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sive All-Brass Bedstead and Hangings, with hair mattress;

k and brass bedsteads, box spring ress, feather bed, chamber service, swing ses, painted table, satin walnut washstand, marble top and tiles; Pair Bronze Statues.

gany sofs, in tapestry ; lady's and gent's chair, in velvet, 4 small chairs, to match; pair large pictures,

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LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

ard Barnard, since his return from London been indisposed, but, yesterday, was soldier is progressing favourably.

the Hon. C. W. Vane, who has been ed in France, has arrived at Raby

Mr R. H. Wade, from Lichfield, has succeeded E. P. W. Price as cashier at the Barnard Branch of the National Provincial Bank ngland.

the handsome sum of £40, being the proceeds the Farmers' Assembly at Barnard Castle, he forwarded in due course by Mr S. A. C. son, the honorary secretary, to the fund linded soldiers.

this morning the only case set down for By a contributor :aring at the Greta Bridge Police Court is a ontract in agriculture.

-0ence has reached his parents at ldkirk, in two field cards, and confirmed an advice from Captain Roy II. Helmer, that Willie Alderson, formerly a clerk in mer's office at Barnard Castle, has been

in reference to an outbreak of fire in the et Place, Barnard Castle, we hasten to the paragraph dealing with the nce, in our last issue. The fire actually and in a cupboard at the rear of the mises occupied by Mr J. T. Knowles, dale House. It was Mr J. R. Arrowsmith supplied his own Minimax (not Mr surles), which did such excellent service. be free, which was entirely accidental, took are on the Thursday and not the Friday th, as stated.

he Blue Bell Inn, Bridgegate corner, is now the ownership of the North-Eastern ries, Sunderland.

whaps the most lovely display of snowdrops this neighbourhood is to be seen in the men at the police buildings at Startforth. anyhile Hampton Court lawns are carpeted crocuses in white, blue and yellow, and Wilderness there are many snowdrops. --- 0-

put fishing commences in the Tees and its staries on March 15th. A 361 lb. salmon County Limerick. Trout fishing has med on the river and on the Wyo, Dee, Usk

help in economising provender masters of the stands have decided to stop hunting for season on March 2nd -about a month than usual. The Zetland Foxhounds meet at Bolam, next Saturday, at half-past

North Eastern Railway Company are the withdrawal of the 6 55 morning ele train from Barnard Castle to Darlington ternate Mondays. -0-

Sergi-Major Holmes, son of the late Mr liter Holmes, of Barnard Castle, has been mding a short furlough in this town. The and unassuming, and belongs to the thful Durhams.

ast week a record for Irish Thilway travelwas accomplished on the Great Northern Belfast to Dublin, a distance of 115 miles, 107 minutes, the return journey being lished in 109 minutes. -0-

It J. W. 1. Davidson, of Staindrop, has, by usst, notified the Barnard Castle Rural a Food Control Committee that he is quite

THE TEESDALE MEROURY-WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1918.

BARNARD CASTLE POLICE COURT. Needs of the Salmon

Licensing Sessions. WEDNESDAY.- Before Messre J. Smith (chair-man). J. W. Hartley, C. B. Martin, J. G. Hall, R. Armstrong and R. T. Richardson.

Less Drunkenness Attributed to Curtailed Hours,

Superintendent Riddell submitted his at rush report. He said : I have the honour to lay before you my annual report concerning the houses in this division licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors and other matters relating intoxicaticg liquors and other matters relating to the licensing laws for the year ended 31st January, 1918. The number of houses licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors for con-sumption on or off the premises is as follows:-65 fully-licensed houses; 4 beer houses; 2 beer off; total, 71. There are eight licenses for the sale of spirits, wines and sweets off. Io addition to this number 7 places are liceased for public cutertainment, namely, cinemato-graph, 5; and billiards, 2. Proceedings have been taken against 11 persons for druckenness during the year, all of whom were males. Of this number 9 were convicted, as against 26 convicted during the preceding year, being a decrease of 17 males convicted. The populaion of the division, according to the census of tion of the division, according to the census or 1911, is 19,776, giving an average of 278:53 persons to each licensed house, and 45 con-victed of drunkenness per 1,000 population, as compared with 1:21 persons per 1,000 convicted of drunkenness last year, and as compared with 459 persons to each licensed house, and 15 per 1000 persons to each licensed house, and

