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Religious Services.

KING CROSS WESLEYAN CHURCH.

SUNDAY, February 14th,
Rev. FREDK. BELL
Will Preach a
SPECIAL SERMON TO YOUNG MEN.
Subject, "My Religion."
Service commences at 6 p.m.
All Old Scholars and Members of Mutual Pleasa Come.
See bills.

YOUNG MEN'S CONCERT,
SHOVE TUESDAY, February 16th:
Artists:
Soprano, Miss ANNIE CROSSFIELD.
Contralto, Miss EDITH FORTUNE.
Tenor, Mr. PERCY HIRST.
Humorist, Mr. MONTY. MILLAR.
Elocutionist, Mr. A. GREENWOOD.
Cornet, Master WILLIE RUSHWORTH.
Accompanist, Mr. PERCIVAL CRAVEN, L.R.A.M., L.R.C.M.
Commence at 7.30 p.m.
Tickets 6d. each. Children Half-price.
Proceeds in Aid of Belgian Relief Fund.

HANOVER BROTHERHOOD.

TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 3,
Mr. CECIL B. THONGER
(Deputation Secretary of the British and Foreign Sailors' Society)
will speak
"One Hundred Years Under the Bethel Flag."
Soloist, Mr. Leo SPENCER.
Open Service. Don't Forget.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH,
GREETLAND WALL NOOK.

CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY,
VISIT OF THE
Rev. W. R. WILKINSON
(General Missionary Secretary).
SATURDAY, February 13th, 1915. TEA at 4.30.
LECTURE at 6.30, "Dickens and Children."

SUNDAY, February 14th, 1915. Sermons at 2.30 & 6 o'clock

COME TO THE BROTHERHOOD CAMPAIGN
AT
TRINITY WESLEYAN BROTHERHOOD, PELLON LANE.
SPECIAL OPEN SUNDAY, Feb. 14th, at 3.15.
Speaker—Rev. JOHN NAYLOR.
Soloist— Mr. WILLIE WADE.
Everybody welcome.

ALL SOULS' CHURCH.

SERVICE FOR MEN, 3 TO 4!
ADDRESS by Rev. J. TODD, B.A.
"The English Church in the Reign of Edward VI."

Short Organ Recital by Mr. S. POLLARD, Mus. Bac., 2.45.

SQUARE CHURCH.
TO-MORROW.
Morning, 10.30, Rev. R. S. RAIN, M.A., B.D.
"The Ideal of the Congregational Church."
Evening, 6.30, Rev. J. H. THOMAS, of Waring Green.

P.S.A. BROTHERHOOD.
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 3 p.m.
Address Rev. F. T. BLIGHE SMITH.
Solos by Miss E. MORGANSTERN.
Adult School 2.30 p.m. Mr. J. ASHWORTH.
Everybody welcome to all Square Services.

ST. PAUL'S SPIRITUAL CHURCH,
3.45, SOUTH-ST.-STREET, 6.30.
The Speaker TO-MORROW will be Mrs. BOTTOMLEY, of Sowerby Bridge. Solos Speaking and Clairvoyance.
The usual "AT HOMES" will be held on Feby. 24th, 22nd, 17th, and the usual Social on Wednesday, March 3rd. Season Tickets 3s. 3d.; Children 2s.; Saturday 9d., Monday 6d., Tuesday 6d., Wednesday Evening Social 4d. For further information please apply to

FUEL-LANE BROTHERHOOD.
SOWERBY BRIDGE.
OPEN MEETING TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), Feb. 14th, at 3 p.m.
RAND MISSIONAL SERVICE, by the SOWERBY BRIDGE CO-OPERATIVE BRIGADE, Brother Mr. WADSWORTH everybody welcome. Collection.

NORTHGATE-END CHAPEL, Halifax.
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at 6.30,
reacher: The Rev. W. LAWRENCE SCHROEDER, M.A.
10.45 a.m., "The Church and Society."
2.0 p.m., Adult Class: "Will."
6.30 p.m., "Life in Christ."

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST
SCIENTIST CENTRAL-STREET, HALIFAX
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), 10.45 and 6.30. Free to all.
Subject, "Soul and Body."
Sunday School 2.15. Testimony Meeting, WEDNESDAY, 8.
Reading Room open from 2 to 5 p.m. Daily.

ST. ANNARY CHURCH.
TO-MORROW
Rev. F. E. MACDONALD DODDER, M.A., B.D.
At 10.30—"The wonder workers of Egypt."
6.30—"To the Man who takes a Dark View."

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (Dudwell-lane)
TO-MORROW, 10.30 and 6.30, Special Sermons by
Rev. F. H. ARMAN.
On behalf of New Organ Fund (Completion Fund, Organ, Bells, &c.).

WESLEY CHAPEL, BROAD-ST
TO-MORROW: 10.30, Rev. J. STAINER WILKINSON.
6.30, Rev. D. S. DAKIN
(Principal of Congregational Church)
A hearty welcome to all.

SALEM U.M.C., NORTH-PARADE.
6.30, Popular Evening Service. Soloist, Miss E. MARSDEN.
Anthem by Choir.
Address by Rev. W. H. GUNSTONE.

QUEEN'S-ROAD P. M. CHURCH.
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY).
10.30. Rev. JOHNSON HOOD.
PYE NEST P.M. CHURCH.
6.30. Rev. H. MERRIMAN.

"THE DAY OF CHRIST'S COMING"
is the subject of a Lecture to be given
God willing), TO-MORROW EVENING, at 6.30, in the CHRISTADELPHIAN HALL, TURL-LANE, SOWERBY BRIDGE, by Bro. T. STANSFIELD, Bradford.

HEATH CONGREGATIONAL
10.30, Rev. ELGICE SMITH, B.D. "A prayer for our rest." 6.30, Rev. H. KNOWLES, M.A. "Medical Science."

ST. JAMES' SPIRITUAL TEMPLE,
AT MARSTREET.—Speakers on Sunday, Mr. J. Old-field and Mr. Wm. Tetley. Mr. Wm. Tetley at 6.30 on Wednesday evening, Mr. J. Oldfield, at 8 p.m.

BRUNSWICK U.M. CHURCH.
TO-MORROW, at 10.30, Rev. J. Naylor. Evening, at 6, Mr. J. Holden.

NORTH PARADE BAPTIST CHURCH
10.30, Rev. H. ENGWELL, M.A. 6.30, Rev. P. T. B. SMITH, B.D., of the Temptation.

EBENEZER PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH.—THE MISSION BAND will CONDUCT the SERVICE TO-MORROW.

KING CROSS WESLEYAN CHURCH
TO-MORROW, 6.30, Rev. F. B. BELL.

BUTTS GREEN BAPTIST CHAPEL.
To-morrow, 2.30, Rev. R. G. Ableston, Luddenden Foot.

Public Notices.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
KING CROSS
"ALL-BRITISH" BAZAAR,
AT SHROVETIDE,
February 16th, 17th, 18th, and 20th, 1915.
The Bazaar will be opened each day at 3 p.m. as follows:
Tuesday—By J. R. GARSIDE, Esq.
Wednesday (Ladies' Day)—By Mrs. GILLIS.
Thursday—By Mrs. LUKE LUMB of Sowerby will preside.
Saturday (Children's Day)—By SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS.
Mrs. J. E. HENDERSON will preside.
REFRESHMENTS at moderate prices.
Attractive Variety ENTERTAINMENTS each night.
Tickets—Season, 1/-; Day, 6d.; Children Half-price.
Proceeds in Aid of Church and Trust Funds.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH,
QUEEN'S-ROAD, HALIFAX.

MARRIED MEN'S EFFORTS. Special engagement of Mr. EDWARD F. FRENCH, Elocutionist, Huddersfield.

SATURDAY, February 13, 7 p.m.—Dramatic, Humorous, and Miscellaneous Readings. Mr. FRENCH, BENTLEY and Mr. S. NORTHROP will sing, and Mr. F. Priestley will preside. Admission 6d.

SUNDAY, February 14, 2.30 p.m.—Mr. T. B. Walmsley will preside. Mr. FRENCH will recite "The story of the garden," "The happy Prince," and "The last hymn."
6 p.m.—Mr. FRENCH will preach on "The Worker in the Christian's point of view," and recite "Sea undersea."
Silver collection invited.

GREETLAND, WEST VALE, BARKIS LAND.—MEETING of FARMERS & MILK DEALERS, TUESDAY NIGHT NEXT, 7.30, at Ramon Horns, West Vale, to consider Price of Milk.

Public Notices.

STAFFORD SQUARE
WESLEYAN CHURCH,
SALTERHEBBLE, HALIFAX.
"AT HOMES,"
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY NEXT,
16th, 17th, 18th, and 20th Feb., 1915.
Each Day at 3.30 p.m.
HOSTS & HOSTESSES:—
TUESDAY: Mr. and Mrs. FRANK PATCHETT.
WEDNESDAY: Mr. and Mrs. JAMES LUMB.
THURSDAY: Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM FOWLER.
SATURDAY: Mr. and Mrs. LUKE GELDER.
CHAIRMEN:—
TUESDAY: Mr. HERBERT HOLT.
WEDNESDAY: Mr. ARTHUR G. FARRAR.
THURSDAY: Mr. Coun. J. R. W. ADDINGTON.
SATURDAY: Mr. Councillor THOMAS HEY.
MUSICAL PROGRAMME EACH EVENING
At 7.30 p.m. (Saturday 7 p.m.).
Admission: Each Day 6d., Season Tickets 1/- each.

"BRITANNIA'S COURT."
SPLENDID PATRIOTIC PAGEANT
IN
SQUARE SUNDAY SCHOOL,
On FEBY. 23, 24, and 25.
Proceeds for Soldiers' Comforts Fund and Halifax Infirmary.
Tickets 6d. each, Children under 12 half-price.
Tickets may be obtained from Mr. Frank Hellas, Market-street; Mr. John Kay, Southgate; or from any performing Member.
Mr. FRANK HOLLAS, Secretary.

RHODES-STREET WESLEYAN
SUNDAY SCHOOL
THURSDAY, February 25th, 1915, at 7.30
DRAMATIC & HUMOROUS RECITAL
MR. E. F. FF
HUDDERSFIELD.
PROCEEDS in AID of the BELGIANS.
Chairman—Sir GEORGE FISHER-SMITH.
Solos by Miss S. RILEY and Mr. O. SCHOFIELD.
At the Piano: Mr. A. FAWTHROP, A.V.C.M.
Admission—1s. and 6d. Reserved Seats 1s. 6d. Ticket-holders only admitted up to 7.15.
Tickets may be obtained from Mr. Priestley, Chapel House, Greenwood, Mungaroyd & Horsfall, Jewellers; and Mr. W. H. Dalley, Grocer, Booth Town.

ST. PAUL'S, KING CROSS.—
ANNUAL SALE OF WORK
IN THE SCHOOLS,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY), at 3 p.m.
Entertainments: Miss PATCHETT'S Dramatic Company in "The Captain's Ghost."
"Gay Bon-Bons," "Lazy Land," by Children.
Admission—Sixpence (6 d.); Children Half-price.
Tickets may be had from the Secretary, Mr. C. WOOD, 63, Tower View.

QUEEN'S-ROAD P.M. CHURCH
CHOIR—SHROVE-TIDE CARNIVAL
On SHROVE-TUESDAY, 16th, to 19 p.m.
TUESDAY—Host and Hostess, Mr. and Mrs. H. ALDAM.
Chairman, Mr. S. GILLIBRAND. Anthem.
Soprano, Miss HILDA MURPHY, Gold Medallist.
Contralto, Miss EDITH FORTUNE, Gold Medallist.
Tenor, Mr. HENRY SMITHS, London & Provincial Concerts
Bass, Mr. LEONARD HOLT, Mr. Fred Sykes Leadership.
Accompanist, H. C. JONES.
Elocutionist, Mr. E. PARKIN, Rhodes Scholar, Gold Medallist.
WEDNESDAY—Host & Hostess, Mr. & Mrs. S. NORTHROP.
Chairman, Mr. A. LAYCOCK. Artistes: Queen's-road Choir with the following principals—Soprano, Miss A. Armitage; Contralto, Mrs. C. Brocklehurst. Tenor, Mr. S. Dodgson Bass, Mr. S. Northrop. Accompanist, Mr. C. Brocklehurst. Ventriloquist, Professor Hanson, Halifax. Chairmaster, Mr. J. Sykes. Concert each evening 7.30.

ALL SOULS' SCHOOL Haley Hill.
UNITED EMPIRE "AT HOMES,"
SHROVE TUESDAY, 1915.
TO-DAY (SATURDAY), 13th, 3 to 10 p.m.
MONDAY, 15th, 3 to 10 p.m.
TUESDAY, 16th, 3 to 10 p.m.
Anthem by Choir. Solos at
USEFUL and FANCY ARTICLES.
Tea and Refreshments
Saturday, at 3 p.m., W. T. Lister, Esq., Heath Park Avenue.
Monday, at 7 p.m., J. F. HIRST, Esq., Moorside House.
Tuesday, at 7 p.m., Alderman J. ABBEY, J.P.
Admission 6d. Season Tickets 1s. Children under 12 Half-price.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform admitted Free.

TRINITY-ROAD BAPTIST.—TO-MORROW Preacher, Rev. R. C. SLOAN, at 10.30 and 6.30.
GRAND SHROVETIDE SALE OF WORK.
On TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, Feb. 16, 17 and 20. Openers each day at 3.30: Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. CLEMENT MOYLE; Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BANSON; Saturday, Grand Children's Day, opener: Miss RITA CROSSLEY, chairman Master G. GIBBELL.
Proceeds for Church Funds. Season tickets—Adults 1/-, Children 6d. Single day tickets—Adults 6d., Children 3d.

HALIFAX TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.
TEA & MEETING
Will be held in Pellon Lane Schoolroom, on SHROVE TUESDAY, February 16th, 1915.
Tea, from 5.30 to 6.30. Sixpence each.
ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING, at 7.30 p.m.
ALFRED FLETCHER, Esq., will preside.
Speaker: Rev. ALDRED HALE.
Artistes: Madame BLANCHE SCOTT and Mr. PERCY FOLLAND, Soprano and Mr. H. C. HALLIDAY.
Collection for the Local Belgian Fund.

WEST END CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, SOWERBY BRIDGE.
ANNUAL SALE OF WORK,
February 16th and 17th.
Opened each day at 3 p.m. Admission 6d.

WEST END WESLEYAN BAZAAR.
TO-DAY (SATURDAY), at 3.30 p.m.
CHILDREN'S OPENING CEREMONY.
Proceeds towards reduction of debt on building.

HALIFAX SUNDAY LECTURE SOCIETY.
VICTORIA HALL, TO-MORROW,
At 7 p.m.,
MRS. PHILIP SNOWDON,
"Abraham Lincoln."
PRICES OF SEATS.—Circle 1s., Stalls and Area 6d. Balcony 3d. (a few free seats).
FRANK S. MITCHELL, Secretary, 8, Ward's End.

MR. BEVERLEY has engaged a very STRONG PARTY to his CONCERT on MARCH 4th.

MADAME CLARA BUTT,
Miss CONSTANCE COLLIER, the Famous Actress; Mr. W. H. REITER, the Foremost English 'Cellist; Mr. PERCY HEMMING, Baritone; Miss ELLWOOD and Mr. FAULKNER, Violinists; Mr. HAROLD BRAXTON, Pianist; Mr. A. E. GODFREY, Flautist, a CHORUS of about 100 Voices will accompany Madame BUTT in her songs.

HALIFAX FARMERS AND DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION.
A SPECIAL MEETING will be held at the Sandal Horns, Halifax, on THURSDAY NEXT, Feb. 18th, at 8 p.m., to consider the Price of Farm Produce, &c.
The ANNUAL TEA and SOCIAL will take place on Feb. 25th, at the Saddle House. Price, 1s. 6d. each, may be had from the Committee.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE
—HOSPITAL IN FRANCE.—A PUBLIC COLLECTION for means of HOKES bearing the St. John Ambulance and Red Cross badges has now been officially permitted, and an earnest request is made for the generous support of household[illegible] Lady Supt., WANNEFORD, Supt. & AUTY.

Public Notices.

THEATRE ROYAL, HALIFAX.
MONDAY, Feb. 15th, 1915, for Six Nights only.
7.30 (Saturday, 7.15) 7.30.
MATINEE, SATURDAY, at 2 p.m.
FRANCIS LAIDLER presents his Magnificent PANTOMIME,
"ROBINSON CRUSOE."
LONDON BEAUTY CHORUS and "THE LITTLE SCOTTISH DANCERS."
AUGMENTED ORCHESTRA.
The Great Comedy Pantomime of the Year, specially designed for the delight of Children, Young and Old.
Dress Circle and Stall Seats booked in advance without extra charge.
Box Office Open Daily from 10 to 1 and 2 to 4; Saturdays 10 to 1. Telephone 123 Halifax.
MONDAY, February 22nd, 1915,
THE CASTELLANO GRAND OPERA COMPANY.
Monday, "Martha." Tuesday, "Trovatore"; Wednesday, "Faust." Thursday, "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "Pagliacci". Friday, "Carmen"; Saturday, "Bohemian Girl". Saturday Matinee, "Lily of Killarney."

GRAND THEATRE, HALIFAX.
6.30. TWICE NIGHTLY. 9.
MONDAY, February 15th, 1915,
For Six Nights only.
MATTHEW H. GLEEVILLE and FRED OSMOND'S Most successful new American play of the present day—
AN INDIAN GIRL'S DEVOTION.
Two Horses at Full Speed.
20 Miles an Hour on Revolving Stage.

PALACE AND HIPPODROME, HALIFAX.
6.30. TWICE NIGHTLY. 9.0.
MONDAY, February 15th, 1915.
MADGE VELMA'S FAMOUS MODELS,
The greatest Vocal Act in Vaudeville.
The BARTY TRIO, Flying Acrobats and Wire Act.
DOROTHY QUIRK, the Famous Soprano.
DOROTHY HAIGH and WILLIAM PHILBRON, In the "The Straight Game."
THREE SISTERS ARTS, Head and Hand Balancers
The Original Comedy Trick-playing Pianist,
WILL H. FOX.
TWO TOMBOYS,
only Ladies presenting a Comedy Hurnett-Burnett Act.
Week—ROMAIN NOSSET, Belgium's most daring Cyclist, on the Devil's Table.

FINAL PERFORMANCES,
"PRINCESS IDA."
VICTORIA HALL,
TO-DAY,
AT 2 AND 7.

VICTORIA HALL.
HALIFAX CHORAL SOCIETY.
SPECIAL CONCERT
For the Benefit of the WAR FUND.
Ticket-holders admitted at 8.45 p.m.
Ordinary Concert, 7 p.m. Commence 7.30 p.m.
"ELIJAH" NEXT THURSDAY, Feb. 18th.
(Mendelssohn).
Miss EMILY SHARP, Every Ticket purchased means a contribution to the RELIEF FUND.
Miss PHYLLIS LETT,
Mr. FRANK MULLINGS,
Mr. THORPE BATES,
Mr. H. A. FRICKER will conduct.
Organist, Mr. ARTHUR KITSON.
PRICES OF ADMISSION:—
Reserved Circle, 3s., 2s. 6d.; Stalls 2s. 6d., 2s.; Area 2s., now booking at Beverley's, Victoria Hall.
Unreserved Centre Balcony, 1s. 6d. Side Balcony, 1s.; at Beverley's, Bennington's, Hirst's, Priestley and Sutcliffe's, or from Members of the Chorus.
Book of Words (1d., with analytical notes and musical illustrations, may be obtained at Beverley's.

ELECTRIC THEATRE,
COMMERCIAL-STREET.
The Management beg to announce that A COMPLETE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME Will be given Daily until further notice, Consisting of all the Best Films Obtainable. Balcony 6d.; Stalls (Sunday excepted) 4d.; Side Seats & Orchestra Stalls 3d. Children 3d. & 2d. Continuous Programme 2 to 10.30 p.m.

THEATRE DE LUXE, Northgate.
THE COSY, POPULAR PICTURE HOUSE.
TO-DAY (SATURDAY).
"SOR HER PHOPLE."
The Triumph of a Mere Girl.
Children's Matinee from 2 to 5. Continuous Programme to 11 p.m.

GREENE'S PICTURES.
THE GEM TO-NIGHT:
"ALTAR FIRES."
PICTURE-DRAMA TO-NIGHT:
"SECRETS OF THE AIR."
PALLADIUM PICTURES, KING CROSS.
TO-NIGHT at 6.30, Continuous to 10.30,
"FIRELIGHT".
"A FRAGMENT OF ASH."
Matinee Monday and Thursday at 2.30.
Saturday Continuous from 2.30 to 10.50.

"THE WOMAN THOU GAVEST."
COSY CORNER PICTURE HOUSE, QUEEN'S-ROAD.
TO-DAY (SATURDAY).
Continuous from 6.30. Matinees Mon., Thurs., Sat.

VICTORIA HALL, HALIFAX, March 4th.
MADAME CLARA BUTT
AND PARTY.
Reserved Seats—5/-, 4/- and 3/-
Unreserved Seats—2/- and 1/-

THRUM HALL GROUNDS.
FRIENDLY MATCH
HALIFAX "A" v. WYKE.
TO-DAY (SATURDAY).
Kick-off 3 p.m.
ADMISSION AS USUAL

LONDON-WITH'S HOTEL,
FIRST-CLASS TEMPERANCE,
34 TO 40, LUDGATE HILL,
CENTRAL FOR BUSINESS AND PLEASURE.

SAVE MONEY by purchasing at Mortimers' Stocktaking Sale, Silver-street, Halifax.

Trade &c.

HUDSON BAY HOUSE.
LAST WEEK OF OUR SALE.
FINAL REDUCTIONS. All remains of seasonable goods at slaughtering prices to clear.
CHILDREN'S JACKETS, 2/11 & 5/- each.
LADIES' JACKETS, 2/11, 5/- & 10/- each.
LADIES' RAINCOATS, 5/- & 10/- each.
120 BLOUSES, in Linon, Jap Silk and Voile, 1/11½ each to clear; usual price 4/11 to 6/11.
All ODDMENTS in DRESS MATERIALS 9½d. and 1/- per yard.
FURS! FURS!!
Your opportunity to purchase Furs at Sale Prices this week is worth your consideration. Our stock of Fine Quality Furs will be very much higher in price next season.
FUR COATS!
In Coney Seal, Natural and Seal Musquash, and Russian Pony Skin.
We are offering this week's Manufacturer's Stock of Fur Coats. Finest Selected Skins. High-grade Productions, just bought for cash. Special Display and Fur Coats in one of our large windows this week. Exceptional Bargains.
ODDMENTS IN GLOVE DEPARTMENT, 3d., 4½d., and 6½d. per pair. 2/5 dozen Nappa Kid Gloves, 1/11½ per pair, worth 3/11½.
A Visit to Hudson Bay House this week will interest you.

J. WILKINSON & SON.
HUDSON BAY HOUSE,
NORTHGATE, HALIFAX.
Telephone 858.

SHOP SOILED & OVER-BOUGHT GOODS at half-price during Mortimer's Stocktaking Sale, Silver-street.

Public Notices.

SOWERBY BRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
PRIVATE STREET WORKS ACT, 1892.
STREET AT THE REAR OF GLADSTONE BUILDINGS AND CAVENDISH BUILDINGS, From No. 26, GLADSTONE BUILDINGS to No. 2, CAVENDISH BUILDINGS.
Pursuant to the Private Street Works Act, 1892, Section 6, Sub-Section 3, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undermentioned RESOLUTION was on the 1st day of February, 1915, passed, relating to the above hereinafter mentioned, namely:—At the Council Meeting held on the 1st day of February, 1915, the following Resolution was passed, namely:—
"That the Specification, Plan and Sections, Estimates and Amended Provisional Apportionments of Private Street Improvements in Street at the rear of Gladstone Buildings and Cavendish Buildings, from No. 26, Gladstone Buildings, to No. 2, Cavendish Buildings, prepared by the Surveyor, be approved, and that Notices be served, and Advertisements be required by the Private Street Works Act, 1892."
AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the draft Specification, Plans and Sections, Estimates and Amended Provisional Apportionments for carrying the said Resolution into effect may be deposited at the Council Offices, Town's Buildings, Sowerby Bridge, during one month from the 9th day of February, 1915, and will be open to inspection at all times during the same month.
Dated this 9th day of February, 1915.
LEWIS ASHTON, Clerk to the Council.
LEWIS & JAMES, Barristers, Halifax, Clerk to our Council.

MERSEY DOCKS AND HARBOUR BOARD.
THE MERSEY DOCKS AND HARBOUR BOARD are prepared to receive Loans on Mortgage of their Rates, to be secured upon the Revenue of their BONDS, at Interest as the rate of £4 5s. 6d. per centum, per annum, payable half-yearly on the 1st day of May and 1st day of November, or they are prepared to purchase Bonds at par and upwards, as may be arranged.
Communications to be addressed to Richard I. Powell, Treasurer, Dock Office, Liverpool.
CLIFFORD D. HOWELL,
General Manager and Secretary.
Dock Office, Liverpool.

I.L.P. ST. JAMES'S-STREET, WHIST DRIVE & DANCE, TO-DAY (SATURDAY).
SUNDAY, at 6.30, E. HARDY.

CARTAGE OF COKE.
IMPORTANT NOTICE.
There is a sufficient reserve Stock of COKE at the Gasworks to meet all requirements, but the supply of HORSES and CARTS is not sufficient to keep pace with the present demand.
Would Customers who are in the position to do so please assist the Gas Committee by undertaking the Cartage of their Coke to carry Coke from the Gasworks to their premises?

HALIFAX PLATE GLASS WINDOW CLEANING ASSOCIATION.
(Established 1899)
9, LORD-STREET.
Office Hours—9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Our Representative, upon receipt of a Post Card, will wait upon you to quote prices.

ELECTROLYSIS.
MADAME MAUDE,
BENTLEY'S TEMPERANCE HOTEL, HX
SUPERFLUOUS HAIR AND MOLES
PERMANENTLY REMOVED by Electrolysis
Leaving no scar. Cure Guaranteed.
Fee from 2s. 6d. Attys Free.
NEXT VISIT TO HALIFAX, SATURDAY, Feb. 13, 191

MESS. HOPE, Electrolysts, permanently removes Superfluous Hairs, Moles, &c., by latest Hygienic Methods, leaving no scar. Absolute satisfaction or refunded. Highest Medical Doctors' References. Attend BENTLEY'S COMMERCIAL HOTEL, HALIFAX, THURSDAY, 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Other hours by appointment.

WANTED,—All Halifax Shoemakers to try NICROME SOLE LEATHER. Sole Price from 1s. 9d. per lb. Only 4 feet long. No Brands. Try Sample Pair.
CROWN LEATHER CO.,
CHURCH-STREET, HALIFAX.

A LEXANDER K. LAIDLAW
(Oyster & Manager for the late Rt. Edgar Lumb),
6, RYBURN-BUILDINGS, SOWERBY BRIDGE,
Begs to announce that he has taken over Mr. LUMB'S BUSINESS, and hopes by personal attention to merit a share of the public support. Cake Forks, Vases and Engine Oils a specialty. Winner of 3 Diplomas and 1st Prize Medal in open competition in London for Cutlery, Making, Hiding Benches and Vices. Ladies & Gents own material made up at moderate prices.

HARNETT COCKROFT for TEETH, REPAIRS or REMARKS, no matter when made. CLOSED THURSDAY, 1 p.m. 5, KING CROSS.

Railway Notices.

L.Y.R.
EXCURSIONS FROM HALIFAX.
MANCHESTER RETURN CHARGES
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APPRENTICE to brass finishing; good opening for sharp, intelligent lad.—Samuel N. Akroyd and Co., Brassfounders and Finishers, Carlton Mills-yard, Sowerby Bridge.

APPRENTICE Wanted.—Binns & Berry Bros., Machine Tool Makers, Crown Works, Booth Pl.

APPRENTICE Wanted to machine tool making. —Apply John Mitchell & Co., Godley Iron'ks

A Respectable BOY Wanted in gardens.—Apply Gardener, Moor Bridge, Halifax.

APPRENTICE Wanted, wages given.—Apply Miss C. Wood, Costumier, 9, Milton-street.

AN IMPROVER Wanted for spinning overlooker.—Rouse and Co., Sowerby Bridge.

A Smart LAD Wanted for office and warehouse. —Apply J. U. Hemingway, Plumber, Sowerby Bridge.

A few good Woollen WEAVERS; good wages.—James Clay & Sons, Hollins Mill, Sow'by Bdg.

APPENTICE Wanted to dressmaking; wages given.—Misses Priestley, Hall Ings, Brighouse.

A GENTS Wanted for Tailor, spare time, Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd districts.—Write K4, Courier Office.

TWO Excellent Spinning and Twisting OVERLOOKER Wanted.—Apply Prospect Mill, Greetland.

APPRENTICE Wanted, about 15 years old; 7s. week.—S. Fawthrop and Son, Plumbers, Raley Hill.

APPRENTICE Wanted for Coppersmith work, Lisbon's wages to suitable boy.—Apply Lumby, Son and Wood, Greetland.

APPRENTICE wanted, good wages paid.— Pressure Spindle and Flyers Co., Wall-lane Shed, Halifax.

A good experienced IRONER Wanted.—Apply Bankfield Laundry, Booth Town.

APPRENTICE Wanted to Plumbing; wage 6s. —Highley, 192, Pellon-lane.

A Good SPINNER Wanted, with Piecer.— Apply Far-o-cool Mills, Elland.

A good all-round experienced PLUMBER, permanency to suitable man; Standard rate. Write F6, Courier Office.

A good strong LAD Wanted.—Apply Head Gardener, Oates, South Royd, Skircoat Green-road

APPRENTICE Wanted to the watch, clock and jewellery trade.—Firth, Watchmaker and Jeweller, Raley Bldg.

A few good MOULDERS wanted, also labourers for foundry.—Lumby, Son, and Wood, Greetland.

A Smart YOUNG LADY (16) Wanted as stockroom clerk.—Waddington's "Dress Warehouse," Rawson-street and Powell-street.

A Few Good SPINNERS & DOFFERS required. —Apply Trafalgar Works, King Cross.

BOY Wanted for errands and warehouse.—Brearley, Albert Works, Rhubarb-street, Halifax.

BLOUSES & PANCIES—Experienced YOUNG LADY for new department, also an Apprentice.—Rowisit's, Arcade.

BACK HANDS, Fettlers, and Apprentices Wanted for Foundry work.—J. Sagar & Co., Ltd., Water-lane.

BRASS MOULDER Wanted at once, good man accustomed to heavy high-class castings.— Apply The Campbell Gas Engine Co., Ltd.

CUTTER—Wanted, Assistant Lady Cutter for Dargon Robes and Skirts.—Rowisit's, Arcade.

COTTON SPINNER PIECERS wanted, and Twine Piecers; good wages; full-time.—Apply Britannia Mills, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield.

CHAUFFEUR Wanted.—Apply J. Sagar, The Poplars, Free School-lane.

COOPER or Improver Wanted, dry cask work. —Apply F. Sayer, Lane Mouth.

COMPETENT YOUNG MAN Wanted for worsted spinner's beaming room.—Address, giving experience, to A41, Courier Office.

CARDING ENGINE Tenter, accustomed to Egyptian.—Apply Wm. Smith & Sons, Ltd., Woodvale Mills, Brighouse.

DRAPERY.—Smart YOUNG LADY Wanted as saleswoman in lace and trimming department; must be experienced.—Waddington's "Dress Warehouse, Rawson-street and Powell-street.

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DRESSMAKING & COSTUME MAKING— Bodice Hands, Coat Hands, Improvers and Apprentices Wanted, in both departments; highest wages.—Waddington's "Dress Warehouse," Rawson-street and Powell-street.

DRESSMAKERS—Bodice Hand, Coat Hand, at once; regular work, short hours.—J. Walker Clark, Crown-street.

DRESSMAKING—Wanted, Apprentices & Improvers; wages given.—Wilkinson, Hudson Bay House, Halifax.

DAVID HANSON & CO., LIMITED,

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT,

have decided to extend their UNDER-CLOTHING, LADIES' OVERALL and BLOUSE Departments, and require EXPERIENCED MACHINISTS. Good and regular work guaranteed all the year; hours 8 to 12.30, 1.30 to 6 p.m., Saturday 8 to 12 noon. 2½ per cent. bonus paid on all wages, per annum.

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DRESSMAKING—Wanted, experienced Head Skirt Hand, good Coat and Sleeve Hands.— Wilkinson, Hudson Bay House, Halifax.

DRESS, Flannel and Underclothing Wanted.— Apply Jesse Robinson & Son, Royal Mills, Hx.

EXPERIENCED CARDING ENGINEER Wanted, and a few Weavers (woollen); also Cardroom Operatives (cotton).—Apply Bowers Mills, Barkisland.

ERRAND BOY Wanted.—W. Wainwright and Son, Grocers, 9, Clare Hill-road, Halifax.

ERRAND BOY Wanted at once.—Whitaker and Son, Printers, St. James'-street.

EXPERIENCED MACHINISTS Wanted, also Ironer, full or part time.—Raglan Manufacturing Co., 12, Weymouth-street.

ERRAND BOY Wanted, full-time.—Miss Clewer, 19, King Edward-street.

EXPERIENCED BODICE & SLEEVE HANDS Wanted, also Improver and Apprentices.— Robinson & Wade, Commercial-street.

ERRAND BOY Wanted.—Hall-lane.—H. B. Stocks, Chemist, 32, Crown-street, Halifax

ERRAND BOY Wanted.—Apply Harold King, 10, Commercial-street.

FITTER & Side Turner Wanted for machine tool work; also Lads for machine shop and moulding shop.—G. F. Smith, Ltd., South-parade.

FITTERS Wanted.—Apply Sieman Bros., Dynamo Works (Ltd.), Elland.

FIRST-CLASS TURNERS and FITTERS Wanted.—Carter & Wright, Pellon-lane, H'x.

FOUNDRY LABOURERS Wanted; 10d. and given during week if required.—Clayton's, Well-lane, Halifax.

GOOD HAND TURNER Wanted, also Fitter, 6d. guaranteed to lathe work.—Graham and Normanton, Exmoor-street.

GOOD MILLWRIGHT, also Fitter for machine tool work Wanted.—Apply Wm. Asquith, Ltd., Highroad Well Works.

GOOD TURNERS & FITTERS Wanted.—Apply Summerskill Bros., Holme Ironworks, Sowerby Bridge.

GIRLS and BOYS to train for Business. Individual Tuition, Day or Evening, in Handwriting, Shorthand, Typewriting, Book-keeping, etc. Prospectus free from Jennings and Co., Southgate Chambers, Halifax. Estab. 27 years.

GOOD FITTER Wanted for light, accurate work; permanency for suitable man; also sharp Youth, age about 17, to learn drilling.—Fortune, Coalhowrth & Co., Fairfield Ironworks, Holmfield.

Wanted.

