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BARNARD CASTLE, MARCH 4TH, 1925.

OCCASIONAL NOTES.

BY MERCURIUS.] Barnard Castle's surveyor tells me he is as much concerned with the mud on the streets as the most critical resident, and who shall dispute it? There are a good many amateur and his M.A. degree in 1892. surveyors in the town, of course, all ready with their own schemes for dealing with the " that is splashed on houses and business

"If seven maids, with seven mops, Swept it for half-a-year,
Do you suppose," the Walrus said,
"That they could get it clear?"
"I doubt it," said the Carpenter, And shed a bitter tear.

In the matter of roads we are by comparison with present-day traffic very much in the same position as our forefathers were before the turnpikes trusts were formed. In those days the law said that those who used the roads, if they wanted them improved, must pay for them, and so gates were erected for the purpose of barring those who objected to the impost. We do things differently now. The tax on petrol forms a fund for road maintenance, but it is to be feared that the expense of adequate maintenance is more than the taxes can meet. The question therefore arises whether the motor traffic which is wearing out the roads contributes as much as it ought to make them good again.

The irony of the situation is that local rating authorities are losing ratable value through the diminished traffic on the railways resulting from road motor competition. The railways not only provide their own roads, but pay enormous sums in rates on them. The motors capture the ratepayers' roads, make a most inadequate contribution towards their upkeep, and reduce the yield of rates by the railways. The greatest need of the age is to make the motor traffic pay a far larger proportion of the cost of maintaining the roads. At the present time motor traffic is rate-aided because it does not contribute anything like sufficient to repair the damage it does to the roads, and the ratepayers have to make up the heavy deficit.

Having all but accomplished the County on local authorities. Barnard Castle Urban it did to those who witnessed it during the war. Many entries relating to the services were

Council alone in Teesdale has an election every year and the four members whose term expires this month end are Messrs T. B. Forster, A. H. Nicholson, C. T. Singer and R. Woodhams. The first Monday in April is election day, as usual, and all the guardians and rural councillors in the Teesdale Union will have to be elected that day.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Shrovetide Whist Drive.

On Shrove Tuesday evening a well-attended whist drive and dance were held in the Church Mission Hall, Barnard Castle, in connection with the Parochial Sewing Guild and a very pleasant evening was spent. The prize-winners were Mrs Banner, Mrs Walton, Miss Longstaff, Mrs Waters, Mr E. Heslop, Mr G. N. Warnes, Miss Jemmeson and Miss Johnson. Mrs Bircham presented the prizes and made a pleasant little speech. Messrs Shield, Allison, and Warnes were the M.C.'s. The Vicar thanked all who had given the prizes and refreshments and helped in any way, and it was resolved to hold another similar function after

The Rev. N. W. Watson's Preferment.

The Rev. N. W. Watson, Startforth, whose work in connection with the Industrial Christian Fellowship is well-known, has been appointed to the benefice of St. Paul, Newcastleunder-Lyme, in the diocese of Lichfield. On behalf of the funds of the Fellowship, which will be more familiar to many by its former name of the Navvy Mission, Mr Watson is preaching at both services at Startforth parish church next Sunday.

Mr. Fife. On inquiry yesterday we were glad to learn that Mr H. L. Fife, J.P., whose accident in the hunting field we recorded last week, continues to make satisfactory progress. He is, however, still confined to the house, and it may be some weeks before he is able to get about as before.

Captain J. E. Rogerson. Captain J. E. Rogerson, O.B.E., of Mount Oswald, Durham, ex-M.P. for Barnard Castle, who is in a nursing home at Leeds, was reported yesterday to have shown a slight improvement

British Legion. The adjourned meeting of the local branch of the British Legion was held on Monday evening, Captain E. R. Hanby Holmes pre-siding. It was decided to form a British Legion Club in Barnard Castle.