of salmon over reaching the redds. As is generally known, eggs of salmon deposited in tidal water are thereby rendered infertile The Rivers Pollution Prevention Act of 1876 1.6 per 1,000 persons convicted in the adminis-trative county during the same period. There is one registered club in the division at proved of little or no assistance to Fishery loards. Larger powers should, in my opinion, Cockfield, where intexteating liquor is sold, with a membership of 524, being a decrease of be conferred upon Fishery Boards : the waters of salmon rivers and their tributaries, etc., should be more under their control, while for 26 members during the year. There were nine re-stocking purposes every Board should possess a fish hatchery for the propagation of fall licenses transferred during the year. Proceedings had been taken against two license-bolders for offences against the Central both salmon and trout indigenous to their own river : salmon locks or beeks for the taking of Control Board's Regulations, and they were both convicted. One licensee has since left salmon should be again brought into being, and the same held and managed by the Boards. the house. With the foregoing exceptions, as far as is known to the police, the licensed premises and club and other places of public The locks that were formerly in existence on salmon rivers have, I believe, long since ceased entertalament have been satisfactorily con-ducted. I have received notice from Thomas o exist for the reason that a riparian owner did not consider it worth his while to expend £12 on a license for the use of merely a single loardman, Barnard Castle, who has j leed Hit lock. On the river Tees, in this immediate locality, there are still to be seen the remains of three of these locks within two hundred Majesty's Army, for the transfer of a grocer Samuel Boardman; and from John Harvey, for the transfer of the license of the Star Hotel, Rarnard Castle, to Mrs Elizabeth Camilia Nicholson. I have also received nutice from yards of each other, but to my knowledge they have not been in use during the last forty I think it must be admitted that British Obadiah Blenkinsopp, one of the executors of salmon should be one of the staple foods of the people, but for many years past the purchase the late Robert William Lamb, who held a billiard license at Cockfield. for the transfer of price has been prohibitive for the vast the liceose to Thomas Lamb, 1, Model-terrace, maj,rity; One can remember a period in the seventies when salmon could be obtained at Cockfield, a son of deceased ; and also a notice from Florence Wilkinson, Front-street, Batterknowle, asking for the transfer of a billiard license, now held by her husband, G W Wilkinson, who is serving in His Majesty's Army, to herself. - The Obairman congratulated apence and one shilling per pound. For how many years past has the price of salmon been nearer three shillings or even more ? The principal causes of decrease of salmon, other than pollutions, would appear to be, 1, increase in the number of Loch Leven and lake the police on the nature of the report, and the division on its sobriety. There were nine cases of drunkenness, against 26 the provious trout imported into salmon rivers, and the year, which spoke very bighly for and was creditable to the nearly 20,000 population. The increase in the number of graying and other coarse fish : 2, increase in the number of herons and cormorants frequenting such rivers. Irrespective of these two causes, nutil hatcheries are established for every Control Board were to be thanked for their regulations. -- Mr Hartley attributed the better state of things largely to the shortened hours of sale of drink, and he expressed a hope that river, and the more serious pollutions have this regulation would continue after the way. -Supt. Riddell said the quality and the ceased to exist, it cannot be expected that saimon, as a general article of food, can be amount of drink on sale were an important factor.-Mr Hartley made reference to the frequenters of billiard saloons in the district, and more especially to young men.-Supt Riddell suggested that they were batter there brought within the reach of the majority of As a salmon angler for many years-I go back to 1873 - my experience in this connection leads me to the conclusion that there are great possibilities in embryo attached to the developthan in public houses, and it was the leisure cent of salmon fisheries, and the consequent hours that were so spent.-All the licenses production of salmon in this country as a comparatively cheap article of food. were renewed.

Licances Transferred.