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Workpeople, Assistants Clerks, &c

GIRLS Wanted as Finishers, age 13-14.—Wood, Harris & Co., Bedford-street North.

GOOD COTTON TWINER Wanted, also Twine Piecers.—Wm. Hannah & Co., Hinksy Mills.

GOOD COTTON CARDER Wanted for mill containing 22 flat cards and all new frames, by Platt Bros.—Apply, stating age and wage required, to be delivered by Monday morning's post, Feb. 16th, to be addressed Ryburn Mill Co., Ltd., Ripponden, or to Mackrell Lister.

GROCER—Wanted, smart ASSISTANT and Junior; fine opportunity for promotion.— Apply Slaters, Halifax.

GIRLS Wanted for dry soap packing, light and clean work, good wages.—James Dyson and Co., Ltd., Alma Soap Works, Elland.

GOOD Fancy IRONER Wanted.—Regulra work.— Apply Willow Hall Laundry, Burnley-rd, Hx.

GOOD OPENING for APPRENTICE to brass finishing; good wages.—Samuel Turner and Sons, Ltd., Central Brass Works, Woolshops.

GRINDING BORER, Fitters & Apprentices Wanted for Fitting and Machinery Dept.— J. Sagar & Co., Ltd., Water-lane.

HALIFAX INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY, LTD.— Wanted, smart ASSISTANT for the Hosiery Dept.; must be good window dresser; A.U.C.E. wages paid.—Apply by letter not later than Tuesday, Feb. 16th, stating age and wages required.

HORIZONTAL SAWYER Wanted, must be able to sharpen, &c.—Apply John Crossland and Son, Timber Merchants, Bradford.

HAIRDRESSING—Wanted, IMPROVER or Assistant, one used to first-class trade.—Ernie Heap, Hebden Bridge.

IMPROVER for Drawing and Spinning Wanted, also strong Young Man for warehouse.—Apply Farrar Bros., Ltd., Globe and Well-lane Mills, Hx.

INTELLIGENT GIRLS Wanted at once; good opening for willing workers.—V. Roberts and Co., Skirt Manufacturers, Hope Hall Mill.

INVELLOPE Maker Wanted, age 16 to 17, for brass finishing department; good wage to commence and good prospects.—Write N5 Courier.

JOHN FOSTER & SONS, Wholesale Boot Factors, have vacancies for Travellers.—Apply Millinery Showroom, Bankfield, Halifax.

MILLINERY SHOWROOM—Smart YOUNG LADY, Apprentice; also Apprentice to room; wages.—Rowisit's, Arcade.

MACHINISTS Wanted.—Apply Brier and Co., Underclothing Manufacturers, 13, Prescott-st.

MILLINERY—Wanted, APPRENTICE, wages given.—Miss Priestley, Brighouse.

MISS C. JEVONS, Post Office Buildings, has vacancies for PUPILS. Tuition in Shorthand and Typewriting day and evening. Pupils may commence at any time. Shorthand, Typewriting, Duplicating, &c., promptly and efficiently taught. Prospectus free.

MOULDERS Wanted, also Turners, Planers and Drillers.—Apply John Pickles and Son, Saw Mill Engineers, Hebden Bridge.

ORGANIST and Choirmaster Wanted for a church in Halifax.—Written applications to F2, Courier Office, Halifax.

PAINTING & Decorating APPRENTICE.— Apply Hall, Commercial-street, Halifax.

REQUIRED, an energetic and trustworthy MAN, with good references, to represent old-established Manufacturing House.—Address, SMART YOUTH Wanted, for worsted spinner's office.—Address H6, Courier Office.

STRIPPER & GRINDER Wanted, used to roller and clearer cards.—Apply J. Fairfield Mills, Quaco-street South, Huddersfield.

STEAD & SINGLETON, Auctioneers, Sowerby Bridge, have vacancy smart YOUTH as Pupil.

STOKER Wanted, steam boiler attendance by man with family of two or three workers.— Apply Wm. Calvert & Sons, Illingworth Mills.

SMART YOUTH Wanted for engineer's office; must be quick and accurate.—Write M21, Courier Office.

SMART Active YOUNG MAN Wanted for making scientific instruments in oakwood, wood and brass. Preference given to one served an apprenticeship, but preference will be given to one having some knowledge of light mechanical work.—Apply Dargon Robes Ltd., Huddersfield.

SEVERAL MOULDERS & Foundry LABOURERS Wanted.—Ormerod Bros., Hebden Bridge.

STOKER Wanted.—Apply Wanted.—Apply Benj. Fielding & Son, Greetland.

SMART, Intelligent BOY about 14 years old.— Longworth, Rannard & Co., 14, Broad-street.

SMART YOUTH Wanted.—To view plans and particulars apply Scott and Bagnall, Architects, 3, Portland place. Unique Building Plots for sale on Beacon Hill.

TO LET, "FOREST VILLA," semi-detached residence at Overdene, containing entrance hall, dining room, drawing room, 3 bedrooms, bath-room, w.c., outside wash-kitchen; front and kitchen gardens.—Apply on the premises to Mrs. Hirst.

TO LET, HOUSE, at Savile-place. On ground floor: Kitchen, pantry, breakfast-room, drawing room, dining-room and lavatory; seven bedrooms and bath-room. Cellarage and coal-house. Gas and w.c.; electric light, heating apparatus, shelttered garden, stable or garage if required.—Joseph F. Walsh, Architect and Surveyor, 10, Commercial-street.

PARK-TERRACE.—Hopwood-lane; dining-room, drawing-room, kitchen and pantry on ground floor; three bedrooms, dressing-room, bath, &c.; two attics and box room; cellared throughout; part electric light and fittings; large lawn in front; summer house. Immediate possession.—Apply Medley Hall & Son, Architects, &c., 1, Harrison-rd.

TO LET, modern detached HOUSE, "Christopher," Hipperholme. 1½ acres of good level land; Hipperholme. 10-acre Farm, modern house and buildings, rent £18, 3 miles from station. Apply Medley Hall & Son, Harrison-road North-gate. Two small Offices, 1st floor, 10, Harrison-road.—Joseph F. Walsh, Architect and Surveyor, 10, Commercial-road, Halifax.

Shops, Offices, and Warehouses.

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TO LET, SHEDS, Rooms, Warehouse.—Apply Stone Dam Estate Co., Ltd., Well-lane, Halifax.

TO LET, GIBBET-STREET, Shop, near centre of town; easy rental.—Apply 39, Crown-st.

TO LET, 122, QUEEN'S-ROAD, Halifax; good hairdressing and tobacco business for over 16 years.

SMALL LOCK-UP SHOP, Ramsden-street, Brighouse; rent, 1s. 9d.—Priestley, Ovenden House, or Globe Mills.

30, PELLON-LANE, opposite Baptist Chapel, 4-roomed house, lock-up Shop; 4s. weekly clear.—Maude, Grocer.

WAREHOUSE at Bank Bottom, Elland, three floors, 10yds. by 20yds each; electric crane. Apply John Walker and Sons, Elland.

TO LET, OFFICES, Tower Chambers, 3 rooms, frontage to Cow Green; £15 clear.—Apply Holden, Crown-street Chambers. Tel. 1504.

CARPET WAREHOUSE with basement, 900 sq. yards, through lights; suit wholesale or underclothing manufacturer; low rent.—1. Mitchell, 13, Bond-street.

TO LET, March 1, well lighted ROOM, finest position in Halifax for high-class hairdressing and shaving saloon.—Apply J. E. Clayton, Tobacconist, Crown-street.

TO LET, SHOP, 15, Silver-street, Halifax, now in occupied by A. Missani, confectioner; size 55ft. by 20ft.; rent very moderate.—Apply Simpson and Son, Upholsterers, Halifax.

TO LET, in Portlandstreet, Elland, 3-roomed House, with Workshop, 47 by 20 feet, suitable for garage or workshop.—Apply Lewis Mackrell, Engineer, Elland.

CHEAP SECRET—Useful Provision Warehouse or Store; last tenant over 40 years; make excellent boarding house; there are eight bedrooms and every accommodation.—Particulars Lewis Teal, Crown-street.

Mills, Works, &c.

TO LET, BOND MILL, Hopwood-lane.—Apply Benjamin Fielding & Son, Greetland.

DUKE-STREET; Workshop, 3/6 week clear, 3 centre of Town.—Apply 39, Crown-st.

TO LET, handy business premises, MYTHOLM MILL, Hipperholme.—Apply Scarborough, Agent, Elland.

THREE-STOREY WORKSHOP, showroom ground floor; suit joiner, upholsterer, or underclothing manufacturer; House attached, easy rent.—Lewis Teal, Crown-street.

Farms, Land, Stables, &c.

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STRAD & SINGLETON, Sowerby Bridge, have several small FARMS To Let, List on application.

TO BE LET, Moore Pollen and Kitsen Clough FARMS, Pellon, Halifax.—Apply F. Walker and Son, Harrison-road, Halifax.

TO LET, WALTERCLOUGH HALL and Little Walterclough Farms, Scathowman.—Apply Broadley Ltd., Lightcliffe.

TO LET, in February and May, SMALL HOLDING, 13 acres, Little Norcliffe, Southowram.—Apply Scarborough, Agent, Elland.

UPPER BERRY FARM, Triangle; about 12 acres of good land.—Apply, Field House Rebels Office, Triangle.

WITT HILL FARM, Barkisland, To Let; 10 acres, immediate possession; good new Stanistead.—John Pilling's Estate, Outlane Moor, Huddersfield.

ELDERLEA FARM To Let.—Apply, Sir Lassey, Elderlea, Bradshaw, Holmfield, Halifax.

To be Let.

Farms, Land, Stables, &c.

TO LET, Possession, land at once, buildings May 1, BEN ROYD FARM, Jaggor Green (within one mile of Scammonden Dam and Reservoir); excellent new house and farm buildings (intercommunication), 16½ acres of good all grass land.—Particulars Scarborough, Agents, Elland.

BINNS HILL FARM, WARLEY—Small, compact DAIRY FARM, about 15 acres, close to tramway route and main road; buildings in excellent condition; hot and cold water in cowhouses.—Apply Mr. Sutcliffe, Cliff Hill, Warley.

THACKERGATE FARM, Sleep-lane, Sowerby; house and building; possession after order.—Apply Greenwood Bros., Deal-street, off Church-street, Hx

TO LET, CROSS FARM, Stainland, 43½ acres, with house, buildings, possession Feb. 2nd, by next.—C. H. Petty, 12, Waterhouse-st., Halifax.

TO LET, STABLES, Sunderland's-yard, Listerlane (suitable for Workshop), comprising three stalls; Stone Loft Carts, and large Room above, 30ft. by 12. Immediate possession. Rent £14 and rates.

TO LET, STABLES, Swires-road, containing two stalls, loose box, coach-house, harness room, and Large Room above, also yard adjoining. Rent £20 clear of rates. Immediate possession.—Holden, Crown-street Chambers. Tel. 1504.

Stocks and Shares.

STEAMSHIP SHARES Wanted by positive cash buyer; good dividend earners; lowest price to "Cash," c/o Sheller's, Gracechurch-st., London.

OFFERS Wanted for 50 Geo. Ingham's Ordinarys.—Apply 162, Trimmingham-lane, Hx.

FOR SALE 50 Tender, 11 SHARES Ripponden Commercial Co., Ltd.—Apply W H. Boocock and Son, Solicitors, Halifax and Sowerby Bridge.

DEATH OF MR HERBERT BINNER

The death took place at his residence, 9, The Square on Sunday, of Mr. Herbert Binner, who carried on business as a fancy goods dealer in Commercial-street. He had not been well for several months, but his death, at the comparatively early age of 53, will be regretted by a large circle of friends. The younger days he was connected with the cricket team at Parsley, of which district he was a native. When his father commenced business at Halifax, Mr. Herbert threw in his lot with King Cross Cricket Club, with which he played for several years, and for a time was second team, where his ability as a bowler was always a help to the eleven. His interest in the game never abated, and he was a regular visitor to Savile Park, where he was a regular supporter and follower of King Cross. When they progressed and entered the ranks of the Yorkshire Cricket League he was greatly pleased and kept in close touch with them through the successive seasons. He was a quiet but cheerful disposition, his presence was always welcome and his kindly advice to younger players was appreciated and valued.

The interment took place on Tuesday at Sidney Royd, Mr. A. H. Mitchell conducted the funeral service, and Messrs. Hall-Hey, Hall and Bedford (Park) at the graveside. The family mourners were: Mrs. Binner (widow), Mr. and Mrs. Harold Binner (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. G. Weddale (daughter and son-in-law), Mrs. Binner (sister-in-law), Mrs. Bellwise (sister), Mr. and Mrs. Fred Binner, Mr. and Mrs. Bellwise, Misses Z. Dockary, Mrs. Roads, Mr. G. W. Greenwood, Mr. Holt (Crown Hotel), and Mr. W. Holt (Crown Hotel), Mr. Ben Crickmore (King Cross Cricket and Bowling Club), Messrs. W. Brenard (president), A. N. Buckley, A. Shooter, J. Walker, H. G. Mitchell, and C. E. Casson.

The coffin, of pitch pine, with heavy brass mountings, was inscribed: "Herbert Binner, died Feb. 7, 1915, aged 53 years."

Some lovely floral tributes were sent: "In loving memory from his sorrowing wife"; Stan and Frances; Harold and Lily; "With deepest sympathy, from the committee and members of King Cross Cricket and Bowling Club"; Mrs. Sutcliffe and family; Little Amy; "To grandpa, from Baby"; His sorrowing sister and family, West-parade; Hallax; Edna and Ben"; "With deepest sympathy from Fred and uncle (Mr. and Mrs. Holt, Crown Hotel); Mrs. Binner, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison.

Mr. A. Brigge, S. Cameron, was the undertaker.

SECOND 4th BATT. WEST RIDING REGIMENT.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S PRIVATE FUND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HALIFAX COURIER."

Sir,—As Mr J. Russell Leesroyd as hon. secretary is kindly acknowledging contributions weekly in the Halifax papers to the Commanding Officer's Private Fund, may I through the same source the great kindness of Messrs. C. and A. Wadsworth, who have attended at the Drill Hall, Elland, on the last three months free of charge, and to Mr. Tiffany, chiropodist, who has kindly attended to their feet, both of which services I think are most thoughtful and getting men fit. The valuable services which these gentlemen have respectively rendered in this kind is greatly appreciated by the Battalion.

I should also like to thank the members of the St. James' Lodge for their kindness in giving the use of the Lodge room to the members of the Lodge, also a member received through the members of the Rugby Lodge of £1, and also from Miss Hall, as a very handsome contribution of 5 dozen new gloves from Messrs. Nicholson and Son, Gloversville. Amongst many kind friends for various donations, but the kindly contribution of 1,200 tins of "Reflin" for the men's feet from Messrs. Cooper, Cricket and Bellhouse, and socks and mittens from the Mayoress's Committee merit our special thanks. Messrs. Nicholl and Co., Ltd., Bradford, have also completed the men's fit so that our friends may have an opportunity of viewing the equipment and what has been provided by their kind liberality.—Yours faithfully,

WM. H. LAND, Colonel.

O.C. Second 4th Batt. Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment.

NO COUGHING IN EGYPT.

The wretched weather notwithstanding, there was a large attendance at the Victoria Hall on Sunday to hear the lecture by Mr. Julian Grande, given under the auspices of the Sunday School Union, on "Egypt of To-day and past presents." He prefaced it by a general reference to the War, and he laid emphasis on the need for prayer, since prayer, he believed, too, by inducing a reference to the war in connection with the threatened Turkish invasion of Egypt, was going to be answered. We were bound to end in disaster for the Turks. "If, he foreshadowed, they were not defeated at the Suez Canal they would be smashed on the retreat journey over the desert, as they would be without the provisions and water necessary to sustain them on both marches. There were more things unlikely, he hinted than that they would turn on there German leaders and destroy them. Dealing with Egypt, he showed how, under British rule, the prosperity of the country had enhanced, and held out the prospect that, in time, it would become for this country a second Canada in the yielding of food supplies. He was enthusiastic over the climate. Once people be there, he stated, for fifty years without experiencing such weather as he had encountered in Halifax that day. In Egypt, again, one never got cold, and they knew what a comfort that was. This reference to coughing, which had been well in evidence during the lecture, was accepted in the generosity of the audience as a very apt introduction, and was applauded. The picture illustrations, from the lecturer's own camera, were numerous and excellent, one of a street s in Cairo, being especially fine in its effects.

Lieut. Bast Rev Capt

Supervisor of the 9th (Service) of Wellington's (West Riding) on promoted captain. Capt. of Mr. J. W. Berrisford, of Sheffield.

Decide of Carlisle stating that a policy epidemic passed here early autumn in the city of the present time of the epidemic.

LOCAL NEWS.

DROPPED DEAD IN STREET.

The death took place suddenly yesterday of Mary Ann Simpson (63), wife of Walter Simpson, cab driver, 9, Swift's-court, Gibbet-street.— About 1.15, Mrs. Hesselden, 26, Sovereign-street, saw Mrs. Simpson in Stead-street. She beckoned to Mrs. Hesselden to go to her, and then fell to the ground. Mrs. Hesselden went to her assistance, and found her nothing was wrong with her. With assistance she carried her to the house, where she only spoke once, saying, "Nancy," and then expired. The circumstances will be the subject of a Coroner's inquiry.

MR. JENNINGS SOWOOD'S SUCCESSOR AT THE TRADES CLUB.

On Thursday, at a meeting of directors of the Halifax Friendly and Trades Club, Mr. Lewis T. Palmer was appointed manager in succession to the late Mr. Jennings Sowood. He will also be recommended for the position of secretary, to be filled at the annual meeting of members following next. Mr. Wormald is conversant with all the workings of the club, of which he has been steward for 13 years.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES PROCTOR.

The death took place on Wednesday of Mr. J. Proctor, 3, Heathfield-place. He had not enjoyed good health for some time. A native of Sowerby Bridge, he became well known in business circles as a cotton spinner, running Satterthwaite Mills over 20 years. He was 77 years of age, and leaves a widow and two sons. The interment takes place to-day at All Saints', Salterhebble, leaving the house at 2.30.

HALIFAX BRANCH OF THE WORKERS' UNION.

The report for 1914 states the branch paid out the following benefits:—Accidents £123 9s. 6d., funerals £16 accidents £23, disputes £161 18s. 7d., and victimisation £3. Four hundred and twenty new members were enrolled. The branch is now stronger than it has ever been. Advances in wages have been obtained in many sections of our members, notably the builders' labourers.

CHURCH OF A SNOWDONIAN EXCURSION AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S.

The series of mid-week congregational lectures was continued at St. Augustine's Schools on Thursday evening by Mr. T. Hardy, one of the churchwardens, the subject being "A Snowdonian Excursion." Cor. R. Thomas presided. The lecturer reviewed, in an interesting manner the recent excursion to the Welsh mountain and its neighbourhood, being assisted by a large number of beautiful limelight slides, thrown on the screen by Mr. Gledhill. These latter were remarkably clear and picturesque. The chairman, who was loudly cheered on rising, said he could only express a vote of thanks was accorded to him, on the motion of Canon Rowe, seconded by Mr. J. F. Rouse, Mr. Hardy, in thanking the audience, also moved, and Mr. T. Smith seconded, a similar compliment to the chairman, which was carried with acclamation. During the evening patriotic songs were admirably rendered by Miss E. Earnshaw, Messrs. Wormald and W. Hodgson, members of the church choir, and were much appreciated. Miss Gibson was the accompanist.

BOOTH TOWN UNITED METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sunday school tea and meeting was held on Saturday. Over 200 were present to tea, after which a chair was taken by the Rev. John Naylor, pastor. Reports were read by Mr. R. Young (secretary) and Mr. J. Hanson (treasurer), both of which showed a helpful address was given by the Rev. H. Ironmonger, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Hanson, and Mr. Young, the school trained by Mrs. E Riley and Miss N. Riley, who also accompanied them, were responsible for the musical part of the entertainment. Included in the welcome you." "The baby show," "We are seven," and concluded with the operetta entitled "The madcap princess of Tarabumbo." Bennett also gave a recitation entitled "A pocket full."

WEST END WESLEYAN CHOIR.

On Saturday the annual tea and social evening were held and a pleasant evening was taken of the occasion to present an attache writing case, suitably inscribed, to the conductor (Mr. Arthur Bottomley), which was made by the presentation Mr. Bottomley referred to the work of Mr. Morley since the inception of the cause, 17 years ago, and said he was pleased to say that whilst master but a real friend to every member of the choir and they hoped that the little present would commend itself to every one of them. Mr. Morley, who was wholly by surprise, feelingly responded, and said that the position was a proud one to be "West End Wesleyan Prize Choir." The evening was spent in an enjoyable way, old-fashioned games being indulged in, and vocal and instrumental music rendered.

ST. PAUL'S SPIRITUAL CHURCH, ALMA-STREET.

On Saturday a meeting was held, conducted by Mrs. S. Bott, trance and clairvoyante (Halifax). Mr. W. H. Baume presided over a reverent audience. Mrs. Bott, in her address to the spirit peacemakers," she gave a splendid discourse, showing the message of true spiritualism and its beautiful teachings. Mrs. Bott gave many convincing tions, were also given in a convincing manner, and the olfactory for the sick fund proved gratifying. Mrs. Bott will be with us on Sunday; if you want to Dixon (Huddersfield), trance speaker and clairvoyante, Mr. W. H. Baume again presiding. Mrs. Scott as her subject in the afternoon "The teachings of Spiritualism." At the evening service, Mrs. Dixon will be given, at the close of the service before men," she gave a helpful discussion on the value of example. Lucid and well recognised descriptions will be given, at the close of the service choir rendered the musical items in pleasing style, and the circle for spirit communion was again conducted by Mrs. Bott and Mr. J. Baume, who gave demonstrations of clairvoyance.

LECTURE ON DELHI.

The Rev. Alcuin Swithun Wilkinson, pastor, on Monday, under Guild auspices, lectured at Wesley on Delhi. Mr. Wilkinson has been a missionary in India, and he has visited Delhi on several different parts of the country, so he was able to give a most interesting account of this ancient capital, which is again to be made the capital of the whole India. His descriptions were accompanied by a number of slides thrown on the screen by Mr. A. H. Gledhill. Mr. C. Bottomley presided.

POPULAR CONCERT AT CENTRAL HALL.

The Central Hall was well filled on Saturday when a first-class programme was rendered by Miss Dorothy Walker, accompanist for the Band of Hope Union May Festival Choir. A piano solo was ably rendered by Miss Mia Hirst, and Miss Walker was an excellent rendering of her songs "In an old-fashioned town" and "Songs my mother sang," and received a well-deserved encore. Miss Walker also sang sweetly "She wandered down the mountain side" and "Barbara Frietchie," which had to respond to an encore, Mr. Leonard Calvert was in good form, and his rendering of his songs "Up from Zonreith" and "Sailor's grave" met with confidence, and forth an unmistakable encore. Mr. Bottomley was heard to advantage in his song "Thora"; he also joined with Miss Walker in the duet "Ship of ours sailing, War." Humorous recitals were given by Mrs. Mrs. Akroyd's "Cure for Rheumatics" and "What's life has a mother!" for which an encore was secured. Miss Holden gave her recital, "The drunkards child," and Miss Walker's recital was also an encore. Recital, "Little Jack Horner" and "Barbara Freitchie," were admirably given by Mr. A. Williamson, whilst his humorous recitals, "Mother-in-law" and excellent violin solos, "March of the gladiaters" and "Brothers in arms." Violoning solos were given by Mr. Bland, and an encore being elicited by each effort. Mr. Bland's song, "Your dear old dad was Irish." Mr. Wilkinson's humorous recitals were given by Mr. Mrs. Akroyd's "Cure for Rheumatics" and "What's life has a mother!" for which an encore was secured. Miss Holden gave her recital, "The drunkards child," and Miss Walker's recital was also an encore. Recital, "Little Jack Horner" and "Barbara Freitchie," were admirably given by Mr. A. Williamson, whilst his humorous recitals, "Mother-in-law" and excellent violin solos, "March of the gladiaters" and "Brothers in arms." Violoning solos were given by Mr. Bland, and an encore being elicited by each effort. Mr. Bland's song, "Your dear old dad was Irish." Mr. Wilkinson was the chairman, the Rev. O. F. Rounsefell gave an enthusiastic address, and Miss Ida Turner a solo. A collection was also arranged for the Sunday School societies.

BABY'S INABILITY TO ASSIMILATE FOOD..

An inquiry was held on Wednesday in the Coroner's Court, Halifax, by Mr. J. Crowther, concerning the sudden death of Doris Beatrice, the six weeks old daughter of Richard Beatrice, of Bankfield, Elland, Birch-square, Gibbet-street, which took place on Monday.

Alice Beattie, the mother, said the child seemed to have been healthy, nothing noticeably wrong having been seen until Monday. In the afternoon about 4.30 she took it up to feed it, when she noticed she seemed unwell. Baby was cold and twisted her mouth strangely, and sent her neighbour for a doctor. It was in a fit. But the child improved and was a little warm milk. At 5.30, however, when her husband arrived home from work, he found the child dead. He went for Dr. Mitton. Death took place shortly after his arrival.

Dr. Mitton said that when he saw the child it was more or less moribund, and died very shortly afterwards. He had made a post mortem examination, which showed that the child was suffering from rickets, but 4lbs. 1oz., whereas at birth the normal weight was 7lbs. 4oz. The child was unable to assimilate its nutritional incapacity to assimilate food. There had been no neglect or insufficient feeding, because the stomach and intestines were full. Death was due to natural causes. The incapacity to assimilate food had no doubt brought on convulsions.—A verdict in accordance with this was agreed upon.

WISDOM
—OF THE WISE—

A man's real life is his life of inward thought.—Amiel.

Audacity: The sin of the brain.—Dr. Hunting.

Men pass to greatness through the portal of humility.

The word of a man is the measure of his dimension.

The end of man is an action, and not a thought.—Carlyle.

It is only music that can penetrate the solemn galleries where thought lies unborn.

The heart of a wise man is a store-house of gems where all worthless trinkets are rejected.

There are two freedoms, the false where one is free to do what he likes, and the true, where he is free to do what he ought.—Charles Kingsley.

Man cannot make, but may ennoble fate
By nobly bearing it. So let us trust
Not to ourselves, but God, and calmly wait
Love's ardent out of darkness and of dust.
—Owen Meredith.

No one has a word to say for ingratitude in its native unloveliness, as between man and man. We are more tender towards it in its more common and more serious phase, as between man and God.—Canon Liddon.

Fun, Facts & Fancies

INTERESTING FACTS.

Eighty-five per cent. of the people who flame are affected on the left cheek.

Centenarians are more frequently met with warm countries than in cold ones.

The Scotch, Irish, Welsh and Breton tongues are all varieties of the Celtic language.

About 300 species of turtle and tortoises known. Some of these attain a very large

In Austria a man and woman are supposed be capable of conducting a home of their from the age of fourteen.

Palm leaves, if sewn, are pressed into the material, and held in place by gold wires, as in use in the year 1,000 B.C.

The soil in China is so rich that a square mile is said to be capable of supporting a population of nearly four thousand people.

The cold of Siberia is so great in winter that mercury is sometimes frozen, which are wiry, either sealed up or salted, are there kept simple freezing.

The invention of bells is attributed to Egyptians, who are credited with having used of such percussion instruments to announce the sacred rites of religion.

The world contains at least four mountains composed almost of solid iron ore. One is from mountain of Missouri, another in Mexico another in Sweden, a fourth in the Andes of Africa explored by Stanley, and there have been reports of such a mountain existing Siberia.

WHERE LABOUR IS ESSENTIAL.

It was Sunday. Two boys were earnestly going on a vacant plot of land. Passing by, a missionaire stopped to enquire. "Don't you know it is a sin to work on Sunday unless it is a case of necessity?" urged the man. "Yes, sir," timidly replied one of the boys. "Then why don't you stop digging?" "Cause this is a case of necessity," replied young philosopher. "A feller can't fish without bait!"

"AULD LANG SYNE."

The phrase, "Auld Lang Syne," so peculiarly tender and beautiful, and so wholly Scotch, has no exact synonym in any language, and is untranslatable except by a weak periphrase. Allan Ramsay introduced it in "The Tea Table Miscellany" a song entitled "Old Long Syne" a poor production. It remained for Robert Burns to give it the form in which it is sung and fixed it for ever in the language of Great Britain, America, and the Antipodes. Allan Cunningham says that Burns found an ancient old syne is a kindred, and not absent in beautiful song, which has not yet been adopted into English.

THE AMERICAN ABROAD.

A Paris paper tells a story of an American tourist. This man entered a restaurant, accompanied by two little girls, ordered a bottle of Vichy mineral water and three plates, and began to sandwiches which he had brought with him in his pockets. The manager, overcome by curiosity, approached and said: "I beg your pardon, but I would like to inform you that this is not a picnic. Are you interrupted the American. "I am the manager, sir, of this restaurant." "Then you are the manager, are you? That is good. I was going to send for you. Why isn't the band playing."

THE SAGE O' CHELSEA.

One day Carlyle was walking with a friend and stopped to listen to a stump orator addressing a crowd on the question of franchise. Suddenly a rough boor in the crowd called out in self from a neighbouring window and with word of gross or other preamble addressed himself to Carlyle in a broad Annandale accent. "Ho noo, Tammas, is't a Parliamentary Reform?" "No, sir," the man nodded, his eyes twinkling. "An they

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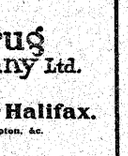

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THE WEEK'S NOTES & NEWS

The Premier has made the satisfactory announcement that dispatches from Sir John French are to be printed twice a week.

The cargo of the Wilhelmina, which is lying in Falmouth Harbour, has been seized by the Customs authorities. The Dacia sailed on Thursday from Norfolk for Rotterdam.

It is thought as to the Welsh Church Act, there may be a little easing in one or two ways during the war which will not affect the Act afterwards as a measure of disestablishment.

Admiral Jellicoe, in a letter, testifies to the immense amount of good done by the Salvation Army, and speaks of the men in the service owing much to it.

The L. and N.W. Railway Co. ran 7,000 military trains in the last six months.

The public are advised by the Home Office to familiarise themselves with the appearance of British and German airships and aeroplanes, so that they may not be alarmed by British aircraft, and may take shelter if German aircraft appear.

At Liverpool Licensing Sessions, Sir Thomas Hughes, the chairman, told the trade there was no obligation on the part of a licensee to serve anybody. The publican should exercise a discretion of duty by satisfying himself that persons applying for refreshment were in a fit state to receive it.

Mr. E. J. Graham, the new Nationalist member for the Tullamore Division, but, since he defeated the official candidate, he could not be introduced by his party Whips, and had to wait a week before he could take his seat in Parliament. At last, on Tuesday, Sir William Byles and Mr. Macallum Scott (Liberals both) led the lonely man to the table, where he took the oath and filled his seat.

The death occurred on Wednesday at Wrea Head, Scalby, the residence of Mrs. Ellis, his sister, of Mr. Joshua Rowntree, who from 1886 to 1892 was Liberal member of Parliament for Scarborough, and for many years had taken a prominent part in the public life of the town. Mr. Rowntree, who was in his 71st year, last week underwent a serious operation.

York, with its cathedrals and very numerous churches, has 301 licensed houses, being one for every 273 persons, and of these all selling intoxicants, the latter an increase of four, giving a total membership of 7,174. The compensation levy is to be reduced to one-fourth.

In the Pudsey Division it is stated that the prosecutions for drunkenness include many persons from Leeds and Bradford.

The fleet of British motor-ambulances in France has just reached, it is said, the total of 600. Every week since the middle of September there have been shipments across the Channel at the steady weekly average of 40, and these are still going on.

Mr. Hilton Young, the new member for Norwich, was serving in the Navy when elected unopposed. He took his seat, on Monday, being the first Member of the Living memory to appear in His Majesty's uniform when taking the oath.

People remark that the Queen is not encouraging any tendency to wear dark or dull colours, but that although Princess Mary and Battenberg's death might be made a reason for the Court remaining in sombre dress yet she dresses Princess Mary in pretty bright colours, and appears in them herself in public.

The Government have issued picture posters showing the different types of aeroplane. The average person is merely confused by them. A policeman put it well: "If it drops bombs 'tis a Zep; if it's German."

A gas-bomb has arrested, or dug out, what is probably the biggest and most gas-proof shelter on the East Coast. It has been covered with tons of granite blocks. The single entrance is built like a miniature fort.

In the City of Bradford there has been a great increase of prosecutions for drunkenness—ten per cent. compared with a year ago, bringing the total to 1,138, of whom as many as 282 were females. Only once from 1903 have the prosecutions been more, and they have been as low as 709. The increase on the previous year was 107, and was fully accounted for up to the end of July, therefore before the war began.

An important fact comes from Leeds, sanction having been given by the Home Office for closing Working clubs. All clubs from yesterday are on the same footing as public-houses, and no intoxicants will be sold between the hours of 9 p.m. and 5 a.m., when the following day is a week-day and between 9 p.m. and 12.30 p.m. when the following day is a Sunday.

Lieutenant Edward Hilton Young (Liberal), serving in Sir John Jellicoe's flagship, was on Saturday returned unopposed as M.P. for Norwich, and Mr. T. J. Williams (Liberal) for Swansea District.

The Right Hon. J. H. Whitley, M.P., was 49 years old on Monday.

The average death rate in the 94 great towns, last week, was 20.1 per 1,000. The Halifax figure was 18.2, Huddersfield 20.0, and Bradford 14.7.

Major A. C. Morrison-Bell, M.P. for Honiton, 1st Scots Guards, recently reported missing, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

The Rev. J. H. Shakespeare, M.A., secretary of the Baptist Union, has been nominated to succeed Sir Joseph Compton-Rickett, M.P., as president of the National Council of Free Evangelical Churches in 1916.

The Leeds Spring Assizes are fixed for March 11, with Justices Coleridge and Bailhache presiding.

Mr. Percy Illingworth was very fond of Bradford. His widow, writing to the Lord Mayor of the city, says: "He thought there was no place like Bradford. 'Home,' he always called it; a name he would not use in connection with London or any other place."

Mr. Henry Chaplin, M.P., confined to his room with influenza, passed a fairly good night, and was a little better this morning.

The National Relief Fund to-day reached a total of £4,735,000.

Snow lies from four to six inches deep in Berwickshire and the Lothians as a result of a storm which still continues.

Wellington, Friday.—All meat factories in South Island have been closed owing to the shortage of shipping space.—Reuter.

The High Sheriff has fixed Wednesday, Feb. 17, for nominations for the Parliamentary vacancy in Mid-Antrim. Polling, if any, will take place on the 23rd inst.

General Garibaldi, who is on a visit to London, called upon the Prime Minister at 10, Downing-street, to-day, and made a stay of about twenty minutes' duration.

Three miners were buried by a fall of rock at Hadbarrow iron ore mine, Millom, last evening. One of them was crushed to death.

