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The Teesdale Mercury BARNARD CASTLE, MARCH 13th, 1918.

DEVELOPMENTS IN AGRICULTURE.

In every direction in this neighbourhood the whole phase of the country has been changed by the disappearance of green fields, and in their place is the rich up-turned soil. Cottagers especially in this district have set a most patriotic example in the matter of plot culture, because the fact has come home to everybody that if we in Britain do not plough and dig we shall starve. The lines are recorded in Hume's History of England, used by John Bull, to encourage the Rebels in Wat Tyler's Rebellion, that "When Adam delve and Eve span, who was then the gentleman?" And this may be accepted as a kindly hint to all men to assist in multifarious ways to increase the food production of this land. We have no doubt there will continue to be a hearty response to the country's call. Meanwhile agricultural affairs in a variety of ways are occupying considerable attention. Mr Prothero is insisting that it is not the farming which pays best, but that which produces the greatest food for man and beast which is to be the future standard in successful agriculture, and it follows, of course, that more provender can be grown on arable than pasture land. The President of the Board of Agriculture is practical in his illustrations, and points out an acre of moderate grass will produce in milk 120 gallons for the year, equivalent to 1,200 pounds of human food, but potatoes on similar soil will yield 11,200 pounds. Adopting scientific formula, he argues that while 100 acres of grass will yield "food energy" for 15 persons, the same area under mangolds would serve 35 persons, under wheat 20, and under potatoes no fewer than 420, or 28 times the produce of grass. Of course this does not imply, one would think, that grass land must cease to exist, for a certain proportion of pasture must be needed for the economic rearing of live stock. The theme was enforced, too, at a meeting of the Loudon Farmers' Club, in a paper by Professor Leplac, of Louvain University, and Captain Bathurst, commenting, said the factors accounting for the Belgian success included the definite State aid, the excellent training work done in the elementary schools, and not least the extraordinary capacity of women in the rural districts. In this latter respect the demonstration given at Wetherby, the other day, is described as a veritable eye-opener to Yorkshire farmers. Meanwhile, the Scottish view of the situation is emphatic. The opinion held in that country is that the methods of the United Kingdom are relatively among the most backward in Europe.

LOCAL AND OTHER NOTES.

Lady Barnard has for several days past been seriously ill with congestion of the lungs. Her condition causes grave anxiety. There was no change yesterday. Mr and Mrs T. W. Gwy and family left Bowes station by the first train on Thursday morning, en route for Newark. It was stated at the last Startforth Food Control Committee meeting, on Wednesday that the timber on 250 acres of land, on a Teesdale estate, would be cut down shortly. It is not proposed to commandeer the produce of allotment holders. They are entitled to retain for their own consumption the whole or any part of their produce. Lance-Corporal T. A. Ashmore, of the 7th York and Lancaster Regiment, had the Military Medal presented to him by Sir John Maxwell, in Leeds Town Hall, on the 28th of February, for bravery in the field. The recipient is the eldest son of Mrs Ashmore, Thorngate, Barnard Castle, and the gallant soldier has been twice wounded. He got his discharge from the army on the 9th of January. Mrs Ashmore had four sons in the army, one of whom was killed, and two others are now in France.

The bidding for Minor's House Farm, Woodfield, on Saturday, commenced at 2250, and reached 2410, when the property was withdrawn, pending possible private negotiation. Eventually the tenant, Mr John Williamson, became the purchaser, at 2450. The land comprehended two fields of meadow and pasture, 10 acres 2 roods and 20 perches in extent. Messrs Farn Bainsbridge and Son were the auctioneers, and Messrs Watson the solicitors. It is proposed that every farmer who ploughs up an additional acreage of permanent grass land shall be permitted to reserve, for the purpose of feeding his own stock, any crop that he may raise on that land, except wheat.

