private Waine, of this town, on transferring to the Worcestershire Regiment held number 42417, but this is not so, this number being held by another man of the same name. "No casualty affecting your son has so far been received," says the official letter just to hand.

Death in Action of a Dauntless Barnard Castle Officer: an Old Boy of the County School.

Great sympathy is extended to Mr and Mrs T. Burn of this town on the death in action of their heroic and only son, who was killed in action on the 27th of last month in France. Official confirmation of the melancholy intelligence reached the intrepid young soldier's parents on Saturday night, from the War Office. This telegram, however, was preceded by a letter written by Captain G. E. Cardew, commanding W Company of a local battalion of the Durham Light Infantry, and surely never was a more sympathetic communication, ample in details, and in full justice to the heroism of the departed Lieutenant, ever penned by a comrade who deeply feels the loss of a meritorious brother officer. The deceased had only been with the battalion a few days before being hurriedly moved out of rest billets to stem the German advance, but during the few days that he was with the company during that terrible retreat he had shown himself thoroughly reliable and capable of leading his men anywhere. It was just as they reached the support line posts—shallow trenches dug overnight as cover for three or four men—"that your son was hit. He was barely able to stumble towards me for assistance, and I heard him say: 'I've got one: can you do anything for me?' But that was all. He died almost immediately, without pain. Private Bendelow, his servant, was with him, and took chaage of his watch. I had to push on with the attack. I took his pocket pencil case with his pencils and fountain pen in it. I regret to say that is the last I saw of Bendelow, who is himself now missing. We had to withdraw from the position we had recaptured, after holding it for many hours, so that I had no opportunity of burying our dead. It has been a terrible time for us all, and I cannot tell you how much we all feel the loss of your son. His conduct that day was magnificent, and I could only wish that he had come through it to receive the honour he deserves. Only one other officer besides myself is left in my company, and our Colonel was killed too. But as least we have the consolation of knowing that we drove the enemy back that day, and held up his advance, though at the cost of your son's life. I trust it may be some consolation to you in your great loss to know how gloriously your son died." Second-Lieutenant Burn was 21 last December, and it is six weeks last Sunday since he went back to France. He enlisted into the University and Public School Battalion from the Cadet Corps of the North Eastern County School, and went to France in 1915—a month before he was 19—where he remained until March, 1917. He was through the first battle of the Somme, and was in the beginning of the first push north of Arras. In France Lieut. Burn was attached to the Royal Engineers, and afterwards to the Royal Fusiliers, until he got his commission.

Another Brave Local Lad Shot Dead.

The mournful intelligence is just to hand that Corporal Russel Stoddart, husband of Mrs Stoddart, Guy's Cottage, Barnard Castle, has been shot through the head. The news has reached the distressed widow by a letter sent direct by Lieut. J. R. Wightman, the officer commanding the deceased's company, who says: "Corporal Stoddart was one of my best non-commissioned officers, and was respected not only by all the company officers, but by all the non-commissioned officers and men who knew him. He died doing his duty in a most noble manner, and if he had lived through our tour in the line I should most certainly have recommended him for a decoration. He ran forward from our line with a party of about six men in chase of the retreating enemy, and he was just about to return to our line with a prisoner when he fell, shot through the head. I myself was with him during this exploit, and his last words were: 'Leave me, sir, I am done.' But we managed to get stretcher bearers forward, though too late. However, we buried him, and he now lies in our front line, and, as soon as it is possible, I shall have a neat cross made for him. We shall get it forward, and put it at the head of his grave." When employed in civil life the late Corporal Stoddart was in the service of Mr F. Metcalfe, seedsman, at Barnard Castle.

Yet Another Barnard Castle Hero.