A meeting is convened in London from the Transvaal Chamber of Mines, Johannesburg, states the total gold output of the Transvaal mines for January was 714,984 ounces, of a fine value of £3,037,268, compared with 695,137 ounces of the total value of £2,952,755 in December.

The death occurred this morning at Merthyr of Mr. William Evans, J.P., general manager of Dowlais steel works and collieries.

Among hundreds of floral tributes at Lord Londonderry's funeral at Wynyard Park was one from Queen Alexandra, with the inscription "In loving memory of one of our dearest and oldest friends."

A hale and hearty woman who appeared as a witness in Liverpool Court on Thursday, interested the bench by stating that she was the mother of twenty-two children. Her youngest offspring is eight. She was married at the age of 19, and is now 47.

"The Welsh Guards"—this is to be the latest addition to the British Army, and one which will send a thrill of pride through the Principality. Its formation has been sanctioned by the King.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN SHILLITO, J.P.

Deep regret will be felt in many widely separated circles at the death of Mr. Shillito, who has been so intimately associated with co-operative movements during a great portion of his life. His position, during a long period, as Chairman of the Wholesale Society, must have been a very responsible one, involving much care, and at times anxious decisions. But he worked right along vigorously to the last, and might have been seen most mornings, jog in hand, on his way to Halifax station. Observers, however, could not fail to see that he was declining physically, which was not surprising at his great age.

DANGERS OF PNEUMONIA.

In an address in London, Dr. Barty King said special care should be taken during mental worry to guard against chills, cold winds, and dampness. The frequency with which pneumonia was contracted at funerals was an example of cold and exposure acting on a nervous system depressed by grief. The continuous covering up of local parts should be avoided. Chest protectors were undesirable and a frequent cause of chills.

YORKSHIRE ELECTIONS.

The nomination of Mr. Oswald Partington for the Shipley Division took place at the Public Offices, Shipley, on Tuesday, when nomination papers were handed in on his behalf. There being no other nomination, Mr. Stevens, Town Clerk of Bradford, returning officer, declared Mr Partington elected. Mr. and Mrs. Partington were accompanied by Sir Ellis and Lady Denby.

The same day Mr. Walter Rea, who has accepted office as a Junior Lord of the Treasury, unpaid, was re-elected unopposed for Scarborough.

At Pocklington, on Wednesday, Col. F. S. Jackson, of Leeds, was elected Member for the Howdenshire Division, the representation of which had been rendered vacant by the death of Colonel H. Harrison Broadley.

A HUDDERSFIELD PROMINENT MAN.

Col. Frederick Greenwood died at his home at Edgerton this week, aged 83. He was a surgeon by profession, and gave certificates under the Factory Acts in the Huddersfield district. He was well known for his long connection with the Huddersfield Volunteers, which he helped to organise, and in command the corps from 1867 to 1873.

COAL STRIKE DECISION.

At a conference of representative employers and men's leaders, on Tuesday, the trouble in the Yorkshire coalfields was happily averted, the employers conceding the terms asked during the period of the war. Peace is done, the Eatanswill Gazette says. Then, it is understood, the question will arise again. The difficulty is of a technical character which should in fact be settled by arbitration. There is still difficulty in some collieries.

CLUBS, TEMPERANCE PEOPLE, AND THE CLOSING ORDER.

At Keighley Licensing Sessions, the views of the licensed victuallers were very strongly expressed by Alec Nedl, their advocate, who informed the Bench that the trade in beer had been reduced at least 50 per cent., while they were also much overtaxed. The temperance people did nothing to reduce the drunkenness that took place in clubs, which, he said, should be put on the same footing as licensed houses. On Sunday, even under the closing order, may still drink longer hours than the licensed houses, which he held was unfair.

These points have not escaped licensing justices, and as Keighley they have not acted on the point just named because the sanction of the Home Secretary would have been required, and so delayed the Order. The Chief Constable is prepared to recommend that they also shall be closed. The Mayor regards the Order as an important step towards putting licensed houses and clubs on the same footing, besides being an experiment in early closing.

WEST YORKSHIRE CHAMBERS OF TRADE.

At the meeting of the federation this week in Leeds, Mr. Golightly, of Pudsey, brought up the often-discussed question of the escape by co-operative societies of the payment of income tax. His point was that they ought to be brought into line with the individual trader, holding that they are in the same category although calling in non-members, and by accepting public contracts. As they compete with individual traders, he said they ought to be treated in the same way. The difficulty has usually been as to the manner how, many of the members having incomes below the income tax range. A resolution in accordance with Mr. Golightly's views was passed, and affirming that all trading concerns should be taxed on the same basis. The meeting recognised the fact that the Government may need additional revenue, and favoured the broadening of taxation, by lowering the limit for income tax from £160 per annum to £130. A proposition to this effect is to be moved at the National Chamber in April.

A RAILWAY CLERK'S RISE.

Mr. Arthur Rees, of Birmingham, who died this week at the age of 81, began his industrial career as a railway clerk. Then he joined a business in a partnership, rose rapidly, and became connected with firms which advanced by taking over others. For a time he was chairman of the London City and Midland Bank, but in his later years was chairman of Guest, Keen, and Nettlefold, a successful company with a capital of five millions, and employing about 20,000 workpeople.

DEATH OF THE MARQUIS OF LONDONDERRY.

Lord Londonderry, sixth Marquis, died on Monday, at Wynyard Park, Stockton, from pneumonia, following a chill contracted last week. He was 63 years of age. Lord Londonderry held office in the last Conservative Administration and was at one time Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. He was president of the Ulster Unionist Council and took a leading and rather bitter part in the opposition to Home Rule. His son, Viscount Castlereagh (Conservative member for Maidstone), succeeds to the title. Lord Londonderry was a great landowner, with seats at Stockton-on-Tees, Seaham Hall, Sunderland, and county Down, besides a fine house in Park-lane, London. He was proud of being what he called himself, a "practical" coal merchant in England. It is to the marriage of the third Marquis with the heiress of the Vane-Tempests that the family owes its mines and its fine family, Wynyard Park.

GOOD REPORT FROM SUBHOUSE.

The report submitted to the Justices, at Brighouse Licensing Sessions, yesterday, was very satisfactory indeed, well meriting the Mayor's remark, "We are making progress at Brighouse." Long may it continue. Offences have declined materially.

THE POPE AND THE WAR.

The Pope attended St. Peter's in Rome on Sunday afternoon at a great service to inaugurate the occasion of war and peace among the nations of the world. It is said that over 60,000 persons assembled on the occasion; the Pope was followed by 22 Cardinals; people exclaiming "Long Live the Pope." The departure of the Pope from the occasion was an outburst of enthusiasm which even the efforts of the Pope were powerless to restrain, the people crying "Long Live the Pope," and "God give us peace." The Pope's prayer for peace was used in the Roman Catholic churches of Great Britain.

PARTY STRIFE ABATED.

It is meet, in the present national emergency, that party strife should be hushed. Some would even have it be done away with. Sir Oliver Lodge said the other day he trusted the game of party politics would diminish, for government was too important a matter to be dealt with in that way. The best heads of the nation should be brought together as they were at the present time, and action taken for the good of the nation. Well, the intensity of strife should be abated; but there is sure to be party feeling; if it arise over the war, it certainly will in deciding which are those "best heads of the nation." Sir Oliver speaks of.

BRITISH FLEET'S MAGNIFICENT GUNS.

The report of Admiral Beatty's action in the North Sea on January 24 states that the first shot was fired at a range of 18,000 yards and hits were made at 17,000 yards, roughly speaking, 10 miles. The distance was much less. The enemy's ships could only partly and dimly be seen. So the guns of our magnificent battle-cruisers can keep on hitting an enemy barely visible, whilst the shells are tearing through the water at a rate of thirty-four miles per hour

NATIONALISTS AND THE WAR: MR. REDMOND'S TRIBUTE.

Mr. Redmond, M.P., has made a very important and striking message to his countrymen in America as to the stand taken by the Nationalists in the war. He says not a voice can be heard in Ireland in favour of Germany against England and the Allies. The policy which he has advocated has attracted the support of many influential men in every part of the country who were formerly opposed to Home Rule in the past. Ireland, he declares, was bound on the merits of the case to side with England and her Allies in this war. Germany is making war against the existence of small nationalities; the fate of Europe is at stake; and it is a war of civilisation and liberty against militarism and tyranny, to the worst kind.

NEW HOME FOR CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.

First Church of Christ Scientist, 8, Central-street, Halifax, has just completed negotiations for the purchase of the property known as "Savile Lodge," situate at the corner of Savile-road and Wall Head-lane, and lately occupied by the Walker family. At present only slight structural alterations will be made to the... church is progress... this district... this property.

PARLIAMENT'S ...

Parliament be... prices of food as... without coming to... it is to be re... The question of ... important, for it... articles affected... example, the found... food. Trade in Liverpool ... 26s. 3d. per quarter ... January. Of the rise, 2s. 6d. was due to the prices in New York, which Mr. Asquith thought might be, only in large extent, to speculation. But, if so, how are we in England to stop that? Increases of freight amounted to 3s. 6d., in considering which we have to remember the dangers incurred in shipping and the rise in insurance. We are now beginning to receive wheat from the Argentine, and it is believed that after next June, when the new crop is likely to be nearly normal, speculation will be more difficult, and prices will fall to a more justifiable level.

As to meat, the advance is attributed in part to the enormous quantities used by the Army; no Army in the World has been so well fed, said the Premier, their frozen or chilled meat, which includes much mutton, being the primest joints. Curiously, the wholesale price has gone up more than the retail, and a very small fraction of it is due to freight, the rise being chiefly due to the exporting countries.

Sugar has risen substantially—43 per cent., says the Premier, but was as high in 1911, and is as high now in the United States. Any change now anticipated is downward.

Coal,—the trouble about the rise in this commodity is always with us. There is a great difficulty in getting supplies, partly because so many miners have joined the forces, and partly because of the block on the railways.

Whatever the Government can do, will no doubt be done, for everyone is anxious to do something; beyond that, natural causes are tending in the direction of lower prices.

WEST RIDING BREWSTER SESSIONS.

The Bench were able to congratulate the trade at the West Morley Licensing Sessions on Wednesday that no licence holders had been proceeded against. On the other hand there was a small increase in the prosecutions for drunkenness, this follows a large decrease in past years, and West Morley still compares well with many neighbouring divisions.

Objection was taken on Wednesday to West End Tavern, Sowerby Bridge, on the ground that there is a redundancy of licences in that neighbourhood, and so this particular tavern was singled out for objection. Still, the house supplies a real need, providing cheap dinners for workmen, and Mr. Young, giving testimony before the magistrates that the dinners are good and substantial, as well as very reasonable in price. In such circumstances, the magistrates decided to renew the licence. What happened should be a lesson to licence holders in that part of Sowerby Bridge to be very careful in the conduct of their houses, for the opinion remains that there is a redundancy. The Weaver House, Fixby, was referred to the Compensation Authority.

BISHOP OF MANCHESTER'S WARNING.

The meetings of Convocation at York on Wednesday included the reception of a report of a Joint Committee on the King's Letters of Business. We do not suppose many of the public give much attention to these matters, but they may be more interested and alarmed when they are told, as they are practically by the Bishop of Manchester, that it is a part of the plan for undoing the work of the Reformation, already carried to a considerable extreme in some parishes. The Bishop said:—

The cumulative effect of the changes proposed was of a very real and serious character. The substitution, to a great extent of the first Prayer Book of Edward VI. for the second Prayer Book of Edward VI., the removal from the Service of the carrying of it to and fro, together with the danger of its being worshipped when so carried, the provision for the Communion alone in connection with the funeral service, which was suggestive of masses for the dead—all these things tended towards a serious change in the Prayer Book, which he was afraid would have very disastrous consequences if the King should ever be advised to assent to the changes.

COR. CLARK OF BARKISLAND.

Cor. Wm. Clark, for over 28 years associated with Barkisland local authority, was not proceeded on Wednesday at the Council's monthly meeting, as he has removed from the district he will probably not attend again. Prior to leaving many honours have been done him, and one other—as yet unrecorded—much on account of his services to Barkisland. The resolution has been recorded in the Council's minutes.

The full wording is: "On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Cor. Hewitt, it was resolved, that this Council learn with great regret that Cor. Wm. Clark, a member of the Council, is shortly leaving the district, and the Council desires to place on record its high appreciation of Cor. Clark's services to the district for the last 28 years, during which period he has been a member of the Local Board and of the Council, and for a long period was Chairman. Further, that a copy of this resolution be suitably engrossed and signed by the Chairman and Clerk, and presented to Cor. Clark."

THE ROAD OVER BLACKSTONE EDGE.

Many old rights belonging to local authorities are lodged in documents and acts belonging to a past generation. Thus at Barkisland there is the old-time custom of repairing the fence wall in a certain road was inspected, unusual interest was aroused by reference to an act of George II., dated Jan. 14, 1731. The preamble reads: "An act for repairing and widening the road from the Town of Rochdale in the County Palatine of Lancaster, leading over a certain Craggy Mountain called Blackstone Edge, in the same County, and from thence to the Towns of Halifax and Ealand, in the County of York."

CANARY IN THE TRENCHES.

A private writes home:—Our only companion (in the trenches) is a little canary we rescued from a deserted house, which had been almost shelled to atoms. On the cage was a ticket, "Dresden Book," after this little bird. It has made itself quite at home with us. When we leave the trenches we hand it over to the next regiment. So you may guess it's made quite a fuss of. Last night we went into the trenches our canary was almost black through the smoke from shell fire, but it seems as cheerful as ever. I would so much like to get it home to you. It's awfully funny, but while the shells are whizzing over, our canary takes no notice and sings beautifully.

PRINCE OF WALES PROMOTED

The "Gazette" on Wednesday announced the promotion of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales from a second lieutenant to be a lieutenant in the Grenadier Guards and to remain seconded.

EVERY MAN NEEDED.

Parliament was informed on Monday that every man will be needed in this great life-and-death struggle. To this end, the Labour party were asked to raise the stringency of trade union rules so as to secure the withdrawal of the labour market now going on by supplying men not of military age or physique, or by women workers in cases where practicable. The Labour party have expressed their readiness to do what they can.

It is gratifying to learn that an overwhelming part of the Territorial ... have volunteered for foreign service. ... born to the valour and efficien... men. The Army Medic... rise to doing what daily ... the suffering ... Sad indeed it is that ... the war, one casualty amounted to 10,000 ... as that was, our ... widespread power ...

... of love in this latter and greater part ... war, has been less than it was in the ... period.

THE AMENDED DYEWORKS SCHEME.

The proposed dye scheme has now been amended in a way which, it is believed, will provide for the immediate establishment of existing sources of supply and for their expansion with reasonable rapidity. The financial part of the business has been recast, and was explained to Parliament by Mr. Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, on Monday. For not more than a million the Government will contribute pound for pound, and the Company may acquire, if necessary, a total capital of three millions, and a loan capital of one and a half millions. The Government advance is to bear interest of 4 per cent., and to be repayable in 20 years, interest and sinking fund charges meanwhile to be limited to 6 per cent.

That part of the scheme, though important, is not the most essential. A new feature is that Government will grant to the Company during a period of 5 years £100,000 to be devoted exclusively to experimental and research work,—a very important matter if the industry is to be kept well abreast with the latest discoveries. These proposals have been obtained for the acquisition of important dyemaking works, and other similar arrangements are in progress, and it is understood the Company can arrange for obtaining dyewares from large producers in Switzerland.

Such, in brief outline, is the scheme as explained to Parliament. It is hoped it will prove satisfactory to the trade generally, before whom it has been laid at meetings this week.

DEARER FLOUR.

At the Halifax Grocers' Association meeting on Monday, it was recommended, owing to the increasing price of flour at the mills, that 2s. 11d. be charged per 16lbs., and that, as biscuit manufacturers have advanced their prices, biscuits be increased 1d. per lb.

A SOLDIER NOT FORGOTTEN.

Mrs. H. Johnson, Mill Bank, tells us in a pathetic letter that though she has written to her husband at the front several times and sent him smokes, he does not appear to have heard from her for weeks. Possibly a copy of the "Courier" will reach him when other communications have failed, or some comrade may convey the news to him that he is far from being forgotten by the home folks.

GROCERS' NEW PRESIDENT.

On Monday, Cor. Jonas Crabtree, Hipperholme, was elected president of the Halifax and District Grocers' Association, in succession to Mr. C. E. Webster. Mr. Crabtree is an old member of the association, and takes a keen interest in its welfare. In his youth he was destined for the mill, but objected to that mode of life, and preferred a grocer's shop. It is 36 years since he commenced his grocery experience, and he has been, and still is, quite happy in his pursuit. He is a busy man, holding two other presidencies in addition to his work on the Hipperholme Council. He is president of the Hipperholme and Lightcliffe Liberal Club (for the fifth time), and president of the Halifax and District Liberal Clubs' Federation (for the second time).

ATTRACTIONS AT THE ROYAL.

Theatre patrons will be interested in the immediate future, for they announce that:—Feb. 15, Francis Laidler's pantomime, "Robinson Crusoe"; Feb. 22, Castellano's Opera Co.; March 1, "The Dollar Princess"; March 8, "The Man who Stayed at Home"; March 15, Edward Compton and his Repertoire Co.; March 22, Robert Courtneidge's musical comedy, "The Cinema Star." It is an interesting fact that there are to be regular matinees on Saturdays.

MILITARY FUNERAL FOR WOMAN.

A remarkable funeral took place at Kildercart, co. Clare, on Sunday, when Mrs. O'Halloran, a widow, was buried with military honours. Three of Mrs. O'Halloran's sons are serving in the Army in France. The local Volunteers marched at the head of the funeral, with banners flying and wooden rifles. Everyone connected with the Army locally turned out to honour the mother of the brave Irish soldiers, one of whom, John O'Halloran, was reported missing a short time ago. All the sons are over 6ft. in height.

ALLIES AND UNITED EFFORTS.

The Allies have taken another step to strengthen their positions by prosecuting the war vigorously. Following a series of conferences between the French, British, and Russian Ministers of Finance, it has been decided to issue at a convenient date opportunity in the name of the three Powers, and to unite their financial as well as their military resources. Mr. Lloyd George and the Government of the Bank of England were at the Conference.

FASHION POINTS.

The circular skirt gives a sense of freedom in walking. Many skirts are pleated. Bodices are still as plain as possible. Some of the newest coats are belted. Spring is not ready for early spring—have no waistline, and are absolutely straight sacques. Others are of the overall pattern, and show the wide, low-set kimono sleeve. The sleeves usually are short, the overalls three-quarter length, and very wide and branching at the hem.

Serge dresses are made with long tunics over narrower, but not tight, skirts. Gabardine is to themselves out in circular form and very wide. Some wearers prefer what may be called the three-quarter tunic, and the length may be left to the individual taste and convenience. In no case is the under-skirt much longer than serves to cover the ankles, and sometimes it is shorter. American women, in especial, have gone to extremes in the matter of brevity of skirts, and one meets a well-dressed and wrinkled Transatlantic ladies whose skirts do not extend below the cloth tops of their neat boots. From the back they look like schoolgirls, but the front view is less pleasing and lacks dignity.

COUNTY LICENSING SESSIONS AT HUDDERSFIELD.

Though the report for the year at the Licensing Sessions for Upper Agbrigg does not compare very favourably with that for the Lower Division, Halifax, to which it adjoins, there were some favourable features mentioned. Thus, the number of licences, 217, is a decrease of four during the year, and works out at one for every 353 inhabitants in the division, compared with one for every 288 persons seven years ago. As many as 83 per cent. of the houses are tied houses. The number of clubs is increased to 36, being a sixth of the whole number. But if licensed houses have declined, there are as many as 72 registered clubs, with a membership of 24,230. Clubs, like the licensed houses, have now all of them to suspend the sale of intoxicants at 9 p.m.

An increase of prosecutions for drunkenness, from 230 to 281, is another notable feature; these ended in 221 convictions, compared with 214. This might have been worse, of course, but in the figures as they stand, Mr Wrigley the chairman, was able to see a gleam of comfort, there having been 231 convictions in 1904, the present reduction being evidence in some degree of greater temperance among the people.

Three convictions were recorded against licensed premises, and sharp notice of the fact was taken in two cases, for the licences of the Travellers' Rest, Marsden, and the Millers' Arms, Austonley, were both over to the adjourned Brewster Sessions, on March 9; and in the meantime, the Clerk was instructed to make objection to their renewal on the ground of redundancy in the case of the Millers' Arms, and redundancy and structural unsuitability in the case of the Travellers' Rest.

HALIFAX SERGEANT SAVES A CHILD.

A friend with the Royal Scots Fusiliers sends us a clipping from Monday's "Greenock Telegraph," one reforms us that the reference is to Sergt. Wallace Atkinson, of Halifax, who prior to the war was caretaker at Asquith's. The paragraph states:—"A sergeant of the Royal Scots Fusiliers acted with commendable promptness the other morning. A company of soldiers was proceeding along Cardwell-road, followed by a number of boys. Not ever careful one little fellow stepped on the tramway line and was within an ace of being caught by an approaching car when the sergeant rushed forward and dragged him from what appeared certain death. It was a brave act."

THE LATE MEMBER FOR SHIPLEY.

"M.P.," in "London Opinion," thinks the Chief Whip, Mr. Illingworth, was a victim of overwork, for he never spared himself for one moment. Mr. Illingworth, as Chief Whip, whilst in the months following the outbreak of the war he did four men's work every day. In fact, he gave his life for his country as surely as any soldier who has fallen in the trenches; and never were tributes better earned than the eloquent eulogies paid to his memory by the Prime Minister and Mr. Bonar Law.

Mr. Illingworth's successor, Mr. Oswald Partington, was returned unopposed on Tuesday.

SUNDERLAND MUSICAL COMPETITION.

The entries for the 27th "Mrs. Sunderland" Musical Competition number 1331, compared with 146 in 1913 and 128 in 1911. This year the solo competitions are for contraltos, tenors, soprano and junior pianoforte players, and choir-boys. Among the competing choirs are: Mixed voice choirs, Marsden Wesleyan, Crosland Moor U.M., and Cornholme Valley; Male voice choirs, Brighouse Glee Union, and Todmorden Male Voice Choir; School Choirs, Elland Church.

WELSHMAN DODGED THE GERMANS.

A Welsh prisoner of war has deceived the censor cunningly. In a letter home he used Welsh words as English surnames thus:—

You will be glad to hear news of old friends. Mr. Bara (flour) is very bad here. Mr. Bara (bread) is very much darker than when you saw him, and is quite hard. I never see Mr. Cig (cheese) and Mr. Menyn (butter) but seldom; he was very bad indeed the last few times I met him. I see Mr. Ham (milk) and Mr. Jacob (milk) every day, but he has not been here now for some time.

BONUS FOR RAILWAY WORKERS.

A writer in the "World" says the Government will very shortly announce that all grades are to receive a special weekly war payment—a bonus, as it were. This will cover the rise in prices and the extra work, but it will only be in force so long as hostilities continue.

DEATH OF CCR. H. FARRAR

HIS WORK ON THE COUNCIL.

Through the death of Cor. Harry Farrar, one of the representatives on the Town Council for West Ward, at the age of 52, the Corporation have lost a zealous member and the ranks a hard-working councillor. A bachelor, he resided with his sister, Mrs. Hogg, Gibbet-street, who acceded to the latter's deputy business, and it was there that the end came, after a painful illness, on Saturday evening. Cor. Farrar himself was born in Halifax, received a business training, and he had been in business on his own account for a number of years, latterly in New Crown-street.

Mr. Farrar had a first rate knowledge of public, religious, and political spheres before he was privileged upon to render service to the ratepayers on the Town Council. West Ward Liberal Club had, for years, had in him a useful member, and Mr. Farrar was also both at committees and Parliamentary elections, as a member of the Liberal Ward Committee, occupying for three years past the chairmanship.

He entered the Town Council, as one of the representatives for West Ward, in 1908, and he was last re-elected at a contest in November, 1913. The committees on which he served were the Highways and the Health. He was a member, too, of the Crossley Cash Fund Committee, to the municipal duties he devoted himself with great energy. He was one who showed an independence of thought and action, and, when convinced he was in the right, he did not hesitate to vote against his party, even on the more political questions, as he entered into municipal matters. Among some he was considered to be too rigid in his insistance for economy, but his economical views in the main straightforwardness were recognised, and the accepted honesty of his intentions commanded general respect. In elections he took a keen interest, and a high value on personal canvas, and at his own elections he put it fully into practice, making a point of calling on every elector. Through his long residence through his long residence, he was widely known before seeking municipal honours. Through this personal contact with the people, he very considerably widened his acquaintanceships, and increased his popularity.

To Trinity-road Baptist Church he rendered valued service and he was honoured by election to different offices, including that of trustee. In the Brotherhood movement he also interested himself, and was a welcome speaker at these gatherings.

Since last November he had enjoyed anything but good health. It was not until the new year, however, that he was compelled to cease attention to business and his public work. The funeral has been fixed for Wednesday.

DEATH AT 17 OF WARLEY.

On Wednesday the remains of Cor Farrar, were laid to rest in the cemetery at Warley, the funeral being of a public character, colleagues on the Council and a detachment of the police force attending. The Rev. C. C. Sloan, pastor of Trinity-road Baptist Chapel, with which Mr Farrar was for long actively associated, took the services at the home, at Warley Council Schools and Chapel, and the cemetery.

The family mourners were:—

1st Coach.—Mr. and Mrs. Hogg (sister and brother-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. Joe Farrar (brother and sister-in-law).

2nd Coach.—Mrs. Stead (sister), Mrs. Cochrane (sister), Mrs. Sunderland (aunt), and Mrs. Garson.

3rd Coach.—Miss Smith, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. Hadfield, and the Rev. R. C. Sloan.

The Mayor (Ald. W. Thorpe, J.P.), walked with the Town Clerk (Mr. Saunders), and the Acting Chief Constable (Mr. Inspector Gledhill, the mace-bearer (Mr. Atkinson) preceded them. Also attending from the Council were: Ald. Gamble, Crowther, and Sowden; Cors. A. Seed, W. Butterworth, J. Brook, Dr. Branson, M. Crossley, A. D. Oates, A. Greenwood, A. Ambler, Whitehead, H. Smith, J. H. Waddington, H. H. Sutcliffe, A. Walters, W. Oliver, S. Wright, H. F. Lightowler, H. Holden, Dr. Leighton, S. Hadfield, J. Holden Mr. McLusky (gas manager) was also present.

Cor. T. N. Hewitt was unable to be present owing to indisposition.

Representing Wes Ward Liberal Club and Association were Mr. J. Hy. Hoyle (president of the club), Messrs. John Foster (ex-president), W. Marshall (secretary of the Association), T. E. Maude, S. Playford, Jas. Birch, Arthur, W. Bates, J. Nelson, J. Hoyle, J. Payne, J. Kershaw, H. Geardon, C. Whitaker, J. Pearson, and H. Stansfield.

Trinity-road Baptist Church: Messrs. A. Noble, E. Roberts, J. W. Tiffany, J. Astin, J. Smith (now of Blackpool), and Wilson Taylor.

Other friends were, Messrs. H. Leeming, J. A. Wormald, and Sidebottom, of Sowerby.

Some 28 police were also in the procession.

The coffin was of panelled oak, with silver mountings, and the inscription:—

HARRY FARRAR,
Born April 11th, 1863,
Died Feb. 6th, 1915.

Floral tributes were sent from:—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Farrar; Mr. and Mrs. Ste... West Ward Liberal Club; West Ward Liberal Club Committee; Trinity-road Baptist Chapel; Mr. and Mrs. David Hanson; Mr. and Mrs. Whiteley; John and Harry; J. A. and E. R.; Mrs. Lightowler and family (West Kirk); Miss Swift; Dorothy Rangley and Lillian.

Mr. W. H. Gaines, Wentworth Works, was the undertaker.

General De Wet will shortly be tried on a charge of high treason at Bloemfontein.

HALIFAX HAS ITS ANSWER.

Halifax has its answer now. There was a doubt once as to whether the cures, about which Halifax residents spoke so heartily, were lasting cures. Did the people STAY well? That was the great question. And here is the answer, cured to stay cured, given in the word of a Halifax resident.

On October 10th, 1907, Mrs. A. Foster, of 32, Spence-street, Lower Edge-road, Halifax, said:—"I have had cruel pains in the lowed part of my back, and often have scarcely been able to turn myself in bed, or across the room. I think this was the result of an attack of kidney trouble I had after the birth of my little girl; for some time I suffered terribly.

"I thought the pain would go away in time, but I could not get rid of it and didn't do so until I started taking Doan's backache kidney pills. They did fo me."

Price 2s. 9d. a box, 6 boxes 13s. 9d.; of all dealers, or from Foster-McClellan Co., 8, Wellstreet, Oxford-street, London. W. Don't ask for backache or kidney pill's.

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STOP PRESS NEWS

CARGO STEAMER STRIKES A MINE.

The cargo steamer Torquay was towed into Scarborough harbour yesterday afternoon in a sinking condition by the Scarborough steamer Gamecock. She is believed to have struck a mine. One member of the crew, a Norwegian, was in the stokehold washing himself when the explosion occurred, and he was killed. Two

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IMPORTANT.—The Mechanical Transport Officer will be in for one day only, so candidates should not fail to present themselves on the 12th March between the hours mentioned.

No Sea Kings. Only ex-army motor drivers with less than one year's experience of driving.

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Recruiting Officer, 33rd Rec. A.
Halifax, 8/2/15.

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Colonel Officer, Commanding.

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Apply Lieut. GEO. T. RAMSDEN, Arden Road Artillery Barracks, King Cross, Halifax.

Stories from the Trenches.

SOLDIERS' EXPERIENCES AT THE FRONT.

Local Phases of the War.

In acknowledging receipt of a parcel of cigarettes, &c., sent to the West Riding Regt. at the front, Mr. Mrs. Woodhouse, of 3, Howard-street, Pellon-lane, Major A. Sillam says, "Your parcel, although despatched so long ago—the letter enclosed it bears the date 20th Dec.—only reached me this morning, Feb. 3. I again thank you for your kindly thought of the men of this Battalion, and for your offer on my behalf. The cigarettes you send are sure to be greatly appreciated, no one caring much for the French cigarettes sold in this country. The Battalion is not doing much marching at present, its time being taken up with duty in the trenches or dug-outs, then back for short rest billets in farmhouses or farmhouses, but sometimes in towns or villages. You will, I am sure, be glad to hear that our losses have not been heavy, although during the usual shell-fire, rifle-fire, and bomb throwing still goes on (I wonder if those details interest you, or if I am proving a bore). May I express my sincere thanks of your kindness in obtaining and sending the parcel, and will many thanks for your good wishes."

Sergt. Cullen, writing from headquarters, also thanked Mrs. Woodhouse, on behalf of himself and himself, for the cigarettes, while H. W. Fox, writing from No. 1 General Hospital (somewhere in France), says: "It is very kind of you to give so much pleasure to the men. A few Woodbines have a wonderful cheering effect on all of them."

THIS LITTLE WORLD.

One of the Lahore Division Field Artillery has written us from the front. There he met Halifax men in the "same old way, and pretty well accommodation" he—a Halifax man assisting the Indians—has appealed to us for two shirts, toffee and cigarettes. She adds that of the latter we hope that within the week his wants will be satisfied.

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FLEAS AT THE FRONT.

Pte. Fk. Clayton, R.F.A., has written to his parents at Pallis House, Hebden Bridge, stating that the people out there charge double price for everything. Bread is dear, and eggs are plenty of money. The dealers in bread got as much as they could for their bread: their policy was "making hay while the sun shines." He says he actually think these people would do the best for them. The price of bread in some places was 50 centimes and in others 60 centimes and to the seasons a penny or a penny-halfpenny loaf. He hoped they would send him one as a present. The weather had been wet and cold, and both he and his chum had been troubled much from the presence of fleas in the straw and in the various shelters they had to sleep in out of the wet. They could have somebody to kill them they would be delighted. He had had to give up smoking owing to a bad chest, and did not want any tobacco, but a tin of fresh pears would be a great friend to him at present.

GLIMPSES OF THE NORTH SEA FIGHT.

Henry V. Townsend, 6, Rosebery-avenue, Siddal, a boy telegraphist (wireless), for twelve months, and still only 16 years of age, now on the "Queen Mary," has had a busy time during the recent North Sea action. Writing home he says:—I am thinking they are keeping your letters back, as I have not had a word from you for a month. Now, I was on the "Lion" for about a fortnight, but now my ship has got the baptism of 12in. shells, and gallons of water. I got nearly drowned. I am not allowed to tell you about the action, but our ship took part in it. I was fired at by five ships all as big as our vessel. Fred Hainsworth was down in the stoke-hold during action, and if his mother had seen him she would have bought him three or four pounds of soap. We did a merry old time. I have got a lump of shell, and guess where it was made—Sheffield! If I had stopped on the "Lion" I should have been coming home on leave next week.

DIED FOR THEIR COUNTRY.

PRIVATE J. H. HARTLEY.

Mrs. Hartley, 4, Horley Green-road, Clare-mount, has received the following letter stating that her son, Pte J. H. Hartley, King's Own Scottish Borderers, was killed in action. The letter, dated Feb. 5, is as follows:—"Dear Madam, I am very sorry to have to write and tell you that your son, No. 2,000, Private J. H. Hartley, the result of a wound. He was wounded in the back yesterday, and was brought in here last night, when the doctor found that he was dead on him, but he passed away early this morning. I saw him and was with him the last night, and didn't I would like to see you. He suffered no pain, and I do not think he suffered much pain, and the end was quite peaceful. He will be buried to-day in the churchyard of the village of Dranantre in Belgium and his grave will be marked by a cross bearing his name. I am very sorry to have to sympathy with you in your sorrow, and I pray that our God will give you the strength to bear your bereavement, and that you may find Him a very present help in your time of trouble. I shall remember you in my prayers. Believe me, yours sincerely, R. W. Fox."

HOLYWELL GREEN SOLDIER'S DEATH.

Holywell Green has just been apprised of the death of Corpl. Drake, who has been through the whole campaign on the Continent. Keen regret is felt by all residents of the neighbourhood, and deep sympathy is extended to the widow. Corpl. Drake, who was a reservist in the 2nd Duke of Wellington's, had been through the early parts of the commencement of the war and fought through most of the engagements at the beginning and also at Ypres, where he was wounded receiving a wound. About the end of December he was sent to a base hospital at Rouen suffering from a mild attack of enteric. By the end of so long that hopes were entertained for his recovery, but news has been received to-day (Friday) and this was taken as a good omen, and thus the intimation of his death came as a surprise. He had been with his wife away to a fair only a month ago increases the sadness. She is, however, bearing the sorrow with great fortitude. In addition to her husband Corpl. Drake also leaves a little girl of 4 years. In private life he was much esteemed and a great favourite at Holywell Green. He was 32 years of age. Mills where he was employed.

Interesting letters from Corpl. Drake, along with his photograph, appear in the "Evening Courier" on Monday.

GUARDSMAN MISSING.