Mr Joseph Kyle, eldest son of the late Mr Joseph Kyle, contractor, of Newcastle and Barnard Castle, died at Harrogate, on Friday. The deceased, who assisted his father in the erection of the Bowes Museum and Barclay's Bank at Barnard Castle, leaves a widow (his second wife) and a young child. Difficulties have arisen in securing land for garden allotments in the Startforth area, and the Executive Officer for the North Riding visited the district on Monday and yesterday, and inspected various sites. His decision will be known to-morrow (Thursday).

Mrs Barnard Storey, of South Shields, addressing the first meeting of the Barnard Castle Branch of the British Women's Temperance Association since their enfranchisement, said, on Monday night, that every political association was setting its net to catch the women's vote, but the women of England, in their newly-acquired citizenship, were determined to go solid for prohibition and purity, the two great aims of England being intemperance and immorality.

MILITARY MEDAL PRESENTED AT COTNERSTONE.

MAJOR J. W. S. HESLOP ON SELF-DENIAL.

An interesting gathering took place at the Temperance Hall, Cotnerstone, on Friday evening last, when Sergeant Knight, of the Second North Yorkshire Regiment, was presented with the Military Medal which had been awarded him for bravery in Flanders. Mr Wm Dent of Naby, occupied the chair. After briefly explaining the object of the gathering, he called upon Major J. W. S. Heslop, T.D., to present the medal. Major Heslop, after thanking the committee for honouring him with the invitation to carry out the pleasing duty, outlined the comparison between our daily life at home and the life of our men in the front. He urged those at home to suffer the petty privations we must endure with patience, and to practice self-denial and self-sacrifice which was as nothing compared with what was suffered by our men in the field. He said that Sergeant Knight had seen service in South Africa, and at the time of the outbreak of the war he was in the front line. He was a postman, and he was sent to the front to release him, but eventually did so the following year for which Sergeant Knight had so worthily earned the Military Medal, and, on planning to go to the Sergeant's breast, trusted that his fellow-dalesmen would remember he had earned it whilst fighting on their behalf, and that he would long remember the day when Sergeant Knight thanked his fellow-dalesmen for their interest so practically displayed by their attendance that night. Mr Chiphose then called on Mr Dent to present Sergeant Knight with a wristlet watch, etc., provided from the local Soldiers and Sailors' Fund. Mr Dent, in handing it over, stated the sum which would prove to be a faithful timekeeper for many years, and that he would carry away with him a pleasant memory of the night's proceedings. Three lusty Teesdale cheers were given for Sergeant Knight, and the national anthem was sung. The evening concluded with a very excellent concert.

Presentation by Cotnerstone Rifle Club. At a gathering of members of the Cotnerstone Rifle Club, held on Thursday evening, a dinner service was presented to Sergeant Charles Knight, a member of the club, in recognition of his winning the Military Medal. The presentation was made by Mr Joshua Coulthard, captain of the club. The Rev. Wm Dent of Naby, occupied the chair. After briefly explaining the object of the gathering, he called upon Major J. W. S. Heslop, T.D., to present the medal. Major Heslop, after thanking the committee for honouring him with the invitation to carry out the pleasing duty, outlined the comparison between our daily life at home and the life of our men in the front. He urged those at home to suffer the petty privations we must endure with patience, and to practice self-denial and self-sacrifice which was as nothing compared with what was suffered by our men in the field. He said that Sergeant Knight had seen service in South Africa, and at the time of the outbreak of the war he was in the front line. He was a postman, and he was sent to the front to release him, but eventually did so the following year for which Sergeant Knight had so worthily earned the Military Medal, and, on planning to go to the Sergeant's breast, trusted that his fellow-dalesmen would remember he had earned it whilst fighting on their behalf, and that he would long remember the day when Sergeant Knight thanked his fellow-dalesmen for their interest so practically displayed by their attendance that night. Mr Chiphose then called on Mr Dent to present Sergeant Knight with a wristlet watch, etc., provided from the local Soldiers and Sailors' Fund. Mr Dent, in handing it over, stated the sum which would prove to be a faithful timekeeper for many years, and that he would carry away with him a pleasant memory of the night's proceedings. Three lusty Teesdale cheers were given for Sergeant Knight, and the national anthem was sung. The evening concluded with a very excellent concert.