Lieut. Ralph W. G. Robinson, of the Durham Light Infantry, writes to Mrs Brown, of Thorngate, Barnard Castle, announcing the death in action of her son, Lance-Corporal T. W. Brown, on the 28th of March. The gallant young corporal was hit when the battalion was withdrawing in the recent Somme fighting. A fellow-corporal was with him to the last, when the ground was practically in enemy hands. Lieut. Robinson continues: "Your boy did extraordinarily well in all the week's fighting up to the time he fell. He absolutely refused to surrender in one instance, when both flanks had given way. Of his party, at that time, only his officer and himself got away unscathed. I have recommended him for a decoration in connection with that incident, but I fear that his subsequent death has disqualified him, which seems very hard. We all know what he did, however, and you may rest assured that his fine example will not be forgotten. I recommended your boy for his first stripe quite recently, and events have proved that the confidence we always felt in him was entirely justified. All the company feel his loss most deeply, and on their behalf I should like to offer you heartfelt sympathy."

Important Notice.

"Atora" Beef Suet.

The demand is so great that we regret under present circumstances it is impossible to supply the retailers with more than a proportion of their requirements.

The public are assured that we are distributing the supplies fairly throughout the country, and every effort is made to see that each user of "Atora" shares in the available supplies. Please do not order more than is actually required to carry on.

We cannot supply consumers direct, and we should be much obliged if they would help by refraining from writing and increasing our clerical work. Present retail price is 1/6 per lb. and 9½d for ½-lb. carton. HUGON & CO., Ltd., Openshaw, Manchester.

NO CHANGE IN THE URBAN COUNCIL RATE.

SUGGESTED BORROWING OF A FURTHER £1,000 FOR WAR SAVINGS.

"Budget" night was Thursday last, when Mr C. Hedley presided, there being present also Messrs R. Woodhams, J. C. Smith, F. J Wilson, T. Thompson, J. Wiseman, W. Hodgson, J. Guy, R. Arrowsmith, H. Walker, Rev. H. W. H. Bircham, J. H. Veitch (deputy-clerk), C. J. G. Martin (inspector), L Simpson (surveyor), and F. V. Ord (collector).—Mr Smith moved that the cheque for about £400 war loan be signed.—The estimated expenditure was £2,216 nett, and the clear assessable value was £17,185. A rate of 2s 9d gave £2,356, and a penny in the pound raised £70. The Council has the sum of £500 invested in six per cent. exchequer bonds, and the further sum of £500 (£475 paid) in five per cent. war loan (1929-47).—The Chairman suggested a rate of 2s 8½ for convenience of collection, and to do away with halfpence.—Mr Smith moved that the coming rate be 2s 9d, the same as last year. He said the Government auditor had pointed out that it was unfair, unless the half-yearly proportions were in two equal instalments, having in view the possibility of removals taking place in the first or second half of the year.—Mr Wiseman seconded the motion, which was adopted, Mr Smith adding that the rateable value had increased from 2s 7d to 2s 9d.—The Chairman: There is no possibility of spending money on improvements. You cannot get material, and you cannot get labour.—The Collector added that 5s 11d in the pound covered the whole of the rates payable in the town.—Discussing an application from the War Savings Committee to borrow a further £1,000 to be sold in instalments to the ratepayers, it was pointed out by the Local Government Board that Parliament had not conferred any general powers of borrowing or granting advances for the purpose of loan investment, but the central authority offered no objection if this could be accomplished without involving any charge upon the district.—Eventually it was decided to leave the matter in *status quo*.

MEAT RATION CARDS.

HOW TO USE THE COUPONS.

Study the following carefully when going shopping this week:—

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The above coupons are to be used THIS week, and are of value up to Wednesday of next week. THREE coupons ONLY can be used for purchase of beef, or mutton, or pork from your butcher. The fourth coupon marked 8 is to be used for purchase of bacon, sausage, edible offal, potted meat, tinned meat, etc., at either the butcher's, or pork butcher's, or grocer's shop. You may use all the four coupons if you wish to purchase bacon, potted meat, chicken, rabbit, etc. If you desire to purchase pork at a pork butcher's shop, you may do so with THREE COUPONS ONLY—instead of buying beef or mutton in any week. The above rules hold good for any week up to May 5th, when new arrangements come into force.

