has secured an appointment as maintenance engineer to the Shanghai Mutual Telephone

Since leaving Barnard Castle School Mr

the contrary:

Not for the lust of killing,

Not for the place of pride,

Must answer for ever and ever

We British saddle and ride; But because of the gift of our fathers, The blood in our veius that flows

The challenge of "Youder he goes!"

Through the exertions of its editor, Mr W

made up mainly by the weekly pence con-

tributed by workmen in the area served by the hospital. Mr Chapman Wood, by the way, is

a Teesdalian, and news of his achievement

will be very welcome to his many friends in

That Middleton-in-Teesdale should have an

official guide of its own is a matter for sincere

congratulation to those who are responsible for

the production of the handsome little brochure

which has just been issued. Five of the pages

to begin with, are headed by charming little

photographs, well-known scenes being depicted, and four of these were taken by Mr J. Langstaff,

Middleton-in-Teesdale. The letterpress gives

an interesting description of the village and that part of Teesdale of which it is the gate, together with a little local history, ancient and

modern, aud much information which those

who, being strange to the district and seeking

a health resort, may find of use in the selection

of a place for sojourning in. Various places of

historic interest within easy distance of Middleton are also described.

Mr George W. Forster, whose interest in

amateur football originated in Teesdale and now happily extends to a much wider area than

his native dale, has taken upon himself the

Despite its record in producing League foot-

allers, he says, Cockfield, for a recent replayed

English Amateur Cup tie, in which Norton

Woodseats were beaten, could not afford to buy

of former Cockfield players who have at one

football, and the clubs by which the lads were

Hull City; Frank Twine, Middlesbrough, Alex.

United; Mark Hooper, Darlington; William

Hooper, Oldham; Carl Hooper, Lincoln City; T. W. Roe, Tottenham; J. McGuire, Charlton;

A. Mitchell, Sunderland; J. E. Rand, Everton.

players, any one of whom could hold his own

Cockfield is carrying on the great work of finding 'em, but—the local colliery has been

idle since June. Consequently funds are low.

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well in the English Amateur Cup. There are budding Hoppers and Ashmans at Cockfield.

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the interests of English League football, that

such an important nursery as Cockfield should

continue to function? Then if you can help

the little amateur village team to keep the flag

flying, you will be rendering the game a great

service. And who knows? Perhaps they may

go on to win the Amateur Cup. Perhaps

will have re-opened. Perhaps the next Mark

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and to sustain a dislocated shoulder. The

thrown against a tree. He was attended by

LOCAL AND DISTRICT NEWS.

LIGHTING-UP TIMES.

The L.N.E.R. are running 149 half-day

A correspondent states that a white starling

Rugby football which is being practiced at

Barnard Castle School this term is proving

The performance of Handel's oratorio.

Samson," by the Barnard Castle Choral

Society under Mr F. W. Raper, F.R.C.O., will take place on Thursday, March 15th.

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for the Greta Bridge Division of the North Riding and next Wednesday for the Barnard

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BARNARD CASTLE, FEBRUARY 1st, 1928.

OCCASIONAL NOTES. By MERCURIUS.

The apparent lack of interest in the facilities afforded by evening continuation classes, to which Mr Emerson called attention at a recent meeting of the Teesdale District Education Committee, is to all who value education one of the most distressing signs of the times. It is but a continuance of that spirit which before the school-leaving age is completed looks forward only to the day when school can be left behind, and after that troubles no more to build up that education of which elementary school life is but the foundation. It may be true that the secondary schools which retain their scholars until they are at least sixteen supply in some measure the supplementary teaching which the ordinary elementary school cannot provide, and to a great extent, therefore, since all secondary schooling in Durham County is now free, we are more advanced than we were a decade or two ago, but it does seem a pity that those young people who for a variety of reasons have been unable to take advantage of extra training should be content to think that having passed through the elementary school no need to trouble further about learning. Is it because the subjects are unattractive or because evening class students must take the whole of a series of subjects or none of them, and those who cannot take the whole are debarred from taking any of them?