Private A. Chapman, of the Royal Flying Corps, and Private T. Jommeson and J. Dean, of the Durham Light Infantry, have returned to France after a short furlough at Barnard Castle. The death of the Rev. William Oxland, R.N., late Vicar of Alston, is announced, at the age of 72 years.

The 5th (Reserve) Battalion the Durham Light Infantry, who are commanded by Lieutenant Colonel H. C. Watson, V.D., have been doing great things in the football field. In the Number 4 Section Humber Garrison competition they first met the 4th Reserve Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers, whom they beat by six goals to 4. This victory brought them up against the 4th Reserve Battalion Yorkshire Regiment, with whom they played a draw, two goals each. On the tie being replayed, the Durham Light Infantry won by 3 goals to 1; and thus qualified for the semi-finals for the Humber Garrison Cup. Their opponents in this round were the 2nd Battalion the Leicestershire Regiment, the survivors in Number 3 Section competition, who, after a stubborn game, were beaten by two goals to one. In the final the Durham Light Infantry, last Saturday, on Hull City Football Ground, met the crack 3rd Battalion South Staffordshire team, the winners of Number 1 Section competition; this round a keen and very fast game, beat them by 3 goals to 1, thus winning the Humber Garrison Cup for 1918.

The following local soldiers are now on a short leave of absence from the front:—Quartermaster Sergeant B. Stoddart, Driver R. Coward, Private G. Pattinson, Sergeant T. Scott, Private F. O'Hara, and Sergeant R. Key. Political neglect of agriculture has cost millions and prolonged the war by at least a year, said Sir Charles Bathurst, M.P., at Gloucester. Lord Denbigh, at the People's Palace, London, said that a captured Hun recently said: "I am worried. We have got on our side, but you've got the Americans."

The death is announced of the Rev. Arminius Burgess, father of Mrs Anthony Steele, of Corn Close. The "Liverpool Daily Post" of March 7th, says: "The death at West Kirby of the Rev. Arminius Burgess, rector of a parish and who was formerly well known in the Wesleyan Church. He had lived in retirement at West Kirby for the last thirteen years. Mr Burgess was a fine classical scholar, and was reputed to be one of the greatest mathematicians in England. He was educated at Kingswood School, Bath, and at Lille. He was in France as a schoolmaster during the Boer War, and afterwards in India as a missionary during the Mutiny. Later he filled some high positions in the home ministry of the Methodist Church, and was greatly beloved and widely honoured." From 1879 to 1885, Mr Burgess was Chairman of the Whitley and Darlington District, and was Superintendent of the Barnard Castle Circuit from 1883 to 1885.

A BOWES REMINISCENCE: THE MODERN PLOUGH. [FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT] At a time when so much grass land is being converted into tillage by horse and tractor ploughs, it is interesting to note that the inventor of the modern horse-plough was one John Bailey, the Yorkshire artist, engraver, mathematician and surveyor, who was born at Blades Fields, near Bowes, in or about 1750. Probably a record of his birth or baptism will be found in the registers of that parish. For some years he was land agent to Lord Tankerville at Chillingham, and in 1785 he published an essay on the construction of the plough, in which he showed, by mathematical calculation, the advantages of the implement he was the means of bringing into use. Some of the British ploughs in previous times appear to have been of a very primitive kind, requiring sometimes as many as eight oxen to draw them. It is a curious coincidence that the originators of two such useful machine-implements as the plough and the road-sweeper should have hailed from the approximate Yorkshire villages of Bowes and Barningham, though in the latter case not in the strict sense a native of the place. (Note.—It has always been understood that the Rev. W. Whitley, a former Rector of Barningham, was the first to bring out the idea of a horse road-sweeper.)

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UPPER DALE NOTES.