The license held by Mr Thomas Boardman, Bank, Barnard Castle, who is on active service, was temporarily transferred to his father, Mr

COTHERSTONE WAR RELIEF FUND.

call the attention of the committee to the urgent needs of our local men engaged on active service abroad, and to suggest that the time has now arrived when these needs should constitute the first call on the funds now collected and administered by the committee. We consider that each local man serving abroad should have, when necessary, supplies of sooks, shirts, etc., sent to him. With a view to assisting the committee to do this we can assure them of any necessary additional financial support. We further consider that it is desirable for steps to be taken to launch a general scheme on more ambitious lines to provide funds to enable us to meet other needs in connection with our local men engaged on active service abroad. With a view avoid over-lapping it would appear to be desirable to have all such matters concentrated in the one fund, rather than to raise a separate fund. We, therefore, suggest to the committee that it would be desirable to call a general meeting to discuss these matters." [Sheet of signatures attached.]

[RBPLY.]

"The committee thank the petitioners for this appreciation of its efforts to repay, however inadequately, a small portion of the immense dobt everyone of us owes to all the soldiers and sailors at the front, and to those n hospitals, for their heroic and self-denying efforts on our behalf, and views with satisfac-tion the increased interest shown towards them. The committee is not aware that the needs of our local men are any greater than the needs of others, and indeed, in many cases is satisfied that they are not nearly so urgent. The committee is not satisfied that the case has been presented impartially, and in full, to the petitioners; this course would have prevented the obtaining of signatures under a misspprehers os of the facts. The committee would point out that it would be expensive in postage, and wasteful, to send articles to any arge extent to individual soldiers, and it eprecates the attempt to diminish the usefuiness of the present method, and to divert te faoda to a narrower purpose, which would tot have as great an : first towards the object which we all have at heart, namely, helping on the War to a satisfactory conclusion. The committee's method, which is in accordance with the instructions of the subscribers at the sanual meeting, is to give two shirts and two pairs of socks to each Cotherstone man on j dairs np-110 shirts and 115 pairs of socks nave been given to local men direct-and to send the rest to the deput at Northallerton, which, acting under the direction of the Director General, distributes the goods impartially and without favour to units at the front, and to the sick and wonaded in bospital, which latter are the most urgent cases of all ; and, of course, Cotherstone men, if there, and in need, share in these benefits. The Director ieneral is in touch with all military hospitals at home and overseas, and regulates the supplies in the various depots, wherever they ere, and the committee feel very strongly that this is the best and fairest way of distributing the articles made. The committee feel that already it has enough work in hand. without laugebing a much larger scheme, which would involve the organising of enter-taluments, which drives, dances, wounded taluments, whist drives, dances, wounded soldiers' tospitality, and a depot of shirts and socks at the call of Cotheistone men; and especially as this would put a stop to the supply of hospital comforts, which they look apon as the most important and needful branch of their work. After careful consideration the committee fails to see that any good could arise from calling a general meeting, as evidently non-subscribers are prepared to

O, YOU GROUSER: I My Tuesdays are meatless. My Wednesdays are wheatless; I am gotting more eatless each day. My bod it is sheetless; My bod it is aheetless; They're all sent to the Y.M.C.A. The bar-rooms are treatless, My coffee is sweetless; Each day I got poorer and wiser; My stockings are feetless, My trousers are isentlessMy I how I do hate the Kaiser!

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O, YOU GROUSER!

Plantagenet.

Private W. E. Dolan, Staffordshire Regiment,

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UPPER DALE NOTES. BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

A special moeting, presided over by Mr T R. Gowling, of the Middleton Parish Connell was held on Tuesday night week, to take into nsideration a circular letter from the Board of Agriculture (Food Department) in regard to increasing the food production in the district. s was decided to call a special meeting of the ahabitants at the Council school-room, for last night, to impress upon the people the urgent need of increasing the food supply, and also to ascertain the demands for further allotment

The annual meeting in connection with the Widdleton Labour and Progressive Association was held at the Temperance Hotel, on Thursday night last. The election of officers was as follows :- President, Mr J. Watson ; vicepresident, Mr J. T. Bowron ; joint secretaries, Messrs J. H. Shaw and R. R. Dickson ; and treasurer, Mr R. Elliott. It was decided o write to the local Food Control Committee with a view to having inbour represented on that committee. A resolution was also passed to get into communication with the polling stations in order to meet in conference adopt a labour candidate for the division.