\* \* \* Passing along Station Road, Barnard Castle, yesterday (writes a correspondent), just as the secondary school pupils were arriving home from Bishop Auckland by train, strange sounds fell upon the ear-derisive cries of " Garn! Swotter!" Investigation showed that the taunt was being directed by elementary school boys towards those formerly of their number who having qualified for secondary education had been granted facilities for benefiting by it. But why they should be subjected to such taunts from others who either could not or would not—probably the latter—qualify for something higher, puzzled me. The taunted ones were obviously pained, but probably the reflection that they are on the way to still higher education at the universities-for that is the end of higher education which even elementary scholars may eventually attain to -will make them forget their assailers. And perhaps those assailers are by this time, on reflection, sorry for their attitude toward their fellows with the larger outlook.

The issue of the syllabus of the Teesdale Musical Tournament is a reminder that this festival is in the ninth year of its existence and going stronger than ever. Dr. James Lyon, Birmingham, is the judge, and it is hoped that the competitions, on Friday and Saturday, May 11th and 12th, may be entered into more keenly even than last year. On the children's day (Friday), there will be eighteen classes, school children and school choirs being included, some for Teesdale only and others open to the wider area of the Kingdom. In a subsequent issue it is hoped to publish the complete syllabus as usual.

In the senior section the committee have made changes with a view to enlisting a larger entry. Two new trophies have been provided -a challenge shield for male voice choirs from workmen's clubs, works, or ex-servicemen's organisations, by Major J. W. B. Heslop, and a silver rose bowl for male voice choir competition by Mr J. Ingram Dawson. In times past the male voice choirs have been among the chief events of the contest, and it is hoped that fresh encouragement will lead to an increased entry in this very popular form of vocal music

Arrangements for the Hospital Ball at Barnard Castle on February 16th are proceeding apace and no pains are being spared to ensure success. The following have been appointed the refreshment committee: The Hon, Mrs Cyril Liddell (chairman), Mrs Swinbank, Mr and Mrs Arthur Taylor Mrs A. J. Young, Mrs T. Langstaff, Mrs Fred Smith, Miss Annett, Mrs H. F. Youngs, and Mrs T. M. Metcalfe. These are busy obtaining promises of eatables or funds for the purchase of them. and of the sumptuousness of the repast there is not the least possible doubt.

The Committee of the Baruard Castle Branch of the National Farmers' Union have been particularly fortunate in prevailing upon the Ministry to allow Mr R. Boutflour, the Ministry's Director of Dairy Husbandry, to deliver a lecture on "The Management of Dairy Cows" at Barnard Castle on February Mr Boutflour is recognised to be the greatest authority in the world on the subject of his lecture, and his long practical experience has given him the confidence of the big majority of dairy farmers in England. It has been proved beyond doubt that his method of feeding has not only increased very materially the yield of milk, but also reduced the cost of production which, in these days, is of vital mportance to the milk producer. In many districts his system has revolutionised dairy farming and the farmers of Teesdale will be well advised to make a special effort to avail themselves of the advantages of Mr Boutflour's experience.

The L.N.E.R. have extended in the majority of instances in the North Eastern Area of their system the availability of cheap day tickets, and these will now be issued for the outward journey by any ordinary train after 8 a.m. or 9 a.m. and for return by any ordinary train on the day of issue. These tickets are issued on certain days of the week to large centres and market towns within a reasonable radius and are in most cases based on the single fare for he return journey. Within the last two or three years' this arrangement has been considerably extended, so that it is now possible to obtain a cheap day return ticket to one or other nearby centre of population from nearly every North Eastern Area station.

Thinking of summer excursions by rail, Mr Beautyman informs me that there is to be another trip to Scotland from Teesdale, on Saturday, June 9th, and suggests that those who have enjoyed previous jaunts of this description may begin to prepare for another trip to the "land o' cakes." The pian is to visit the Clyde, the Kyles of Bute, Loch Fyne The plan is to and Rothesay, leaving this district about midnight, and proceeding via Berwick and Edinburgh to Craigendoran, from which a steamer will start at 8-30 a m., reaching Rothesay about 2 p.m. and allowing for a stay there of four and a half hours. The return train will leave Craigendoran about 7-20 p.m. The fare for this trip, including breakfast and dinner on the train and lunch on the steamer, will be from a series of addresses on John Bunyan's "The Middleton in Teesdale 31s. 1d., and from Pilgrim's Progress," which will be continued each Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

One has great pleasure in recording that Mr | Scala Cinema. A. B. Wilkinson, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. P. Wilkinson, Maius House, Barnard Castle,

"Remembrance," a British Legion film, will be shown to-night at the Scala Cinema, Barnard Castle, and a feature next week will be "The Flag Lieutenant," one of the prettiest Company, Ltd., and sails from Liverpool on pictures we have ever seen.