Mr J. W. Kesteven, in the absence of the Rev. C. Postler, through illness, presided over the quarterly meeting of the Teesdale Primitive Methodist circuit held at Middleton on Saturday week. The various reports submitted were considered most satisfactory. The financial statement showed a balance after all demands had been met. Mr T. Collinson, Lunsdale, was secretary, and Mr J. Staley, Forest, was chosen as delegate to the district meeting, to be held at Bishop Auckland. A vote of sympathy was passed with the minister in his continued illness.

The monthly meeting of Middleton Parish Council was held on Wednesday night, presided over by Mr T. R. Gwilling. There were seven further applications for garden allotments before the meeting, and a sub-committee was appointed to try and procure suitable land. A petition, signed by the present allotment holders, was presented, seeking to have a water supply laid on to the plots, and Lord Barnard's agent is to be approached with a view to having the matter attended to. The yearly parish meeting was fixed to be held in the Council School on March 20th. The sub-committee appointed to carry out the arrangements for the presentation of the Military Medal to Private W. Bann reported that they had not been able to get the medal before his leave expired.

The interment took place at Middleton on Saturday, of Mrs Ann Watson, widow of the late Mr Richard Watson, the Teesdale Bard, who passed away on Wednesday, at the age of 80 years, after being in failing health for some time. The remains were laid to rest by the side of her late husband, who succumbed to septic poisoning in Edinburgh in January in October, 1892. His body was brought to Middleton for burial, and a notice was erected to his memory by public subscription. An effort was made a few years ago by a small committee to have the works of the late poet re-printed, together with a large collection of unpublished poems and songs which were held by the late Mrs Watson. It is to be hoped that this project will be carried out to perpetuate the memory of so worthy a genius.

The quarterly meeting in connection with the Wesleyan Methodist Teesdale Circuit was held at Middleton on Saturday afternoon, presided over by the Rev. G. Glandfield. There was a good attendance of friends, together with the Rev. Mr Guile and Mr Dixon, of Barnard Castle, representing the home missions, the former as secretary of the district. The financial statement presented by the Chairman, the Rev. G. Glandfield, was a creditable one, the financial account given by the district steward, Mr R. W. Baine, and the foreign mission report were all considered very satisfactory. The Rev. G. Glandfield was unanimously invited for a fifth year, a thing quite unusual in Wesleyan Methodism, but owing to the war as few changes as possible are made. Mr G. V. Vane, the steward, and Mr C. J. Watson were appointed representatives to the district synod, to be held at Middleborough in May. Mrs W. Robson gave the Sunday school report in place of her husband, who is with His Majesty's forces. Votes of thanks were accorded to the local presbytery and Sunday school teachers for their good work.

Private W. Bann, Wesley Terrace, Middleton; Private L. Temple, Bowlee; and Sapper J. W. Sedgewick have been on leave from France during last week. At a meeting of the Full Pony Society, held at the Crown Hotel, Fenwick, on Tuesday week, Mr J. W. Dent, Middleton, urged that the stallion fees should be increased from 10s to 21 per mare, the travelling and other expenses being much heavier than was the case three years ago. It was agreed to fix the fee at 15s. Arrangements were also made for the usual spring shows of entire ponies, but after considerable debate it was decided to have a combined show at Kirby Heslop for the Appleby, Middleton and Kirby Shows, instead of three district shows as heretofore.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS. Birth. HONEY.—On the 5th March, at Acomb Hall, York, to Hilda (Vida), wife of Captain L. F. Honey, M.R.I.C.C.—a daughter.

MARRIAGE. STODDART: HARRISON.—On 12th March, at Corporation Road Wesleyan Chapel, Darlington, by the Rev. F. G. Gatehouse, Private Thomas Stoddart, Welsh Regiment, of 84, Galgate, Barnard Castle, to Daisy C. Harrison, of 5, Prince's-terrace, Darlington. (By special licence).