News has been received in Todmorden from the Regimental Adjutant of the Scots Guards (Capt. A. L. Haughton) that Guardsman Ernest Hall, who was in the 1st Battalion Scots Guards, which went out to the war about the end of August, was reported by the Commanding Officer to be missing. He joined up as a private in the Coldstream Guards, and regular communications were received from him up to 10 weeks ago. Since then he has been missing, and a word from him regarding his health or whereabouts. However, after much correspondence on the subject, they have finally got an answer stating that he is a prisoner of war in Germany. They have also been officially notified, and it is surmised it was there he was taken prisoner. He has been in his regiment seven years, and has been home on up and down month, he having joined on his 17th birthday. Mr. Dawe has another son, Ernest, who joined the R.F.A. about the same age, and who is stationed at present at Wolwich.

AN ELLANDER'S LEG AMPUTATED.

Pte. Harry Haigh, an Elland soldier, who was injured in the early days of the war, is we are sorry to say, still confined to hospital at Cosham. It was hoped that he would come home early in February, but that has been found to be impossible. Pte. Haigh was wounded in the leg and this has had to be amputated in order to save his life. He made satisfactory progress towards convalescence for a time, but it is now feared that the wound had healed falsely. Pte. Haigh's case has created much sympathy in the area and a benefit has been arranged on his behalf on Saturday week.

WITHIN SOUND OF THE GUNS.

HALIFAX NURSE AT THE FRONT.

Nurse Scanlan, of the Royal Halifax Infirmary staff, after getting service at Furnes, has returned to Halifax for a short rest. She motored back on Monday at Dr. Whitaker's, where she is staying, she recounted the nature of her work. She went out, she said, with the Red Cross Ambulance, to the Belgian Field Hospital. This was in the Ecclesiastical College, which was entirely at the disposal of the military authorities. All the time she was within sound of the guns, being often three miles from the firing line, but never within sense. Sometimes she was much nearer the actual fighting than the English army nurses are for the Atlantic convoy to hospital ships, the battlefield, and none but the very worst cases were there dealt with; if the men were only slightly wounded, they proceeded by hospital train further back. Miss Scanlan said much of her time was spent in the operating theatre. The work, she said, was very hard. Men were brought in in such a state as cannot be told, with their uniforms on, dressed just as they had fallen on the field. The nurses had to cut the clothes away from the patients about. The staff consisted of [illegible] doctors, [illegible] nurses, and [illegible] orderlies. Dr. Hendrick, [illegible] Halifax, was in charge of this Belgian [illegible]. Miss Scanlan was the only Englishwoman [illegible] Algerians [illegible] French. [illegible] Belgian [illegible] Germans [illegible] rendered excellent service to the [illegible] man.

One example [illegible] Belgian [illegible] difficult [illegible] few shells [illegible] the little house where she had been quartered completely [illegible] later on would have been killed. [illegible] left, [illegible] were [illegible] the hospital, saving the [illegible] because of the shells. The enemy were [illegible] Miss Scanlan's description [illegible] general bombardment it was liable to be hit. She hears that the hospital has since had to be removed [illegible] to a place [illegible] removal a shell has exploded in the corridors where the nurses recently slept.

In spite of the [illegible] within sound of the guns she adds, one cannot get used to it. First there comes a boom, then a shriek, and the screech of the shell in flight, and then the explosion "and you never know where they are going to come." She tells of one day's work of shell which wrecked her house, a brass cover from a 75 centimeter French shell (very suitable for a plant pot, and one) missiles rolled of the grim struggle. Due to turn next week, she has applied for an extension of a further seven days.

SERVING THEIR COUNTRY.

HIPPERHOLME GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

10th Hussars—Pte. N. Stansfield.
Royal Army Medical Corps—Pte. J. Halliday, Pte. H. Hatch.
Leeds Chums, W. R. Reserve—Corpl S. King, Horncastle.
Canadian Contingent—H. Johnson.
Royal Engineers' Reserve Pte. R. Reeves, R.A.M.C.
Royal Engineers—2nd-Lieut. R. E. Walsh.
Queen's Own Yorkshire Dragoons—J. H. Fergusson.
Royal Field Artillery—2nd-Lieut G. T. Ramsden.
4th Batt. West Riding Regt.—Capt. M. P. Andrews (headmaster), Sub-Lieut. S. Booth (master), Pte. H. Binns, Pte. E. Binns, H. A. Binns, C. Binns, H. Hainsworth, J. Walker.
4th Batt. West Riding Reserves—2nd-Lieuts. E. Hemsley, H. Hainsworth, A. Jackson.
Welsh Regt.—Pte. Wm. Wood, E. Thompson, K. Berry, P. Brooke.
Green Howards—Lieut. J. Brook.
ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, NORTHOWRAM.
NAVY.
William Beasley, stoker.
H.M.S. Now Zealand—Warrant Officer V. Robinson.
ARMY.
Royal Field Artillery—Gunner John Wm. Holloway.
1st Cheshire Regt.—Pte. Tom Widdop.
King's Royal Rifle Corps—Lce.-Corpl. Horace Brearley, Pte. Jos. Wm. Woodhead.
York and Lancaster—Lce.-Corpl. Frank Nicholl, 4th Batt. Manchester City—Corpl. Arthur C. Hall.
19th Queen Mary's Own Hussars—Pte. Percy Shuttleworth.
1st Lincolnshire Regt.—Pte. Frank Wilson.
National Reserves—Pte. Wm. T. Canning.
Royal Army Medical Corps—James Sidebottom.
Hospital Nursing—Sister Lauchie (Red Cross Sanatorium).
Royal Engineers—Lieut. Robert E. Walsh.
Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regt.—1st Battalion—Lce.-Corpl. Herbert Clayton.
4th Battalion—Sergt. Wm. Mallinson, Pte. John Wm. Robinson, Walter Kilburn.
8th Battalion—Lce.-Corpl. John Wm. Lowe.
8th Battalion—Pte. Fred Lockwood.
4th Service Battalion—Pte. Isaac Hartley, Walter Crapper, Thomas M. Birds, Edward Ryan, Wm. Henry Hainsworth, Percy Brook, Percy Rushworth, Arthur Wm. McCrane, George Toomar, George A. Holmes, Albert Manning, Arthur Hainsworth, Walter Hartley, Percy Bairy, Richard Deane, Milton Wade, Herbert Ratcliffe, lodgerd M. Naylor, Harry Ridsdale, Naylor Wade, Arthur Wm. Naylor, Arthur Jos. Naylor, Richard Naylor, Walter Webster, Willie Scott, Joseph Barker, John Briggs, Sergt. Nelson Farrar.
7th Battalion—Pte. Albert Pearson.
18th Hussars—Trooper J. Wm. Spencer.
9th Field Artillery—Gunner Norris Rhodes.
9th Batt. Royal Fusiliers—Pte. Walter Beverley.
5th Batt. S. Lancashire—Lieut. Geo. Richard Oates.

Pte. T. M. Birc has been promoted to rank of Signaller. Lieut. Walsh, Taylor has been transferred to the Royal Engineers.

The above roll has been accouted by Mr. J. F. Walsh, architect, Harrison-road, Halifax.

TRIBUTE TO THE "CHUMS."

TOO GOOD FOR A RESERVE BATTALION.

The second performance, by the H.A.O.S., of "Princess Ida," was received with great success on Tuesday. It was a special military and recruiting night, under the patronage and presence of the Halifax Civilian Recruiting Committee. Mrs. Parsons, Hetherhill, and Land, with their staffs and others. During the interval between the second and third acts Mr. Inforsal receiving meeting was held, the chair being occupied by Capt. Ingham, Officer Commanding, and on the platform were the Mayor and the Mayoress, Lady Fisher-Smith, Col. Parsons, Col. Land, Col. Hethrell, Capt. Burton, and Lieut. Lord Hamden. Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Mayoress and Lady Fisher-Smith were presented with beautiful bouquets by Misses Ida Bethel and Ethel Rowe, the lady members of the society; Mrs. Hetherill was also the recipient of a bouquet.

The Mayor, who was loudly cheered, said he gave him great pleasure, as president of the Halifax Amateur Operatic Society, to welcome Col. Land and other officers of the Halifax Battalion of the Chums. The committee of the society were in doubt as to whether they ought to bring another opera this season, but in the circumstances they felt there was no reason why they should depart from their usual custom, especially as the profits would be divided between Queen Mary's Needlework Guild and Belief Fund—(applause). He was pleased to have the opportunity of welcoming the members of the 1st Battalion Scots Guards, which went out to the war about the end of August, was reported by the Commanding Officer to be missing. He joined up as a private in the Coldstream Guards, and regular communications were received from him up to 10 weeks ago. Since then he has been missing, and a word from him regarding his health or whereabouts. However, after much correspondence on the subject, they have finally got an answer stating that he is a prisoner of war in Germany. They have also been officially notified, and it is surmised it was there he was taken prisoner. He has been in his regiment seven years, and has been home on up and down month, he having joined on his 17th birthday. Mr. Dawe has another son, Ernest, who joined the R.F.A. about the same age, and who is stationed at present at Wolwich.

Col. Land said when he came to Halifax in August last year he had no idea what a splendid town it was. He would also say a word as to how splendid had been the response. Then he asked for a 100 more to form a base company and they were not long in getting them. They had been medically unfit in the 4th, or who had broken down in training. That was quickly responded to. They had had a splendid response from Brigadier-General had visited the town, and then General Bullock inspected them, and the other officers, and Mr. Pole Carew, Inspector-General of the Territorial Forces, had inspected them and had expressed himself in the most complimentary terms. A very favourable one—and the Commander-in-chief would be gratified to receive such a good report concerning them. When Mr. Inspector-General inspected the battalion he said the men were too good to be only a reserve battalion and their title was changed to the 3rd Battalion West Riding Regiment—(loud applause). They were asked to provide another 100 men, and they were getting them. Most of their establishment was 1,026 and they had had 1,248 after providing for all wanted at Ripon to make up to the complete number wanted 128, but he was not going to be content with 350 and was going to ask that it should be made 500—(surprise).

Capt. Burton (Bradford), said they were after more men and even then more men. One man's name was given to him 10 minutes time. He asked the young men to think of the future, when their children might ask them "What part did you do in the great war?" and how could they possibly reply to be able to say "When my country called me I answered to the call."

Mr. Land, in proposing a vote of thanks to Sir George Fisher-Smith and the members of the H.A.O.S., said they all knew that the Infirmary was in great need of funds, and he was one of those to the Relief Fund they were paying out more than £100 a week, mostly to the dependents of soldiers and sailors. A brief difference in the cost of living right, in fact, starting than at other times, so the Relief Fund was a very necessary one. Forces their dependents would be looked after.

Lieut. G. T. Ramsden, in seconding, said he wished to congratulate the H.A.O.S. upon the obvious success of their endeavours. It was decided to make an appeal on behalf of the Belief Fund during the evening, and the result was splendid. He was not, at the commencement, in favour of going round holding receptacles, so as were, but he found on mixing in the crowd that the audience were very generous and willing assistance. The following sum was handed in: Mrs. Parsons, £1 1s.; Mrs. Hetherill, £1 1s.; Mrs. Land, £1 1s.; Mrs. Ingham, £1 1s.; Mrs. Ramsden, £1 1s.; Mrs. Rhodes, £1 1s.; Mrs. Burton, £1 1s.; Mrs. Pole Carew, £1 1s.; Mrs. Inforsal, £1 1s.; Mrs. Bullock, £1 1s.; Mrs. Brearley, £1 1s.; Mrs. Hainsworth, £1 1s.; Mrs. Hainsworth, £1 1s.; Mrs. Hainsworth

LOOKING BACKWARD.

MARRIED 50 YEARS AGO.

1865.

Feb. 12—Catholic: Jas. Higgins, Northowram, to Elizabeth Higgins, Southowram.—Salem: Thos. Horrax to Peninnah Bentley, both Northowram.

Feb. 13—Parish: Jno. Redman to Mary Schofield, both Langfield.—Jas. Armitage to Mary Hare, both Halifax.—Wm. Wade to Margaret Watson, both Ovenden.—Hanover: Thos. Fielding to Sarah Balmforth, both Elland.

Feb. 14—Parish: Wm. Hy. Bentley to Mary Ann Taylor, both Hipperholme.

Feb. 15—Parish: Herbert Smith to Mary Jane Aked, both Halifax.

Feb. 16—Parish: Dd. Chadwick to Susannah Wade, both Copley.—Jno. Clarke to Emma Wilson, both Halifax.—Jonathan Stansfield, Heptonstall to Kitty Heffiwell, Sowerby.—Catholic: Wm. McDonald to Annie Clough, both Halifax.

Feb. 18—Parish: Jno. Crossley to Jane Taylor, both Heptonstall.—Jas. Howarth to Sarah Hirst, both Langfield.—Wm. Parker to Mary Ann Firth, both Northowram.—Edwin Smith to Hannah Ratcliffe, both Ovenden.—Square: Thos. Smith to Margaret Robinson, both Halifax.—Salem: John Wm. Taylor to Matilda Brook, both Halifax.—Register: Dawson Clapham to Sarah Keighley, both Northowram.

DIED 50 YEARS AGO.

1865

Feb. 12—Martha (58), widow of the late Rev. Jno. Preston, Warley Town.

Feb. 13—Mary Hannah Dyson (18), Parkstreet, Skircoat.—Sarah Priestley (48), Halifax.—Sarah (70), wife of Wm. Whiteley, Haugh Shaw.

Feb. 15—Martha Bottomley (60), Rishworth.—Saml. Jenkinson (78), Park-street, Skircoat.—Jane (20), wife of J. H. Slater, Gate, Greetland.—Sarah (76), widow of Saml. Taylor, Stanland Dean.

Feb. 16—Wm. Brigg (88), Holden-street.—Mary (58), widow of Thos. Farrar, Halifax.—Nancy (54), wife of Jno. Halstead, King Cross.—Richd. Parker (56), Hopwood-lane.

Feb. 17—Harriet, daughter of Thos. Crossland, Storth, Elland.—Rebecca (64), wife of Jno. Harrison, Buxton, formerly Halifax.—Jane Elis. (24), wife of Dd. Northend, Crowle, Worcester.

Feb. 18—Mary(49), wife of Jas. Harrison,Shawforth, Lepton, formerly Shelf.—Mary (59), wife of Thos. Holt, Darley-street.—Sarah (69), wife of Jas. Newall, Allerton-place.—Wm. Rawsley (76), Skircoat.—Jonas Redman (56), Skircoat.—Margaret (66), widow of Wm. Firth, Hartshead.—Ambrose Whitaker (68), Cullingworth.

MARRIED 25 YEARS AGO.

1890.

Feb. 12—Parish: Jno. Wm. Gaukroger, Sowerby, to Elizabeth Sarah Keighaw, Warley.—Jonathan Halliwell to Mary Collins, both Sowerby.—Herbert Sutcliffe, Errington, to Sarah Ellen Cockroft, Wadsworth.

Feb. 15—Parish: Jno. Lodge to Emmeline Gledhill, both Halifax.—St. John's, West Vale: Robt. McBurnie, Elland, to Jane Austin Stott, The Clough, Greetland.—St. James's, Hebden Bridge: Jno. Horsfall to Mary Cheetham, both Hebden Bridge.

Feb. 15—Parish: Jno. Edward Bateman, South Town, to Elizabeth Mary Foster, Halifax.—Josiah Crosland, King Cross, to Mary Jane Denton, Halifax.—Chas. Thos. Cook, Triangle, to Ada Teale, Siddal.—Jas. Greenwood, to Sarah Grace Sutcliffe, both Erringden.—Jno. Horner, Mile Thorn, to Hannah Firth, Mytholmroyd.—Greenwood Nowell, to Sarah Jane Ingham, both Mytholroyd.—Joshua Padgett, Halifax, to Elizabeth Ann Hartley, Northowram.—Wm. Radcliffe, Midgley, to Mary Ann Mitchell, Warley.—Cyrus Smith to Sarah Jane Lumb, both Skircoat.—Jesse Summerscales to Annie Poulter, both Warley.—Hbt. Sunderland, Ovenden, to Annie Brott, Northowram.—St. Mary's, Bottoms: Sarah Rossington: Wm. Hy. Beacock, solicitor, Halifax, to Emma Elston, adopted daughter of Lieut.-Col. R. Davis (late of 11th Hussars and 6th Dragoon Guards), Cumberden Parish: Tom Hiley to Susy Ann Stansfield, Todmorden.—St. Marie's: Jno. Lang to Bridget Regan, Sowerby.—Holy Trinity, Bank: Patrick Lucas to Sarah Ellen Callaghan, both Halifax.—Albert Thornton, Wibsey, to Annie Measey, Shibden.—Mount Carmel: Gerswood Sutcliffe, Ovenden, to Ann Nicholl, Southowram.—Blackley Baptist: Dd. Tiffany, Elland, to Sarah Walker, Rastrick.

Feb. 17—Parish: Jno. Sandman, Heptonstall to Ruth Nowell, Wadsworth.—Chas. Porter, Northowram, to Emily Newton, Halifax.—Wilfred Richardson, Alterton Bywater, to Sarah Barnes, Halifax.—St. James's: Sam Hartley Magson, to Elizabeth Yockley, both Halifax.—St. Marie's: Mathew Burns to Annie Carr, both Halifax.—Register: Percy Bancroft to Clara Wilkinson, both Halifax.

Feb. 18—Parish: Francis Edward Palmer to Sarah Priestley, both Halifax.—Geo. Redman, Heptonstall, to Lavinia Rawell Cockroft, Wadsworth.—Wesley: Fredk. Walker Firth to Clara Bowker, both Halifax.—Mytholmroyd Wesleyan: Jno. Wm. Johnson to Sarah Ann Crabtree, both Mytholmroyd.

DIED 25 YEARS AGO.

1890.

Feb. 12.—Mary (64), widow of Hanson Brearley, Church-street.—Mrs. Edwin Romaine Callender (43), Salford.—Sam. Ellis (88), Hecklemoodwire.—Benj. Hagell (28), Holywell Green.—Jno. Hainsworth (66), Northowram.—Ann (73), widow of Andrew Parr, Greetland.—Emily Jane Timson (23), Bailiffe Bridge.

Feb. 13—Samuel Briggs (52), Sowerby Bridge, Obadiah Foster (28), Northowram.—Ann (64) widow of Samuel Haley, Malt Shovel-yard.—George Turner (54), Brighouse.—Wm. Foster (78), Stainland.—Jane (83), widow of Mathew Kershaw, Haley Hill.

Feb. 14—Grace Bancroft (67), 12, Gerrard-street.—Hannah Booth (42), Ovenden.—Ann (69), widow of Peter Callaghan, Northowram.—Hannah Chapman (60), Lindley.—Nelson Frost.—Jonas Collins (72), Wyke.—Emma Louisa Halliday (20), Regian-street.—Mary (55), widow of Wm. Lowet, Southowram.—Wm. Steel (71), Langfield.

Feb. 15— Betty Hall (62), Mytholmroyd.—Sarah (74), widow Thos. Rollwell, St. James's-road.—Eli Hoyle (72), Sowerby Bridge.—Lizaetta Sheard (51), Well-lane.—Wm. Hy. Stopford (48), Clifton-road.—Jno. (48), eldest son of the late Jno. Stansfield, Foley Hall, Hipperholme.

Feb. 16—Wm. Downsborough (73), Heathstreet.—Mary (42), wife of Jno. S. Yorke, Gerrard-street.

Feb. 17—Martha (74) wife of Jno. Balmforth, Soyland.—Fredk. Chas. Crosland (54), Parliament-street.—Samuel Dorfling (42), Sowerby Bridge.—Sarah (78), wife of Jno. Garside, Rishworth.—Hannah (54), wife of Jos. Horley, late of Halifax.—Wm. Hoyle (78), Greetland.—Jane Burnie, Shelf.—Wm. (61), Sowerby Bridge.—Mary (55) relict of the late Thos. Taylor, Low Moor.—Sarah (65), widow of Richard Thomas, Haley Hill.

FIGHTING LADS' COMFORTS

WE WHO CANNOT FIGHT CAN HELP.

OUR PRIVILEGE: TO CHEER TOMMY.

In under a fortnight we hope to be in a position to buy a cheering consignment of warm goods for the local men in the

2nd West Ridings, at the Front.
Army Medical Corps, at the Front.
We shall meanwhile help as we discover them—Other Natatves Fighting.
This District's Wounded
Locals made Prisoners of War.

The public are desired to bear in mind that our efforts are being so directed as not to clash with the Mayoress's Fund. Each will continue supplying goods as follows:—

HX. MAYORESS'S FUND: Shirts, Socks, Helmets, Mittens, Soarves, Body Belts, Cardigans.

"COURIER" FUND: Pants, Vests Jerseys, Handkerchiefs, Braces, Razors, Candles, Soap (Toilet and Shaving), Sweets, Biscuits, Tinned Goods, Mirrors, Nail Scissors, Footballs, Games, Boracic Ointment, Pipes, Tobacco, Cigarettes.

Goods should only be contributed please, so far as we are concerned, as specified in the foregoing list, and we will have cash to purchase same. We cannot accept second-hand goods. Remittances to be addressed, "Comforts Fund, Halifax Courier."

COMING EVENTS TO HELP THE FUND.
Feb. 18—Members' Whist Drive and Dance, Paton Ward Liberal Club.
March 10—King Cross Wesleyan Orchestral Concert.

Date not settled—Dance in town.

	£	s.	d.
Stott Bros., Ltd., lithographers and printers, Mount-st., Old Lane	5	0	0
Our Boxes: Rostellan, Savile Park, £1 13s. 3d.; Regent-street, Bull Close-lane, and King Cross-street, £1 16s. 5d.	3	9	8
Employes of Messrs. H. Holmes and Central Ironworks, Lister-lane	2	12	3
Mr. John Sutcliffe, Woodlesford-street	2	0	0
Staffs of Mixed and Infants' Departments, Bowling Green Council School, Stainland, per Mr. H. Crowther, headmaster	1	16	0
Employes of Edward Foster and Sons, Ltd., brasworks, Wookhop	1	1	0
Employes of Northern Engineering Co. Parkinson-lane	1	0	10
W. A. H.	1	0	0
Office and Literary Staff, Halifax "Courier," Ltd., 16s. 6d.; Composing Staff, 2s. (2nd instalment)	1	9	6
Mrs. S. Mackrell and Friends, 25, West View, Hopwood-lane	1	0	0
Mrs. Blackburn	1	0	0
Mrs. Willie Horsfall, St. Catherine, Halifax	1	0	0
Mrs. W. A. Cockroft	1	0	0
Mr. S. Mortimer, Elmhurst	1	0	0
Do. Q.	0	5	0
M. J.	0	5	0
Mrs. F. Howarth	0	5	0
A. B. (Greetland)	0	5	0
Employes Dean Clough Finishing Department (2nd instalment)—	4	6	
From loan of Gentleman's cap for exhibition: Mr. I. Sutcliffe, 174, Rochdale-road	2	6	
G. A.	2	6	
Mr. A. Sutcliffe, Temperance-street	2	6	
A. B. (Elland)	2	0	
Two Sowerby Bridge Ladies	2	0	
Traveller: Chorlton-cum-Hardy	2	0	
Miss Fretwell	1	0	
W. T.	1	0	
From a Schoolboy	1	0	
Total.....	£23	14	9

Goods received:—
Two pairs of pants and 2 vests Wheatley.
Half-dozen cardigans and 3 dozen hand mirrors and combs, Mr. Arthur Fielding, hosier and knitter, King Cross; A Friend, 3 shirts, 2 jerseys, 1 vest, and 9 pairs of pants; 2 scarves, 2 pairs of socks, and mending wool, Mrs. and Miss Burley; 2 large boxes of chocolate, Mrs. E. Gee; 3 pairs of socks, Greetland.

10, Park-road, Halifax, Feb. 6, 1915.—In answer to Major Ellam's appeal you will find the following articles forwarded:—2 pairs of vests, 2 doz. tablets of soap, 3 packet of candles, 3 tins of toffee, 6 tins of cocoa, 6 tins of zinc ointment, 3 shaving sticks, 3 packets of cards, 12 packets of postcards, and pencils. Mrs. W. H. Greenwood: scarf, cigarettes, and cigars A. W.: 100 cigarettes, Thora Townsend and Janie Wallace; scarf and 100 cigarettes, to "cheer you up a bit," from Annie Holroyd, aged 9, Drury-lane, Stainland; 2 pairs of socks, Greetland.

1,000 "Gold Flake" cigarettes, from Mr. P. Taylor, Lambert House, West Vale, for local men at the front.

Many thanks to you all for such kind help. We know that our Bradford friend's appeal is re-echo like a reverberation on receipt of the parcels.

Special Collecting Boxes for Mills, Shops, Cafes and Hotels are ready. Apply at the office.

CHINESE EMBROIDERY AT BANK FIELD.

Mr. H. Ling Roth, curator, is placing on view at Bank Field, this week until Sunday afternoon (Friday excepted), a number of pieces of Chinese embroidery. These are a collection extending over several years, but they are only shown at intervals, owing to fear to prevent them fading. One specimen, given by the family of the late Mr. Bird, is a beautiful silk cloth, measuring 10ft. by 10ft. It is a handsome design, worked on crimson silk. Unlike most Chinese work, it has a border only after the style of old-fashioned embroidery in this country. It is all handwork, and the colouring is very beautiful. The subject is legendary, the God of Happiness being represented in the centre. The stitching is so perfect that at a very short distance away it is difficult to distinguish it from painting. Another beautiful work of art, the gift of the late Mrs. Thomas Shaw, is a black satin quilt, this being chiefly representative of trees and birds. A third specimen is a very piece of embroidery and hand-painting on muslin. There are several handworked scarves, on which are introduced the butterfly, denoting happiness; and the bat, representing longevity. All are specimens of the highest class of work, and are very emblematic. A mandarin jacket is a fine piece of needlework, and another specimen shows the Tam-bour stitch, first introduced into Europe in the beginning of last century. It was delighted to see from 12ft. to 15ft. each of which is worked a peacock, the colouring being remarkably effective, without being gaudy. All the specimens are reminiscent of a beautiful art which, though not entirely extinct, is not cultivated to the extent it formerly was. A large glance around the room generally shows many improvements in arrangement, and there are several valuable collections which would be appreciated in other towns far more than they appear to be in Halifax.

LITIGAT[illegible]

PROFESSOR[illegible]

An action for[illegible] McCarthy yester[illegible] concerning local [illegible] The action was b[illegible] and Co., Ltd., age[illegible] and Co., Ltd. Mr. H. I. Bearder[illegible] Mr. R. A. Shephor[illegible] shall) for defendants[illegible]

Mr. Watson said t[illegible] was for damages[illegible] for an action Carr, both finishers at Dodkirk[illegible]ess, and defendants dyers and finishers at Godlane Dyeworks, Halifax. Plaintiff's Dyeing and finishing were formerly carried on at one works, but often one firm did the finishing, and one the dyein[illegible] Plaintiffs were exclusively finishers, and defendants exclusively dyers, so that plaintiffs' [illegible]ving secured orders from manufacturers for dyeing and finishing of goods, finished them themselves, and had the dyeing done by defendants [illegible]iniffs being responsible to customers for both processes. Plaintiffs had employed defendants from July, 1909, to January 1910, to work for them. After that they did not employ them because of many complaints, but in May, 1912, [illegible]hen defendant had taken into partnership Mr. Fk. Davis, they agreed [illegible] man to give defendants some orders for the dyeing of pieces. Plaintiffs agreed to let defendants have the pieces to dye at 2½d. per piece, and in a way defendants guaranteed and assured plaintiffs that the dye would be fast. Plaintiffs cl[illegible]s was that the dye in question were not dyed [illegible]ccordingly fast. Mr. N. K. Butler, director of the plaintiff firm, said that on April 13, 1915, he conversed on the telephone with Mr. Frank Davis, and the latter agreed to dye plaintiffs' some goods. The conversation was confirmed by letter, and on April 23, some pieces were sent for dyeing at 2½d. per piece, with an order for them to be dyed a fast colour. The pieces were returned on April 23, but [illegible]ey were not quite to the shade, they were sent back. Defendants returned them, and on April 28 the goods were sent to Messrs. Wood and Son, Bradford, a customer. Plaintiffs next heard of the goods on Sept. 13, 1914, when three suits were sent him, and two claims were received. Samples of the cloth were produced, those having been selected to varying pieces of exposure in the sun.

After a severe cross-examination by Mr. Shepherd, His Honour said he took it Mr. Shepherd said there was no guarantee. defendants never having undertaken to give dyes wh.ch were fast, and that they had carried out their instructions. It was obvious from the suits produced, said Mr. Shepherd, that they had stood quite a year's wear.

Lawrence H. Wood, of Messrs. A. W. Wood and Co., worsted coating manufacturers, Bradford, said he had had ten years' experience in the business, and he was entrusted with the firm's negotiations. He made the arrangements with plaintiffs for the dyeing of goods which had been mentioned. In September, 1914, he received back from Australia suits made from the goods which plaintiff had supplied. In consequence of that, he exposed a sample of the cloth to the atmosphere of Bradford for five days, away from any influence of sulphur. He found the sample faded to such an extent as to be commercially unsaleable. Some were also returned from a Wolverhampton customer.

Robert Rodd, manager for Messrs. Rodd & Co. worsted coating manufacturers, Bradford; Sacold A. Grey, partner with Messrs Grey and Co., worsted coating manufacturers, Bradford; and James H. Hird, director of Messrs. Wm. Hird, Sons & Co., Ltd., worsted coating manufacturers, also gave evidence as to the possibility of other than chrome dyes being fast. They expressed the opinion that they might be reasonably fast.

Walter Gardner, master of Messrs. A Fellow of the Institute of Chemistry, principal of the chemistry and dyeing department of Bradford Technical College, said he had a long experience of dyeing. Replying to His Honour, he acknowledged he was the Prof. Gardner mentioned in connection with the Government's scheme for the dyeing industry. Samples of plaintiffs' goods, dyed by defendants, had been exposed to the sun. In his opinion the colours used were not sufficiently fast to withstand either light or perspiration. In this country clothes dyed by such dyes would show a difference in about three weeks, and he expected they would show a susceptible change in from 7 to 10 days. Such dyes were influenced by perspiration (as for example of jacket produced), whereas the alizerine-chrome dyes would withstand perspiration.

Cross-examined, witness amusedly said he was Mr. Gardner's reply to cross-examination. Mr. Shepherd was asking witness as to the standing of various colours and in reply to one, witness replied: He's an old student of mine.

Mr. Shephard facetiously suggested the student might have outpassed his master.

Witness: He was a good student, but he might have deteriorated since.—(laughter).

Mr. Shepherd: I am only going to suggest that the dyes used by defendants were the very best dyes for worsted coating outside alizerine dyes!

Witness: I do not think so.

Replying to further cross-examination witness said "fast" as applied to dyeing was a relative term. There was no such thing as an absolutely fast dye.

Mr. Shepherd: There is no such term as "commercially fast."

Witness: I think the commercial term expresses the meaning that the dye will stand six months without any appreciable difference.

His Honour said he would take it, as an ordinary man, that dyes would not withstand fading materially 12 months, practically during the reasonable wearing period of the suit.

Witness, questioned as to very plain markings in a dyed pair of trousers, did not think the Australian atmosphere would have caused the defects.

Mr. Shepherd asked if other faded examples produced, said to have been sent in May, 1913, and returned in September, 1914, were more faded than he would expect in three months wherever kept.

Witness: I should like to know the history of them.

The hearing at this stage was adjourned until March 1.

22,144 BOOKS AT SQUARE BROTHERHOOD.

There was a large attendance on Sunday afternoon for the 45th half-yearly book distribution. Mr P. M. Granger, who presided, said there were 750 in the membership, and during the year a total of 22,144 since the society commenced. He extended a hearty welcome to their visitors—Mr. H. C. Lightowler, Leeds, along with Mrs. Lightowler, distributed the books, said there were great opportunities for them in the books they received to strengthen their minds and themselves, and their own particular business, and to fit themselves more fully for the life they were living just in. He was delighted to see from their annual report that they had sent something like 10 per cent of their members to fight for King and country, but above all for the cause they had at heart—the cause of humanity.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. and Mrs. Lightowler for the pleasant manner of the chairman, seconded by Mr. J. Bairstow.

Mrs. Lightowler replying, recalled that she had 20 years ago, acted the position of soloist at one of their services.

HOW IT [illegible]
Captain: "We have [illegible]
Commanding [illegible]
Captain: "Yes, [illegible]
Commander: [illegible]

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

GEO. INGHAM & CO., LTD., WEST VALE.

The 17th annual meeting of the above company was held on Wednesday at Bradford. It was decided to pay a dividend of 5 per cent on the 45,000 Cumulative Preference shares for the six months ending Dec. 31st, and a dividend of 7½ per cent. for the year to Dec. 31 (less the interim dividend of 2½ per cent. per annum) on the 45,000 Ordinary shares. The profit for the year was £7,208 1s. 5d., and with a balance of £3,252 1s. 7d. brought forward from the previous year, made a credit balance of £10,460 2s. 0d. It was also decided to further write down goodwill by £2,000, and to carry forward to next year the balance of £3,253 9s. 0d. The retiring director, Mr. A. Robinson, was re-elected, and Messrs. Butterfield & Hartman were re-appointed auditors.

THE YORKSHIRE INDIGO, SCARLET AND COLOUR DYERS, LTD.

The directors have issued their report and balance-sheet, showing the position of the company as on Dec. 31, 1914. There has been acquired and cancelled £1,100 of the company's debenture stock since the 31st December previous. After providing for depreciation of buildings, leasehold property, plant and machinery, and all other charges, the trading for the past year has resulted in a profit of £11,360 14s. 9d., making, with balance brought forward, £15,004 7s. 1d. A dividend on preference shares is proposed for the year to Dec. 31, 1914, at 5 per cent. per annum, less tax, is recommended, to reserve fund (making same £10,000), and to carry forward £2,961 5s. 1d. next year's account £3,801 9s. 6d. The auditors of the company, Messrs. Armitage and Norton, retire, but offer themselves for re-election. The report is signed by Philip Marsden, chairman; Edwin Turner, vice-chairman; and James Barker, secretary.

BRADSHAW FRUITERER'S AFFAIRS.

At the Halifax County Court on Wednesday a receiving order was made on debtor's own petition, against George Robinson, of Lower Shelco Croft, Bradshaw, lately carrying on business as a fruiterer and confectioner, at Paton Buildings, Southgate, Halifax. Messrs. Godfrey, Rhodes and Evans were the solicitors for debtor.

ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION OF YORKSHIRE, LIMITED.

The annual report says the net profit for the three years ending Dec. 31 is as follows:—1912, £1,902 19s. 3d.; 1913, £2,668 15s. 2d.; 1914, £2,963 15s. 6d. After payment of directors' remuneration the balance brought forward from 1913 was £572 15s. 10d., which, added to the profit for the year 1914 of £2,963 15s 6d. makes a disposable balance of £3,536 15s. 4d. The directors recommend that this balance should be dealt with as follows:—To pay a dividend (free of income tax) for the year 1914 at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the amount paid up on the ordinary shares amounting to £1,809 7s. 11d., to increase the reserve fund to £3,000 by adding £1,000; and to carry forward subject to any remuneration voted to the directors, the balance of £727 7s. 4d. Mr. Compton, Electric Lighting Provisional Orders for Greetland, Hipperholme, Sowerby Bridge, and other districts.