Saturday in the s.s. "Sarpodon" for China. New Masters at the School. There are three new masters at Barnard Castle School this term—Mr C. J. Hunt, B.A. Wilkinson has been employed in the Postal Service at Darlington and Middlesbrough, and he had to pass a very searching examination in London in order to secure his new appoint-(Oxon.), from Exeter College, Oxford; Mr O. E. Harvey, M.A. (Cantab.), from Peterhouse College, Cambridge; and the Rev. L. A. B. Becher, M.A. (Cantab.).

Apropos the controversy raging in the North | A Holwick Bereavement.

Country newspapers anent foxhuuting, Mr William Todd, Barningham, kindly sends the Quite a gloom was cast over Holwick when it became known that Mr Joshua Collinson, son of Mr and Mrs T. Collinson, Mire House, following lives which express the real spirit of the hunt whatever the critics may think to had passed away on Sunday night after an illness of only a few days. Deceased was a young man much respected by all who knew him and much sympathy is felt with his parents in their sad bereavement.

Barnard Castle G.F.S. The G.F.S. is arranging to hold a social evening on Tuesday next in the Mission Hall, and as the proceeds will go to the local fund it is hoped that friends interested in the society will support it. It is hoped to raise a portion of the expenses of the summer excursion. During the last year the expenses were greater Chapman Wood, the Hertfordshire Mercury as raised no less than £5,054 for the Hertas the members gave £8 6s. 8d. which was one-third of the cost of the piano in the Parish Room, and have recently given a guiuea to the fordshire County Hospital with the promise of a regular income of £1,000 a year for the institution. Only five years have passed since the scheme was launched, and the amount is Church expenses fund.

Church Lads' Brigade. At a meeting held in the Church Mission Hall on Tuesday evening, when it was decided to form a local company of the Church Lads' Brigade for Barnard Castle. The Vicar offered a very acceptable donation toward expenses, and it was agreed to seek funds from other sources. Mr F. R. Battensby, the Diocesan reader, a former secretary of the County C.L.B., was nominated captain.

The Fire in a Fish Shop.

The fire which occurred at Mrs Hollis's fish shop, at 36, Galgate, Barnard Castle, on Saturday week, through a quantity of fat in the fish frying apparatus catching alight, was not so serious as was at first feared. Fortunately, Mr Frank Deacon was passing with a load of grit, and knowing the value of this as compared with water, being a fireman, he used it to advantage and the fire was out almost as soon as it started

Junior Imperial League. A meeting of the Barnard Castle Junior Imperial League was held at the Conservative Club on Monday evening. Mr A. W. Kidd presided, and Mr T. Allison gave an address on "The Growth of Parliament," sketching how the parliamentary system has grown from the days of Simon de Montfort, through the Stuart period, the Protectrate, and the Revolution, up to the present day with universal

very laudable task of appealing to eighty-one English League Football clubs in an endeavour to enable Cockfield Football Club to carry on.

Wesley Guild. The festival meeting of the Barnard Castle Wesley Guild was held on Friday evening, when the Rev. Shirley Redfern, Darlington, a new football. Mr Forster gives the names gave an address on "The Trust of Life." Miss Lilla Harker was the soloist, and a collection ime or another joined higher circles of English was taken for guild funds. The Rev. W. R. Hetherington, Primitive Methodist minister, was the speaker on Friday, January 20th, and gave an address on "George Fox." Miss Hooper, Charlton; J. E. Wilson and E. Lowson, Blackpool; D. Ashman, Middlesbrough; C. Robson and W. Robson, Leeds Eveline Wren was the soloist on this occasion.

Wycliffe Cinema. A striking production of unusual interest. in the cast. This film is a real thriller with lighter moments besides, in attractive settings. The public who see it are asked not to give Mr Forster proceeds: "At the present time. the Cockfield club, which operates in the away the way-out of a tight situation to those Northern League, has about a dozen young who have yet to see the film.