Snow in Teesdale. There is deep snow in Upper Teesdale, in consequence of which the overseers of the parishes of Forest of Teesdale, Harwood, and Newbiggin were unable to attend the court for the revision of the voters' lists for the Barnard Castle Division held at Barnard Castle on Monday. For the same reason the presiding officers and other officials engaged County Council election in the Teesdale Division were unable to attend for the customary swearing in.

WINSTON RECTOR'S DEATH. SUDDEN PASSING OF THE REV. PETER HUGHES.

We record with sincere regret the passing of the Rev. Peter Hughes, Rector of Winston, and Rural Deau of Barnard Castle, which occurred at his residence on Wednesday evening. Mr Hughes was taking the week-night service at Cockfield Church when he had a fainting fit. Restoratives were brought and Mr Hughes seemed to recover. He was removed in a motor car, but shortly after his arrival at home he had another seizure and collapsed, death following almost immediately

about half-past nine. Widespread regret has been occasioned by afternoon the church was quite full, the Mr Hughes's demise, for he was well-known dedicatory service being conducted by the and highly esteemed. Since he came to Rev. A. E. Guile, superintendent minister of Winston nearly fifteen years ago in succession | the Barnard Castle circuit, and Chairman of to the late Rev. F. E. Sadgrove, he had the Whitby and Darlington District. The endeared himself to his parishioners, being in service opened with the hymn, "All people every respect an ideal country parson. His that on earth do dwell," sung, accompanied

familiar figure will be much missed.

It was in the year 1882 that Mr Hughes was the Old Hundredth tune. Mr Howden then ordained by Bishop Lightfoot. His first curacy was at Collierley, and he held successive curacies at Burnopfield and Gateshead before his preferment to Tudhoe, to 28th, 1925, by the trustees," and with this Mr. which benefice he was appointed by the late
Bishop Westcott. The Winston living is also
in the gift of the Bishop of Durham. When
the Barnard Castle Rural Deanery was formed
to ludnoe, to
lead before his preferment to ludnoe, to
lateral lead, 1920, by the trustees, and with his life
armory opened the organ, afterwards addressing the congregation as follows: "My Dear
Friends, It is a great honour to me to be associated
to open the new organ, and to be associated last year Bishop Hensley Henson appointed Mr Hughes its first Dean, the appointment The ministry of music in our worship is soothbeing a very popular one. Mr Hughes from the outset has taken a deep interest in the deanery. He was also a member of the Barnard Castle Ministers' Fraternal, of which the Rev. Canon Lonsdale is President, the members including the ministers of the local Nonconformist Churches. Educated at St. Bees, which he left in 1880, Mr Hughes took his B.A. degree at Durham University in 1887

Much sympathy has been expressed with Mrs Hughes and her two sons in their bereavement. The elder son, the Rev. C. Kendrick premises by those modern fast-moving motor vehicles. "Scrape and sweep" is the advice these amateur surveyors give. It reminds one of Lewis Carroll in "The Walrus and the Hughes, lives at Scargill. The late rector was 66 years of age.

> There was a large gathering at the funeral of the Rural Dean in Winston Churchyard on Monday after-noon. The Bishop of Durham officiated, being noon. The Bishop of Durham officiated, being accompanied by his domestic chaplain, the Rev. J. F. Clayton, M.C. The clergy in attendance, robed and otherwise, included the Venerable Archdeacon Derry, Canon Lonsdale (Arlaw Banks), Canon Gouldsmith (Haughton-le-Skerne), Canon Cosgrave (Holy Trinity, Darlington), the Rev. Dr. Shortt (Kelloe), the Revs. A. S. Thompson (St. John's Darlington), W. J. H. McLean (Heighington), G. R. Wilkinson (Ingleton), H. S. C. Syuterier (Straighton), E. F. Dec. (Straighton) H. S. C. Spurrier (Staindrop), R. F. Drury (Vicar of Darlington), A. T. I. Ford (Darlington), W. Richardson (Evenwood), E. E. Gleaves (Whorlton), H. W. Bircham (Barnard Castle), W. Apter (Denton), R. C. George (Coniscliffe), L. R. McDermid (Gainford), C. S. Wilson (Stanley, Crook), J. R. Gardiner (Rokeby), M. Collins (Hutton Magna), etc. The Rev. J. Hawkins, Primitive Methodist minister, Barnard Castle, represented the Ministers' Fraternal, and Mr Robert Wood attended as Treasurer of the Barnard Castle Deanery. The church arrangements were under the direction of the wardens, Messrs J. C. Forster and F.