Signalman S. A. Gedling, of the Melbourne Australian Navy, who is on a visit to his nole, Mr James Gedling, Dale View, Middleton, has been very seriously ill since his arrival, but is now on his way to recovery.

The funtball match between Middleton Juniors and Woodland Juniors, played at Middleton, on Saturday last, resulted in the visitors winning by 2 goals to nil. There was a moderate attendance.

The concert given by the Newbiggin school childree, at Christmas, with such great success, was repeated on Saturday night last, with variations. The school-rcom was again packed to excess, and that the audience was delighted

with the programme was shown by the various encores giver. Mr W. Gibsor, Newbiggin, ably presided over the gathering. The effort realised upwards of £7, which is to be devoted to sending Easter gifts to the Newbiggin soldiers and sailors. The whole programme reflected the greatest oredit on Miss Hall and

Miss Walton, who have trained the children.

-"We cordially sgree with our correspondent as to the possibilities of increased salmon production, but there are other causes for the The whisi drive and ball held at Middleton

son of Mr T. Dolan, Scarorashire Regiment, lying in hospital at Rednal, near Birmingham, suffering from gun shot wound through the left thigh. We are glad to say the brave young Fisheries. BY T.R. CLYN, WHORLTON HOUSE. Another and most commendable effort is to The following letter-omitting formal parts be made on Sunday next in aid of blinded soldiers. The chief passages of the "Messiah" are to be rendered by a united choir in the

years.

-from Mr T. R Glyn, of Whorlton House, on the above subject, appeared in the "Bield" newspaper of the 2nd inst. Vesleyan Church at Barnard Castle. Some of Fishery Boards were brought into existence under the Selmon Fishery Acts some fifty the solos will be undertaken by local vocalists and the services of Mr Harold Jenks, Middleton years ago with practically no means, beyond have been secured. George Frederick Handel arrived in England in the latter end of 1710, the amount they might receive for licenses, to keep them vividly alive; but with some assistance from the Government, under properly organised conditions, much more might, in my opinion, have been accomplished and in 1741 he brought out the oratorio of the "Messiah." He died in London, totally blind in 1759, and was buried in Westminster Abbey, A monument is erected to Handel's memory towards increasing the supply of fresh salmon his ashes resting with the dust of Tudor and in this country than has been done since the Boards were constituted. In more than one river the numbers of ssimon have been on the decrease owing, in part, to the discharge therein of i jurious matter towards the months of the rivers. Salmon naturally decline to face such obstructions, even in their vehement desire to reach the redds. For want of enabling powers in that behalt, on one salmon river the Fishery Board took some

twenty years, and then only with the consent

of the riparian owner, to obtain the removal of a damextending across its bed, only some

six or seven miles above tidal waters-an obstruction which yearly prevented numbers

RNARD CASTLE, FEBRUARY 20TH, 1918.

THE RIDICULOUS KAISER.

THE dramatic incident associated with r Gerard's meeting the German nperor in a chateau about a mile from narleville is well told in "My Four ears in Germany." The event is dolent of Roman chivalry, and recalls thrilling chapter in one of the Punic ars. Mr Gerard tells us that the rman Chancellor called for him on onday, May 1st, to lunch with the aiser. They got out of the motor in e courtyard, and immediately the ierican Ambassador was taken into a rden on the gently sloping hillside low the chateau. Here the Emperor, essed in uniform, was walking. As r Gerard drew near the Kaiser mediately said : "Do you come like e pro-consul, bearing peace or war in ther hand?" By this, of course, he ferred to the episode in which Quintus bius Maximus, chief of the Roman voys sent to Hannibal in the Second inic War, doubled his toga in his hand, id it up, and said, "In this fold I carry ace and war. Choose which you will ve." "Give us which you prefer." is the reply. "Then take war," swered the Roman, letting his toga 1. "We accept the gift," cried the rthagenian senators, " and welcome!" Gerard's answer to the Kaiser was nificant. He said, "No, your Majesty, ly hoping that differences between o friendly nations may be adjusted." e Kaiser afterwards said that as nperor and head of the Church, he had shed to carry on the war in a knightly uner Sure of the start of the st nner. Surely, after this, anything e believe it was Henry Carey, in " The What a monstrous tale our cat has

