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The cuckoo has been heard at Lartington. The late Mr M. J. Dixon, J.P., Barnard Castle, left estate of the gross value of £6,572, with net personalty £2,991. The "Jackson" Shield, presented to the Teesdale Musical Tournament by Mr Robt. Jackson, together with the silver medal pres ented by Mr J. Shield, are on view in Mr J.

T. Young's window, Market-place. Mr Norman Field, of Lartington Hall, has accepted the presidency of the High Force Agricultural Show. Mr T. Sanderson, Lang-don Beck, is chairman of the committee, and

had a grocery business at Newgate Corner, Barnard Castle. The remains were interred with Masonic honours at Barnard Castle on

The proceeds of the Barnard Castle Agricultural Society's whist drive and dance came to £90 after expenses amounting to £9 18s. 6d. had been met. The committee are very grateful to all who gave prizes and in any way ssisted to make such a satisfactory result. It is announced that as a result of the regotiations with the Newcastle milk distributors the milk producers of Teesdale, who joined with those of Carlisle and Penrith in their demands, have obtained 11d. and fivesixths of a penny per gallon for their milk during the summer mo

At the annual meeting of the Gainford Parish Council the following were elected: - Chairman, Mr Edleston; vice-chairman, Mr R. W Drewery; treasurer, Mr Rickinson; overseers of the poor, the Rev. T. H. Knuckey and Colonel F. W. Beadon. It was resolved to allocate the greater part of the balance in hand to the Pinfold Fund.

Mr R. J. Bailey, schoolmaster, Startforth while walking along Blackwellgate, Darlington, u Saturday evening, had the misfortune t be knocked down by a motor omnibus. Mr Bailey sustained injuries to his head, and was conveyed in the ambulance to Greenbank Iospital and detained until Monday, when he was allowed to go home. The latest news of him is that he is making satisfactory progress. At the annual meeting of the Gainford and District Nursing Association on Saturday, Lord Gainford presiding, the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were adopted, and an address on the scheme for Nursing Insurance superintendent. Voting for the three customary acabcies on the Executive Committee resulted in the election of Mrs E. C. Adamson, Mrs W.

H. Rickiuson, and Mrs Norman Calvert. each: 4 Chicken Coups, 5 New Larch Field Gates, Good Double-horse Grasscutter, by Wood: Good Single-horse Grasscutter, by April 17th. The Vicar thanked the organist, wardens, teachers and committee for their services, and read the annual statement o ecounts, which showed a balance of £51 8s. 2d. The wardens (Messrs J. Wilson and H. Wilkin son) were re-elected, and the following ladies pointed to the committee :- Mesdame Watson, Gibson, Hall, Robinson, Walton Wilkinson, Porter, Wilson and Beadle. These will supply flowers monthly for the altar in the order named.

THE ROYAL WEDDING.

On Thursday, just after the ceremony in Westminster Abbey, Mr R. Liddle, J.P., chair-man of the Barnard Castle Urban Council, espatched the following telegram to the newly sarried Duke and Duchess of York :-Inhabitants of Barnard Castle offer their varm congratulations to you on the occasion of our marriage (signed) Liddle, chairman Urban District Council." Mr Liddle has received a eply to the message as follows :- "O.H.M.S Buckingham Palace : Liddle, chairman, U.D.C. Barnard Castle. Please couvey to all our warm thanks for their kind good wishes .-Abert and Elizabeth." The whist drive and dance arranged of

Thursday by the Chamber of Trade in celebra

ion of the royal wedding was very successful

o fewer than 80 tables were occupied, and as each player paid 3s. for a ticket the nuancial result may be gauged. Messrs J. T Marquiss secretary, and H. Turner were the M.C.'s The prizewinners were as follows: -Champion sbip (highest score), Mr G. Maude. Ladies-Mrs E. Raine; 2, Miss Wood; 3, Mrs Johnson owest score, Miss Reeves; travelling prize Mrs Alderson; sealed, Miss Hodgson; surprise, Miss Palmer. Gentlemen—R. B. Gent; 2, J. Storey; S, E. Blackburn; lowest score, G Allison; sealed, R. Pounder; travelling, E Robson; surprise, G. W. Morton. Dancing was kept up until the early hours, the M.C.'s being Messrs Bell, Gent, Peat and Smith. Mr Dalgaruo's band played. The elimination waltz prizes were won by Mrs Hunt, Miss McGill, Miss J. Longstaff and Mr H. Pollard. The prizes were distributed by Major I. W. R. The prizes were distributed by Major J. W. B. Heslop, who, when the company had received their portions of the wedding oake provided for the occasion, proposed the health of the Duke and Duchess of York. The company warmly responded. Thanks were accorded to Major leslop on the proposal of Mr J. T. Knowles.