Cotherstone Women's Guild.

On Monday week the Guild held the first meeting of the session in the new tea room of the Temperance Hall. The Rev. Charles Wilson, Wesleyan minister, Barnard Castle, gave a most interesting address on "The ittle foxes that spoil the vines." which was much appreciated. Afterwards, recitations and the singing of favourite hymns filled the interval very happily until tea time, when Miss E. Walton entertained the members to tea to celebrate her birthday. The meetings will be continued every Monday until Easter. Cinematography.

Mr E. Holdsworth gave a very interesting ecture and demonstration on cinematography Iceton's Cafe on Thursday evening at a neeting of the Barnard Castle Photographic Hooper they produce will come along to your club. I hope you will help Cockfield now. Thomas Scott, Esperley Lane, Cockfield, is the Society. Several films were shown, the features of the projector being explained, and the possibilities of the cine-camera revealed. Mr Holdsworth was cordially thanked on the proposition of Mr J. P. Robson for his enter-Secretary." And it may be that some Teesdalian, one of the many readers of the Teesdale Mercury who have the paper sent to them aining lecture. The next illustrated lecture week by week, seeing the appeal in this week's issue, may be constrained to do the needful. will be given in the Witham Testimonial on February 8th by Mr R. Jeffery, on "Monumental Brasses," and it is hoped there will be a large attendance. The date of the lecture has been altered from February 9th.

Cockfield Vestry Meeting.

At the annual vestry meeting of the St. Mary's Parish Church, Cockfield, the Rev. H. S. C. Spurrier, Vicar of Staindrop and Rector Lord Barnard, while riding to hounds with of Cockfield, presided. The following were elected: Churchwardens, Mr E. Rutherford, Mr T. Snowdon, Mr T. Beadle; diocesan repreon Thursday, had the misfortune to be thrown sentative, Mr Th Beadle : ruri-decaual, Mr T. Snowdon; sidesmen, Messrs Simpson, Gibson, meet was at Legs-a-Cross, and a fox eventually took the pack in the direction of Gainford. His Lordship was riding through Gainford Big Williamson, Kirkbride, Forster. Backhouse, S. Heslop, R. Heslop, Deacon, Wooding, N. Mason; church council, Messrs Backhouse, Foster, Fuller, Gibson, S. Heslop, Wood when his horse stumbled and he was Dr. Hickey, of Gainford, and Dr. McCullagh, Kirkbride, T. W. Mason, Race, Simpson, F. of Bishop Auckland, the family physician, was Williamson; church council (women), Mesdames Bainbridge, Backhonse, Beadle, Guy, Glover, Mason; Snowdon, C. Walker, J. Walker, immoned. Lord Barnard was removed to Raby Castle, where the doctors succeeded in replacing the shoulder. His Lordship, all our readers will be happy to learn, is progressing

Eggleston Hockey Club Carnival

Eggleston Hockey Club held a most enjoy able Leap Year Carnival on Friday night last, there being a good attendance. The room had been pleasingly decorated by members, and hats, streamers and other varied novelties were continually in use, adding to the gaiety of the scene. The balloon battle afforded exceptional amusement, and Miss G. Iceton (Eggleston) and Mr T. Coltman (Middleton), were awarded prizes. Mirth and dancing were kept up until a.m., the Middleton Bohemian Dance Orchestra providing the music. The Committee desire to thank all who assisted in making the affair successful. The dance was continued on the following night.

The Compensation Case. Mr Thomas Cameron Bell, Holwick, writes with reference to the compensation case at Barnard Castle County Court, reported last week: "I have only had one operation for appendicitis, which was in January, 1916, at Greenbank Hospital, Darlington, when I was 13 years of age; and since then, till my accident in June, 1922, I never had any trouble

Castle and Staindrop Division of Durham and was quite able to work, but after my accident I was paid compensation, and at the request of the firm I was asked if I would have The Rev. T. Maunder began on Wednesday an operation to remedy the result of the accident and I agreed and went through the

Masonic Whist Drive,

At the annual whist drive and dance in connection with the Barnard Lodge of Free masons, on Monday evening in the Masonio Hall, twenty tables were occupied at whist and a hundred people subsequently took part in a very enjoyable dance. The M.C.'s of the drive were W. Bro. C. Hedley and Bro. J. Shield and the prizewinners were: Ladies—Mrs Whitfield; 2, Miss Annie Hedley; sealed, Miss Longstaff. Gentlemen - Mr Fred Wilkinson; 2, Mr. W. Peacock (Hope); sealed Mr J. Ward (Tyler). The prizes were distributed by the Worshipful Master (W. Bro. S. H. C. Jackson). Messrs Addison and Pinkney played for the dance, the M.C.'s being Messrs G. N. Warnes, W. Allison and George Allison.