Davey.

The chief mourners were Mr and Mrs H. Trevor Hughes (son and daughter-in-law) and Miss Thompson (niece).

Miss Mills was at the organ. The service was read by the Rev. A. W. M. Close, formerly Vicar of

Hutton Magna, the lesson being read by the Archdeacon. The hymn, "Lead, kindly light," was sung, and as the procession left the Church Miss Mills played Chopin's "Marche Funibre." At the graveside the remainder of the service was taken by the Bishop, and after the Benediction the hymn, "Abide with me," was sung. The grave is just below the chancel window, in full view of the Vicarage. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr A. Walker, Winston.

The Inez Howard Popular Players will the building were to be 30ft. by 15ft., with a appear at the Victoria Hall on Friday and height of 24ft. Four days later an estimate Saturday in the most successful play by Walter | for the erection of the building was obtained Having all but accomplished the County Council election we have to look forward to those other triennial elections of representatives

Howard, entitled, "Seven Days' Leave." It from William Askew, his price being £14 14s.

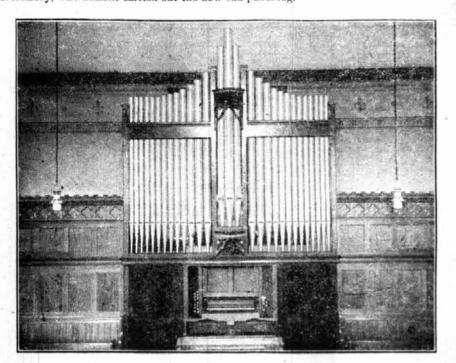
Though a war-play, "Seven Days' Leave." 4d. The first preaching house in Cotherstone appeals as stongly to a peace time audience as was opened by John Wesley on June 20th, 1777.

COTHERSTONE WESLEYAN JUBILEE.

COMPLETION OF £1,200 CELEBRATION SCHEME

OPENING OF THE NEW CHURCH ORGAN.

Saturday saw the opening in Cotherstone Wesleyan Church of the new organ by the erection of which the members celebrated the jubilee of the building of the church in 1874. Together with internal and external renovations the scheme has cost more than £1,200, and it was announced on Saturday night that the whole sum had been raised. The organ cost £550, and a further £250 was spent on the provision of some handsome oak panelling extending from each side of the organ to the walls of the church, adding considerably to the appearance. As a result the unhandsome wooden partitions that provided class room accommodation have been removed. The seating has been improved within the church, and the walls redecorated, while the outside walls have been repointed to keep out the wet. All the work was done under the direction of Mr J. H. Armory, who himself carried out the new oak panelling.



The picture of the new organ is from a photograph by Mr E. Holdsworth, Barnard Castl. and gives some idea of how the panelling on each side appears. The organ, which is the worl of Messrs Blackett and Howden, organ builders, Newcastle-on-Tyne, has been constructed throughout with tubular pneumatic action, everything about the instrument being based on modern principles. It contains no fewer than six hundred pipes, and the pedalling conforms to the requirements of the Royal College of Organists. The keys of the two manuals are of ivory. The organ is fitted with oak surrounds, the case being of handsome figured pitch-pine, pipes covered with aluminium forming the upper part of the case. The compass of the two manuals is CC to C, 61 notes, and of the pedals CCC to F, 30 notes. The organ was crected under the personal direction of Mr C. W. Howden. MOVING SPIRITS.