arnard Castle and Teesdale Mart. Wednesday's quotations :- Caived cows (38 tward)-1, Mr R H. Brown, 258 10s. In-calf ws (30)-1, Mr T. Allinson, 260 10s. Store tile to 222, Mr J. E. Johnson. Eat Castle aded (55 forward), to 251 15z. 6d, Mr T. biason. Eat sheep graded (127) to 25 10s, ors. T. Bainbridge.

Zemoline Skin Ointment is the Ointment th a 10 years'-non-failure reputation, 1/15 per , from Mason's Drug Stores, the Zemoline pôt, Barnard Castle.

thin that landowners and farmers are not ming back the supply of rabbits to the mic. He insists that, so far, in this district, te is a great shortage, and nearly all the mable stock have been taken. He could wat no method of increasing the number immarket, and adds that recent floods have

myed a large number of rabbits.

--- 0he honorary secretary of Lady Anne abion's Durham County Work Depot howledges the receipt of garments from staff and scholars of Cockfield Infants District Branch of Queen Mary's Needle d Guild, per Lady Gainford.

--0-Inderick Smith, son of Mrs Smith, Com-real Hotor Yard, has had three years' mice in the Royal Navy, and is now on 14 is furlough from one of His Majesty's ships. --0---

chess club has been formed at Barnard the meeting each Saturday evening, at rast six, in the Mechanics' Institute. The Mary is Mr Sweeten, of the Teesdale

he health of the Countess of Ronaldshay, of the Earl of Ronaldshay, Governor of cal, is unsatisfactory, and a Reuter from from Calcutta states that the doctors san early return to England.

Wate Thomas Stoddart, Galgate, who is in Welsh Regiment, sends an interesting mapper cutting containing a thrilling mut of how the Welshmen shattered the Fusilier Regiment, or the famous Berlin chafers."

is has been arranged to present Sergeant man Peat, of Galgate, with the Military wal at 7 p.m. on Friday, when it is hoped there will be a good attendance of the mit and regimental friends.

The Sheppard, daughter of the late Mr wrick, of Barnard Castle, was found dead at Sunderland.

sterday ay Private Walter Young, of the Light Infantry, arrived at Barnard on a short furlough.

Blackwell estate of Mr Arthur Copeland indrop, has been purchased at auction

annual general meeting of the Barnard and Startforth Nursing Association will on Friday, March 1st, and not 28th, as stated in the report on page at of to-day's issue, the date having been

Attainanore. Sola in Carsons containing o powders of Thursday the Uliswater Foxhounds ran a forest Nicholson, retired yeoman, Hard 12 powders 1/1 from Joseph Thorley Ltd., for Swindale to High Holes Earth in King's Cross. London.

on the 8tb, organised by Messrs F. Watson and W. Coleman, realised over £40, not £50, as reported last week. The death took place of Mrs J Dix ..., Riverterrace Middleton, under tragic circumstances

last Thu sday morning, at the age of 30 years. It appears that decers d, who was subject to fits, had been taking a pan from the fire early or Wedceedsy morning, while in her night sttire, when she to k s fi', and, falling against

the fire, was severely burnt. and died from shock, on Thursday, as stated above. The interment took place on Sunday, Mr F Beadle conducting a service in the Primitive Chapel, of which decars d was a member. Much sympathy is felt for the widower, who is left very lonely.