Unionist Whist Drive.

There was a small attendance at the qualifying round of the divisional whist tournament connected with the Barnard Castle Division Unionist Association in the Witham Hall, Barnard Castle, on Thursday night. The M.C.'s were Messrs J. Shield and T. Allison, and Mrs Philip Pease presented the prizes to the following winners: Ladies Mrs J. Walker; 2, Miss E. Turnbull; 3, Miss I. Smith. Gentlemen-J. W. Parkinson; 2, H. Bainbridge; 3, G. W. Parkinson. A vote of thanks to Mrs Pease was proposed by Mrs H. C. Watson, J.P., and seconded by Miss Gent. Mrs Raine's Jazz Orchestra provided the music for the subsequeut dauce, the M.C.'s being Messrs J. Shield and F. Wellman. The elimination waltz was won by Miss Gent and partner. Mrs Walker, Miss E. Turnbull, Messrs J. W. Parkinson and H. Bainbridge qualified for the final of the tournament at Wolsingham.

Death of a Scholar.

Mr and Mrs S. T. Patterson, of Barnard Castle, have had many expressions of sympathy in the death of their second son, Philip Norman, who was only thirteen years old. Formerly a scholar at Barnard Castle Council School, Philip went to London and became a pupil at Highbury Park School, where he was showing signs of excellent progress. In November the state of his health rendered an operation necessary and for that purpose he went into St. Bartholomew's Hospital. The operation was performed, but the boy did not recover and died, after lingering eight weeks, on January 20th. The remains were interred yesterday week at Cove, Hampshire, the funeral service being read by the Rev. Mr Watson, Vicar. Many friends of the family and school friends of the boy attended, and there were some beautiful wreaths, including tokens from the schoolfellows of the decease at Highbury Park and officials of the school.

Death of Mr A. A. Urquhart.

Mr Alfred Alexander Urquhart, whose death we record with much regret this week, will be remembered by a generation of old boys of Barnard Castle School as its instructor in swimming, a position he had held for a long period. He had been engaged on the School staff for many years, and was invariably held in high esteem by the masters and the boys who passed through his hands. Mr Urquhart, who had been ailing for some years, was taken very ill in September, and a few weeks ago was removed to Darlington Hospital, where an operation was performed. Unfortunately he did not recover and passed away on Saturday. The deceased was for many years an official and a popular playing member of Barnard Castle Cricket and Football Clubs. He was also on the committee of the local Conservative under the title, a Held by the Law," will be shown at Wycliffe Cinema on Monday, Tuesshown at Wycliffe Cinema on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 6th, 7th and 8th, Johnny Walker and Marguerite de la Mott being in the cast. This film is a real thriller with (Wednesday) afternoon at Barnard Castle suddenly taken westward at a great pace Church Ce tery.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

INS AND OUTS OF THE TEESDALE INSTITUTION.

SIR,—The correspondent in your last issue seems to me to delight in making mountains out of mole hills. The tone of his letter bristles with sarcasm and uncharitableness. The reference to thick or thin soup, juicy joints, etc., which are given to the poor out casts of society once a year is an instance of his piffle. He may perhaps know that these living fighting cocks, or racing greyhounds, as he stoops to call them, bave hung up in the nstitution a dietary scale all the year round. At most institutions there are radiators and ipes to heat the rooms where people gather to eat or sleep. All honour to our elected men and women who are trying to emulate the spirit of the Nazarene by helping those who caunot help themselves. As to the wayfarers who come and go, they have a certain amount of task to perform in order to earn that crust of bread and cheese before going in search of what so many can't get-work. I have a deep-rooetd sympathy with the gentle, long suffering poor, and if, as your correspondent says, they are practically destitute, he may refer them to our relieving officers. I know the antipathy many have to acquainting any one of their distress, but that's no blame to our Guardians. As a ratepayer for over thirty years I honour men and women who, when they hear of or see a wrong, dare speak out their mind to get things put right and sacrifice time and attention to things that matter. 'Tis not an election stunt .- Yours, etc.,

TEESDALE HILLS. January 28th, 1928.