UPPER DALE NOTES.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

News has been received at Middleton that Private Edgar Hunt, son of Mr and Mrs John Hunt, Stockton (late of Middleton), is in hospital at Rouen, suffering from gun-shot wounds in the right leg, received in action on March 29th. Private Hunt, who is attached to the West Yorks, only went to France on March 2nd. Mr and Mrs Hunt, who are both natives of Middleton, have other three sons serving in France.

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The interment of the late Mr John Stokeld, Grassholme, Lunedale, took place at Laithkirk, on Tuesday week, amidst every token of respect. Mr. Jas. Mason, Kirkby Stephen, conducted a service in the Primitive Methodist Chapel, assisted by the Rev. J. Bowness (brother-in-law), Kendal. Deceased, who had occupied the Grassholme Farm for 15 years, was a prominent Primitive Methodist and a local preacher of fifty years standing. He had also been superintendent of the Sunday school, and held various other offices in connection with the Lunedale society. He leaves a widow, two daughters and a son to mourn their loss. The chief mourners were Mrs Stokeld (widow), Mr and Mrs H. J. Stokeld (son and daughter-in-law), Mr and Mrs T. Cleasby (son-in-law and daughter), Mr and Mrs T. Nicholson (son-in-law and daughter), Mr and Mrs R Raine, Middleton; Rev. J. and Mrs Bowness, Kendal; Mrs Allinson, Quarry Grange; Mr W. and Miss Allinson (nephew and niece), and Messrs Collinson, Wemmergill, Arngill, Shap, and Stanhope Gate. There was also a large attendance of friends and the general public. Several wreaths were sent, including one from Mrs Stokeld (widow), Mr and Mrs H. J. Stokeld, Mr and Mrs Cleasby, Mr and Mrs Nicholson, Misses M. and A. Cleasby (granddaughters), Mr and Mrs R. Raine, Rev. J. and Mrs Bowness, Mrs Allinson and family, Mr and Mrs Walton and Miss Walton.

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The annual vestry meeting in connection with St. Mary's Church, Middleton, was held on Tuesday night, April 9th, the Rev. W. F. Yates Rooker (Rector) presiding. The accounts presented by Mr May for last year showed a small deficit. Mr May, after being vicar's warden for 25 years, and Mr R. Raine, who had been people's warden for 14 years, tendered their resignations. The Rector thanked them most heartily for their past services, and Mr J. J. Stobbart was appointed vicar's warden, and Mr G. A. Thompson people's warden. The sidesmen were re-elected.

Presentation of the Bowling Club Gold Medal.

At the conclusion of the general annual meeting of the Bowling Club, on Wednesday night, the presentation of the gold medal given by the President to last year's winner, took place. In the absence of the President (Rev. W. B. Blackett) through indisposition, this duty was performed by Mr J. W. B. Heslop, who said: I have great pleasure in presenting Mr Glover with the medal, having proved his position as a bowler by most consistent play all through the season, and again coming out top, and this being the second time. I do not know of anyone who takes more interest in the game, and I trust your performance will buck up the members to try and equal or even beat this record. I wish you may long be spared to wear the medal, and offer you the congratulations of all the club members. (Applause)—Mr Glover suitably expressed his thanks.

BARNARD CASTLE POLICE COURT.

WEDNESDAY.—Before Messrs John Smith (presiding), R. W. Raine, C. B. Martin, J. W. Hartley and C. Hedley.

Bridgewater Arms Licensee Heavily Fined.