In Lunedale, on Lord Strathmore's estate, there were also rejoicings. The proceedings were inaugurated by a sumptuous dinner, given by Lord Strathmore on Thursday afternoon, when about 50 members of the staff and workmen on the estate sat down at the Rose and Crown Hotel, Mickleton, Mr W. H. Ralston presided. The royal and patriotic toasts were duly honoured, and the health of the bride and bridegroom was drunk with musical honours. The gathering broke up with lusty cheers for the bride and bridegroom and the Royal Family. The National Authem was break, has been hunted by harriers for nearly Royal Family. The National Author was sung, all present taking part. In the evening a bot fire on Kirkcairn Hill was lighted by Mrs John Brown, Bowbank, wife of Lord Strath-Aldershot. Mr Butchers and Wear Valley more's bailiff, and was visible over a wide area. The Mickleton band played and the tenantry danced until a late hour.

The mortal remains of the Rev. W. F. Yates Rooker, Rector of Middleton in Teesdale, were laid to rest in the Parish Churchyard on April 24th, amidst manifestations of grief and respect from his parishioners. There was a celebratic of Holy Communion at 8 a.m. The funeral procession left the Rectory at 3 o'clock, a great many having assembled to show a last mark of esteem for their Rector. The churchwardens choir and clergy. The service was choral and the oak panelling in the chancel.

most impressive. Mr Oddie (organist and The dedication ceremony was performed by service, which was conducted by the Rev. Walter Milner, son of a former Rector, opened with the hymn " On the resurrection morning," Psalm 90 being chanted by the choir. The esson was read by the Rev. Canon Cosgrave. Agricultural Show. Mr T. Sanderson, Langdon Beck, is chairman of the committee, and Mr W. E. Gargett, Ettersgill, secretary.

The death has occurred at the age of 82 of Mr David Finlay, who for a number of years had a grocery business at Newgate Corner. with white roses, carnations and tulips: Amou the clergy present were the Rev. E. O. Butler (Vicar of Egglestone), the Rev. J. W. Brent (Vicar of Laithkirk), and the Nonconformists ministers. The floral tributes were numerous and very beautiful, among them being a cross from the widow, wreaths from sisters and nieces; a handsome cross "In memory of the Rector and with sincere sympathy for his family "from the Church Parochial Council, and members of the Church of St. Mary, Middleton; a cross " In loving memory of his old friend," the Rev. T. Randle, Vicar of Forest; wreath "In loving memory" Mrs Heelis; wreath from the Misses Brown; wreath from Mr and Mrs Aarvold, West Hartleppol; cross, Mr G. Turner, Middleton House; flowers from Mrs Horsfield, Mrs Maddison, Mrs and Miss N. Thompson; token "from the Children from 9 and would have done so, but his presence was required in Loudon on important husiness. Lord Barnard also sont a letter regretting his inability to attend.

> BARNARD CASTLE'S ROAD TO RUIN."

COUNCILLORS REPLY TO A CRITIC.