MARKETS.

MIDDLETON PROVISIONS, Yesterday-Butter s. per lb.; eggs, 3s. 6d. per score.

KIRKBY STEPHEN PROVISIONS, Monday. Butter, 1s. 7d. per lb. wholesale, 1s. 10d. retail; eggs, 3s. per score wholesale, 3s. 4d. retail. DARLINGTON PRODUCE, Monday.-Butter 2s. per lb. wholesale, 2s. 3d. retail; eggs, 1s. 10d. per dözen wholesale, 2s. 2d. retail.

BARNARD CASTLE CATTLE. Wednesday anuary 25th.-There were forward 56 calved cows Gilmonby; £32 5s., W. G. Johnson, Earby Hall,; £31 10s., T. Bayles, Plover Hall, Bowes; £31 10s., J. Anderson, Brignall; £30 15s., J. E. Johnson, Thorpe. In-calvers—£28 10s., J. W. Dowson, Woodland; £26, J. Fletcher, Cleatlam. Store heifers to £15 15s.; bullock stirks to £7 10s.

BARNARD CASTLE CATTLE, Monday, Jan. 30th.—There were entered 37 fat cattle, 150 sheep, and forty pigs. Beef reached 55s. 6d. per cwt. live yeight for best quality, other grades ranging from 46s. to 50s. Sheep: Shearlings to 55s. 6d., hoggs 71s., H.B. Sheep 61s. Pork pigs from 42s. to £5 12s. 6d.

MIDDLETON MART, Yesterday.-Dairy Cows -T. Collinson, Stanhope Gate, £32, £31 10s., and £31; W. Gibson, Newbiggiu, £30 15s.; W. Allinson, Harwood, £27. One of the best shows of operation at Newcastle Infirmary, in April, cows and some of the nicest quality with youth seen at the mart. , at the mart.

## BUTTERKNOWLE TRAGEDY.

MINER HANGING IN A SHED.

The body of Arthur Watson (29), miner of 5, Lands Lane, Butterknowle, was found by his brother hanging from a beam in a hay shed near his bome on Monday afternoon. understood that deceased had been in very poor health of late. The Coroner will hold an inquest this afternoon.

#### HUNTING.

TEES VALLEY BEAGLES. A DAY WITH THE FELLMEN.

At the invitation of Mr Alan Widdas, Buck Heads Farm, and through the generous permission of owners of sporting rights—Lord Barnard, the North Bitch-burn Coal Company Limited, and the tenant farmers this famous pack met at Cockfield Fell for the first time in the history of the Hunt on Thursday last, and had a remarkable and thrilling day's hunting. Mr Sim Heslop, who had made the necessary arrange-ments for the day, very kindly welcomed the Deputy-Master, Mr Fred Helmer, the huntsman, whips and members of the hunt at his residence in a most hospitable manner. An enormous crowd of keen sport-loving miners gathered to meet hounds, and by the time a move had been made to Cragg Wood,

the time a move had been made to Cragg Wood, where Mr Alan Widdas and several others on horse-back joined up, there must have been between four and five hundred followers, many of whom had already posted themselves at different vantage points in the country in anticipation of the day's chase.