For contravening the order of the Central Control Board, John George Tallentire, of Winston, was fined £10 he being charged with supplying liquor during prohibited hours; and Thomas Thornton, carman, Staindrop, was ordered to pay £2 including costs for consuming beer at a quarter past eleven o'clock in the morning of Saturday, March 23rd. For contravening the Highway Act by allowing his horse and cart to stand unattended on the main road outside, Thornton was further fined £1.—The case aroused considerable local interest.—Mr W. Wilkinson, Bishop Auckland, prosecuted on behalf of the Chief Constable.—P.C. Lane, of Gainford, detected the offence, and Thornton said it was ginger beer he was drinking, while witness said it was undoubtedly beer.—Mrs Tallentire (the husband being engaged at a steam thresher) admitted giving the man a sup of beer for which he had not paid. She said she would not deny it, and repeated the statement to Sergt. Dixon later in the day.

Trespassing in Pursuit of Game.

Joseph Wilson, miner, Slack, pleaded guilty to having been in search of game at Gibbs Neese Wood on March 23rd, the case being proved by John Raine, watcher, and was fined £1 5s.—Robert Metcalfe, miner, Copley, was summoned on three charges—trespassing at Slaughter Close; using threats towards John Raine, the watcher; and assaulting John Raine.—Mr J. W. B. Heslop prosecuted in all the poaching cases.—Raine said he caught Metcalfe with nets and a ferret on Sunday, March 24th, at half-past six in the evening. Defendant threatened to knife complainant on a dark night, and threw heavy stones at him.—Defendant said had he been charged with searching for peewit eggs he would have pleaded guilty, and he denied the assault and using threats. Raine, he said, threatened to loose his dog at him.—The Bench fined the defendant £2 for the game trespass; £1 for the assault; and for threats was bound over and ordered to pay the costs.

Dramatic Arrest in a Winston Lane Scullery.

John Casey, labourer, Staindrop, in custody, acknowledged being a deserter from the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, and was remanded pending the arrival of a military escort.—Sergeant Dixon was unconsciously dramatic in describing his visit to a peasant's house in Winston Lane, when Casey's mother stoutly denied any knowledge of her son's whereabouts. "No, he is not here," emphasised Mrs Casey. "If he was here I would let you know," she naively added. Witness rejoined: "But I have good reason to believe he is in the house." "You can look round," she said in passing the officer. Witness then examined a little scullery near the back door, and said: "What is that black figure there?" Accused from his little dungeon, then exclaimed: "It is all right, sergeant. I will come out!"—It was stated that prisoner deserted on the 17th of last August, and no trace could be found of him onward.—A reward of £1 was allowed Sergt. Dixon on the application of Supt Riddell.

Bull Show and Sale at Barnard Castle.

Yesterday at the Barnard Castle and Teesdale Auction Mart the second annual prize show and sale drew together some fine specimens, typical of the high-class herds of the district. In the different classes there was keen competition, and the judges, Mr Geo Harrison, of Gainford, and Mr W. T. Kaegg, of Marske-by-the-Sea, completed their duties with entire satisfaction. There were ninety animals entered. For bulls over 18 months old, Mr J. Langstaff took first prize, which was bought by Mr F. Stobart for £50; 2nd, Mr A. Jackson, sold to Mr L. Plews. In the class for bulls under 18 months, the premier card went to Mr G. W. Corner's exhibit, and was knocked down to Mr W. Cowling at £40; 2nd, Mr I. C. Bainbridge, £40, Messrs Hugill, Rounton Others: Mr Walker Wilson, £32 15s, Mr H Dowson; Mr J. Bainbridge, £28 10s., Mr W. Raine, Eldon; Mr W. Hodgson, £26, Mr W Raine, Barnard Castle; Mr J. Metcalfe, £24 5s., Mr G. W. Stoddart. The class for young bulls under 12 months brought the largest muster, and the first prize was gained by Lord Barnard's promising animal, which fetched at the subsequent auction the highest price of the day, £54, given by Mr W. T. Kaegg, of Marske-by-the-Sea; 2nd, Mr J. T. Swinbank, £41 5s., Mr J. Langstaff; 3rd, Mr Jos. Thompson, £36, Messrs Heslop Bros.; 4, Mr Geo. Thompson, £34 10s., Mr G. Robinson. Others realised from £20 to £43

HOW HOSPITALS TREAT CATARRH AND DEAFNESS.