WAKEFIELD CATTLE.

Although the supplies were larger prices were very high. Good demand for sheep at 10½d. to 10¾d. per lb., medium 9½d. to 9¾d., lamb 9¾d. to 9d., sows and tups 6½d. to 6d. Best beef 8½d. to 9d. per lb., secondary 7½d. to 8d., rough 7d. to 7¾d. Beasts 889; sheep 2,105.

WAKEFIELD CORN.

English wheat trade slow, millers being well supplied. Quotations, 42s. to 42s. 6d. per load. Foreign trade dull owing to advanced prices. Barleys are quoted 35s. to 39s. per quarter, but trade quiet. Oats, except for seed purposes, slow at 33s. to 33s. per quarter. Beans and maize maintain late rates.

PRICE LIST OF LOCAL STOCKS.

Sh. Pd.		Company.	Quotation.	
£	£	Banks.		
10	4	Bradford District Bank, Ltd.	¾	3¾
20	10	Halifax Commercial Banking Co., Ltd.	12½	13
20	10	Lancashire & Yorkshire Bank, Ltd.	33	35
20	12½	London City & Midland Bank, Ltd.	82	83
100	15½	Union of London & Smiths' Bank, Ltd.	24	25
25	10	West Yorkshire Bank, Ltd.	24½	25
10	10	Breas' & Brown, Ltd.	1	1
10	10	Do. 4½ per cent. Preference	1	1
Pds. 100		Do. 4½ per cent. Debenture	63	67
10	10	Joseph Sacks & Co. Ltd.	1	1
10		Do. 5 per cent. Preference	1	1
Pds. 100		Do. 4½ per cent. Debenture	50	55
10	10	Samuel Wetherill & Sons, Ltd.	6	6
10		Do. 5 per cent. Preference	4½	5
Pds. 100		Do. 4½ per cent. Debenture	60	65
10	10	Richard Whitaker & Son, Ltd.	6½	7
10	10	Do. 5 per cent. Preference	6	7
Pds. 100		Do. 4½ per cent. Debenture	79	83
1	1	J. & J. Baldwin & Partners, Ltd Ord.	19/	20/
1	1	Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	16/6	17/6
1	1	Bradford Dyers' Association, Ltd., Ord.	20/	21/
1		Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	19/6	20/6
15	15	Henry Briggs Son & Co. Ltd.	2	3
10	10	Do. Do.	23	26
6/	5/	British Cotton & Wool Dyers, Ltd.	3/9	4/3
Sh.	100	Do. 4 per cent. 1st Mort. Deb.	87	92
1	1	Clayton Marsterland Co. Ltd. Ord.	14/	16/
1	1	Do. 5 per cent. Pref.	16/	17/
Sh.	100	Do. 4 per cent. Deb.	85	90
7	7	John Crossley & Son, Ltd., Ordinary	9½	9¾
7	7	Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	15/	17/
10	10	Drake Ltd. 6 per cent. Cum. Pref.	18½	19½
10	10	Fleming Richds & Goodall Ltd. 5 per cent. Pf.	10	12
1	1	Edward Foster & Son Ltd. Ordinary	1½	2
10/	10/	Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	7/	8/
		Fr. J. Fairfax Pool Sunnyside Manchester Ltd. 5 per cent. Cum. Preference	7/6	9/6
5	4	Heckmondwike Manufacturing Co. Ltd	1/8	2/3
10	10	A. S. Hemingway & Co., Ltd. Ordinary	14½	15½
10	10	Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	10/	12/
1	1	Gawcus Ingham & Co. Ordinary	4½	5½
		Do. 5 per cent Pref.	17/6	18/6
10	10	Leeds Fireclay Co., Ltd., Ordinary	4/	6/
10	10	Do. 5 per cent. Pref.	12/6	15/
1	1	Lister & Co., Ltd., Ordinary	17/6	18/6
1	1	Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	19/6	19/6
5	3½	Lumby Son & Wood Ltd	1	1
1	1	John Mackintosh Ltd. 6 p.c. Cum Pf	18/6	19/6
		Do. 7½ per cent. Cum. Pref.	20/6	21/6
10	10	Ripponden Commercial Co., Ltd.	7	7½
10	10	Sherwood & Co., Ltd., Ordinary	12	13
		Simpson & Sons Ltd 6 p.c. Cum Pf	15/	17/
Sh.	100	Do.	20/6	21/6
100	100	F. Smith & Co Wire Mns. Ltd 4½ p.c. Db	95	100
1	1	Samuel Smith & Co., Ordinary	6/	8/
		Do. 5 per cent. Pref.	16/	18/
1	1	Watson Joseph & Sons, Ltd., 5 p.c. Pref.	19/6	20/6
1	1	Do. 5 per cent. Cum. Pref.	20/	22/
1	1	Willey & Pearson Ltd. Ordinary	4/6	5/6
		Do. 5 per cent Cum. Pref.	15/	17/
1	1	Woolcombers, Ltd., 7 p.c. Cum. Pref.	22/	22/6
3/	3/4	Thos. Indige, Sons & Co. Ltd. Ord.	1/6	2/6
6/8	6/8	Do. 6 per cent. Cum. Pref.	4/6	5/6
		Ex dividend.		

EYE NEST PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH.

The At Homes were brought to a satisfactory close on Saturday. A large number of guests were welcomed by Rev. J. and Mrs. Dodd, the hostesses being well filled. The entertainment was provided by Mr. Hilton's concert party (of Churwell, Leeds) which included the following artistes:—Soprano, Miss Hills; contralto, Miss Appleyard; tenor, Mr. T. Hardiman; bass, Mr. H. Hirst. The items were highly appreciated. Mr. G. Hirst presided at an able accompanist. Mr. John Brearley (church secretary) expressed thanks, on behalf of the officials, to all who had helped to make the At Homes so great a success. He attributed this success to the united effort which had been made by all concerned. The financial statement showed the proceeds to be as follows: Donations £23 14s., tickets 18s. 6d., pound stall £2 5s., sweet and toy stall £2 5s., refreshment stall and tea rooms £16 1s., making a total of £52 15s. 6d. Out-goings on all accounts are to be given to the Central Orphanage.

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TODMORDEN.

RAILWAY EMPLOYES' STRIKE.

The employes of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Co. engaged in the grain warehouse at Todmorden Station have come out on strike. The men are not members of the regular staff, but had been engaged to take the places of employes who had enlisted. Their wages were 21s. weekly, and they demanded an advance of 2s., which the Company refused. Amongst the strikers is a Belgian refugee. The Company have filled up their places by drafting employes from other stations.

The only business at the Todmorden Petty Sessions on Thursday was a local carter, George T. Capstick, who was fined costs for being asleep in charge of a horse and lurry.

Lord Londesborough did not sit in the House of Lords as "The Marquis of Londonderry," but as "Earl Vane."

No meetings of a religious, political, military, or Socialistic character may now be held in Saxony without special permission.

To practically all the large manufacturing centres the demand for labour in connection with war contracts exceeds the supply. In Sheffield alone work has been found not only for every applicant, but for some 250 Belgian refugees, and there is still a material shortage of men.

KING CROSS.

A GOOD MOTIVE.

We should be wanting in charity if we failed to draw attention to an effort being put forth on Shrove Tuesday by the King Cross Wesleyan Young Men, because it is, in a.sm, the first of the kind in Halifax. Proceeds are going for the relief of the Belgians in Belgium, or the sufferers on the spot. We feel sure this will appeal strongly, and it ought to be quite unnecessary to push the matter with a view to securing that the school is crowded; we shall be better satisfied with ourselves knowing that we have done our duty, and we refer kind readers to an advert. on Page 5.

The Rev. F. R. Beil, we understand, goes in September to the Oldham-road Circuit, Manchester.

The "Cologne Gazette" says: "We have 600,000 prisoners of war, and the parts of Belgium and France occupied by us are populated by 11,000,000. If it really comes to starving it is a matter of course that the subjects of the hostile country will suffer first."

The flag of the hospital ship Rohilla, which was mined off Whitby, has been hung in Hordle Church, Hampshire, as a thank offering from Mr. Fairfax Morgan and officers of the vessel, who succeeded in swimming ashore.

COMMERCIAL AND MILITARY RELIEF IN HALIFAX.

Any aid intended for this cause should be addressed "Local Relief Fund," and cheques or postal orders should be crossed, and made payable to the "Halifax Courier, Ltd."

Previously acknowledged	£1,692	19 2½
Concert and Social, Lee Mount Constitutional Club, Jan. 14, per Mr. Leonard Charnock	4	0
60th collection in Little Khaki George Street Mission	3	2 2
19th contribution from employes of Halifax Flour Society	2	6 1
Employes H Shed, Dean Clough Mills, 21st instalment £1 0s. 3d.; 22nd instalment 19s.	1	19 3
Employes of Halifax Brace Co., Beech Hill Mills, Pellon-lane (3rd instalment)	1	9 1½
Collected by Mr. Arthur Gledhill, batter and hosier, 2, Crown-street	1	9 1½
Office staff, John Mackintosh, Ltd., Albion Mills, per Mr. T. Greenwood (3rd instalment)	1	6 6½
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Employes of John Holdsworth & Sons, Ltd., Shaw Lodge Mills, weaving department (102c instalment)	1	0 0
Employes of Messrs. Fletcher Bros., Bagdale-street, Dyewood (8th instalment)	17	1½
Employes of Calder and Hebble Navigation Co. (19th instalment)	16	2
Employes of Calder and Hebble Navigation Co. (21st instalment)	16	0
Employes of G. F. Smith, Ltd. Paragon Ironworks (16th instalment)...	15	7
Spinning department employes, Messrs. John Holdsworth and Sons, Shaw Lodge Mills (13th instalment)	14	0
Premier Garage, Bull Close-lane	14	0
Employes of Messrs. Simpson and Blackburn, shoe manufacturers, Corporation-street (5th instalment)	13	11
Employes of Messrs. Dyewoods (Manchester) Ltd., sewing cotton manufacturers, Thrum Hall-lane (2nd instalment)	13	1
Employes of Messrs. Calvert and Sons, Illingworth Mills (9th instalment)	12	6
Employes of Messrs. Wm. Bancroft and Sons, bunting manufacturers, Fenton-road (24th instalment)	12	0
Employes of Ollerenshaw, Ltd., sewing cotton manufacturers, Thrum Hall-lane (4th instalment)	11	10½
Employes of Messrs. Wm. Johnson and Co., Pellon-lane Brass Works (20th instalment)	11	0
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	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
PAID-UP CAPITAL ...	3,000,000 0 0	Cash in Hand at Call and Short Notice	19,574,164 17 4
RESERVE FUND ...	2,000,000 0 0	INVESTMENTS—	
CURRENT, DEPOSIT and other ACCOUNTS, including rebate on Bills not due, provision for bad and doubtful debts, contingencies, &c. ...	74,916,017 19 2	British Government Securities ... 7,510,771 14 1 Other Securities 7,050,255 14 5	14,561,027 8 6
ACCEPTANCES, ENDORSEMENTS, &c.	683,165 10 5	BILLS DISCOUNTED, LOANS, &c. ...	45,238,794 12 10
BALANCE OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT carried forward to 1915 ...	93,027 9 8	ACCEPTANCES, ENDORSEMENTS, &c., as per CONTRA	683,165 10 5
		BANK PREMISES	835,058 10 4
	£80,692,208 19 3		£80,692,208 19 3

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BRANCH AT HALIFAX.

The Halifax Courier

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1915.

FEATURES IN THE WAR.

The feature which affects most strongly the stay-at-home, who, by the way, he and often is doing very useful service for the country, is the rise in price of food, coal, and other necessaries. Parliament has turned its attention to this, and will probably do something that will reduce the pressure a little; besides, as summer comes on, some decline in prices is anticipated. Fortunately few in the War Riding most people are well off for work, and everybody is prepared to suffer sacrifice, even privation, in the present state of war. In certain districts of the West Riding, however, added to high prices of food and coal, makes the lot of the poor an anxious one.

The war in East and West goes on much as usual. The Germans have been themselves with great forces against the immense Russian lines, but have sustained enormous losses, gaining no advantage whatever in their main front of attack, and have received attention elsewhere. Russia is not sparing herself. Up to the beginning of the year, she had spent on the war over 300 millions sterling, and now she would like to compel Elland people to travel expenditure is going on at the rate of £1,400,000 a day. Russia, too, has abundant forces of supply.

This is not the case with Germany, where the regulations as to bread, commandeering copper and other war materials, are suggestive of coming scarcity, if it has not already arrived. Prices have gone up enormously, horses, for instance, fetching £150 which might have been had for £15 or £20 before the war.

We are now looking forward eagerly for the time when our British reinforcements can be poured into France, and so, in better weather, help to force the advance into Germany. The reinforcements brought up by the German forces seem to be chiefly badly-trained men, indicating depleted supplies, while the rapid transfers of men from west to east, and back again and to west, is another indication of the coming breakdown of the German defence. The tokens of complete victory for the Allies increase.

And what shall we say of the German warfare in the air and on the sea? As to time Germany was probably stronger in aeroplanes than ourselves. But it is not so now we are told, and the new make of British aeroplanes, with British engines, is superior to that of the enemy. The aeroplane appears to be extensively used now in patrolling our own coasts and places of military and manufacturing importance. As for the German fleet, it remains almost amongst the submarine being most employed, but threats are plentiful.

It has been given out in Germany that "every British ship, whether a war vessel or a merchant ship will unconditionally be sent to the bottom of the sea." It shows the desperately wicked methods to which the enemy, feeling he is in the grip of defeat and disaster, will resort.

And he attempted to carry this threat out on Wednesday, but fortunately failed. The Laertes, a Holt liner, of Liverpool, was on her way from Java to America and when off the Dutch coast was signalled by a German submarine, the U2, to stop. But the captain immediately proceeded at full speed, and hoisted the Danish flag. The submarine hailed to pursued, discharged a torpedo which went ahead, and fired the light gun he carried repeatedly, shots taking effect in the funnel, the ventilating shafts, and one of the small boats. The Laertes, with full speed on, gradually drew away, and the submarine at length gave up the chase, and the Laertes has reached her port.

THE HUDDERSFIELD OPPOSITION TO HALIFAX TRAMWAYS BILL.

The resolution of the Huddersfield Corporation to oppose the Halifax Tramways Bill, which resolution was carried unanimously on Tuesday, but with very meagre and reluctant disclosures of any grounds of opposition, has caused much annoyance, we need scarcely say, in the districts that would benefit by the proposed extensions of the Halifax tramways. The opposition, probably following legal requirements, is directed against the whole Bill, which can scarcely be effected, as the Bill includes few explanations given to the Huddersfield Council went, the public were left absolutely in the dark except as to one point. Ald. Aston, chairman of the Tramways Committee, said the Bill had received the careful consideration of the Parliamentary and Tramways Committee, and of every committee concerned, and he thought the Council might see accordingly have every confidence. Up to then no explanataon at all had been given who saw the whole Bill, or certain parts of it, and if so which parts, were to be opposed. Mr Cor Fenton asked what the definite question, if it was intended to oppose the tramway extension from Salterhebble to Elland Town Hall, and the Mayor replied "That is so." The same councillor further inquired if they could really oppose that when it was outside their own borough—had they any locus standi? to which the Town Clerk replied they had

Pity that Mr Platts did not pursue his inquiries further, and ask what other portions of the Bill were to be opposed. But the Tramway members were anxious to avoid any revelations at all, Ald. Aston saying there might be an opportunity of explaining to the members of the Council, but he certainly thought it would be inexpedient to go into the details now. Why unwise: what was there to conceal? The attitude of Ald. Aston exercises suspicion. Ald. Wheatley was therefore justified in the sort of protest he made. He said "the Council had given permission of this desperate character many times, and they had never been able to retrieve themselves afterwards. Before they went on the path of opposing the Bill, they should have some information as to what they were going to gain by the expenditure. If there were no points in dispute that were going to be a loss to them, he did not see they had any right to oppose any other city's Bill."

Then it was that Cor. Topping vouchsafed a little further information, and part of that quite contrary to the fact. He said "the Halifax Corpofation proposed to construct a tramway from Halifax to Elland through West Vale. Halifax was going to run to Elland for 2d., which was the fare now charged to West Vale. Thus Huddersfield would be robbed of the fare between West Vale and Elland, so that the ground for opposing the Halifax Bill was apparent."

The first statement is altogether wrong. Halifax is not proposing to construct a tramway through West Vale to Elland, but to construct a tramway from Salterhebble by way of Ellan' Wood and Elland Bridge into Elland. The fare from Halifax to Salterhebble is a penny, and the proposed charge of a penny for the remainder of the distance to Elland is reasonable, while to make it more would be unreasonable. Huddersfield, apparently, would like to compel Elland people to travel to Halifax via West Vale, though the Halifax route by Elland Wood is much the shorter. As Halifax is proposing to give Elland direct access to Halifax, it savours of a dog-in-the-manger spirit for Huddersfield to oppose, simply because it has a tramway to West Vale.

The reticence observed at the meeting of the Council, Corporation, suggests there may be other reasons of opposition than those tentatively disclosed. We must remember that Halifax is extending its service to Stainland, a district which has had some consideration by Huddersfield, though the consideration has ended in nothing practical. Halifax is determined to link on Stainland to the Halifax system, and to give that district the fullest facilities it reasonably can as the traffic develops.

COAST SIGNALS TO THE ENEMY: INOCULATION FOR TYPHOID.

Both these matters engaged the attention of Parliament this week. There is a strong suspicion among sections of the public that signals are given, or have been, from our east coast especially, meant to assist the enemy in raids such as those on Scarborough and Yarmouth. Particulars have been circulated from time to time of mysterious lights exhibited by night near the Yorkshire coast, which have so frightened Lincoln inhabitants thereabouts that they scarcely dare to sleep in their beds. We understand that in every authenticated case of lights or other signals fullest inquiry has been made, and they have been accounted for satisfactorily.

In connection with the Norwich raid, several motor cars, with bright lights, were reported as having been seen on the east coast that very night, and it was regarded by frightened correspondents as certain they were being used for signalling. It appears bright lights were so used before and after wards, when the enemy had been, they were forbidden. The same remark applies to the bright lighting of the streets and shop windows in the town. In the Colonial, after the horse had been stolen, the stable door was locked. The brightly-lit cars were certainly running, as described, on the night of the Zeppelin raid, but Mr. McKenna has told Parliament that in every case the movement of the cars was quite satisfactorily. In all of them, the occupants were persons against whom was no possible ground of suspicion. The public may rest assured, especially now that many troops disposed along the coast, that signals to the enemy are not likely to escape detection.

As to inoculation of the troops for typhoid, the question whether it should be made compulsory for recruits is under consideration. As it is, some persons assert that considerable pressure, amounting almost to compulsion, is exerted. We are not interesting here to go into a discussion of the merits of inoculation, —a thorny matter that excites sharp divisions of opinion. Here we wish simply to record what the War Office says in favour of it. Commissioning that in the South African war, when inoculation was in its infancy, there were 58,000 cases, and a vast number of deaths. In the present war, where it has been given voluntarily, at any rate, there have been only 421 cases up to the present. Dr. Addison told the members they might put it down to what they liked—better drainage, better water, or inoculation; but the fact was there, and it synchronised with the application of inoculation. Inoculation has been compulsory in the United States Army since 1910, and it is said typhoid fever has practically disappeared in that Army. In Germany vaccination is compulsory for the entire population. Dr. Addison says that if the probabilities are on the side of the measure being wise, it is surely sound policy to place no undue obstacles in the way of its being carried out. But at present, at all events, the practice is not compulsory for recruits, and there we may leave the matter

STRANGE COINCIDENCES IN A MAN'S MARRIAGES

A man named George Smith, aged 43, has been remanded at Bow-street, London, under circumstances involving important inquiries, including the exhumation of the bodies of two ladies with whom he had gone through the ceremony of marriage. The charge against him at the court is that of making a false entry in a marriage certificate, the position in which has not yet been compli. His fuller story of his career is very remarkable In 1913 he was home at Goodness, where he made the acquaintance of a young woman named Alice Barnham, a nurse, to whom he was married in November at the Registery Office in Hull, in the name of George Joseph Smith, and described himself as a bachelor of independent means, and as the son of an artist in flowers and figures. On Dec. 10, he and his wife went from Blackpool and took lodgings at the house of Mrs Crossley. Two days later, on the 12th, his wife was found dead in the bath. An inquest was held on the body, and it was buried in the cemetery at Blackpool. On Tuesday, this week, the body was exhumed for examination by experts from the Home Office

Going back to last year, premises, on Dec 9, took a room in the house of Mrs. Smith, Stanley-road, Bath, and lived with her till the morning of the 17th. On the 12th or 13th, he told Mrs Smith there was a young lady coming, and asked if she could have a room? One was provided, and the young lady, whose name was Miss Margaret Lofty, arrived on the 15th, and like the prisoner, remained till the morning of the 17th, no mention being made of the fact that they were going to be married. That morning, however, he was married to her at the Bath Registry Office in the name of John Lloyd, in pursuance of a licence granted by the Superintendent Registrar In the notice he was described as a bachelor and a land agent, his address being given as at the house where he had stayed The ages of both were given as 38, her dwelling also being given as the same as his. They went to London, and stayed at the house of Miss Burch, who took apartments in Bismarck-road, Holloway The very next day the woman was found dead in a bath, and an inquest was held on the 22nd. As to this second so-called marriage, he is said to have made two false statements, one that he was a bachelor, whereas he was a widower; the other that his name was John Lloyd, whereas it is George Joseph Smith; further, he was born in London in 1872, and was the son of an insurance agent. After the case had been opened at Bow-street last week, the body of Miss Lofty was exhumed for examination After being taken into custody, the prisoner at first denied that his name was Smith, but afterwards admitted it. There the case is very remarkable one as to the incidences, remains for the present.

ADVENTURES IN THE WAR.

We give to-day further extracts from the letters of men on service:—

FIRE IN A DUG-OUT

A soldier narrates how he and three others had a dry, comfortable dug-out, with floor of straw and straw to lie on, and a warm fire. He says: About 9 p.m. one of the other shops woke up and found the place in flames. We all rushed out, and tried to smother them with my overcoat, but it was no use. There was a strong wind blowing, and it was pitch dark, so you can guess how it would light the place up round. Our flames were about 14 feet high, and we were only about 300 yards from the Germans, so we don't expected a few shells on us However, they must have been asleep, for we did not hear from them. Well, our ammunition started going off which we had inside. The bullets were red hot, and they were flying in all directions, but we got out of the place safe, and the only way we managed it was by getting handfuls of mud and putting it on the burning straw After getting the best of it we were all about "down and out." I was the last most of our equipment.

SOLDIER'S UNFINISHED LETTER.

Private W. Preston, of Little Harwood, Blackburn, a signaller in the 2nd East Lancashire Regiment, was killed on Feb 5 under remarkable circumstances. The official intimation of his death is accompanied by an unfinished letter in indelible pencil apparently in the trenches in which he says:

"I am glad you are all well at home, and am thankful to say that Harry and myself are still being divinely kept and guarded. Perhaps it would be a good thing if —— joined my regiment. It might turn out to be a tree of life to him. I am all right in my case and as God's very own we should be optimists.

Here the letter stops, and it is finished by Sergt. Wakefield, who added: "As you will see, poor man began to write to you, but unfortunately was killed before he could finish it."

COMFORT 40 YARDS FROM THE ENEMY

Here is an extract from a remarkable letter —in an advanced trench, which you probably won't believe, was 40 yards from the Germans. But it was written by a man I have heard of a casualty in the trench! It's only about 20 yards long, and I was in charge of a party of 15 occupying it We improved matters with 30 sandbags, and when the enemy merely gave subalterns who relieved me last night cat-nap, he, his sergeant, and all his men were laden with corrugated iron, sandbags, straw, braziers, coke, and potatoes! It makes it all the more annoying having to go back to the old dirty hole I was in my life, and honestly I'm quite enjoying things.

A LOVELY FEED.

A Lance-Carporal says: Four other boys and myself had a lovely feed at our last rest place. Some of the boys got hold of some chickens; the sausages in reality were one long string coiled round the pan like a snake—excellent. Omelette made with 14 eggs—topping. Tapioca pudding with two eggs in—first-class. All washed down with coffee, tea, and rhoum; and a very nice woman to wait on us.

(Notes on the week's news, &c., are given on page 3).

ST. PAUL'S SALE OF WORK.

On Wednesday a three days' sale of work commenced at St. Paul's Church School, King Cross, in aid of church funds. Friends connected with the congregation have been working hard and the result of their labours was seen in well-laden stalls in charge of ladies of the congregation.

Over the opening ceremony well attended, the Rev. A. A. Adderley presided, and announced that the Vicar could not be present, as he was attending the funeral of a relative.

Mr. R. Bell, in declaring the sale open, said the Vicar had wired: "Greetings and best wishes for successful sale. Apologise for absence." Mr. Pollit, on behalf of the Vicar, thanked all who had worked so make the sale a success. Since Mr. Adderley's arrival he had been responsible for 6,000 hours of work, in addition to a rose garden bazaar. The sales had realised £1,173, or an average of £167. Something like £300 had been given to the Leeds clergy fund. The Vicar had long wished that the proceeds of these sales could be devoted to other objects, and now the parish had decided to raise something like £350 per year for the assistant clergy fund, in addition to grants said dividends would be made to the Church Expenses and the General Purposes Fund, to raise money, and they made a good start. At the end of 1913, there was a debt of £300 for that particular purpose. Some people might say they ought to raise exposure, but that was no encouragement. Considering the position of the clergy at war-time, and particularly in the tremendous conflict now proceeding, they had to look to the future. Much was at stake, they could not think of any reduction. The clergy had immeasurable calls upon them, not only for spiritual services, but for advice and consolation. They could, and did, exercise considerable influence upon recruiting and recruits. The idea of any shortcomings, like unpunctuality, meant reduction of efficiency in church work, and could not be entertained. They must help the clergy in every possible way.

First day's receipts totalled £58 6s. 2d., including a gift of £5 5s. by Mr Pollit.

The event was continued on Thursday in St. Paul's Church School, the vicar, Rev. Hugh Bright, after a shortened service, declaring the sale open. He warmly congratulated the friends upon the success which had attended the affair on the first day, the receipts including a donation of £5 from Mr. H. Pollit, amounting to £58. This was £2 more than on the opening day last year, and he thought it was an extremely good start. The latest local act of the Recruiting Committee was "Sacrifice must must be made," and that was just what the people of St. Paul's, and the stallholders in particular, were doing. He declared the sale open, and expressed the hope that the record day would be more successful than the second day of their last effort. He was pleased to announce a donation of £5 from Mrs. John Edward Sykes—(applause). There was a fairly good attendance.

The receipts on Thursday amounted to £26 6s. 6d., including £5 from Mrs. J. E. Sykes and 5s. 6d. from Mrs Walker, Mayfield-street. This total for the two days is £84 12s. 10d.

OLD HOUSES, BULL CLOSE LANE.

Mr. Comfort's sketch is of the old houses at the bottom of Bull Close-lane, now being demolished as part of the large scheme affecting Bull Green, Barum Top, King Cross-street and Bull Close-lane. Demolition operations have also commenced at Smith's former shop, Barum Top.

THE IDEAL AND THE REAL.

BY MR. JAMES PARKER, M.P.

Turning to my Shakespeare the other day I was interested in one or two of the speeches of Gonzalo, and one from the mouth of Antonio and Sebastian, Prospero's brother. They give one a sense of proportion. They show the height to which man's soul can soar towards the ideal on the one hand; while on the other they bring us down to cold earth and things of today. They measure the distance between the dream ideal of all that is best in us; and the faltering efforts of mankind to realise such ideal. Dear old Gonzalo is an honest old counsellor, a man who has not lost his ideal with the passing of youth. The dream of the perfect state still remains with him. He follows closely the description of the ideal Commonwealth of the Cannibals, as described by Montaigne. Every man or woman is to be a law unto himself or herself, and no artifice toil is to interfere with the gentle flow of life and liberty. How beautiful this dream state was to be. Listen to the words Shakespeare puts into the mouth of the old counsellor, and read them aloud so that you may realise their beauty—

"And I plantation of this isle, my lord,—
And were the king on't what would I do!
I the commonwealth I would by contraries
Execute all things: for no kind of traffic
Would I admit; no name of magistrate
Letters should not be known; riches, poverty,
And use of service, none; contract, succession
Bourn, bound of land, tilth, vineyard, none;
No use of metal, corn, or wine, or oil.
No occupation, all men idle, all;
And women too, but innocent and pure;
No sovereignty;
All things in common nature should produce
Without sweat or endeavour: treason, felony,
Sword, pike, knife, gun, or need of any engine,
Would I not have; but nature should bring forth
Of its own kind all foison, all abundance,
To feed my innocent people.
I would with such perfection govern, Sir,
To excel the golden age."

GONZALO'S STATE.

What think you of the state the old counsellor would govern? It is not without its attractions, and yet methinks it would not satisfy our dream to-day. Probably Gonzalo would have found, could he but have materialised, that which he visualised, that there was grave flaws in the structure, and that it was neither perfect, nor even desirable. In these hustling days an ideal of idleness does not appeal to any considerable number of the population. And the moments when we are relieved from the dire necessity of earning our bread, many of us fill in the hours with harder work than our regular employment, only we call it play—golf, football, cricket, hunting, &c., &c. The fact that we do not call it work, does not diminish the pounds of energy we put into it. So one feels in the 20th century that the ideal state of the old counsellor, who mouths one of Shakespeare's ideals of State in a play written probably during the first twenty years of the seventeenth century, fails to satisfy. We want a more practical state in which there is no work, no tilling of the land, or dressing of the vineyard. I pass over the question of dispensing with contract, and of the abolition of sovereignty, for I have always been a great feature with the creators of all ideal states. Eminently desirable, were we sufficiently noble to achieve it, but still remains an imaginative idea, ideal for a future, and a better race of men to realise

CONQUERED NATURE

This old counsellor must have had some peculiar views about the operations of Nature, for while expressing himself as desiring the abolition of all toil, he says that Nature "bring forth of its kind all foison (meaning all plenty, all abundance) to feed an innocent people." We know full well this is the reverse of the way Nature works, and that the luscious strawberry dwindles down to a tiny, seedy berry, and the grain and fruits, the flowers and vegetables, are choked out of existence unless we, by seeds remain, or if anything remains it is of reduced food value and use as food for man. One likes his idea of "no Sovereignty" though he opens his speech by saying "Had I plantation of this isle," which seems to assume dictatorship, a sovereignty in excelsio. The idea of sovereignty is not the highest ideal of life. Many of us have a horror of the sovereignty of kings, for perhaps their's is the least sovereignty of all in these days. I have rather in my mind what I think Shakespeare must have had, viz., the sovereignty that asks for service, rather than renders service to others. There was surely the real sovereignty displayed by Christ when he said, Except I wash your feet ye cannot be My disciples." There dwells my ideal of Sovereignty, the Great One refusing to accept from his lesser brother that which He may not give in return. Gonzalo's ideal state has its attractions, but it does not fire our imaginations to-day, or make us long to live under the conditions put forward.

THE DIFFICULTY OF REALISING THE IDEAL

The ideal is ever changing. Each new development we believe is a step forward on the path that leads towards perfection. The revelation is not all at once, but progressive. We find here, there, and everywhere in our present-day life there is a tendency among the people to take the full-fed, comfortable conditions conferred upon humanity by the engineering profession. The sewing machine is a labour saver to an enormous extent in the home The locomotive conveys us from one end of our land to the other in a tenth of the time formerly taken by the journey The steamship carries us over the oceans with greater safety than the old stage coach was wont to carry its passengers over the roads All this is beneficial to mankind It improves the amenities of life, etc What about the other side of the engineering picture? The 13.5 guns, the mitrailleuse, the hundreds of death-dealing weapons used in modern warfare! These are the evil compensations, to set off against the good. Look which way you choose at all our progress, and this fact stands out in clear relief—that our ideals are never fully realised, that our present reforms, somehow seem to create another evil which militates against the complete success we hoped for Alexander Pope realised these limitations when he penned the line—

"Man never is, but always to be blessed."

So the ideal recedes as we approach it. The reality does not express it, and we find we must look ahead again and find some perfect one more dream.

THE EVANESCENCE OF EARTHLY THINGS.

Were we not so purblind to the real facts of life we should realise the evanescence of all things we are apt to regard as of the most stable character. Neither would the knowledge that "our little life is rounded with a sleep" lessen our interest in all the things which appeal to us as making for its improvement, because we know that the ideal is a something unattainable. In this connection life is like unto a man walking up a mountain side. He reaches a point of vantage, and stands to survey the scene beneath him. It is beautiful, but there is something still beyond his ken. He climbs again, higher and yet higher, looking around again from different points as he proceeds along his journey. At each stage the prospect widens, until at last he reaches the top. He views the scene but still realises that beyond the horizon there are things beyond his vision Away in the distance is another mountain, higher, more majestic. To-morrow he will climb that one. It may be that to-day's disappointment will be repeated, but he will climb. The reality can never be our ideal. When the ideal is realised it ceases to be. Above all let us keep a sense of the true proportion of things, material and otherwise, remembering the truth of Shakespeare's words in this same play.

The cloud-capped towers the gorgeous palaces,
The solemn temples, the great globe itself,
Yea, all which it inherit, shall dissolve
And like this insubstantial pageant faded,
Leave not a rack behind.
We are such stuff
As dreams are made on, and our little life
Is rounded with a sleep.

Ecclesiastical Table-Talk

[BY A SON OF THE MANSE].

GODLINESS OUTSIDE THE CHURCH.

Without being unduly optimistic, we are more and more convinced that there is a good deal of "outside religion," if we may call it so, manifesting itself just now in the country. What is often called the "reflex influence" of Christianity is making itself felt everywhere. There is a brave, not to say cheerful, spirit among us that is content to face hardships and difficulties without murmuring. Take, for instance, the rising prices of food and fuel. The thousands of poor people who are finding their old-age pensions are nearly absorbed by the increased price of coal and bread alone do not agitate and complain; they are bearing their burden for the sake of their country, and thus "doing their bit" just as Tommy in the trenches does his. The man who is shut from his beer and his pals after nine at night is not complaining, he just "grins and bears it." The middle classes, who find their income from the reduced dividends less than it was, take it philosophically, and wait for better days without grumbling. People are putting themselves together, and we are asking, Is not the result of religious teaching to be seen by all this? The majority of the people are outside the churches, it is true, but was not the work of the churches, and that training of the Sunday school, and the homely grit and straight talk in "Brotherhoods" going back, indirectly, on the masses of the people? We believe it is so. God fulfils Himself in many ways, and the leavening influence of Christianity cannot be bottled up in church organisation; it spreads outside and breaks as a atmosphere, public opinion, which is all to the good. There are more godly people outside than we imagine, and the more thoroughly we do our work inside, the greater the influence for good outside.