The first meeting of the Middleton Gardeners

Association was held in the committee-room of the Mechanics' Institute, on Wednesday last. In the absence of Mr Oddie, the chair was In the absence of Mr Oddie, the chair was taken by Mr Dobson, and the proceedings opened with a paper by Mr Ingham, head gardener at Egglestone Hall. In an extremely practical address Mr Ingham described the cultivation of fruit trees, bushes and green-bouse fruit, and emphasised the importance of selecting suitable s il, and of careful pruning. He illustrated his remarks by exhibiting a variety of cuttings for budding, and particularised blossom and leaf buds, and, in the case of the apple, the premetitors of

in the case of the apple, the premonitions of canker. A vote of appreciation was ucanimously accorded the speaker, who expressed his williogness to give a demonstration in prucing in the near future, and to disgrose possible disease in local fruit trees. It was next proposed, seconded and passed that a meeting be called to consider the appointment of officers, and to draw up rules for the association. In order to carry on the affairs of the undertaking for the time being.

Mr R. W. Blenklasop was elected secretary, and Mr Peel, treasurer ; and the annual subscription fixed tentatively at 1s 6d, All rardeners and allotment-holders in Middleton and district are cordially invited to join.

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decline besides those which he mentions overneiting, posobiog and obstructions being the most serious. The moment the war is over it is to be hoped that a real effort will be

made to recetablish the rivers which have spflered The first requirement is, in our opinion, a strong department for the fisheries. odependent of other departments, and with dequate powers and income."

editorial note thereunder ran as follows

Yesterday's Prize Show and Sale of Young Buils.

Yesterday the anousl spring prize show and sale of young bulls was held in connection with the local auction mart, when 166 pens were gatalogued. The stock forward was of good quality, and the sum of £45102. was reached. Selling tock place in two rings, and there was brisk competition. The judges were Mesars T. Ridley, Newtown; and L. Burton, Kirkby Stephen. The winners, chief prices and myers were: -Bulls over 18 months-1, J. W. Stephenson; 2, T. Alliason, 242 Robsor, Sbilden; J. Alliason, Egglesburg, 245 10a, W. Hutchinson, Skeeby; J. T. White, Briggal, 241 10s, J. T. Swinback, Ovington; G. J. Walker, Baldersdale, 241, W. Hatchinson, Balls, Walker, Baldersdale, 241, W. Hutcoinson. Bulls, under 18 months-1, J. Stokeld, 248, J. Peacock, Spanham; 2, A. Wilkinson, Woodlaud, 240, J. Clark, Dalton; 3, J. Richardson, Heighington, 241, F. Gibson, Heighington; W. Watson, Reveling, £44, T. Ridley; H. Thompson, Stotley, 840 5s, W. Hutchinson, Skeeby; J. Elliott, Woodland, £40, J. Longstaff. Bulls, under 12 months-1, J. T. Swinbank Ovington, £42, T. Ridley; 2, Lord Barnard, £40, Hadgson, Hilton; 3. G. Thompson, North Bitts 240, G. Giberry 8, G. Thompson, North Bists £40, G. Gibson.

The Woodland Beagles.

This gallant little pack met at Mickleton on Saturday. The day was fine and the soon good. The first run lasted about one hour The hounds were then taken on to the moor where another real good have was found. She took a line to the south, crossed the Romald. kirk road towards Hury, then turning to the left, made straight to Gill House farm, through the wood, and, striking to the north, made over the ling towards Mickleton, and now heading west, on to West Pasture Limekilas, the hare again Aurning to the left, took the moor past Botsay House, on to Hary. Then turning she again made for Gill House, but the hounds were pressing her hard, and she took a sharp turn to the right, crossed the Hury road into Balder banks. Finding no rest there, puss took the Balder on to Cotherstone Moor, then back towards the river, and on to Briscow when the vixen took shelter in a woud. It belog now quite dark, the pack had to be drawn off after a run of three hours. The hounds were in obarge of Mr K. Hutchieson, the master.

Cockfield was transferred to Mrs Florence Wilkinson, from her husband, who is in the army ; the license of the Star Hotel, Barpard Castle, was transferred to Mrs Nicholson, wife of Mr Thomas Robert Nicholson, from Mr Harvey ; and Mr Obadiah Blenkinsopp, one of the executors of the late Mr Robert William Lamb, asked that the billiard license held by the deceased be transferred to deceased's son Mr Thomas Lamb, who is a cripple.-Sergt Lambert said the sun had conducted the place very well, since his father's death, and the request was granted.