SOME GOOD COMMON-SENSE ADVICE TO CHRONIC SUFFERERS.

By ALICE LANDLES, Certified Nurse.

As a direct result of the heavy and heat-producing winter diet, nasal, throat, stomach or intestinal catarrh, bowel congestion, "liverishness," biliousness, dyspepsia, irritability and languor are especially prevalent at this season. Even slight catarrhal inflammation and mucous will frequently close the Eustachian tubes which connect the inner ear with the throat, and this stoppage causes "head noises," headaches, insomnia and nervous troubles. The ears often hum, sing or buzz, exactly as when the outer atmospheric pressure is stopped by holding the hands tightly to them. (Try this). Next, mucous accumulates in the tympanic cavity, and, if long neglected, temporary or even permanent complete deafness may result. To immediately correct any form of catarrh, try the marvellous solvent and eliminative properties of *alkia saltrates*, the refined deposits of certain natural curative medical waters, well known amongst physicians, and obtainable at small cost from any chemist. The usually prescribed dose is one level teaspoonful dissolved in a tumbler of water, taken daily. The pleasant-tasting and blood-purifying saltrated water quickly stimulates even the most torpid liver, flushes out clogged kidneys and cleanses all impurities from the entire system, with the result that any trace of catarrhal deafness, mucous accumulation or similar symptoms must surely and permanently disappear within a very few days.—A. L.

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PRETTY FOREST WEDDING.

A very interesting and pretty wedding was solemnized at Forest Church on Saturday last, between Mr Albert Hutchinson, who is well known and very popular in Upper Teesdale, brother of Mr T. Walton, the manager of the barytes mine at Cow Green, at which place he himself acts as his brother's lieutenant, and Miss Frances Barker, of Keswick, daughter of Mr Adam Barker, and once a resident here. Owing to the bride's recent bereavement the ceremony was very quiet, the Vicar (the A. T. Randle) officiating. The service was fully choral. The bride, who was given away by her cousin, Mr Thomas Barker, of the Langdon Beck Hotel, was daintily attired in a grey coat frock, with hat to match, and carried a sheaf of lilies, the gift of the bridegroom. The bridesmaids were Miss M. Barker, sister of the bride, and Miss O. Walton, niece of the bridegroom, who were prettily dressed in saxe blue, and each carried a sheaf of daffodils, while the best man was Mr Gill, the Forest schoolmaster. As the bride entered the church the organist (Mrs Gill) played Wagner's Bridal Chorus, and, while the register was being signed, Mendelssohn's Wedding March. After the ceremony a reception was held at Langdon Beck Hotel, the hostess of which (Mrs Barker) is aunt to the bride. The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and costly presents. The honeymoon is being spent in Scotland and in Keswick.

More Books and Magazines for Our Sailors and Soldiers.

To the Editor of the "Teesdale Mercury."

DEAR SIR,—I have been asked to renew the appeal for books and magazines for our sailors and soldiers. Letters expressive of pleasure and gratitude continue to be received from all fields of operations, hospitals, etc.; but the supply falls short of the demand. As a suggestion to the many who have books lying idle on the shelves I would mention the receipt of some hundreds of volumes of interesting reading matter which have been received from the Rev. Dr. Headlam, Whorlton. It is an idea which, with little trouble on the part of the public, is capable of far-reaching blessings to our men who are doing and suffering so much for us.—Thanking you for your assistance, I am, yours faithfully,

J. DOCKRILL, Postmaster.

Barnard Castle, 16th April, 1918.

PIG KEEPERS WHO WISH THEIR PIGS to pay should use as a Condiment Thorley's Food for Cattle; keeps Pigs thrifty. Sold in Cases containing 56 packets 6s. (complete Case) by Agents in all parts.