THE WORKING MAN'S VIEW.

A London minister who is accustomed to address some 2,000 working men every Sunday, told me this week that the working man has his own views of the fitness of things, and possesses a sort of innate regard for the religious proprieties. For instance, he does not like to hear persons, as such, denouncing in bitter and bellicose language, even the Germans. He is quite content to let the layman do it, but parsons should know better; and, strange as it may seem, the average man in the street does not approve of parsons going into the fighting line. This gives us an understanding of the working man's character. He may not respect the parson or love him very much, but he knows what the parson stands for, and this "fighting spirit" shown in the emissaries of the "Prince of Peace" appears to the working man somewhat incongruous. Fellow Christian workers, let us go on with our work, and the measure of our usefulness will be the measure of the indirect good we shall bring to the outsider.

THE CHARACTER OF THE BRITISH SOLDIER.

This "religiousness," to use the unusual term, is making itself felt in the Army. Foreigners of note, who visit the fighting line, have been asked what impresses them most, and the reply is, from more than one eminent source, the personal character of the British soldier. The same is said of those who visit our camps and training grounds at home. The men in training have impressed visitors by their clean, healthy physique, their alertness, their cleanliness, and the all-round fitness in apparent. How do we account for it? Thousands of these men have come from religious homes, they have been trained in our Sunday schools, they have left their homesteads with a Godly father's blessing and a mother's prayers. This counts for something very real, and the life which stole to his pillow when will find his comrades, whether in barracks, or the trenches, will catch something of its spirit.

AN IMPROMPTU SERVICE.

We wonder if our readers have read this week the account of that remarkable service in which three Scottish privates and a corporal took part. They had been a long time on guard, and the quartet found themselves cut off. The Germans were killing, looting, burning, and the four ran for shelter inside an open door. They made their way to the top of the house, and found only a loft with a sky-light beyond their reach. "Better lie low for a while," suggested the corporal, and they remained for hours, amid unearthly yells, the crack of rifles, the smell of burning, and the cries of the wounded. Their discovery would come sooner or later, and they expected it. Then the corporal quietly said, "Lads, it's time for church parade, let's has a wee bit service here; it may be our last." So the other three piled their rifles in a corner and stood at attention. The corporal took out his pocket testament, and turned over its pages "Canna we sing something first? Try ye're hand at the 23rd Psalm. Quiet, noo—very quiet."

"Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff
Me comfort still."

There wasn't much melody in the tune, but the words came from the heart. Then the corporal began: "Fear not them which kill the body . . . Fear not, therefore, ye are of more virtue than many sparrows." Beaded and there were loud shouts below, doors banged, and glass was smashed. But he went on: "He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it."

He ebbed, and his grave face took on a long smile. "I'm no' a gude hand at this job," he said, "but we mann finish it off." So they composed themselves with the book in his hand, and the others knelt and bowed their heads. A little haltingly, but very simply, he committed their way to God, and asked for the strength to face whatever fate like men. While he prayed a heavy hand thrust open the door, and they heard an exultant exclamation, and then a gasp of surprise. Not a word was said, and the corporal went calmly on praying. After a pause, he began with great reverence to repeat the Lord's Prayer That a German officer or a private was standing there they realised; they did not see, but they felt what was taking place. They heard the click of his heels, and they knew that he also was standing at attention For one moment the terrible suspense lasted, and then came the soft closing of the door and his footsteps dying away. The tumult in the house gradually ceased, and soon afterwards the story of war retreated like the ebbing of the tide. At dusk the four men ventured forth, and by making a wide detour worked round the Germans, and reached the British outposts in safety

A SUGGESTION.

This remarkable story has impressed us most deeply. It sets us a-thinking. The four Godly men, the true and religious respect of the German soldier, their being unmolested by their enemy, and the Godly issue—what does it all point to? The value of religion—that "there are more things wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." "God makes the very wrath of man to praise Him, and the remainder of that wrath—ah! the remainder of that wrath—He will restrain. We would like this story read from every pulpit on all Sunday schools in Halifax on Sunday It is a tale that will live long after the war is over

TOPLADY AND WESLEY

We are accustomed to associate that lovely hymn of Toplady's "Rock of Ages cleft for me," with the bitterness of controversy. Mr Rattenbury tells us that Toplady and Wesley both quarrelled over a doctrinal point. His brother understood the other Toplady said terrible things about Wesley and Wesley said caustic things about Toplady What made Toplady particularly angry was the view he supposed Wesley to hold regarding Christian perfection. Mr Rattenbury says most people who reject Wesley misunderstand him. Toplady thought Wesley claimed people could be so perfect that they did not need Christ, and so he wrote a hymn, which came out of the bitter controversy, to prove for ever that Wesley was wrong. That hymn was "Rock of Ages." Says Mr Rattenbury, "I think Wesley must have smiled when he got that hymn, for he calmly took it, and put it in his hymn book. He knew it was all true for the best man as well as for the worst man living. We are thankful these two good men quarrelled, for it gave us "Rock of Ages." It is strange what erroneous notions people have had, and still have, about this doctrine of Christian perfection. Another hymn was composed directly as a result of this misunderstanding. It was said that as a "loveless" hymn writer Wesley's Chapel, which Charles Wesley was conducting, a man got up in the gallery to object to the words of a verse of thanks to Fletcher of Madeley, which Charles Wesley was singing about with a vote of thanks to Fletcher, proposed by Mr J G Robinson, the local secretary of the branch and member of the National Council, seconded by Mr H. Crozier (Shipley).

DEATH OF MR. JENNINGS SOWOOD.

A CONSCIENTIOUS SOCIAL WORKER.

The death took place on Monday morning of Mr. Jennings Sowood, of Haddon-avenue, St. Alban's-road, Skircoat Green. As a member of the Halifax Town Council, and secretary and manager to the Friendly and Trades Club. Mr. Sowood had not been in good health for a while, but his death was unexpected. and the cause of its suddenness was heart failure. The news came as a shock to many friends. He was 49 years of age.

A native of Shibden, Mr. Sowood was brought up in the mill and as a young man was a silk dresser at Messrs. Clayton, Murgatroyd's, Wellington Mills. Subsequently he entered the insurance business. In the early days of the Labour movement in Halifax, he became interested in it, and commenced to study social problems. Of a modest disposition, he had then little thought of entering public life, but as time went on he was persuaded to be elected on the Halifax Town Council. Having more time at his disposal, he assented, and in 1901 was elected as a Labour representative for Akroyden Ward, a position which he held for 12 years, when he resigned his seat in order to devote his masters of general public interest he invariably adopted a reasonable attitude and was always willing to receive the views which were contrary to his own In committee work on the Council, as in more public places, he was conscientious, and his faithful services on the Gas Committee were acknowledged by his election to the vice-chair. As a speaker, while having no pretensions to oratory, he chief characteristic was a spirit of earnestness and sincerity Not only his own party, but members of the Council generally were sorry when, in October, 1913, he retired from public life. Prior to being on the Council he was for a few years on the Board of Guardians, where he rendered valuable service.

Fourteen years ago he received appointment as secretary and manager of the Friendly and Trades Club, a difficult position to fill, but he discharged the duties conscientiously. During his time it was the means of providing much-needed outings for the Club to poor children. Mr Sowood took a prominent part, and the additional work involving upon him as caterer was cheerfully performed. During his management of the Friendly and Trades Club, the membership has grown tremendously, and it is now admitted to be the largest club in England. Recently he had sent in his resignation, and the Board of Management have received applications from which to appoint his successor His period of service in the ordinary way would have expired in May next. His intention was to start in business, in partnership with a friend. He leaves a wife but no family.

THE FUNERAL

On Wednesday, the funeral took place at All Saints' Cemetery, Salterhebble. There was a large attendance, including the members in which the deceased was held. The Rt Hon. J. H. Whitley, M.P., sent Mrs. Sowood a letter of condolence and expressing sympathy on her sad bereavement. Mr. J. Parker, M.P., was present, and walked at the head of the cortege, which was formed in the following order:—

Directors of the Friendly and Trades Club: Messrs. G. Blanchard (president), W. Turner (vice-president), J. Mallinson (treasurer), Amos Sutcliffe (sec., pro. tem.), W. E. Dyson, L. Hargreaves, H. Bowden, Councillor Mallinson, E. Coulston, A. Culpan, A. Crowther, W. Dawson, E. Hughes, A. Hall, H. Kelly, T. Wilkinson, J. Hall, J. Hanson, J. Hirst, H. Smith, S. Turner, A. Webb, F. Wadsworth, T. W. Wood, F. Wood, and J. Wilby.

Mr. T. Forder, the steward of the club, was unable to be present owing to illness.

National Independent Order of Oddfellows: Bros. Councillor Mallinson and Lees.

Ancient Order of Foresters: Bro. C. Nunn (district secretary).

Grand United Order of Oddfellows: Bro. C. Green. D.M.

Manchester Unity, Oddfellows. Bros. W. Fleming (G.M.), Thorpe, J. M. Wilson, and H. Tate.

Greenroyd Bowling Club: Messrs. C. H Hey and J. Forder.

Claremont P.H. School: Mr. J. Oddy.

Halifax Painters' Society: Messrs. G. Blight and J. Wood.

Central Labour College Class: Messrs. H. Highley, F. Davits, and J. W Thomas.

Operative Plasterers' Association: Mr. J. Fleming.

Operative Plasterers: Mr. J. Taylor.

Dyers: Mr. J. Wilson

Weavers: Messrs. Mr. J. Hoyle.

I.L.P.: Messrs. S. Holroyd, R. Hoffman, J. Greenwood, F. Lord, A. Worsnop, C Rawson, and Wood.

Caretakers' Association: Mr. J. Knight.

Clarion Vocal Union: Mr. O. Holroyd.

Conservative Club: Messrs. Councillor C. Broadley, W. Court, A. Seed, W. A. Clegg, H. Shackleton, and Walters. Mr. Councillor Lees, a former member of the Council was also present.

Board of Guardians: Mrs. A. Taylor, Messrs. W. Smith and S. Howarth.

Halifax Trades and Labour Council: Messrs. W. H. Broadbent (president), J. Law, and W. Brearley.

Bolton Priory Unity of Oddfellows: Bros. H. Tetlaw and H. Priestley.

Independent Lodge of Freedom: Bro. W. Crowther.

Workers' Union: Mr. J. Thornton

Textile Workers: Mr. S. Hoyle

Plumbers: Mr. J. Wilson

B.S.P.: Messrs. A. Waight and J. Richardson.

Business and other friends: Mr and Mrs. J. Pitman, Mr. and Mrs. Councillor Mallinson (Messrs. Mallinson and Co.), A. Sutcliffe (spirit merchants), A. Ratcliffe, J. Burdiger, J. Gardener, F. Roper, John Sowood, J. H. Whitworth, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle (representing Mr. W. B. McLuskie, the Halifax Tramworks manager), E. C. Lemming, and A. Sugden.

Members of the staff at the Friendly and Trades Club: Messrs. W. Hall, Hirst, Hall, L. T. Wormald, J. Messiter, J. Etherington, M. Delaney, J. Vickerman, and G. Cowie.

Halifax Co-operative Society: Messrs. Councillor Hoffman, J. Duffield, and Hoyle.

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Workers' Union:

GREAT BRITISH AIR RAID.

GERMAN SUBMARINE BASES ATTACKED.

84 AEROPLANES AND SEA-PLANES TAKE PART.

Ostend Railway Station Reported Destroyed.

GRAHAME WHITE FALLS INTO THE SEA.

Press Bureau, 7.55 p.m.

The Secretary of the Admiralty makes the following announcement:-

During the last 24 hours combined seaplane and aeroplane operations have been carried out by the naval wing in the Bruges, Zeebrugge, Blankenbergh, and Ostend districts with a view to preventing the development of submarine bases and establishments. Thirty-four naval aeroplanes and seaplanes took part.

Great damage is reported to have been done to Ostend Railway Station, which, according to present information, has probably been burnt to the ground.

The railway station at Blankenbergh was damaged, and the lines were torn up in many places.

Bombs were dropped on the gun positions at Middelkerke, also on the power station and German mine-sweeping vessels at Zeebrugge, but the damage was not caused by a French vessel.

Although exposed to heavy gun fire from rifles, anti-aircraft, guns, mitrailleuse, etc., all the pilots are safe. Two machines were damaged.

The seaplance and aeroplanes were under the command of Wing-Commander Samson, assisted by Wing-Commander Longmore and Squadron-Commanders Porte, Courtney, and Rathbone.

The Press Association says it is believed that this is the largest force of aircraft yet used in combination for an attack.

FRENCH COMMUNIQUE.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON BOTH SIDES.

Paris, Friday.

The following communique was issued this after noon:-

Between the sea and the Somme there have been artillery engagements. To the south of La Boiselle the enemy blew up a mine at the extremity of one of our trenches, which we still hold.

From the Somme to the Argonne there is only reported a bombardment of Tracy-le-Mont by the enemy, and the activity of our artillery in the sectors of Rheims and Soissons.

In the Woevre there has been a cannonade of considerable intensity on the German side before Rambucourt and Bois-de-la-Haronle. We have bombarded the railway station of Thiaucourt and Arnaville.

-P.A. and Exchange Joint Service.

GALLANTRY OF THE BRITISH.

HEROIC DEEDS NEAR LA BASSEE.

"EYE-WITNESS'S" TRIBUTE.

The Press Bureau issued last night an "Eye-witness's" descriptive account of the operations of the British force, and the French in immediate touch, mainly concerned with the fighting in the brickfield, south of La Bassee Canal, on February 5 and 6. After a successful night attack on two German sap-heads the further advance was carried out on the afternoon of the 6th, the French and British heavy artillery providing it with a heavy bombardment of the German defences. In the brick-stacks and the area beyond, the roar of our heavy howitzers and the shriek of the projectiles were truly terrible, and as they burst among the brick-stacks wrought great havoc amongst the enemy.

The strong German position, or "keep," amongst the stack of bricks was stormed at 2.15 p.m., from three sides at once, and captured with very little loss, for as the prisoners stated, our advance was not observed until too late owing to the noise of the bursting shells and the clouds of dust raised. At the same time trenches to the north of this position between it and the canal were stormed by another party, and thus was occupied a continuous line southward from our forward post on the canal, which formed a most advantageous position in front of the brickfield.

Nineteen unwounded prisoners were captured, besides many wounded, a trench mortar, and a machine gun, and the Germans left 70 dead, our casualties being insignificant. The Germans, however, unwilling to accept a reverse, made two attacks next day, each being easily repulsed. During the day our heavy artillery caused two explosions in a German heavy battery.

In these actions our artillery fire has been so accurate that most of the enemy's casualties were due to our shell fire. Our guns accomplished the feat of blowing the Germans out of a trench on the embankment at a distance of forty yards only. Such was the ascendancy of our artillery that after the assault on the 6th our troops were enabled to erect wire entanglements in front of their trenches without molestation from the enemy. The prisoners captured were despondent and shaken.

Speaking of the fighting around Givenchy on January 25, the writer says the Germans for hours pressed on in swarms, being mowed down, but yet in places reaching our trenches, in others penetrating beyond them. But even when our line was broken, portions of it continued to resist, and our infantry holding them when assailed from the rear remained steady, faced about, lined the back parapets, and met the enemy with rifle and bayonet. A scattered party of 15 man in the village, finding the enemy established in one of our trenches just outside, charged down the communication trench and killed or captured all the Germans, 40 in number. Our soldiers also distinguished themselves greatly in the house-to-house fighting. Three men broke into one house occupied by Germans, and accounted for the eight occupants, four being killed and four left off in triumph as prisoners.

RUSSIA'S RETIREMENT.

THE SITUATION IN EAST PRUSSIA.

Petrograd, Thursday.

The following official statement is issued here:

It was recently definitely ascertained that four new army corps had appeared in East Prussia, formed partly from Prussian troops from the western front, partly from new recruits and partly from reserve forces. This radically changed the situation, and necessitates the falling back of our troops in order to secure the possibility of re-arranging them and effecting greater concentration. Such an object can best be attained on our own territory in the shelter of our fortresses.

It must be presumed that we will now on the eve of a broad and intense operation which ought definitely to decide the struggle in Eastern Prussia. This circumstance will render necessary some brevity in the communiques of the future, taking into account the strict necessity of keeping the operations of war secret.

After 22 ineffectual attempts the Germans succeeded in occupying with large forces after a sanguinary attack, the heights of Koziomka, but they were dislodged after a fierce bayonet fight, and left 400 dead on the field.

The Przemysl garrison is exhausting itself in vain sorties, and keeps up an irregular fire on our investing troops.

The Black Sea the Russ . . have sunk a Turkish transport loaded with about 900 tons of provisions.-P.A. War Special.

POLAND SLAUGHTER.

GERMANS MOWN DOWN IN THOUSANDS.

Paris, Friday.

An official verbal Note, issued to the Press Bureau, says that the repulse of the last attack-in-force by the Germans in Poland seems to be complete. The Russians inflicted upon their adversaries losses to which those hitherto sustained there is no comparison, because they exceeded 40,000 killed. The temperature has fallen seven or eight degrees centigrade below zero during the night.

The German practice of making attacks in dense formation, in default of troops capable of fighting in open order, is the principal cause of their unprecedented losses.

An Eye-Witness draws a terrible picture of this massacre. The fire of our machine guns, he observes, cut through solid ranks of the enemy like a steel scythe. When the fighting was over there lay before us piles of fallen men, from which shrieks rent the air. At nightfall, by the light of our searchlights, we could see the masses seething under the efforts of those of the wounded who were endeavouring to extricate themselves. Then towards 2 o'clock in the morning all was still. -Exchange.

GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

REPORTED CAPTURE OF 26,000 RUSSIANS.

Amsterdam, Friday.

To-day's German official communique regarding the operations in East Prussia, where the Kaiser has arrived, says the Russians have been forced to hastily evacuate their positions in the East Masurian Lakes. At some places fighting continues. We have captured some 26,000 prisoners, over 20 cannon, and 30 machine guns.

In Poland, on the right bank of the Vistula, our troops, prosecuting the offensive, the town of Sierpe was captured, and several hundred prisoners taken.

In Argonnes theare, north-east of Verdun, several hostile trenches were captured.

German airmen dropped some hundred bombs over the fortress of Verdun.

Seven enemy airmen dropped bombs on Ostend, and hostile warships appeared off the coast.

PRINCE ALBERT LEAVES TO REJOIN HIS SHIP

The "Court Circular" last night contained the following: Prince Albert, having been passed fit for service by the Medical Board at the Admiralty, left the Palace last evening to rejoin his ship and the Fleet.

RAILWAYS AND THE WAR.

TRIBUTE TO THE WORK OF EMPLOYES.

Lord Claud Hamilton, M.P., presiding yesterday at the annual meeting of the Great Eastern Railway Co., in London, said railwaymen had worked so admirably during this great crisis and had made so many sacrifices for the sake of the State that we, in fact, look forward by them ought to be received in a very favourable spirit. Lord Claud added that all their anticipations in regard to Mr Thornton, late general manager from twelve to nine months ago, had been fully realised. Replying to a vote of thanks, Mr. Thornton said the staff had enthusiastically supported him. During the year ending July 31st, 1914, there engaged in a struggle for civilisation, and when that was over the shareholders might look forward to a better return.

PREFERENCE GIVEN TO FOOD AND FUEL.

At the annual general meeting of the Great Northern Railway Co., in London, yesterday, Mr. John Allen, chairman, said the delay in traffic had arisen from circumstances over which they had no control. They had been inundated with certain kinds of traffic at the London end. There was no doubt they had dealt with more traffic at the London end than on any previous occasion in the history of the Company. They had tried to give preference to food and fuel.

UNDETERRED BY GERMAN THREATS.

The following announcement is made by the Holland-American Line: "The Line will continue running our services to the United States, Cuban, and Mexican ports unaltered as heretofore, along the usual route, through the English Channel.

WARNING TO MARINERS.

The Admiralty published a notice to mariners in last night's "London Gazette" warning masters on approaching British ports to keep a sharp look out-for for signals indicating that entrance to a port is prohibited, and also for examining vessels. Vessels are also warned to keep out of the way of pairs of vessels connected by wire hauser, which are engaged in sweeping operations.

HONOUR FOR ADMIRAL JELLICOE.

It was announced in the "London Gazette" last night that the King has appointed Admiral Sir John Rushworth Jellicoe to be a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath, in recognition of his meritorious services during the war.

THE WILHELMINA AND THE DACIA.

We learned authoritatively yesterday afternoon that there had been no development in connection with the Wilhelmina and her cargo. Investigations are proceeding, and further action will depend entirely upon the results of that investigation.

The sailing of the Dacia had not been officially communicated to the British Government up to yesterday afternoon, but no doubt is entertained that she has probably put out upon her voyage. Should she be seized, any questions arising out of such seizure will be adjudicated upon by an Imperial tribunal on the south side of the Atlantic. It is fully recognised that the Dacia will be made the subject of a test case.

SPEAKS FOURTEEN LANGUAGES.

DANGEROUS MAN IN THE CENSOR'S OFFICE.

The trial concluded at the Old Bailey yesterday, of Emile Jules Dupine (34), a Belgian professor of languages, charged with communicating information obtained while he was employed in the Postal Censors Department, to Miss Ruby May Davis, a schoolmistress.

The prosecution stated that a Miss Interwee accused told Miss Davis that her name was on the "black list," but in his evidence Dupine said by all he held sacred he did not give information to the year.

Subsequently, in an eloquent address to the jury, during which he gave way to tears, he asked them to adopt the great human motto of Victor Hugo, that great writer and founder of human thought: "Dost thou not know thou hast a heart like men," his case must be solved by the trinity of science, reason, observation and experience. He also mentioned he could speak 14 languages.

The jury found accused guilty.

Inspector Duggen proved a number of convictions against accused in South Africa for theft and fraud. After leaving the Censor's Office he obtained 6s. from a gentleman by representing he had been wounded at Mons. He borrowed £20 from a Belgium lady who had befriended him, and obtained three suits of clothes from her husband's tailor. He had represented himself to be a bachelor to a caring lady in Hampstead, and represented he had given addresses at dinner parties on his experiences at Mons.

Mr. Justice Atkin, passing sentence of 12 months' hard labour, said he thought the accused was a most dangerous man to have occupied a position in the Censor's Department. "It does seem a very unfortunate circumstance that a man of your antecedents should have been appointed for that post you occupied."

He had no doubt that better precautions had been adopted since.

Accused asked leave to appeal.

The Judge: I cannot grant you leave. You can apply for it.

THE NEW DYE SCHEME.

HUDDERSFIELD SUPPORT.

A largely attended meeting of Huddersfield commercial men was yesterday afternoon held to hear explanations by Sir Algernon Firth, President of the Associated Chambers of Commerce, and Sir Mark Oldroyd, approved and decided to support the Government's amended scheme for dyestuffs supply. Both speakers described the user agreement, against which objection had been raised, as a perfectly fair agreement, and a distinct improvement upon that in the first scheme. Sir Mark Oldroyd asserted that he was a fair trader and would favour protective measures for the dyeing industry against German competition which they might expect was unfair in its consequences. Anilene dye affected business interests to the extent of a hundred million, and giving employments to a million and a half workers. The business was dependent on the supply of two millions tons of coal annually, but only one-tenth was produced in this country. The proposed remedy was co-operative action by the Government and trade.

Mr. Desmond, who attended the recent Board of Trade conference, said he was fully aware the object of the scheme was to get dyes, and not to make dividends, and create an industry in this country.

Mr. Eastman said his firm was prepared to co-operate.

A resolution was passed approving of the establishment of a Board of Control, and Government assistance to take the most energetic steps possible to secure the development of the manufacture of anilene dyes in Great Britain, and pledging the financial support of those present.

HALIFAX CHORAL SOCIETY.

REMINISCENCE OF MENDELSSOHN.

The performance of "Elijah" for the benefit of the War Fund will be held on Thursday, and it is very desirable that the Society's efforts on behalf of the Fund should receive the support it deserves. The performance of Mendelssohn's masterpiece is well known throughout the country as brilliant artistes, and not often are four singers of such ability met with on one platform. Mendelssohn's oratorio is too well known to need any description, and it cannot be described as "beckmeyed," as it is always looked forward to with unbounded pleasure. Mendelssohn paid Halifax the compliment of dedicating his composition, the "114th Psalm," to the Halifax Choral Society. This seemed strange to the London amateurs and professors, and they said one to each other, "Why, Halifax is not known. Now Halifax! What can Mendelssohn know of Halifax?" for they were puzzled beyond measure how to account for this fact. And they did not discover the cause of this magnificent Psalm had inscribed it to a Yorkshire Choral Society. However, there is the fact, and it remains a fact, and is interesting in the annals of the history of this incident. In the summer of 1839, Mr. Samuel Smith (then secretary of the Society), with a few friends, visited the Rhine lands, and the Continent, and made a few days' halt at Frankfort, where, at that time, Mendelssohn was residing. Mr. Smith called on Mendelssohn, and the kindliness of manner than conspicuous talents, decided a whole morning to the English party in playing over the new psalm. The following day the organ in the Paulus Kirche, afterwards dining with Mendelssohn at their house. On this occasion much pleasant and very interesting conversation ensued. Among other things Mr. Smith took the opportunity of stating that Halifax Choral Society had obtained copies of "St. Paul," both vocal and instrumental, at the earliest possible moments, and that Halifax was the first provincial England to secure these copies, and moreover, had already performed it earnestly upon the oratorio. The composer said he was glad to hear of the energy existing in a country choral society, and that he should value his appreciation of the effort made by dedicating to it the new psalm. Shortly afterwards he dedicated the Halifax Choral Society. This was the 114th Psalm.

CHARGES AGAINST A VICAR.

The Rev. James Whitehead, of Scarborough, again appeared before the magistrates at Norton Malton Police Court yesterday on a charge of converting to his own use money paid by Sir Tatton Sykes for the church organ fund.

Mr. Tasker Hart, who appeared for the Public Prosecutor, asked that the case should stand until Wednesday next, when the case would be gone into fully. He had no doubt that it was alleged defendant had paid the cheque for the organ fund over to his private banking account.

Defendant was released on his own petition at Scarborough Bankruptcy Court in 1913. After the investigations, said Mr. Hart, certain frauds came to light. The matter was then placed before the Board of Trade, who passed them on to the Public Prosecutor. Mr. Hart asked for heavy bail. The Public Prosecutor had been instructed him to say that there were further charges against defendant. There were two charges under the Larceny Act with respect to the organ fund, and the Debtors Act, Carnegie, and also two charges one under the Larceny Act and the other under the Debtors Act, in connection with the Scarborough Parish Church, London. There was a charge in respect of receiving £100 from Mr. Stirling, London. Another matter of receiving £50 from Mr. Pearson, London, was under consideration. Formal evidence was given by Detective Sergeant Wood, who did not intend saying anything whereon Mr. Hart had intimated expressing to which he might have taken exception. Accused was remanded, but himself allowed himself in his own recognisances of £200, and two sureties of £100.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE HOSPITAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HALIFAX COURIER."

Sir,-Will you kindly insert these few lines in your paper, and draw the attention of householders to the public collection which the Halifax St. John Ambulance Brigade has officially permitted to be made in the streets of the above hospital, which is being equipped to Please by the St. John Ambulance Association, and of which Lieut.-Colonel Sir Arthur Crossley, Bart., is Commandant-in-Chief, and Sir Herbert Jekyll, Bart., Director-General of the Overseas Military Forces of the British Empire, are Joint Presidents. The Rev. W. Bird is Chaplain, and Mr. Superintendent Harrison, Superintendent of the Halifax Police Force, is Superintendent. The Hon. Secretary is Mr. Superintendent NARNEFORD, Superintendent S. ARTY.

Halifax, Feb. 12.

Germany proposes to employ large of prisoners of war on slave labour in the fi . They were to be fed and clothed at the cost of the . but they serve, and are to get the . 1d. a day. The hours of labor are not specified.

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LADY IDA SITWELL COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

At Marlborough-st. Court, London, yesterday, Lady Ida Sitwell and J. Field and Oliver Herbert were committed for trial on summonses which alleged that they conspired to cheat and defraud Miss Frances Bennett of a sum of £6,000. In the case of Herbert and Field, bail was fixed at £2250 each, and Lady Ida was released on her own bail.

DEATH OF THE REV J FORDYCE, M.A., D.D.

The Congregational ministry has lost by death the Rev John Fordyce, M.A., D.D., a minister widely known and respected. Dr. Fordyce graduated at the Edinburgh University, and received his theological training at Edinburgh Theological Hall. After pastorates at Portobello, Great Grimsby, and Belfast, he spent nearly 20 years as minister of Woollahra Church, Sydney, New South Wales. In 1906 he returned to England, and became minister of a church at Hemel Hempstead.

AN APPEAL TO DOCK LABOURERS.

Mr. James Sexton, general secretary of the National Union of Dock Labourers, interviewed yesterday, appealed to dock labourers to remain steady, to act precipately, because the shipowners had not yet replied to their demand for a shilling a day advance in wages. He added that the application was being favourably considered, but any unfortunate action on the part of the men at the present moment would jeopardise the prospects of ultimate success. He hoped to get an answer in a few weeks.

THE GERMAN RAIDS COMMITTEE.

We are officially informed that the terms of reference of the Committee appointed to investigate the damage to persons and property sustained in the bombardment of the Hartlepools, Scarborough, and Whitby. Mr. H. L. Holmes has been appointed an additional secretary to the committee.

EXPRESS RUNS INTO RAIL MOTOR CAR.

A railway collision between an express from Newport, Mon., to Birmingham, and a rail motor car, occurred yesterday morning near Pontypool-road Junction, Mon., at Saltsy Station. The motor car, after discharging passengers at the station, was proceeding to the carriage shed when the express ran into it. The motor driver jumped clear, but two firemen and the conductor sustained minor injuries. A few passengers in the express suffered from shock.

UNOPPOSED.

The Hon. Hamilton Dalrymple, of Lochinch Castle, Kennedy, Wigtownshire, has been returned unopposed for the Wigtownshire seat in the forthcoming Parliamentary seat.

AUSTRALIA'S GIFT TO THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

The High Commissioner for Australia has received a cheque of £25,000 from Australia to the Red Cross Society for the purpose of a motor ambulance corps.

BOY KILLED BY COWS.

A boy, named Willie Howell, aged 11 years, was knocked down and trampled to death by cattle in Dublin yesterday. The boy, it appears, was driving the cattle when he was attacked by two cows, and received such injuries that he died.

ISSUE OF RUSSIAN TREASURY BILLS.

The Bank of England last night announced an issue of Imperial Russian Government Treasury Bills to the amount of ten millions sterling, dated Feb. 23, 1915, and repayable on Feb. 23, 1916. The Governor and company of the Bank of England are authorised by the Russian Government, within the currency of His Majesty's Government, to receive applications for the above-mentioned bills, which will be issued at the fixed price of £95 per £100. The issue will be in amounts of £1,000 and £5,000. Applications must be made at the Bank of England and its branches, and will be received up to noon on Monday. The allotments will be required to pay the full amount due in respect of the bills allotted to them not later than three o'clock on that day. Payment must be made by cash or a bankers' draft.

WOMEN TRAM CONDUCTORS PROBABLE IN EDINBURGH.

Owing to the shortage of male labour in Edinburgh, a scheme has been discussed by Edinburgh Tramways Company to employ women as conductors on the cars, and it is expected that it will shortly come into operation. The company have had numerous offers from women, and many of them in good circumstances, to act as conductors on the cars, and to hand over the wages to the wives of the men who were employed by the company, and who have now gone to the front.

LORD AND LADY ABERDEENS.

ADMIRABLE SPEECH.

Lady Aberdeen yesterday afternoon received members of the Presentation Committee of the Women's National Health Association in Dublin, and was presented with a cheque for £2,000. As Lady Aberdeen refused to take any personal presentation, the sum of £980 subscribed is to be invested in the funds of the Association. In addressing expressed admiration and gratitude for the splendid work Lady Aberdeen in Ireland. She founded the Women's National Health Association, and brought all classes and creeds together in the campaign against consumption. In reply to the presentation Lady Aberdeen referred to the work accomplished for the betterment of the health of the people in recent years.

An address representative of various sections of the Irish people was presented to Lord and Lady Aberdeen on the Kingstown Pier, Dublin, last evening. The Lord Mayor, who presided, said the significance of the meeting would travel to Kuno Meyer in New York and Sir Roger Casement in Berlin. His Excellency, replying, referred to his visit to a meeting in the Mansion House at a time when no very friendly feeling existed between the Mansion House and Dublin Castle. The significance of that gathering was trust in the people, and the success which followed that was responsible for the keynote of the success of the Irish Convention.

In the course of his speech His Excellency said: "I may be permitted to say that I have this day had the honour of receiving from His Majesty a personal letter of farewell couched in the most gracious and kindly terms, which needless to say I shall treasure all my life."

BRIEF WIRES.

We are officially informed that at a general assembly of academicians and associates, held last Saturday, Mr. John Lavery, R.A., Mr. Frank Brangwyn, A.R.A., and Mr. Joseph Farquharson, A.R.A., were elected Royal Academicians.

Kirkcaldy Burgh Liberals last night decided not to contest the Parliamentary vacancy, and also appealed to the Labour party to adopt a similar attitude.

Although the vest of the United Kingdom is in regard to the use by British vessels of the American flag has been settled from America, the Note had not been delivered to the British Government until the Ambassador called upon Sir Edward Grey at the Foreign Office between four and five o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The Prime Minister intends to leave London today for his . . . . . .

The American Ambassador . . . . . Foreign Office yesterday afternoon . . . . . Office diplomatic . . . . . Ambassador . . . . . German Minister . . . . . of the Greek . . . . . Foreign Office . . . . . Bureau.

The Rev. W. Bird . . . . . Chaplain-General Adam, the . . . . . Rev. Spencer Elliott . . . . . Superintendent Narneford . . . . . Superintendent Arty . . . . . Halifax.

Feb. 12.

DIVORCE PETITION DISMISSED.

The hearing was resumed in the Divorce Court yesterday of the case in which Mr. William Blake Scoble, commercial traveller, of Winchmore Hill, sought a decree nisi from his wife, Ada Scoble, alleging misconduct against her with Mr. Douglas R. Drummond, who did not enter an appearance, and was a footballer. The misconduct was denied, and the wife made allegation of cruelty against her husband, which was denied.

Petitioner, re-called, denied that he had on one occasion pleased his wife because a young man engaged in his place called. He denied he left his wife in tears or that occasion.

Mrs. Cooper, who carried on a tobacconist's shop at Westcliffe, said a dozen or more letters came there addressed to Mr. Drummond in a lady's handwriting. Mrs. Scoble informed witness Drummond was a champion football player.

Mr. George English, postmaster, of Wickford, spoke to Mrs. Scoble making arrangement to call for all her letters.