Below are photographs of three moving spirits in the renovation scheme—Mr J. H. Armory reasurer, under whose persuasive powers the scheme has grown and all the money obtained Mr H. Wilson Brotherton, Bishop Auckland, who advised the committee as to the specification of the organ and came to play it on Saturday; and Mr J. G. Bell, Cotherstone, Chapel steward who has been secretary of the scheme and had endless work to do in connection with it. These portraits are from photographs by Mr S. E. Taylor, Bishop Auckland.



MR J. H. ARMORY.

THE OPENING CEREMONY.

and led by the choir, under Mr T. Kipling, to

with the jubilee celebrations of this church.

ing and elevating, and I venture to express the

prayer and hope that the organ we are opening

to-day will be a real help whenever we gather

in this house of prayer. I have the greatest

pleasure in declaring this organ open to be played to the glory of God, and ask you to

join in singing the Doxology."
Mr H. W. Brotherton then took his place at

the organ and led the gathering in the hearty

singing of the Doxology. The dedicatory prayer was offered by the Rev. J. W. Garforth,

and after Mr Guile had read for the lesson,

Psalms exlix. and cl., Madame Hilda Carr,

from Crook, sang a solo, "In God's Garden."

Mr Guile based his address on Psalm cxlix., 5,

6, and in the course of his remarks bade his

hearers to regard the new organ as neither a

mere "kist o' whustles " or as the sole means

of worship, but rather as something intended

to help in the uplifting of the soul of the

worshippers to their Maker in whose praise

they sang. He reminded the congregation

that the great religious revival of the eighteenth

century was due not only to John Wesley's

preaching, but also to Charles Wesley's sing-

ing; therefore let all who had voices use

them with the help of the noble instrument

The church was even more closely packed

in the evening for the organ recital by Mr H.

W. Brotherton. Chairs lining the aisles were

not sufficient to accommodate all who sought

EARLY METHODISTS.

Mr J. H. Armory presided, and in the course

of a few remarks said he had been fortunate

from whom he had obtained some useful

information in reference to the Cotherstone

Wesleyan Church. They were supposed to be

celebrating their jubilee, but it was really their tri-jubilee, or the 150th year of Methodism in

Cotherstone. He had had lent to him by a

good Wesleyan of Willington, Mrs Jonathan Raine, a book dated 1775, which belonged to

her grandfather, Edward Simpson, of Cother-

stone, who in the year mentioned was the

companion of John Wesley. The book

recorded that on Monday, March 20th, 1776,

John Wesley, John Whitfield, John Parker,

Ambrose Pratt and William Hutchinson came

to Edward Simpson's house for a meeting at

which it was proposed to build a stable-barn

as a place of worship, and that was how the first Wesleyan Church in Cotherstone came to

be known as Stable Barn. The dimensions of

from William Askew, his price being £14 14s.

in having almost at his door in Willington one

inaugurated that afternoon.



MR H. W. BROTHERTON.



found in Edward Simpson's book. When the Jonathan Raine was present, and the chief item on the programme that Mrs Raine could emember was sung by a choir from Middleton-Teesdale, which was brought down in long farm wagon. The choir was entertained by Mr John Lowson, uncle of Mrs Raine, who ived at Doe Park Farm. That was all that Mrs Raine could remember about the opening except that Miss Lowson was organist, the organ being at that time a harmonium.

Proceeding, Mr Armory acknowledged the generosity of many friends in the raising of all the money required for the renovation scheme, and paid a high tribute to the workmanship of Mr Oliver in painting the interior of the church, and of Mr George Swindle in pointing the exterior.

The musical programme then began, Mr Brotherton's examples displaying all the powers of the organ. Songs were rendered by Madame Carr, Miss Kathleen Bell and Mr T. Servants will be taken.) Potts, and violin solos by Mrs J. G. Bell, who also played an obligato to her daughter's solo. Mr Guile, when the collection was taken said the scheme had increased from a modest one of £500 to one costing £1,200. He thought it would have to go on to £1,500 or £1,600, because new vestries were required. A HANDSOME GIFT.