Order for the Recovery of Rates.

On the application of Robert Allison ton the application of Robert Allicon, assistant oversser, the Bench made an order for the payment of 18s 9d pcorrate, against Joseph Scott, of Ettersgill, who occupies a farm of 16 acres, the reat being 215, and defendant pleading that he could not pay, as he had been out of work.—The same assistant overseer summoned the Rev. W. F. Y. Royker, Deater of Middleton for Sec. Rector of Middleton, for £3 poor rate -Defendant sent a letter which was read by the Clerk, in which defendant asked that the ummons for taxes and rates sgainst bim might remain over until the end of the month when it would be paid. He was, as they doubtless knew, in the bands of the Official Receiver, and the matter would be duly settled in the course of the next two weeks, when he would be in a position to pay the amount due as stated above, but just at that moment he could not help himself. Owing to the fact that be had to be with the Official Receiver at Stocktor, that day (Wednesday), he could not appear personally to ask the Bench kindly to grant the request, - Mr Martin reminded the Assistant Overseer that they did not receive any compositions in that Court. - The Beach decided that the op'y course open to them was to make the order with costs - The Registrar of the Stockton Bankruptcy Court, on Wednesday (Mr E. M. Turner) ssid he would give the debtor five weeks, and adj urned the examin-ation until March 20th. Debtor, be said, must

Local Tradesmen's Quarterly Meeting

days.

file his scheme of composition within fourteen

Mr R. B Morton presided at the quarterly meeting of the Barnard Castle Tradesmen's Association on Briday night, when there were present Merars Holdsworth. T. Thompson, G. Craig, J. T Knowles, and J T. Marquine (secretary). - A letter was read from Mr J w. B. Healop again accepting the post of homorary solicitor.--It was reported that four members of the association had commenced disper hour closing, and, as the movement was becoming educative, it was tacitly agreed that this matter remain an open question,-Reference was made to the helf-bolday preceding Good Friday, but no deficite action was taken, and the remainder of the business was mainly of a formal obsracter.

lictate as to the methods of procedure.

Baldersdale Social and Dance.

The above was held on the 4th of February, in the Reservoir Board-room, which was kindly lent for the occasion, and a very successful evening was spent. The attendance more than filled the room. Several competitions were witnessed and enjoyed. Songs were rendered by local talent, which were of a healthy tone and an inspiring nature. The evening concluded by a successful dance. Music was supplied by the Baldersdale Baud. The proceeds were on behalf of the Newcastle, Darlington and North Ormesby Hospitals, and amounted to £5 10s., which sum has been sent to the local treasurer.

LADIES.

BLANCHARD'S PILLS

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SMITH.-At Springfield East, Barnard Castle, on the 15th inst., to Mr and Mrs Wilfred B. Smith, a son.

Deaths.

Lowson.-On February 14th, 1918, Annabella, dearly beloved wife of Matthew Lowson, of Blind Beck, Baldersdale, aged 51 years.

WILSON .- At Barnard Castle, on February 17th, 19.8, Dorothy Wilson (late of Spanham). To interred at Bowes Cemetery to-day (Wednesday), 20th inst., at 11 a.m.

In Memoriam.

COLLINSON.- In loving memory of Trooper John George Collinson, Household Battalion, who died at the 12th General Hospital, Rouen, France, on February 21st, 1917.

I'm safe at home with Jesus, Safe on Sis gentle breast : I'm free from all hurm o'ershaded-Sweetly my s ul doth rest. Sweetly my soul doth rest. Although your face I cannot see, dear Jack. Your whee I cannot hear, I often sit and think of you and shed a silent tear. But Context will huse the broken chain CI ser in issues when yo meet again. God knows haw much I was him, He county the twar I shad, and wakers, "lish he main sloage, Four I we are in not let!"

-Lovingly remembered by Emily.