Deaths. BATESON.—At Middleton-in-Teesdale, on March 2th, 1918, Margaret Bateson, aged 44 years. Was interred at Middleton, on Sunday March 10th. In Memoriam. CHATT.—In loving memory of Private Tom Chapp, who was killed in action on March 15th, 1916. "For King and Country he did his best: May God grant him eternal rest."—Ever remembered by his loving wife and family, father, mother, brothers and sisters.

CLARKSON.—In loving remembrance of John Clarkson, of Penbury, Cotnerstone, who was called home March 12th, 1916. "The memory of the just is blessed."

MCKITTRICK.—In loving memory of Private Robert McKittrick, of the Yorkshire Regiment, who was killed in action on the 10th March, 1915.—Ever remembered by his brother William and his sister-in-law. In a far and foreign graveyard, Where the first their branches wave, Like a loving son and brother, In a field of silent grave, I would have been his first to know, And the words he said to me, "I'll be back in a few days, and I'll be home again."

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COOTHERSTONE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' FUND.

At a public meeting held in the Temperance Hall, Cotnerstone, on Thursday, 28th February, it was resolved to commence a fund under the above title, with the object of meeting practically any needs which may arise in connection with Cotnerstone men serving in His Majesty's Forces abroad or at sea. A strong committee of eight ladies and eight gentlemen, under the presidency of Mr J. M. Aydon, was appointed. This committee has already got to work, and a canvass of the village is to be made with the object of getting promises of monthly subscriptions of one penny upwards. A whist drive and dance is to be held on Easter Monday, and further efforts to raise funds are in progress. Three Cotnerstone men have, to date, won distinctions in each case the Military Medal, and steps are being taken to suitably recognize the honours. The men are Lieut. Harold Hall, Sergeant Charles Knight, and Sapper Joseph Graham.

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Widowhood lost one of its oldest and most respected citizens on February 5th, when Mrs Elizabeth Pyne heard the Divine call, and her soul went back to be with the Heavenly Father from whom it came more than four score years ago, to receive the reward that awaits not only her but all who put their trust in God as this woman has done.

Mrs Pyne led an exemplary christian life, was always possessed of a good jovial disposition, and always looked on the bright side of life, which is one of the causes attributed to her ripe old age.

Mrs Pyne was born in England on November 3rd, 1836, and was married to Mr Thomas Pyne in the year 1851; he no longer resided in the same locality. In the year 1888 this happy couple went to America and have made for themselves and their family a record which but very few equal. To this union ten children were born, all of whom are living, and eight of whom were at her bedside when her spirit took its flight. Two who were at home, resided in the "Mother Land," and were unable to be present. The children are Mrs Elizabeth Metcalfe, of Low Green, Romaldkirk, and Mrs Jane Dawson, of Bishop Auckland; Mr R. H. Pyne, "with whom mother resided," and Mr Wm. T. Pyne, both of Wiltmering, Pa.; Mrs Martha Galle and Mrs Rebecca Kellegh, of Pocomoke city; Mr A. J. Pyne, of Bradford City, Pa.; and Miss Louisa Byers, at home. Mrs Annie Smiles, of Bontzdale, Pa., and Mrs F. W. Harkleroad, of Wiltmering, Pa. To this family of children were born 32 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. In the year 1911 Mr and Mrs Pyne celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, which was a most memorable event.

The most remarkable thing in the life of this grand old couple was the fact that during their entire life there was not more than two weeks that they were out of sight of each other, and as there was only a difference of about six weeks in their ages, they surely did live a devoted life to each other.

On September 17th, 1915, Mrs Pyne was laid to rest in Grandview cemetery, the absence of whom was felt not only by the whole community but by this helpmate of whom too many good things could not be said, and who patiently waited for the day when she could lay the course of this world to a side.

Mrs Pyne was laid to rest by the side of her husband on February 8th, and was buried according to the faith of the Methodist Episcopal Church in a white oak casket, and of which church she was a life-long member.

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