Mr J. G. Bell said he had found on the collection plate in the afternoon a cheque for £250, and accompanying it a letter as follows :-"February 28th, 1925.

"My Dear Mr Bell,-The jubilee scheme having been completed, I enclose cheque in full payment of account for the new screens and choir seats fixed at each side of the new organ, erected on my behalf. It is my sincere wish that you hand this gift over to the trustees. "Yours sincerely, "Wesleyan,"

* COTHERSTONE WESLEYAN CHURCH JUBILEE.

There was no name on the letter, said Mr Bell, but they did know that without Mr Armory and his wife Cotherstone could not have carried through a scheme of this description. He could tell them, too, if he had time, of some beautiful letters received with the gifts of people who were formerly associated with the church at Cotherstone and still cherished an affection for the village and the Wesleyan Church.

Mr Armory referred to the excellent services rendered to the scheme by Mr Bell in the capacity of secretary and to the great assist-ance rendered to the church by Mr and Mrs Bell and their daughters. He also thanked Mr Brotherton for his gratuitous services both in the selection of the organ and in the giving of the recital.

The day's proceeds came to £337 5s. 5d.

SUNDAY SERVICES. There was a larger congregation than usua on Sunday morning, when the Rev. J. W. Garforth preached, and in the evening the church was crowded, extra seats having to be provided, The Rev. A. E. Guile preached Mr Brotherton was at the organ at both services, and Madame H. Carr sang solos at ach. In the evening the choir under Mr T. Kipling sang an old anthem by Thomas Clark Daughter of Zion."

The following is the official financial state

Received to Feb. 16th ... 904 15 7 Saturday's proceeds ... 337 5 5 Suuday's offertories ... 8 14 3

£1,250 15 8

COUNTY COUNCIL CONTEST IN

TEESDALE. The electors of Teesdale are voting to-day for the election of a County Councillor, and Lord Barnard, the Moderate candidate, who has represented the Teesdale Division for the past three years, is seeking re-election, being opposed by Mr George Dickenson, miner Cockfield, the nominee of the Labour organisa tion. The votes will be counted on Thursday morning, and Mr J. Ingram Dawson, the Returning Officer, expects to be able to announce the result from the upper window of the Witham Hall about half-past twelve.

LORD BARNARD'S ADDRESS.

Lord Barnard, who has had excellent hearings at his campaign meetings, addressed a gathering at the Scarth Memorial Hall, Staindrop, on Monday night. Mr J. A. Preston presided and Lady Barnard

ccupied a seat on the platform.

Lord Barnard deprecated the introduction of party solities into local government elections. Party solities in local affairs had great disadvantages, secause however beneficial a measure might be for the people, the party introducing it was bound to be opposed by the other side, and when such a spirit was carried to extremes there could not be such efficiency in County Council work as could be wished and as he would like to see. Dealing in an exhaustive manner with the work of the Labour administration, ord Barnard criticised municipal trading, saying he ould not find many instances in which it had been successful, while in most cases it had resulted in scrious financial loss. Moreover, he held that it was no part of the work of the County Council to embark on such schemes as had been initiated by the Labour Party, and the more the Council kept out of it the better, because such schemes, if they did not pay, as they rarely did, had to be paid for, and the only way to meet the deficiencies was out of the rates. The result of such non-success was that the rates had to

Defending the Council from the accusation that the onds were made for the use of owners of private motor cars, Lord Barnard pointed out that these comprised only 22 per cent of the motor traffic in the county. He held that the County Council, under the Moderate administration, had improved the financial position of the county, for besides reducing the rates without impairing the efficiency of the administration, they had reduced the outstanding rates from £100,000 to £15,000, showing that low rates are more easily collected than high ones.

DEATH OF MR ISAAC TARN.