The letter which appeared in the last issue of the

"Teesdale Morcury" from "A Business Man," criticis-ing the action of the Barnard Castle Urban Council, The Rev. H. Bircham pointed out in an interview no doubt that the righteonsness of the commuwith a representative of this journal that last year | nity was greatly due to the example of these the urban district rate was 4s. 6d in the £, and the men. It was for the preservation of the liberty, county rate, levied for poor, education, police and treedom, ordered government and prosperity other purposes over which the Urban Council has no which such men promoted that when the storm control, amounted to 9s., making a total of 13s. 6d. broke in 1914 those other townsmen gave their As chairman of the Finance Committee, said Mr Bircham, he strongly objected to increasing that total, as he considered it more than sufficient for a town of this character, especially considering that it got its park paid for apart from the rates and was enjoying privileges above the ordinary sanitary administration. His standpoint was that in these days it was very advisable that all departments uperial and municipal, should be rationed—that the amount that people might reasonably be expected to pay should be fixed, and that the money should be apent to the best possible advantage, exactly as in one's own private affairs. A man did not get all but for their fellow-men, their country, and that he felt he would like, but he obtained it year by ear as he could afford it, thus gradually overe is household arrears as his means allowed. So i Barnard Castle every year they were effecting nuing that process the Council is gradually overuning the arrears which accumulated in war time without making the rates burdensome. "Many people," continued Mr Bircham, "are crying out for efficiency. Well, we all want that, but it must only be to the extent of our capacity to pay for it."

"With regard to the present financial position of the town," he went on, "I admit it is not so satis factory as we should like, but it is more satisfactory than the majority of corporations and council throughout the kingdom. Our financial deficiency which is comparatively small, is explained by the following facts: Two years ago we sold a house in Galgate because we had decided not to go on with the purpose for which it was purchased. We sold the house for more than we gave for it, and whereas we paid for it out of revenue, the Ministry of Health compelled us to place the proceeds of the sale toward the redemption of capital debt instead of allowing us to pay off that debt by small yearly instalments as we had been doing. We have also bought a refuse tip at a cost of £200 out of the year's revenue, this mount alone being almost equal to our deficiency on the year's working. Then we had the unexpected expense of £160 for water obtained in an emergency from the Tees Valley Water Board.

"In short, although we have kept the rate at its present level, we believe that by the end of the year r accounts will balance, because we anticipate the prices will decline and we shall have a lower county rate. As to the town's claim to the reputation of health resort, it may be worth the attention of the ratepayers that our present death rate is a very low one, and the Medical Officer reports that the health of the town is very satisfactory."

Mr C. T. Singer, who was present at the interview,

added that some people had suggested that an increase in the rates would not be viewed with isfavour, but they felt as overseers that it was difficult enough for people in the town to meet the present demands of the rate collector without adding to them. It had been the painful duty of the overseers to have to enforce payment of rates, and there were many people with stationary incomes who found it difficult at the present time to make ends meet Barnard Castle's rates have not gone up in the same proportion as other towns, and therefore they could not be expected to come down so quickly, but the Council had so far managed to keep them within reasonable bounds, and the present policy was not to exceed it.

A pack of 16 inch beagles is heing go Beagles. In deference to the wishes of practically all owners and tenants no mounted followers are to be allowed.

AN IMPRESSIVE SERVICE. Friday evening witnessed the dedication in the parish church at Barnard Castle of the oak screen erected in memory of the men in the town who gave their lives in the great war, and of an oak pulpit placed there in memory of the late Mr and Mrs W. J. Watson.

The war memorial, which has already been d. scribed in the "Tecsdale Mercury," is of oak in the Decorated style of Gothic architecture, and placed between the bapistry and the nave. and sidesmen preceded the coffin, which was of plain oak, with heavy silver caskets. The coffin was carried shoulder high by Messrs J. Baum, F. Baum, F. Coltman, T. Evans, J. Longstaff, H. Ward, E. Allinson, F. Watson.

The pulpit, which is a handsome addition to the church furniture, is the gift of the children. The pulpit, which is a handsome addition to the church furniture, is the gift of the children and H. Coltman, followed by Mrs Rooker (widow), supported by the Rev. F. W. Holmes J. Watson. It will be remembered that the Miss Rooker (sisters of the Rector). The funeral W. J. Watson in memory of his wife, and he cortege was met at the church gates by the also left a legacy for the purpose of providing

the Bishop of Gloucester (Dr A. C. Headlam). The church was quite full. The Chairman (Mr R, Liddle) and members of the Urban Council attended in state, and the local company of the British Legion, under Major T. B. Heslop, marched from Galgate headed by the Town Band. Two companies of Girl Guides paraded under Captains Mrs Borrowdale and Miss Wyatt, and occupied the north transept. The clergy present were the Revs. H. W. Bircham Vicar), M. N. Coates (Curate), E. O. Butler (Eggleston), E. E. Gleaves (Whorlton), F. L. Brereton (N.E. County School), P. Hughes (Winston), A. L. Manby (Startforth), and J. R.