Huntsman Sowerby tried Cragg Wood, which was drawn blank, but after crossing the road a big, strong hare was soon put up close to the farm house at Buck Heads which took hounds at full cry to Hazel Grove and then turned westward to Porteny's and Grove and then turned westward to Porteus's and Grove and then turned westward to Porteus's and kept a line for the North Wood. Here "Puss" doubled back and led the pack at a merry pace across country nearly to "Sun Inn." The fine music of hounds was heard miles away, and the little fellows stuck to their job splendidly amidst strange surroundings, and a crowd of fleet-footed but somewhat noisy and excited pitmen who "kept up" in the most wonderful manner. Turning North at the "Sun" this hare raced on behin! Evenwood Village, and into Cragg Wood, where some clever hunting was witnessed before "Puss" was pushed out to the west toward the old quarry and on to Esperley, via Gordon House, and from there to Burnt Houses, but on making back to Keverstone she was lost. Hares had by now been disturbed on all sides, and this made hunting very difficult. Several further runs provided hounds with plenty of works and they greatly delighted the followers, before hunting had to be given up for the day. Our pitman does love a "dawg," and although to the majority of them beagling was a new game their admiration and delight in the hounds was good to behold. What splendid speedy whips some of them would make! The officials and ladies of the hunt were afterwards entertained to tea at Butterknowle by Field-Master Sowerby and his son, the well-known Huntsman, whilst Mr A. Widdas kindly gave tea to others at Buck Heads Farm.

SATURDAY'S MEET AT ROMALDKIRK.

A fair number of followers turned out on Saturday to meet Mr F. Helmer, the Deputy-Master, and hounds at headquarters. A move was made up the Tin Ten Road, and Huntsman Sowerby tried Cameron's Allotments, where a hare was im raised which provided a capital run. Taking a line past Gracie this hare crossed railway and road and took hounds merrily through Hayberries land to the river before she returned to the railway, along which she travelled some distance in the direction of she travelled some distance in the direction of Romaldkirk with hound-music that roused at least one laggard follower in the village to sudden action. Then turning westward past Gracie again this hare made for the Tees passing Icaron Lodge and into Icaron Gill with hounds in full cry. Stealing away from there "Puss" made back to Cameron's Allotment, and was viewed by Mr Helmer. After a lot of clever work hounds got on and put her up again, when she made a long run out to Currick Rigg, and from there back through Tip Ten Allotment, and turning east

"In an exciting glorious Hunt, O'er miles of hill and dale," on a line to Cross Roads, through Botany Allotment, and westward over the moor until Grassholme Reservoir in Lune like was reached—a most remarkable straight "point" of between four and five miles! Huntsman Joe and two speedy cross country runners Huntsman Joe and two speedy cross country runners had this part of the day's proceedings very much to themselves! Our young legal friend, long of limb, and the other lad who two years in succession won the Barney Run at the School kept up with hounds. The heavy rain had now ceased and from the heights beyond Bail Hill, a magnificent view of Teesdale was to be compared to the country below to be compared to the country of t to be seen. Presently, away behind Mickleton Village hounds were espied coming in full cry on the low ground, and the rest of the field were able to join in

the run which was carried up again to the high ground where scent began to fail, and hounds were whipped off at Parson's Bog for the day. Returning to Romaldkirk a hard day's hunting was pished up with a capital tea at the "Rose and Crown.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS. TEES VALLEY BEAGLES.

Saturday, February 4th-Whistle Crag ... LARTINGTON HARRIERS. Friday, February 3rd-Lartington Hall .. Monday, February 6th-Thornberry ... THE ZETLAND HUNT. Thursday, Febuary 2nd-Hartforth Grange ... 

FOOTBALL. On Saturday Barnard Castle St. Mary's visited Bowes to play the village team, and after a good game they won by two goals to one. St. Mary's had some of the regular players off. D. Hall scored both goals for the winners. Next week St. Mary's receive South Church Swifts on Green Lane field, kick-off

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

DEATHS.

BELL.—William, tate of 2, Marshall Street, Barnard Castle, who died on the 29th January, aged 27 years. To be interred in the Dissenters' Burial Ground to-morrow (Thursday), cortege to leave residence at 2-30 p.m.

URQUHART.—On January 28th, at Darlington Hospital, Alfred Alexander Urquhart, of 16, Kirk View, Barnard Castle, aged 55 years. Interment at Barnard Castle Church Cemetery to-day, Wednes-day, February 1st, cortege leaving residence at 2-15 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS. PATTERSON .- Mr and Mrs Patterson desire to

express their sincere thanks to all who have shown sympathy with them in the loss of their son .- The Bank, Barnard Castle.

THWAITES. - Mr and Mrs Thwaites and family wish to thank all friends and relatives for kindness and sympathy shown them in their sudden sad bereavenent; also for floral tributes .- High Birk Hatt

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