We regret to record the death of Mr Isaac Tarn, Step Ends, Middleton, which took place on Sunday evening at the age of 71. Mr Tarn was well known in farming circles as a success ful cattle and sheep farmer. Born at Intake, Forest, he succeeded his father and farmed that holding for many years. Afterwards he went to Doe Park, Cotherstone, and from there to Step Ends, Middleton. He was of a quiet and unassuming disposition and made many friends, being held in much respect by a host of neighbours in the district. He was a devoted churchman, having been churchwarden at Forest for many years, and he also attended Cotherstone and Laithkirk churches during his latter days under the kindly ministration of the Rev. J. W. Brent. Two years ago the loss of his devoted wife was a severe blow to him and during the past year he has been in declining health. He leaves a family of sons and laughters to mourn the loss of their father. I'wo sons, Messrs Frederick and Isaac Tarn, and one daughter, Charlotte, live at Step Euds. The eldest son, Mr Thomas Emmerson Tarn, is at Iutake, Forest, and the second son, Mr Jacob Currah Tarn, is at Toft House, Egglestone; while his eldest daughter, Eliza, is married to Mr W. H. Clarkson, Mense House, Lartington. The interment will take place -morrow afternoon at Laithkirk Church

FOOTBALL.

At a special meeting of the Barnard Castle and District League, on Thursday, the question of the eligibility of A. Manning, of Barnard Castle Athletic, was discussed. Staindrop, who laid the protest, contended that he had not the necessary residential ualification. After an exhaustive inquiry the mmittee upheld the protest, deducting four points om the Athletic, and fining them five shillings. SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

> Athletic, 3: Mickleton, 0. Standrop 3; Corinthians 1. Barnard Castle School, 6, Mr Heslop's XI, 2.

NEXT SATURDAY.

Final of Medal Competition, 3 p.m.—Corinthians w. Athletic,
on Ten Fields ground.

League game: Mickleton v. Bowes. HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

TEES VALLEY BEAGLES. Saturday, March 7th - Thorngarth Hill .. Saturday, March 14th -Botany To finish the season. LARTINGTON HARRIERS. , March 9th Barnard Castle Market Place, at 12 noon (a cap for the Lartington Hunt

riday, March 13th-North Gill Farm MARKETS.

BARNARD CASTLE CATTLE, Wed .- There were 75 dairy cows forward. Awards and prices: Calved cows—1, T. W. Guy, Gilmonby, £44 10s; t, J. Bell and Son, Langleydale, £40 10s; 3, C. Metcalfo, Greystones, £44. Others to ∠38, H. Gaskell, Bowes; ∠40 5s., Mrs E. C. Watson, Greta Bridge ; £42 15s., P. Longstaff and Son, Stainton. In-calf cows - 1, R. Forrest, Bowes; 2, S. Metcalfe, Old Lodge; 3, C. W. Anderson, Newsham, £33. W. Hardacre, Boldron. DARLINGTON PROVISIONS, Monday. -Butter

were forward 50 fat cattle, 61 sheep and 19 pigs. Beef to 60s. per cwt, live weight. Sheep—hoggs to 53s., shearlings to 98s., and ewes to 84s. Pork pigs

s. 6d, per lb; eggs, 2s. per dezen. BARNARD CASTLE CATTLE, Monday.—There

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

ASCOUGH.—At Thorngate, Barnard Castle, on 3rd March, 1925, to Mr and Mrs. J. W. Ascough, a sott. DEATH. ARN. - At Step Ends, Middleton-in-Teesdale, March 1st, Isaac Tarn, the beloved husband of the late Esther Tarn. Interred at Laithkirk on Thursday, March 5th, at 3 p.m. Cortege leaving residence at 2-30. Friends kindly accept this

intimation. IN MEMORIAM.

SCOTT.—In loving memory of Maria, beloved wife of Henry Scott, of Deerbolt Inn, Startforth, who died Saturday, 28th February. Was interred at Startforth Churchyard, Tuesday March 3rd. RETURN THANKS.

UGHES. -Mr Hughes and family wish to thank all friends for their kind expressions of sympathy with them in their recent sad bereaver Winston Rectory, Darlington. EACOCK .- Mrs Peacock and Family, Marwood,

thank all friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in their bereavement.

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