Jardiner (Rokeby). Mr F. W. Raper, organist, played soothing voluntaries as the congregation assembled. The service opened with the processional hymn, "O God our help," which was followed by prayers offered by the Vicar and the chanting of the Twenty-third Psalm. The Rev. M. N. Coates read the lesson, Rev. xxi., 1-7. Just before the dedication of the memorials the choir gave Spohr's "Blest are the departed," from "The Last Judgment." At hoth the screen and the pulpit the Bishop offered dedicatory prayers. and then choir and congregation joined in the hymn, "For all the saints who from their labours rest."

The Bishop preached from two texts-"Living peaceably in their parishes" (Ecolesiasticus xliv., 8, literally translated) and Market Place. The Sunday Schools were represented by teachers and children, the eldest boy and girl carrying a shepherd's crook, the other children dropping flowers on the grave. The Bishop of Durham expressed his regret at not being able to attend; he certainly recorded have done as but his presented by the two memorials —one of a fellow-townsman who for many -one of a fellow-townsman who for many years lived an upright life among them helping to build up public life, and the other of men who in the great war laid down their lives for their country. How much did we not owe to those who generation after generation lived amongst us? His mind went back to three aspects of public life in the town —the ecclesiastical life that would always be associated with Canon Brown; to that faithful physician, Dr. James Munro, who was wellknown for so many years; and to Mr Watson, the representative of a family which had for evoked statements by members of the local more than a bundred years carried on an honourable business in the town. There was lives, and it was because of their sacrifice

that they commemorated them, It was something to remember that more men went to the war from the county of Durham than from any other part of England, and they all remembered the part that the Durhams played in a critical moment in the second battle of Ypres. The lesson to be learned from the two spheres of life brought before them by these memorials their God. But there were breaches in our civilisation which the war had made to be repaired, and public life to be built up where it had been pulled down. This could be done by example, self-discipline, and public spirit. Let them not think for a moment that wars had ceased. They rightly prayed for "peace in our time," and they hoped such a cataclysm might not happen again, but human nature would remain the same, and there would always be wars and rumours of wars until the end came. and if a new war did arise it would be one which would strain the nerves of the whole population and call for more beroism, because be fight would be in the air. They must all therefore be prepared when the call came to play their part maufully. After the hymn, "Just as I am," the Bishop offered prayer and gave the blessing, and the service concluded with the National Anthem.

At a meeting of the Barnard Castle Chamber of Trade on Monday night, Mr J. T. Knowles presiding, it was reported that the recent whist drive and dance had realised about £35. With regard to Whitsuntide it was decided to close the shops at noon on the Tuesday, but to leave to the members themselves the question of opening on Whit-Mouday.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

DEATH. ONES .- At 28, Bridgegate, Barnard Castle, on 24th April, 1923, Mary Phyllis, beloved wife of Thomas Jones, aged 46 years. -Was interred at Barnard Castle on Saturday IN MEMORIAM.

CARTER.—In loving memory of Annie Carter, of Low Startforth, who died May 2nd, 1921. Peacefully sleeping, resting at last, Earth's weary froubles and trials are past; in silence she suffered, with patience she bot Till God called het boine to suffer no more.

-Ever remembered by her loving husband and DAWSON. - In loving memory of our dear mother

Johanna Dawson, who died (suddenly) May 2nd, 1919, aged 76 years. - Always remembered by her-VHITEHEAD.-In loving memory of

Gertie, who died 6th May, 1918. In our home she is foully remembered, Sweet memories cling to her name; In life we loved her dearly, In death we do the same.

-Ever remembered by her loving father, mother

RETURN THANKS. AYLES.—Mrs Bayles and family, Stoney Keld, Bowes, wish to thank all friends for their kindness and sympathy shown to them in their sad becave-

IONES.-Mr Jones and family desire to return thanks for kind enquiries and sympathy shown to them during their recent sad bereavement; also for