Counsel for respondent said at the time respondent met co-respondent she was in great distress with regard to her husband, and she spoke to this young man about it. He sympathised with her, and no doubt wrote her most stupid and silly letters, but there was not anything incriminating in them. He could be able to prove that on two of the occasions when respondent and co-respondent were said to have been together under most damning circumstances the co-respondent was elsewhere.

Mrs. Scoble, giving evidence, said her married life was very unhappy. Soon after marrying her husband wished to pass himself off as a single man. He would insist on her sitting in front with him and walk behind. At North Finchley he went away, leaving her with a baby in a dying condition. She took police court proceedings against him, but afterwards they became reconciled. He said he would have his revenge for the police court proceedings, and would make her life a hell on earth. He boasted about the girls he had been with.

Asked by his Lordship if she wanted a judicial separation, witness replied, "I only want my honour and my baby. I may have been foolish, but my husband drove me to it. He was not all a pure man." Witness alleged her husband had kicked her and taken her by the throat.

On one occasion she found him sitting there with a few four lanterns. Special and proof fittings will be provided in all the lavatories, and the wiring will be in conduit capable for three lights. In all there will be 112 lights and eight plugs. The Governors' generosity and keen interest in the exhibition is evidenced by the grant of £100, not otherwise perfectly arranged scheme. The work will be commenced next week, and will take about seven months. Special attention and great care has been exercised throughout in the arrangement of the lights to secure the most effective illumination and to obtain varying numbers of lights on or off from these points.

DEATH OF MR. A. W. COMMON.

The death took place yesterday, after a short illness, of Mr. Arthur Wells Common, 88, Cambridge-place, Siddal. Mr Common (son of Mr. Walter Common, late registrar), was formerly in business as an accountant in Georgestreet, and afterwards in Cross Parade. He was best known, however, as a chess enthusiast. His reputation as a chess player was almost national, and in 1892 he held the Yorkshire championship. He had also taken part in national chess competitions, in such games as North v. South. He always played with distinction. He was 69 years of age, and leaves a widow, seven sons, and one daughter.

COMING PAGEANT: INTERESTING WORK.

Friends connected with Square Church have done excellently towards raising several pluses of this year's Bazaar, and now, we are delighted to find, friends are striking out on new lines. As the result of a conference we had yesterday, two well-known ladies, Miss John Kay and Mrs. Stanley Mason, decided that what is raised by a venture they are making shall be given by agreement of the Committee of the Belgians Square Church in interested in) be equally divided between the Infirmary and our Soldiers' Comforts Fund.

The ladies named have been hard at work for three months preparing what ought to prove an extremely interesting event. They are styling it a patriotic pageant, entitled "Britannia's Court," with many characters in costume. Knowing the above gentlemen as we do, we are asked as a favour to the cause of the present war, they would each give a different answer. His opinions on the subject had undergone a decided change since the war broke out. No doubt they were influenced by certain events that had occurred in connection with the war. There was no doubt that the ambition of Germany as an expanding empire, and the teachings of Bernhardi and Treitschke had influenced them. We have had many separate effects on these war lords who were mostly responsible for what had occurred. The unsettled state of affairs in the Balkans for the last few years had no doubt hastened Germany very much in her great military plans she had been laying up for a great German Empire. That economics were a very great factor in the present crisis there was no doubt in the mind, as social matters were very rapidly coming to the front in Germany, and must eventually have demanded the serious attention of the Kaiser. The question of a strong navy alongside the great military power she already possessed was no doubt with the intention of striking at the power that stood in the way to dominate or other, and this country of ours was to be struck at through the navy. Such was the conception of the terrorists she most desired. Mr. Schofield trusted that this would be the war that would end all wars, and he hoped it would be decided that the great conference that must eventually follow the conclusion of hostilities the workers of the world would decide for their fair share of the world's production, as when all was said and done it was the workers who were the backbone of the country, and from an economic as well as political crisis. Messrs. Lamb, Carter, Greenwood, Aspin, Watkin, and Fairclough also filled the lecturer with questions on the subject.

SQUARE BAND OF HOPE.

There was the usual large attendance on Thursday, presided over in the absence of the President, by Mr. J. Bairstow. A good address was delivered by Miss H. Smith, of Pye Nest, illustrated by a few experiments proved of exceptional interest to the children. Mr. Bairstow, Mr. James Smith. The children taking part in the programme were Edith Shooter and Gladys Styan, who gave a pianoforte duet, and Annie Smith, Edith Butterworth and Hilda Wolfenden, who recited.

One of the Territorials on the march on Wednesday afternoon, while billeted in the parlour of a tobacconists, unconsciously left his gloves behind on the counter. He may have them on applying at the tradesman.

Announce has been caused through a rumour that the Halifax Municipal Officers have discontinued their subscriptions to the Halifax Hall now being used by others as an excuse for refusing to continue contributing. There is not the slightest ground for this placed upon the rumour as the Municipal Officers, who have already contributed £100 to the National, £100 to the local, £250 to the Belgium Funds, are still maintaining their contributions.

The Rev. W. M. Carrington, of Loughborough Park Congregational Church, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Bethesda Church, Selby.

Among the four hundred saloon passengers brought to Liverpool by the Lusitania on Saturday were seven valuable greyhounds for sale.

One of the side issues of the war is a boom in British bulldogs, and few fashionable women are now without one of these animals among their canine pets.

A violent demonstration was held in front of the German Consulate at Valencia, Spain, every window of which was broken. The crowd, after being dispersed by the police, cheered the Allies.

Goole Town have signed on as goalkeeper J. Crawford, an amateur, who has been associated with the Scarborough team. Chantry, one of their reserve half backs, has been transferred to Scunthorpe.

Three more players from the York Northern Football Club, making 28 in all, have rall ed to the colours. Frank Leishwaite and Fred Wood are having joined the Coldstream Guards and Fred Sawdon the Navy.

The subscribers are said to have ordered for the whole of Wurtemberg the baking of a uniform white loaf, without sugar or eggs, weight 2½ ounces. Cakes are forbidden, but toasted biscuits may be sold.

Roose, Thursday.-An official message from Tripoli states that the enemy were repulsed with very severe losses near Dungein. The Italians lost 31 killed.-Reuter.

The German professional classes have suffered heavily from the war. Of the killed and wounded lawyers, 600 medical men, and 313 architects. The newspaper "Kaufmanische Nieuws" estimates that 2,000 of the employed diamond cutters in Amsterdam . . . . . Belgium . . . . . Thursday.-Seven persons were . . . . . ammunition at a military . . . . . Rue Jay-Avenue.

LOCAL NEWS.

(For other Local News see Page 2).

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. W. WAINHOUSE.

The death took place, suddenly, last night, at his home, 2, Hyde Park, of Mr. Wm. Wainhouse, one of the best known butchers in Halifax and district. Mr. Wainhouse had been in indifferent health for some considerable period, suffering from bronchitis, but was able to get about. He had, about 10 o'clock last night, an epileptic seizure and passed away before medical assistance could be procured. He succeeded his father in the business of butcher's business at 20, Bull Green, on the latter's death, and was a member of the Halifax Butchers' Association. Mr. Wainhouse, who was 52 years of age, leaves two daughters, the elder of whom is married and resides at Leigh, Lancashire, his wife having predeceased him about 10 years. In politics he was a Conservative, being a member of the King Cross Constitutional Club, though he did not take any prominent part in the public life of the town.

IMPROVEMENTS AT BERMERSIDE.

By the generosity of the Governors electric light is to be installed at Bermerside. The general arrangement and specification has been got out by Messrs. Lewin and Murray, Lord-street, by whom the work will be carried out. The current will be taken from the Corporation mains. In an installation of this kind several points call for special attention and consideration. The girls' and boys' dormitories have observation windows communicating with the Sisters and Nurses' bedrooms, the dormitory lights will be controlled from these bedrooms. Dimming attachments will be installed in the dormitories so that a subdued but a small light to be kept burning at a trifling cost. The lofty rooms and passages enable telephones to be installed at a very great comparatively easily. In all there will be 112 lights and eight plugs. The Governors' generosity and keen interest in the exhibition is evidenced by the grant of £100, not otherwise perfectly arranged scheme. The work will be commenced next week, and will take about seven months. Special attention and great care has been exercised throughout in the arrangement of the lights to secure the most effective illumination and to obtain varying numbers of lights on or off from these points.

DEATH OF MR. A. W. COMMON.

The death took place yesterday, after a short illness, of Mr. Arthur Wells Common, 88, Cambridge-place, Siddal. Mr Common (son of Mr. Walter Common, late registrar), was formerly in business as an accountant in Georgestreet, and afterwards in Cross Parade. He was best known, however, as a chess enthusiast. His reputation as a chess player was almost national, and in 1892 he held the Yorkshire championship. He had also taken part in national chess competitions, in such games as North v. South. He always played with distinction. He was 69 years of age, and leaves a widow, seven sons, and one daughter.

COMING PAGEANT: INTERESTING WORK.

Friends connected with Square Church have done excellently towards raising several pluses of this year's Bazaar, and now, we are delighted to find, friends are striking out on new lines. As the result of a conference we had yesterday, two well-known ladies, Miss John Kay and Mrs. Stanley Mason, decided that what is raised by a venture they are making shall be given by agreement of the Committee of the Belgians Square Church in interested in) be equally divided between the Infirmary and our Soldiers' Comforts Fund.

The ladies named have been hard at work for three months preparing what ought to prove an extremely interesting event. They are styling it a patriotic pageant, entitled "Britannia's Court," with many characters in costume. Knowing the above gentlemen as we do, we are asked as a favour to the cause of the present war, they would each give a different answer. His opinions on the subject had undergone a decided change since the war broke out. No doubt they were influenced by certain events that had occurred in connection with the war. There was no doubt that the ambition of Germany as an expanding empire, and the teachings of Bernhardi and Treitschke had influenced them. We have had many separate effects on these war lords who were mostly responsible for what had occurred. The unsettled state of affairs in the Balkans for the last few years had no doubt hastened Germany very much in her great military plans she had been laying up for a great German Empire. That economics were a very great factor in the present crisis there was no doubt in the mind, as social matters were very rapidly coming to the front in Germany, and must eventually have demanded the serious attention of the Kaiser. The question of a strong navy alongside the great military power she already possessed was no doubt with the intention of striking at the power that stood in the way to dominate or other, and this country of ours was to be struck at through the navy. Such was the conception of the terrorists she most desired. Mr. Schofield trusted that this would be the war that would end all wars, and he hoped it would be decided that the great conference that must eventually follow the conclusion of hostilities the workers of the world would decide for their fair share of the world's production, as when all was said and done it was the workers who were the backbone of the country, and from an economic as well as political crisis. Messrs. Lamb, Carter, Greenwood, Aspin, Watkin, and Fairclough also filled the lecturer with questions on the subject.

SQUARE BAND OF HOPE.

There was the usual large attendance on Thursday, presided over in the absence of the President, by Mr. J. Bairstow. A good address was delivered by Miss H. Smith, of Pye Nest, illustrated by a few experiments proved of exceptional interest to the children. Mr. Bairstow, Mr. James Smith. The children taking part in the programme were Edith Shooter and Gladys Styan, who gave a pianoforte duet, and Annie Smith, Edith Butterworth and Hilda Wolfenden, who recited.

HALIFAX CHAMBER CONCERT.

The second of the season's chamber concerts was given last evening, in the Freemasons' Hall, St. John's-place, where there was a large attendance. Taking part were Mr. R. J. Forbes, pianoforte; Mr. J. S. Bridge, violin; and Mr. J. H. Foulds, violoncello. The programme was as follows:-Trio in E flat, "Op. 70, No. 2," Beethoven; violoncello solo, "Suite, Bach, violin solo, a) "Pregiera," Marshall, b, "Allegretto," Boccherini; c, "Prelude and Allegro," "Fugnani"; trio, "Dumky Op. 90," Dvorak. Perhaps the most striking item was the Dvorak trio very spiritedly given, particularly the finale. The 'cello parts were exceptionally fine.

AMATEURS IN "PRINCESS IDA."

During the past week big audiences have assembled each night in the Victoria Hall to witness the performance by the Halifax Amateur Operatic Society, of "Princess Ida," the clever work of Gilbert and Sullivan, based upon Tennyson's delightful poem, "The Princess." Sparkling with wit and humour and permeated with many charming choruses and captivating songs, the work is one which makes a strong appeal to the average mind. It was an ambitious task to tackle, but one can honestly say that the Amateurs have done remarkably well. The principals, individually and collectively, have well maintained the great reputation established by persistent and consistent effort in past years. Last night the chorus and orchestra, and particularly the principals, were quite true from the little faults and hesitancies which had occurred earlier in the performance on Monday, and another marked feature to their credit was that one looked in vain for any sign of nervousness. The stage was well arranged, and the Local War Relief Fund. A substantial balance is already assured, but all who have not yet sent in their gifts are asked to do so at once. Attended, either this afternoon or evening, for in so doing they will be amply rewarded, and at the same time assist a deserving cause.

HALIFAX FLYING CLUB

The monthly members meeting was held on Wednesday at the Clubhouse, Savile Park, in the absence of the President (Mr. A. E. Thorpe) through illness, Mr. R. J. Sutcliffe presided. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. Thorpe in his illness, and Mrs. Wood soon be amongst them again. The secretary intimated that one of its members had passed away during the week-end, namely, Mr. Edgar H. Bosanquet, Square-road. It was decided that a letter of condolence and sympathy be sent to the widow and family. A vote of condolence was also passed with those who were present serving the King and country-Mr. Wilkinson, Dan-Head Farm, Ambsden, who is with the 4th Yorkshire Regiment; and Mr. Hall, of Smith (Siland), Kitchener's Army. It was resolved that greetings and good wishes of the club be sent to Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Hall. The Yorkshire Centre meetings was given by Mr. Teddy Washington. Discussion followed on the question as to the letters received from the Government. Special information could be obtained at present from the authorities, it was unanimously decided to recommend to the Committee that the handbook be issued so that things would be clear. Arrangements for the Annual Dinner could not be carried out perhaps some of them might be. It was decided that the practice race stand in abeyance for the present.

MRS PHILIP SNOWDEN'S VISIT.

No lady lecturer who has appeared under the auspices of the Sunday Lecture Society, or, indeed, in Halifax, has created such a favourable impression than Mrs. Philip Snowden.

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SOWERBY BRIDGE.

SOLDIERS ENTERTAINED.

At the invitation of the Rev. F. O. Aston, M.A. (vicar), and the young ladies connected with St. George's Church, Sowerby Bridge, members of the "Chance" Company (Sowerby Bridge) of the 4th (Res.) West Riding Regiment, attended at the school on Saturday evening and were entertained to a sumptuous supper. In charge of Lieut. Hill about 120 members turned up, and they spent an enjoyable evening. Those who were entertained were by the Vicar, supported by Mr. N. Nugent, and Lieut. Hill responded. A good dance programme, with Messrs. Wm. Howarth, J. M. Gee and W. Ansley as M.C.s. Mr. E. Law was the accompanist. Songs were given by Miss E. Cockshott, Miss Griffiths, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Reed, and several of the "Chums." Mr. R. Broadbent appeared as elocutionist. Supper was served by the young ladies.

PRIMITIVE METHODISTS' SALE OF WORK.

The sale of work, in aid of the church funds, was brought to a successful conclusion in the Sowerby Bridge Primitive Methodist School on Saturday. The young ladies made themselves entirely responsible for the responsible ceremony. They were assisted in securing by two old scholars to take the chair and declare the sale open, Mrs. E. Berry (Nottingham) and Mrs. G. Goodchild (Sowerby). Those to whom were spoken to by Miss N. Siddall and Miss Greenwood. During the evening two splendid concerts were given by the Methodist Primitive Methodist choir. There was a capital attendance, and the day's receipts totalled £30, making the grand total into £91, which the officials consider satisfactory.

REFUGEES ENTERTAINED.

A delightful function was arranged in the Sowerby Bridge Wesleyan Schools on Saturday evening, by the Tuel-lane Brotherhood. The premises were decorated, the flags of the Allies being prominent. About 300 people were present, including 50 Belgian refugees, the latter being present by special invitation of the Brotherhood Committee. With the exception of one child, all the 50 were in account of illness, all the refugees in the district were present, including an old dame of 84. The cordial welcome was extended by the company by the Rev. H. B. Coventry, B.D., his remarks being interpreted into French by Miss A. M. Black, M.A. (French teacher of the Sowerby Bridge Secondary School). A whist drive was arranged and a dance programme was run through, Messrs. M.C.s being Mr. C. W. Maude and Cor. A. L. Longbottom. The whist prize were handed to the winners, Mr. and Mrs. Brearley. Mr. Rick Ayrton and Mr. James Brearley were the vocalists, and gramaphone selections were given at intervals. Mr. E. Varley played and Mr. L. Lumb (violinist) were the accompanists.

THE TWO IDEALS.

There was an encouraging attendance at the monthly service for men in Christ Church, Sowerby Bridge, on Sunday afternoon, when Canon Ivens, M.A., spoke on "The War: a conflict between two ideals." Germany had for many years, he said, been fitting herself more loosely on the great fundamental doctrines of Christianity, and now she afforded a striking proof of what many people had for years suspected would be the result. Through her leading professors Germany had abandoned entirely the teaching of Christ and had put the ideal set up was, "Might is right; the world is for the strong; gentleness and mercy are vices; it is the duty of the strong to stamp the weak to possess the earth." On the other hand they had the Christian ideal and Britain and her Allies were fighting to secure the predominance of Christianity and all that Christianity brings with it—freedom, civilization, brotherliness. It was a conflict of fair play and love to show, and clear antagonism must also be put on one side. "May we," said the Canon, "be all knit together in a common bond by sacrifice and suffering and in one nation striving with our Allies to drive back the tide of aggression, and to secure for us the opportunity to make this a holy war for God, for justice, and for freedom."

OUT-DISTRICTS AND THE USE OF THE FIRE BRIGADE.

At the invitation of the Sowerby Bridge Council representatives from the Luddenden Foot, Sowerby, Barkisland, and Soyland districts met a deputation in conference at the Sowerby Bridge Council Offices on Thursday to discuss the question of out-districts and the use of the Fire Brigade in the Sowerby-Bridge Fire Brigade in case of fire. In the past the outside people have not paid up the full grade and this was the cost debited to them. This, however, has meant that Sowerby Bridge have been entirely responsible for the £1,100, and they believe the present is an opportune time to open up a discussion with the district authorities on the subject. Mr. J. W. Hodgson, secretary, said Brighouse Council was the latter has been called out of the district an enormous amounts of valuable property for the moment and they had not been adequate protection. Members of the Council have considered the situation, and have come to the conclusion that they were in addition to the regular time in the old way, and as the Council are contemplating the purchase of a new motor fire engine and a new fire station, they thought it only believe the present is an opportune time to open up a discussion with the district authorities on the subject. Mr. J. W. Hodgson, secretary, said Council is that the local Councils should contribute a certain sum annually as a retaining fee for the right to call upon the Brigade in addition to the responsible persons being debited with the cost of attendance at a particular fire. No definite scheme was submitted to the representatives in attendance at the conference, but the whole of the facts were stated by the Sowerby Bridge members, and after words discussed. It was left that Mr. Hodgson's letter will report later to their respective Councils, and what action they are prepared to take will in due course be submitted to the Sowerby Bridge Committee.

THE LATE MR. ALBERT HOWE.

THE INTERMENT

There was striking evidence of the high esteem in which Mr. Albert Howe, who died on Friday, was held in Sowerby Bridge when his body was laid to rest on Monday afternoon in the public cemetery. An active public worker, a staunch Liberal, and a prominent official of the P.M. Church, Mr. Howe had been much before the public since he commenced business as a master joiner and builder in Lower Willow Hall Mills 20 years ago. A large number of people, watched the cortege leave Willow Terrace, and also attended the public service in Sowerby New-road P.M. Church. The services were shared by the Rev. T. Goodacre (pastor), J. Marcus Brown, and W. H. Matthews (late pastors).

The family mourners were:—Mrs. Howe (widow), Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Gledhill, Mr. and Mrs. Lees, Mr. and Mrs. Riley (brothers-in-law and sisters), Mrs. Riley (niece), Miss Rastiedge, Mr. Hanson Gledhill, Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. G. G. Holdsworth, Mr. Howard, J. Crowther, Henry Crowther, M. Holdsworth, and Nurse Leslie.

At the head of the cortege there walked the following members of Sowerby Bridge District Council:—Cors. E. Mitchell, J. W. (chairman), William Gledhill, J. W. Whiteley, A. Astin, G. E. Whiteley, T. Ridewell, P. Wilson, L. Whiteley, Cors. Eli Whiteley, Thos. Borrell; Mr. L. Rhodes (clerk), Mr. Jas Barraclough (accountant), Mr. J. Hopkinson (superintendent, fire brigade), Mr. Eastwood (surveyor), and Mr. A. Hinchliffe (Halifax).

Sowerby Bridge Liberal Club—Messrs. W. H. Helleswell, A. S. Firth, T. Horsfall, J. Holdsworth and J. Waddington.

Halifax Royal Forester's Society, of which Mr. Howe was president.—Messrs. J. H. Parker (vice-president), J. Hodgson Scott, J. Holmes, J. H. Shaw, C. Spencer, H. Crapper, B. Greenwood, L. Midgley (directors).

Friends.—Mr. T. Hanson, Mr. Gaganeard, Mr. Whitesmith, Mr. Lamb, and Mr. B. Holroyd, Sowerby Bridge P.M. Church.—Mr. Wm. Robertshaw, Mytholmroyd P.M. Church.—Messrs. L. Fielding, and S. Johnson.

Holdon Brow Wesleyan Church.—Mr. E. Akroyd.

Hill Crescent Bowling Club.—Messrs. T. Shaw and Fred Sowells.

The bearers were: P.M. circuit, Messrs. J. Barraclough (Norland), Fred Simpson (Warley Church), Fred Sowden, W. Jackson, C. Howard, and T. Nicholl (Sowerby Bridge).

The coffin, of pitch-pine, with nickel-plated mountings, was inscribed:—

ALBERT HOWE,
Died Feb 4, 1915.
Aged 57 years.

Floral tributes were sent as follows:—From his sorrowing wife and niece; Mr. and Mrs. Riley and family; Mr. and Mrs. Proctor, Sowerby; Nowland, Lily, Ann, and Henry; Ruth, Adelaide, Vera, and Selwyn; Oliver Lumb (Mirfield); Directors of Halifax Royal Friendly Society; Friends at Willow terrace; Employes at Messrs. Henry Crowther and Co.; Hannah, Ernest, and family; Hanson and Lizzie; Mr. and Mrs. Hanson; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Holles; his friend, Mr. Hanson Gledhill; and the rockers and twiners of Henry Crowther and Co.

The three ministers assisted in the burial at the chapel. Rev. J. T. Goodacre gave the address. Mr. Howe had been one who had lived a sober Christian life. For years he had been a member of the Primitive Methodist Church. Whilst at Queensbury he was prominent in the Band of Hope and Sunday school, and at Sowerby Bridge at the time of his death he was treasurer of the Sunday School, a member of the choir, and also a trustee of the Manse, and for 13 years had been circuit steward. The Sowerby District Meeting official had been for the good of the people. When occasion demanded he could be bold for right and righteousness. The Sowerby Bridge circuit would greatly miss him.

The undertaker was Mr. Edgar Thompson, Wharf-street.

FLOUR SOCIETY.

SURMOUNTING DIFFICULTIES.

Mr. James Haigh presided over a meeting on Saturday in Sowerby Bridge Industrial Hall over the half yearly meeting of Sowerby Bridge Flour Society, Ltd. There was a good attendance. The report and balance-sheet showed that the total receipts had been £188,589, or £31,521 more than the corresponding half of the previous year. A dividend of 6d. in the £ was proposed.

Proposing the adoption of the report, the Chairman said the society had to thank their staff for the worst. Wheat itself was not excessively dear at the sources, but freights had increased, and a committee had been appointed by the Government to go into the matter. There was also such difficulty in getting cargoes on and off, that for weeks before they could get a berth, and shippers had to pay the wages of crews all that time. That had added to the cost of wheat. Then there was a war tax had to be paid on goods coming into this country, and besides, it was necessary, on account of the risks of the sea, to insure the ships. To insure the profits which were accruing during the voyage across the seas. With respect to management they were on new premises. Perhaps nine months ago they decided to have a new manager, to be responsible only to the directors. Such a step had been about the best thing they had done for a long time. They had been able to get a man to devote his whole time and attention to it, and he had been able to improve their machinery to such an extent that they turned out over 60 packs of flour per hour. That was over and above what their staff they could increase their supply to over 7,000 packs per week. They hoped to increase their sales—because at present they had over 2,000 packs of flour—still further. They were very pleased to see an increase in wages, because it meant, they were doing more for them, as they had for a long while done, full, and even overtime hours. They had on the average 60 sacks of flour they were producing per hour was actually more than the machinery was said to be able to produce. That was due to the steps they had taken to get greater efficiency. The question of delivery was the most vexed even to-day. The railway companies were congested, there were thousands of waggons full with coal and such like. The great congestion was mostly due to shortage of waggons. The railways were short, and their motor waggon had been horse-de-combat two or three times, and the Government, with their commandeered motor waggons, makers had been so busy that they did not care to do repairs. They had had Halifax, Cleckheaton, Huddersfield—anywhere where they thought they could get a motor waggon for a journey or two, but without success. They had had to borrow, and luck always having been able to borrow one, they had two, so that they would be able to deliver more satisfactorily. They had also had the difficulty in getting returned empty sacks, and machinery had had to stop for days owing to that. There seemed to be a great reluctance among store keepers and managers that they could keep sacks as long as they wanted, so long as they did not demand them. During the last half year they had had to order 5,000 new sacks, and half of them had been delivered. They had another short time coal of coal had been £186 less. They had been working on a contract for coal for the first time, and had found it very satisfactory.

Mr. J. Milton (Morley) seconded, and without discussion the resolution was carried.

THE WAR AND ITS GRANTS.

Col. Land, 4th (Res.) W. R. Regiment, wrote that recruiting expenses outside the Government allowance were very heavy in the district. He had appealed for help. He said Leeds and Bradford had raised for similar purposes about £6,000, but many districts were in a worse case than one. Any surplus would be spent for comforts for the men not provided for by the Government.

Mr. J. W. Hodgson, secretary, said Brighouse Co-operative Society had given 10 guineas, and he thought they could do the same. The letter touched him closely because he had two sons gone out, and he wanted others as well as his own to be equally generous.

Replying to a questioner, the Chairman said there was a feeling that they should give £250. The question was moved that that sum be granted.—This was seconded in two places, and carried unanimously, and it was subsequently decided that £225 to the Sowerby Bridge relief fund and £100 to the United Kingdom Flour Millers' hospital ship, now being equipped hospital ship, the Government had received.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The President, Mr. James Haigh, was re-elected as also were the committee men, Messrs. Joseph Bennett (Bradford) and Leonard Stocks (Hebden Bridge). The ballot for six directors resulted in Messrs. J. Hey (Heckmondwike), 2,106; E. E. Kilburn (Denbury), 2,105; Wm. Nicholl (Sowerby Bridge), 2,076; Albert Fox, (Halifax), 2,074; John Illingworth, Bathey (Brighouse), 2,071; and John Milton (Morley), 2,059. The unsuccessful candidate was Mr. Harry Byran (Birkenshaw), 76

A successful whist drive and social took place in the Co-operative Hall, Sowerby Bridge, on Friday evening, when the following were the prizes to the winners were: 1 F. Bull, 2 C. Buckley, 3 (shared by) W. Hardley, A. Brooks and E. Whittaker's booby, W. Normington.

The Scouts and Guides gave an interlainment on Saturday at St. Mark's School, Sowerby Bridge, when the boys' patrol competitions, demonstrations and sketches were given by the Scouts and Guides. It was announced that the Scouts had raised £21 13s. 5d. for Belgian relief fund for the blind, and 12s 5d. for the local relief fund.

OVENDEN.

PROVIDENCE CONGREGATIONAL GUILD.

On Thursday a pleasant concert was provided by the Musical Committee of the Guild. The programme was contributed by Miss Fly Pickles (soprano), Miss Taylor (contralto), Mr. J. Feather (tenor), and Mr. W. Greenwood (bass). Miss Pickles, A.R.C.O., was the efficient pianiste. Miss Pickles contributed "When you come back," and "Somewhere," Miss Taylor's solos were "The Valley of Laughter" as an encore. In "Until" and "My own countree," Miss Taylor's counter voice was heard to great advantage. Mr. J. Feather was re-called for both his songs "Maid of Mellaar" and "The Blue Alsatian Mountains," and responded as encores "I'm thinking of the past" and "Dorcen." For his splendid rendering of those finely appropriate songs "The Old Shades" and "Drake goes West," Mr. W. Greenwood was warmly applauded, his encore songs "Nirvana" and "The Old Brigade" being equally well received. A duet "Watchman, what of the night," by Miss Pickles and Mr. Greenwood was tastefully rendered. Two humorous solos by Mr. E. Moore were charmingly executed with great taste and feeling. Hearty votes of thanks were spoken to by Mr. N. Scatchard and Mr. E. Whitley.

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LUDDENDEN FOOT.

BELGIANS ARRIVE.

A family of Belgian refugees (husband, wife and three children), arrived at Luddenden Foot on Saturday. They were met at the railway station at Luddenden Dudale, two local refugees, on the assistance of the Relief Committee. Mrs. E. Sharpe, of Luddenden Foot, has kindly consented to let the family have the use of a cottage belonging to her, on Burnt Edge Lane, Mytholmroyd terrace.

SATISFACTORY DISTRESS REPORTS.

Cor. J. T. Meredith presided over the Luddenden Foot Distress Committee on Monday night, when there was no additional applications for relief, and the present number on the books, seven, are all military and naval wives. Out of the grant of £200 the balance now stands at £208 8s. 6d. It was agreed to invite representatives of the various firms who employed in the various mills in the district to sit on the Distress Committee. The secretary reported that six of the Mytholmroyd Belgians had been found employment. He had also sent six parcels of comforts to local men with the colours, five to men in camp and one to the front.

PRESENTATION TO COUNTY CCR. SAGAR.

St. Mary's Church School, Luddenden Foot. was crowded with past and present friends, on Saturday evening, when the annual gathering was held. Over 250 had tea, after which the Vicar's warden, Mr. Sutcliffe, took the chair. An attractive programme of songs, recitals, &c., was given by friends connected with the place; a number of the items being in the shape of solos by Mr. Kirkby, delighted the audience with action songs and musical selections, and a sketch by the young ladies' class. Before the meeting broke up a presented. The chief event of the evening was a series of presentations to Mr. Sagar, C.C., in recognition of his valuable services as the leader of the choir and active church worker for over 25 years. The Vicar, Rev. Bowman, made the first gift, a black oak grandfather's clock, bearing a suitable inscription. Mr. Sutcliffe paid a high compliment to Mr. Sagar, and the latter reported by the vicar. Cor. J. T. Meredith, Mr. Hirst, and Mr. Mellor (Royton). The gift had been subscribed for by the present choir, officers and members of the congregation. Following that Mr. Ben Ackroyd, secretary to the choir, presented a large framed photograph of members of the choir with Mr. Sagar occupying the central position. Mr. Ackroyd, who supported the remarks of Mr. Ackroyd, and the recipient thanked the friends for their remarks and the presents which they had given him.

OVERTIME'S EFFECT ON EVENING CLASSES.

The members present at the monthly meeting of Luddenden Foot Co-operative Society, Ltd., were Cors. J. T. Meredith (chairman), J. C. Bates, Butterworth, T. E. Bulmer, R. Benton, E. Walker and H. Jackson. It was stated in place for gas lamps on Cooper House-road next year. The matters inspector had reported that the premises were entirely free from all cases of infectious disease. With one exception, the farms and cowsheds inspected were in a satisfactory condition. The exception having bad drains and being too low. The inspector's report: "The introduction of public baths in the district will be appreciated. Although they may not be a financial success, they are as much necessary as scavenging and sewerage. They are on a par with the latter, but suitably inscribed, be placed in the corridor of the baths as a permanent record of Cor. Tom Dawson's dale's gift and generosity." Owing to overtime being worked the attendance at the evening classes had been poor, and it was decided to close the girls' classes have been discontinued. With respect to the boys an effort is being made to combine the classes. The report of the Co-operative Union Council was reported to be £1,437 6s. 11d., about £100 more than at the corresponding period of last year. A letter was read from the Co-operative and the Yorkshire Electric Power Co. with respect to the latter's proposed bill for obtaining new powers in Luddenden Foot and Mytholmroyd. On the motion of Cor. E. Butterworth it was agreed that the Co-operative Council write to the Power Co. to the effect that Luddenden Foot Council had already decided to support the bill, and they had seen no reason to lead them to alter that decision.

HEBDEN BRIDGE.

SOME LOCAL RELIEF FUNDS.

Hebden Bridge and District War Fund, £2,598. Belgian, £631. Mytholmroyd War Fund, £413. Belgian, £192; Midgley War, £143. Belgian, £72. Luddenden Foot War Fund, £787. Heptonstall Bridge War, £2,730. Belgian £282, Red Cross, £79; Todmorden War, £1,937, National, 579 Belgian, £767.

TANK EXPLODES.

Considerable alarm was created at Royd Shed on Thursday morning owing to the explosion with a loud report of a tank containing boiling stone fired in the boiler house, and used for purifying the gas supply. Luckily no one was injured, but the fireman had a miraculous escape. The heating coating of sheet iron was buckled up like cardboard. Curiously enough a similar explosion occurred a few months ago on the same tank in an absolute mystery.

BACK TO SERVICE.

Pte. W. Schofield, of Bond-street, Hebden Bridge, left hospital on Saturday to rejoin the his regiment, the Northumberland Fusiliers. Pte. Schofield returned, wounded and worn out, from the battlefield on December 19th, and has since been laid up in hospital with a slight attack of fever. He is now fully rec vered, and has gone to the regimental camp near Newcastle.

LANTERN LECTURE.

In aid of the lantern fund a well-attended and much appreciated lecture was given, on Saturday night, in Birchcliffe Baptist School, Hebden Bridge, by Mr. J. W. Hodgson, secretary, on a tour in Holland, Belgium, Rhineland, and the Black Forest. It was of an interesting character, and the pictures were fine. The lecturer's result was satisfactory, the debt being cleared off.

WILL OF MR. W. H. FARRAR.

Mr. Wm. Henry Farrar, of West End, Hebden Bridge, formerly a member of the firm of Farrar, clerk for the late Mr. Dan Crossley, accountant, who died on Dec. 29, left estate valued at £913 5s. 2d., net personalty £878 13s. 2d. Probate has been granted to Mr. John Edward Farrar, of 3, West End, draper, his son, and Mr. Herbert Ackroyd, of Royd-terrace, Hebden Bridge, the executors.

HELPING THE BELGIANS.