IS OVUM THORLEY'S POULTRY SPICE different to other Poultry Spices? Yes it is, because it contains all that is necessary or desirable for keeping Poultry healthy and obtaining an abundance of eggs. OVUM is sold by Agents in all parts in Cases containing 72 packets Seven Shillings (complete case); Cartons 1/3 and 8½ each, also bags—Cwt. 21 16s., 56 lbs. 18/6 28 lbs 9/6. Do not forget to use OVUM for your POULTRY.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

Roll of Honour.

ALLSOP.—Killed in action in France, on March 21st, 1918, Corporal Percy Allsop, Yorkshire Regiment, aged 21 years, youngest son of William and Elizabeth Allsop, Dalton, Richmond.

He did not wait till he was called,
But volunteered to go:
A loving brother, a soldier brave,
Peacefully sleeps in a hero's grave.

—Deeply mourned by father, mother, sisters, and brothers.

BREEN.—Killed in action in France, on March 28th, Private Fred Breen, Northumberland Fusiliers, beloved husband of Selina Breen, of the Coach and Horses Cottages, Galgate, Barnard Castle.

BROWN.—Killed in action in France, on March 26th, Lance-Corporal T. W. Brown, Durham Light Infantry, late of No. 1, Bridge Inn Yard, Thorngate, Barnard Castle, aged 23 years.—He answered his country's call.

BURN.—Killed in action on March 27th, 1918, A. R. Burn, Second-Lieutenant D.L.I., aged 21 years, the dearly beloved and only son of Mr and Mrs T. Burn, Montalbo-terrace, Barnard Castle.

STODDART. Killed in action in France, on March, 28th, 1918, Corporal Russel Stoddart, beloved husband of Evelyn Stoddart, Guy's Cottages, Market-place, Barnard Castle.

"Thy will be done."

In Memoriam.

BELL.—In loving memory of Mary, the dearly beloved wife of William Bell, of Turnerholme, Lunedale, who died on April 17th, 1917.

A loving mother, ever dear,
Faithful and true while she was here;
Forgive and all she did her best;
May God grant her eternal rest.
Jesus took her, she was ready
For the home so bright and fair;
Up among the happy angels,
She is waiting for us there.

—Ever remembered by her husband, family, and grandchildren.

CHAPMAN. In loving memory of Pte. Thomas Chapman, 18th D.L.I. son of Mr and Mrs A. Chapman, Bridgegate, Barnard Castle, who was reported killed in action 14th April, 1917, aged 23 years.

Father in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now our loved one sleeping.

—Ever remembered by his father, mother, brother and sisters.

PARKINSON.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Annie, beloved wife of the late George Parkinson, who died at 22, Ballol-street, on April 12th, 1913. Ever remembered by her loving family.

WAINE.—In loving memory of Private William Waine, of the 8th Durham Light Infantry, dearly beloved son of Mr and Mrs Watson Waine, Thorngate, Barnard Castle, who was killed in action in France, on April 14th, 1917.

One sad year has passed away
Since our great sorrow fell,
Still in our hearts we mourn the loss
Of him we loved so well

—Ever remembered by his loving father, mother and sisters.

Return Thanks.

MRS BREEN AND FAMILY, of Coach and Horses Cottages, Galgate, desire to return thanks for kind enquiries and sympathy shown to them in their sad bereavement.

MRS STOKELD AND FAMILY, Grassholme, Lunedale, wish to thank all friends for their kind enquiries and letters of sympathy during their recent sad bereavement.

MRS WILKINSON, 21, Coronation-street, Barnard Castle, desires to thank all friends for kindnesses shown her in the loss she has sustained through the death of her husband.

MR AND MRS P WILKINSON AND FAMILY, of Sunnigill, Middleton-in-Teesdale, wish to thank all friends for their kindness shown them in their recent sad bereavement.