The officials at Hebden Bridge Church have appointed a number of responsible persons to make a house-to-house collection amongst local churchpeople on behalf of the Belgian Relief Fund, which is a good one. The Women's Guild has made itself responsible for providing sheets and pillow cases for all the homes occupied by Belgian refugees in the Hebden Bridge area.

CHILDREN'S GIFT TO THE CHURCH.

A new altar service book and an oak altar desk, the gift of the children of the church, and the kindergarten department of the Sunday school, for the Church Festival Service on Thursday last. The gifts were dedicated and brought into use on Sunday. There was a large attendance at the service, including the kindergarten children, who occupied the front seats. Rev. J. Hudson was in charge. The inscription in the altar book reads: "Hebden Bridge Parish Church. This book was given by the children of the church and the young people of the Sowden Chapel by the children and the kindergarten department of the Sunday school. Dedicated Sexagesima Sunday, Feb. 7th, 1915. Ad Gloriam Dei. J.A.S."

AN UNUSUAL COMPLAINT.

The Rev. P. Gough, Hebden Bridge, makes a bitter complaint in the church magazine respecting the desecration of church property. He writes: "There is one matter which I feel I must refer to as especially annoyance from the interruption of certain services by the noise of the rattling of collection shades, etc. We trust that the parents of these boys will exercise such a control over them that a repetition of such will not be necessary. We should like to come necessary for us to take steps to ensure the proper respect for our church property. We have been obliged as an economy to dispense with the necessary work of the Sunday school as a result of this unfortunate interruption, and we have had to arrange in the form of sedats, etc. It may also become necessary to close the gallery in our church for reasons of safety if it is put to such use. We do not on account the majority of our worshippers, whose reverence in the House of God is all that could be desired."

CONCERT TO AID BELGIAN REFUGEES FOR WOUNDED.

The annual gathering of the Hebden Bridge branch of the Amalgamated Union of Clothiers' Operatives was held on Saturday. Immediately after tea, at which there were 120 present, the business meeting was held, Mr. W. T. Irvin presiding. A satisfactory financial statement was submitted by Mr. Jos Wheelhouse. Mr. Sam Craven submitted the report showing the branch to be in a favourable condition. There was a slight increase in the membership. The branch had been very good. The males were all practically in the Union and the female section now organising was going steadily. After the adoption of the report and balance sheet Mr. C. Hart was elected president; secretary, Mr. S. Craven; treasurer, Mr. Fred Hodgson; treasurer, Mr. J. Wheelhouse. The question of overtime rates was discussed. There was a strong feeling that overtime pay should be received for overtime, and a resolution was adopted that a petition be drawn up and submitted to all clothing manufacturers in the town asking for the extra pay. In the evening there was a successful concert. The artistes were: soprano, Miss Clesia Farrar (Todmorden); contralto, Miss R. Halstead (Luddenden Foot); tenor, Mr. Geo. Barker (Mytholmroyd); bass, Mr. W. V. Helliwell; variste, "The Sporting Parson," Mr. A. T. Gill. Midway in the programme several cinematograph were set upon the screen.

BRIGHOUSE.

THE JOINT HOSPITAL BOARD.

The monthly meeting of the Brighouse Joint Hospital Board was held yesterday afternoon at the Hoyle Offices. In the absence of the Mayor who is chairman of the Board, Cor. J. B. Carter presided. Other members present were: Cllr. Robinson, Cors. Wm. Bottomley, A. M. Dewhirst, J. Black, G. W. Armitage, J. Seed, and J. Crabtree. The medical superintendent (Dr. Marriner) reported that the patients in the hospital that day, the same number as at the end of January. A number of gifts to the hospital were reported, and thanks were accorded the donors on the proposition of the chairman.

ABSCONDING LANDLORD.

An interesting application was made by Mr. Hinchcliffe (Huddersfield) to the borough Licensing Justices at Brighouse yesterday, in connection with the transfer of the Woodland Bowling Club licence. Mr. Hinchcliffe explained that the owners of the house were Messrs. Ashley and Sons and Sykes, in whose name the licensee holder left the district and that his whereabouts had not since been ascertained. During the past the justices granted a protection order in favour of the wife, who had been continuing the business, and Mr. Hinchcliffe now applied for the second under which the house had been. The extra taxation which had been imposed by the Government during the war had made early closing hours, the owners had not been able to get hold of the tenant. The Committee recorded that the Committee had decided to remove the public lamp post in Prime Cottage to a more suitable position on the other side of the road. Cor. Shaw protested that, on the other side of the road, it would not nearly serve so well the purpose as it did on the present position. Cor. Priestley supported the protest, and it was agreed to eliminate this particular minute, the question of the removal of the lamp-post to be dealt with by the Chairman and Surveyor.

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APPEAL AT COUNCIL MEETING.

Over the monthly meeting of Hipperholme District Council, on Tuesday, Cor. A. Sharp, J.P., the chairman, presided. There were also present Cors. Crabtree, Priestley, Shaw, Ellis, Ainley, Holgate, and Moncrieff. The Clerk, Mr. R. H. Hill, was absent on military duties, and in his stead his partner, Mr. E. W. Norris, attended.

The Chairman, prior to the business on the agenda being entered on, announced that the Rifle Club had now affiliated with the Volunteer Training Corps, and the name of the Halifax corps. Already they had members sufficient to muster a platoon, the strength of which was 60. Mr. B. Osborn. Drill would take place on Mondays and Fridays, and he hoped that every able man, young or old, who was not eligible for the Army, would join, so as to get the foundation and preparation for home defence if needed. The Council would be most interesting and greatly beneficial to health, and would, he had no doubt, exert a good influence in bringing them shoulder to shoulder as townsmen in the second hour.

The Local Relief Committee, as chairman added, was doing work admirably and quietly in a manner that it should be done. Mrs. Sharp informed him that the ladies were enthusiastic and enthusiastically as ever. Their funds, however, were getting low. There was plenty of work yet to be given out by the ladies.

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NORTHOWRAM.

WAR LECTURE.

At the Northowram Parish Church School, on Wednesday, Mr. E. C. Lamb delivered the first lecture on the "Great War." Many excellent slides were thrown on the screen by Mr. Lamb, votes of thanks were moved by Mr. Turnbull. Mr. Brook seconded. The vicar, Rev. George Watkinson, presided. The lecture was arranged for the members of the C.E.M.S. Northowram branch.

CONSUMPTION: LECTURE BY DR. TAYLOR.

At Heywood School, Northowram, on Tuesday, an interesting lecture was delivered by Dr. D. M. Taylor, on a deadly medical officer of health Sanitorium, on "Consumption and its treatment. He said 70,000 persons died each year, and 500,000 were afflicted each year with this very terrible scourge. It was a significant fact that, although Halifax was a healthy town with a low death rate, there was a considerable number of persons suffering from tuberculosis of the lungs, and nearly one death in three was attributable directly or indirectly to that cause. Consumption was most certainly curable if treated early. Sunlight was a deadly enemy of germs, and dwellings should be so constructed as to admit as much fresh air as possible. There was no doubt about consumption being infectious. Damp, darkness, dirt, dust, drink and overindulgence also destitution were all primary causes of the disease. The sanatorium treatment was the best possible and carried out on scientific principles. The lecture was illustrated by a large number of slides, including sanatoria in Switzerland, shelters for consumptives, &c. A recommendation to adopt these phases of the treatment of children at Bermerside (Halifax) was made.

A vote of thanks was moved by Cor. Broadbent.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, NORWOOD GREEN.

The annual tea and entertainment were held on Saturday, when Dr. G. T. Jowett presided, and the Rev. R. R. Diggle was present. About 90 persons sat down to tea. Dr. Jowett, in a brief speech, said the Germans had forsaken Christianity and had become little better than barbarians Their creed, "Might was not right," was everywhere apparent. The result was that success had failed them, and their tactics were those of despair. When distributing prizes to the Sunday school scholars, Dr. Jowett said the Sunday school was the real and practical religious work. It presented a great opportunity of sowing seed and implanting great and imperishable truths in the minds of young children. Teachers were sorely needed. Many offered excuses of unfitness for this task, but he (the speaker) was sure that difficulties. It was intended to build a new Sunday school at Norwood-Green, band had been purchased, but the Committee could not proceed further in that direction for the present. Miss Thornton sang "Annie Laurie" and "The Carnival." Mr. H. Armitage gave "Like Stars Above," and Mr. Lee "Admiral Brown" and "Roll on." Mrs. F. Howcroft warmly accompanied the songs. Mr. Folk" and "Love, the Highwayman." Mr Woodcock played concertina solos, "Poet and Peasant," and selections from the same. Mr. Wm. Naylor's violin solos "Meditation" (Gounod), and "Humoresske" (Dvorak) were well received. Mr. W. H. Howcroft gave two humorous recitations, "Not at home," and "The Obstinate Man." Each of the artistes received well deserved recognition. Mr. J. H. Robershaw proved an efficient accompanist. The proceeds were for the church fund.

DECLINING DRUNKENNESS.

"WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS."

The annual Brewster Sessions took place at Brig house yesterday. On the Bench were the Mayor (Ald. Robert Thornton presiding, Ald. A. O. Stocks, Mr. Wm. Smith, and Mr. Wm. Woodhouse.

The Mayor announced that the justices had received a communication from the Trade that it be put on the same line as licensed houses, and the justices had agreed to meet next Friday and settle the question.

In his annual report, Supt. Myers stated that the licensed houses in the borough numbered 66, and beerhouses 9, making a total of 75 licensed houses for the sale of intoxicating liquor, besides one licensed house or shop. One licence holder had been proceeded against and convicted for keeping open his licensed premises during prohibited hours, and has since left the house, as against one proceeded against during the previous year. Fifty-five persons (including six females) had been proceeded against during the year for offences against the intoxicating liquor laws, being a comparative table for the past five years: 1911, 100; 1912, 97; 1913, 70; 1914, 62; 1915, 55. Of the 55 proceeded against during the year, 38 were residents of the borough, and the remaining 25 non-residents, chiefly of the tramping class. During the year 1914 there were 14 persons proceeded against for drunkenness and disorderly conduct in licensed houses, as compared with six inn-keepers and five beerhouse keepers. During the year there were 14 registered clubs in the borough where intoxicants were sold, with a membership of 3,078, a decrease of one club and 69 members during the year.

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ELLAND.

HOUSING AT ELLAND.

We understand that at a meeting of the Elland District Council in Committee on Wednesday, a report from the Medical Officer, condemning 18 houses as unfit for human habitation, was presented. It may be that, with certain alterations, the premises can be made to conform to regulations required.

ELLAND GAS COMPANY.

Another successful year has been enjoyed by the Elland-cum-Greetland Gas Company, and the annual report of the directors is interesting in many particulars. During the year the expenditure on capital account has been £583 15s. 4d., the report states, this amount having been expended upon new meters, new stoves, new mains and services. The directors have decreased the gas scaling and looking appliances by the sum of £283 10s., and this amount has been deducted from the capital account, leaving an increase for the year of £300 5s. 4d. The profits, including the balance brought from last year, amount to £11,369 3s 9jd. An interim dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. was paid to the June half-year on the converted ordinary and new ordinary stock absorbing (with the prescribed dividend on the deferred stock) income tax for the year, interest on the loan capital and transfer to the reserve fund) £8,380 10s. 6d., leaving a balance of £2,988 12s. 3jd. now available for dividend. The directors recommend that out of this sum, after paying prescribed dividend on the 6 per cent. preference stock, and also dividend on the maximum dividends on the new ordinary 5 per cent. stock, the statutory dividend on the converted ordinary stock for the half-year ended June 30 last, the interim dividend paid for the half-year ended June 30 last will make a dividend for the year at the rate of 5 per cent., and £1,000 be paid to Messrs. J.P., and Mr. Henry Chadwick are the retiring directors, and Messrs. W. H. Shaw and Sons the retiring auditors.

CONCERTO RECITAL.

There was a good attendance at St. Mary's Church, Elland, on Thursday at a concerto recital, which had been arranged for the benefit of the choir funds of the place. Miss Doris Hall (Huddersfield, Sunderland modalist) was the soprano vocalist; Miss Ethel Wood (Huddersfield) pianist; and Mr. Herbert Bramley, L.R.A.M., organist. This was the first recital after the completion of the new organ by Messrs. Conacher, which is noted for its beautiful diapasons. Miss Wood's solo "Antonine" (Chaminade) was given with brilliance and delicacy, but her best work was in Beethoven's "Concerto in C minor," in which she joined Mr. Bramley with the organ, which was given with great skill. Miss Hall displayed scope for her brilliant technique. Miss Doris Hall was undoubtedly at her best in the air "With music clad" (Handel), and was encored. Air in the songs "Love Divine" (Oliver) and "Songs of Life" (Lorenz, by Solo). Although Mr. Bramley was through a difficult programme with credit and honour his best work was in Handel's Organ Concerto in B flat major.

RAILWAYMEN WIN L. & Y. SHIELD.

The annual competition for railway teams in the Eastern district of the L. & Y. Railway system was held on Thursday at the City Co-operative Hall Swadcoat, when the following teams took part:—Bingley, Brighouse, No. 1 team (the holders of which are Brighouse No. 2), Elland, Railway Station. In addition to annexing the Armytage Shield, each team received a brass fire screen. The winning team obtained 1,369 points out of a possible 1320. Halifax, the holders of the trophy, were second, the positions of these teams on the list of winning teams being reversed as last year. The judge was Dr. Coates, of Horwich, and the shield was presented by Mr. F. H. Cowell, the district superintendent of the line. The Elland members received warm praise from the judge for their work. The names of the successful Elland men were:—Messrs. J. Beaumont (captain), Hy. Body, W. Garside, Herbert Ainley, A. H. Long, and Sood (reserve).

WEST DRIFFIELD.

In the ladies' room at the Eliand Constitutional Club on Thursday the tennis section of the Elland Cricket, Athletic and Bowling Club promoted a social evening and dance. There was a good attendance. The prize-winners were:—Ladies, Miss Barraclough; 2, Miss M. Pearson; and consolation, Mrs. Wrigglesworth. Gents, 1, Mr. J. L. Hepworth; 2, Mrs. Herbert Lumb; and consolation, Mr. Leonard Berg. A step pot-luck dancing was interspersed with song and harmony. Mrs. Etherington and Mrs. Pearson being the accompanists. The whist prizes were distributed by Mr. W. T. Knowles. The arrangements had been ably carried through by Mrs. E. J. King, the Misses Worsnip, and Miss E. Brook.

THE WAR FUNDS.

In the aggregate the Elland war funds total £2,426 5s. 1d. Up to the present £1,000 has been paid to the various funds the following:—Local £1,293 7s, Prince of Wales £250 1s. 1d., and Belgian relief £356 9s.

PROMOTIONS AND VOLUNTEER CORPS.

In the Congregational Assembly Rooms, Elland, on Wednesday, a large number of men attended to hear addresses on the need of establishing a unit of the Civilian Volunteer Corps for the West Riding. Gentlemen from the Huddersfield Corps, with Lieut. Gee, of the 5th Battalion, dwelt on the necessity, the usefulness and the objects of the proposal. Huddersfield, it was explained, were striving to get their scheme recognised by the Government, owing to the present that had not been done, though they were hopeful of its ultimate accomplishment. However, if they failed in that object they would join Lord Desborough's scheme. No time within the military age limit would be wasted in the event of the Volunteer Training Corps without a thoroughly sufficient reason having been tendered why the man had not joined the colours. After the addresses and speeches had been delivered by Mr. S. Gledhill (chairman), Mr. J. P. Cropland and Mr. Hirst, all members of the Huddersfield Corps, the latter intimated that so long as he was in command of the corps he would not hesitate to grant commissions if possible. When the question was asked as to who were willing to join the new organisation, some 50 or 60 hands were held up, and Lieut. Gee subsequently urged the volunteers to enroll themselves as quickly as possible in the hope that drilling might commence next week.

GOOD YEAR'S WORKING

The annual shareholders' meeting of the Calder Vale Agricultural Trading Association, whose business premises are in Elland, took place yesterday afternoon at the Royal Hotel, Elland. Mr. F. P. Rhodes presided, and it was reported that the net sales of provender during the year had been £14,889 19s. 8d., as compared with £10,997 11s. 4d. last year, and the net profit £3,616 15s. 6d. The profits totalled £3325 10s., out of which £105 9s. 10d. had been taken for depreciation, thus leaving a net profit for the year of £222 3s. 9d. out of this the committee decided to wipe off the deficit on last year's working of £64 19s. 9d., paying a dividend of 5 per cent. on capital, 5 per cent. to workers, with a return of 4d. in the £ on members' purchases during the year, and carrying forward a balance of £45 0s. 1d. to the credit and loss account. On the proposition of Mr. Whiteley seconded by Mr. W. T. Knowles, the statement and recommendations of the committee were unanimously agreed to. The following directors were elected on the committee for the ensuing year: Messrs. F. F. Beaumont, S. Barstow, F. Ainley, J. Brook, A. Sutcliffe, G. Bottomley, J. Broadbent, Woodhead, Hall, Jaggar, and B. Whiteley. On the proposition of Mr. Knowles, seconded by Mr. A. Sharrett, the chairman was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for presiding.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Young ladies connected with the first class in the Elland Congregational Sunday School enjoyed an interesting programme at a concert given on Saturday evening. The chief item was Dickins' "The Battle of Life," and the whole of the performance solos were rendered by Miss F. Robinson, Miss E. Bedford, and Miss A. Bates. The chief characters in the sketch were represented by Misses E. as Walker, Phillis Wood, Nellie Rae, Phyllis Woodhead, Ivy Royds, Ida Armitage, Kathleen Ascroft, Annie Park, Elizabeth Robinson, Lizzie Bates, Mary Holroyd, and Lily Smith. There was an excellent attendance, the performers earning general encomiums of praise.

ELLAND GIRL'S THOUGHTFUL GIFT.

Miss Ada Robinson, 11, Langdale-street, Elland, has received a cheery note from Pte. Percy Smith, in acknowledgment of a parcel she had sent him. This thoughtful little friend worked hard for money with which to buy shirts to send to men at the front, and it is the receipt of these warming and cheering articles that has inspired the letter. Pte. Smith writes: "It puts a good spirit into us to think that there is someone in England doing the best to keep us in our backships. I assure you, it is the very truth and I can assure you, that we are doing our best to keep the old flag flying. Best wishes from one of the British Tommies, and wishing you the very best of luck in the new year. Well may our little friend be proud of her work. She has set a noble example, and one worthy of being extensively copied. Our gallant heroes at the front are deserving of every help.

IMPORTANT DECISION BY ELLAND OLD-AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE.

A claimant for an old-age pension was disqualified by the Old-age Pension Sub-committee at the monthly meeting on Thursday evening, because she refused to fully disclose her financial circumstances. It is stated that this is the first disqualification of the sort in this area. Several cases of a complicated character on the members present being Cors. E. Peel, J. H. Riley, F. Dyson, P. Pearson, J. E. Binns, and A. Balmforth. Allingham then took the claims and one question considered by the committee. Six of the applicants were granted pensions at the minimum amount of 5s. The committee spent a great deal of time in the consideration of the extraordinary application stated above. It was reported that the applicant had previously resided in the Huddersfield area, and that she had there applied for a pension, but had been refused because she exceeded the statutory limit, the claim to a pension also failed. Under the rules of the committee the case of the Elland pension area, and had received her application, but because she refused to disclose her financial position the committee could not entertain the question necessary information, the committee unanimously agreed to disallow the claim. It is interesting to note that one question which an applicant for a pension has to answer is: "Whether claimant has directly or indirectly deprived himself of any income or property in order to qualify for a pension, or for the receipt of a pension at a higher rate than that to which he would be entitled." It is at the latter stage the committee considered claims for soldiers' dependents. Six reports were presented, and amounts varying from 5s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. were granted.

LECTURE.

Mr. Dyson Brook (Halifax) lectured on Monday, at Methwelds Church Institute, Elland, on "Some Great Revolutions." There was an excellent discussion. Mr. Alex. Weshington presided over a good attendance, and at the close a hearty vote of thanks was passed on the proposition of Mr. Henry Sheeran, seconded by Mr. F. Giedhill.

SOUTHGATE INSTITUTE.

An interesting evening was spent by the members of the Southgate Young Men's Institute on Monday, when a couple of articles, from what is termed the "Book Shelf," were read by members. The magazine has been edited by Mr. Herbert Morton. The first article dealt with "Dominoes," and was entitled "One of the mutual improvement class," the contributor signing himself "Domino," and the second was "Some remarks on cards," by "Ace of Hearts," the latter adding himself behind the nom-de-plume of "Nute in May." Much enjoyment was extracted from the meeting and the articles which followed. The Rev. J. B. Wolstenholme presided.

PRESENTATION.

On Saturday, Mr. Arthur Park, who has left the town to join the staff of the Bank of England, was entertained with a farewell gathering of the members of the Elland Men's Bible Class, with whom he has been intimately associated for some time. The present was handed over by Mr. Hy. Johnson, while testimony was also added by Messrs. Wm. Hall, Elliott Greenwood, Mr. A. Park suitably replied. Supper was partaken of. At intervals songs, &c., were rendered, the Rev. H. Norbury presiding over the proceedings. The pianoforte during the music was supplied by Messrs. Waddington's band.

WESLEYANS' ANNIVERSARY.

The second anniversary services of the home department in connection with the Elland Wesleyan Sunday school were celebrated during the week-end, when sermons were preached by Mr. Joyce in the afternoon, the function being held on Monday.

Walter Atkinson Moriey presided at the address delivered by the Rev. C. Penney Hunt, B.A. (Halifax), and the Rev. J. W. Lightley, B.A., B.D. (Leeds), and J. Wilson Hirst, by the Rev. S. L. Evans (pastor), and an interesting report presented by Mr. H. Woodhead (superintendent). Among other things in this school there was a membership of over 300 and that the department was in a really flourishing and successful condition. Mr. Ainley presented a satisfactory financial statement. Songs were sung by Mrs. J. C. Mitchell, "Somewhere," and "The songs my mother sang" (Grimshaw), Miss Thornton, "The priceless gift" and "Abide with me" (Liddle), Miss Ethel Wood, "Berceuse" (Godard), Miss R. Wood, "Canerie" (Granfeldt) and "Waltz in D flat" (Chopin), while recitals were contributed, by Miss Mabel Spink, "Jessie's dream," and "A quiet day." Mr. J. Marsden was the accompanist. On Sunday there were good congregations, the services being remarkably free of the wet weather prevailing in the morning and evening, the Rev. J. W. Lightley preaching the sermons. The singing was of a hearty character on the occasion. At the former the choir sang the anthem "The Lord is my Shepherd," and at the latter "How long will ye imagine mischief." Herbert Ingham, A.R.C.O., was the organist. In the afternoon Mr. J. Mackrill conducted the singing of the infant class, and spoke upon "True success." On Sunday collections were taken for the home department.

CONCERT AT ELLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR BELGIAN RELIEF.

On Tuesday the Assembly Hall of the Secondary School was crowded on the occasion of the annual concert, the proceeds of which were for the Belgian relief fund. As the headmaster, Mr. P. Henderson, M.A., explained, the students had previously contributed to the Belgian relief fund, but this effort they were not only giving the concert but they had made the dresses, uniforms, and other preparations. The programme was a varied one. Chorus Anthem, and then Britannia, in the person of Miss Katharine Townend, seated on high and surrounded by her subjects, appeared, and sang "Rule Britannia." Then followed a picturesque representation of the Pied Piper of Hamelin, the effective costumes for which were designed by Miss Clark. Miss Ethel Hargreaves was the piper, Miss Phyllis Handley; Corporation, S. Gaood, B. Berry, S. Shackleton and J. Batley; townspeople, R. Shaw, A. Nicholl, Miss Hargreaves, Miss Handley, Mary Bates. These took their parts well, so, too, did the black rats, which formed an amusing dark band, the members of which were Misses Ainley behind it in bewildering numbers. The boys and girls represented the rats with much agility, and were eventually overcome by the piper, who, seated near could for once join heartily. Very pretty, too, was the army of children who came to the piper to join his following, the display was kept up Masters G. Bamforth, Woodhead, J. Schofield, T. Haigh, P. Hirst, F. Mallinson, and G. Wilkinson, the children in the front part.

The second part was occupied with the Story of the Armada, a beautiful historic representation in three acts, with dresses and hats and uniforms of Elizabethan days carefully designed by Miss Nightingale. The opening scene was a market in Devon, the London, in which Jock Burwood, the herb merchant, and Jenkin Hawkins, the sailor, appeared. J. Bottomley, who made merry with the two pretty market women, Edith Buckley and Mary Tatterson. Then Sir Alfred Vere appeared, and was greeted by Dorothy Marsden, Mildred Dobson, Beatrice Ainley, and Sonice Cornell. The next scene was the dark Keep of Plymouth, where the Armada was hatched by G. Bamforth, A. Aspinall, and G. Wilkinson. Very effective was the scene representing a room in Drake's palace, Elizabeth, with good Queen Bess surrounded by her courtiers. Miss Lillian Hall was Elizabeth, Queen Elizabeth, was typical in ruff and ample farthingale, and was provided with jewels. Dorothy Forrest depicted Lady Mary Howard, lady-in-waiting; the pages being P. Barrett and R. Tasker. H. Cornell made a portly Lord Burleigh, decreied with his age; C. Wilkinson was Sir Francis Drake, Hy. Clough; and A. Nicholl a wick valiant as Sir Francis Drake. In a following scene, the Hoe at Plymouth with the game of bowls in progress, Sir Francis Drake's victory, and Queen Bess's speech was lustily cheered by the troops; and finally the celebration of the victory over the Armada in the Palace of Whitehall. Here a pretty gavotte was given by Mary Gaored, H. Barrett, Phyllis Handley, S. Gaood, Gladys Owen, E. Rogerson, Dorothy Marsden, and W. T. Tasker. Throughout, the representation was admirable. The characters represented, in addition to those above mentioned, were:—Spaniards, Mr. Rabbicombe, a west country sailor, admirably portrayed by F. Bamforth; Spanish spies, the Spaniard by F. Mallinson; Ap Thomas, a Welshman, by A. Priestley; and Dickon, a Derbyshire man, by D. Hirst. Mr. F. Mallinson was accompanist, and the teachers assisted the students in preparing for the concert. The performance and the brilliant scene at the close of the combined artistes and the audience joined in the National Anthem.

The concert was repeated on Wednesday.

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MEN'S OWN.

At the weekly meeting of the Elland Men's Own Brotherhood, held at the Congregational Church on Sunday, Mr. J. Chambers (Halifax) was the speaker, Mr. G. Wainwright, chairman. Mr. S. Dyson, reader of the lesson, and Mr. Whitaker, leader in prayer. Selections of verses were rendered by the Elland C.E.M.S. Handbell Ringers, and these were highly appreciated. There was a good congregation.

SOUTH-LANE MILLS ON FIRE.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK.

Shortly after nine o'clock on Tuesday a fire broke out at Southlane Mills, Elland, and did considerable damage to property, though fortunately no one workpeople were in the part of the building wherein injury and with most consternation. The mill stands on the south side of Southlane, at twelve windows long, with staircase at the south-east angle and stairs at the easterly side leading to emergency doors, and is of wooden broad and four storeys in height. In all the rooms power for the manufacture is carried on, though by different firms. The mill is owned by Messrs. Illingworth, Thornton and Son have a plant, the two next rooms being in possession of Messrs. W. Peel and Co., Limited, whose room adjoins, and the upper storey is occupied by Mr. W. B. Lord. The structure is the property of Messrs. Henry Illingworth and Sons, Ltd., and is built of stone with slate roof, and only divided by a broad yard, is Owlet Hall Mills, which on the opposite side, and built full lapped floor, is occupied by Messrs. Illingworth, supplied by Messrs. Illingworth, with plenty of storage property adjoining. It is worthy of note that in October, 1913, a great deal of damage was done by the same mill, and a number of workpeople had on that occasion thrilling experiences. So serious was the outbreak on Tuesday that some of the operatives jumped from the crane doors and received injuries which necessitated their removal to the Halifax Infirmary. All the workpeople were brought to the minds of the workpeople and the thousands of onlookers on Tuesday morning.

Returning to the Tuesday's conflagration the fire broke out in the rooms occupied by Messrs. Thornton in the basement, a piece of hard material striking fire as it was being worked in the machine. Quickly the flames began to spread, and dense volumes of smoke issued from the windows, the first spot to exactly locate the outbreak, and so put an effective means of keeping the fire down out of the workpeople's way. Fortunately, the fire, though bearing in mind the previous experience, the people working in the upper portions of the mill were apprised of the danger, and the machinery quickly stopped, the whole of the employees getting into the street hurriedly though safely. There was no panic whatever. The Elland Fire Brigade, with the fine apparatus belonging to Owlet Hall Mills, and in this way prevented the rapid spread of the flames. While the efforts of the firemen were done the fire hooter at the Council Offices was sounded, to warn the local fire brigade. As quickly as possible, the call the men were summoned to the scene—the men responded to the call, and set off from the fire station in Southgate, where the steam fire engine following some minutes later.

When Supt. Crossley and his staff arrived on the scene they found that, with an apparently alarming situation, for dense volumes of smoke were issuing from several of the windows and flames darting out from one into the mass. The searching of the fire alarm attracted thousands of people to the spot, and Supt. Walton and a number of police officers rendered valuable service in keeping the crowd out of the firemen's way.

At the back of the burning factory is a large yard, and this the firemen made the base of operations from, and they, with their hose were able to get the upper parts of the factory. The volunteers for this work had no light task in hand, for the men had to work in the thick, dense smoke in order to get it under the tram wires in Southgate. The task was a difficult one. However, at length the apparatus was brought into position, and the fire was subdued, and the task of the firemen not finished. They remained on the scene for a time to see that there was a slight mastery over the burning pile. Then it was decided to fetch the fire escape, and the firemen, with their hose were able to get through

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ST. THOMAS'S CHOIR SOCIAL.

On Saturday the choir of St. Thomas's Church held their annual social in the schools. A considerable audience assembled for the first part of the proceedings, which took the form of a concert, in the course of which Miss Annie Bailey, Messrs. W. Jowett, J. Oakes, J. Hirst, H. Hirst and Fred Taylor rendered vocal music in an acceptable manner, to the accompaniment of Mr. J. Sutcliffe. Miss Maggie Dawson, Mr. J. Hirst and Mr. G. Kelly rendered duets, the items which, a sketch, entitled "Perdies' Freezing Mixture." After the concert a light supper was partaken of, after which dancing was indulged in till about 10.30, to the music of Mr. Bolton.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

CHATS WITH THE CHILDREN.

ABOUT RUBBER TREES.

We live in a very wonderful world. There is not the slightest doubt as to this, and the older we grow the more we understand the many marvels which surround us. The fact is, those who are interested in the little processes of the universe frequently come across strange stories of the discovery of great wealth by the most unlikely people, for countless ages in the unexplored forests, or hidden under the mountains' rocky surface. Sometimes it has happened that the first discoverer has failed to realise the importance of his "find," or has been unable to make use of it in any practical way. Others succeed later: the true value has been found out, and the mine or the mountain has had to pay up its treasure. When Columbus made the famous trip to America for the second time, he also made a discovery which was both curious and amusing. He and his men noticed that a group of natives had some good fun by

THROWING LITTLE BALLS

from one to another. These small pellets were made from the "gum" of a tree, of which nothing had ever been seen, or grown in the Old World. These balls when dropped by the players would bounce up and down on the ground to a very remarkable manner. Also it was noticed that if rubbed off went the Portuguese planter into the depths of the Brazilian forests. With his slaves he searched the precious trees, made deep cuts in the trunk, and caught in some vessel the milk-like juice. After a little process to get rid of the water and impurities away, a dull dark colour taking its place. Into this he dipped a stick and stirred it round and round, while holding it in the smoke from a palm-nut fire. Then gradually the liquid began to harden, and soon it was quite solid and ready to be sent off to the ship. No further means were made in rubber until the beginning of the 19th century when Charles Mackintosh made a thick varnish of rubber for waterproofing cloth. During the days when the manufactured rubber was used for little else than mackintoshes, garden hose, rubber rings, and elsewhere, bouncing balls, air-balloons and vulcanite, the forests of America and Central Africa supplied all the trees required. Then, when the pneumatic bicycle put in an appearance, and still more when the motor-car came,

GREAT CHANGES

took place. Then the trees of Brazil, Central America and the Congo forests began to use the seeds from the rubber trees, and we read that in the Malay Peninsula and the East Indies young trees from these seeds produced in 1909 three thousand seven hundred tons of rubber. In a single year the tale of this wonderfully useful vegetable product is so gigantic that if I gave you the figures you would only be puzzled. I expect most of my readers have seen an India rubber plant with its great glossy leaves and tall upright stem, and perhaps if you are fortunate enough to have also seen the milky white juice, or tiny drop of which will flow out if a leaf is broken off or its bark injured.

This wonderful plant however does not like our chilly land, and it is only with difficulty that healthy plants are reared, and then they are only for ornament and never grow large enough to be of real use. I have an idea they love the tropical forests best.

OUR PRIZE CONTEST

for this month is to be an original story, and I am just going to give you a little card to help you to fill all the rest. "Toby's Fairy Princess." You write a story just as long or as short as you like, but you must keep to the subject I have named. Table games are to be the awards.

UNCLE CHARLIE.

ST. JAMES' SPIRITUAL TEMPLE, ALMA-STREET.

The services at the above place on Sunday were conducted by Mrs. Dodsworth (Bradford), she took for her sermon in the afternoon "Thy Will be done." The evening service was very well attended, considering the inclement weather, to hear her inspiring sermon, "Out of the darkness into the light." She also gave a number of delineations which were recognised. The choir gave a capital rendering of the anthem "Awake! put on strength." Master G. I. Gaukroger recounted the choir in the afternoon and Mr. H. H. Fleming at the evening service. Miss A. Gaukroger presided at the organ.

PRIZE JOKES AND STORIES

PRIZE JOKES ONE SHILLING EACH.

SO SUDDEN.

As the players made their appearance from the dressing-room he began to enlarge on their merits to his fiancee.

"Ah, there's Smith! He's first rate—a splendid forward! And that's Jackson over there! He's really fine—going to be our best man in a few weeks!"

"Oh, Walter, he—he'll do all right!" she lisped low. "But it's so sudden, dear."

—W. A. Wood, 22, Rochdale-road, Todmorden.

THE PREACHER'S RETORT.

A good, old preacher, famous for his wit, was one day out hunting, and when he was overtaken by a trap driven by the local solicitor and his friend who was a doctor. The preacher, on being offered a ride gladly took his seat. Thinking to have some quiet fun at the expenses of the old preacher the solicitor asked him:

"Suppose now, Mr. J., a devil were to meet us, into which of us would it enter?"

"Why," gasped the doctor, "into me, of course."

It is in you two already!"

—T. Turner, Gate Head Farm, Friendly.

SQUEAK STOP SPEAK.

Ethel: I wonder a pair of slippers for pa. No, 10, please, and squeaky.

Shoemaker: Squeaky, miss? I'm afraid we haven't any of that kind.

Ethel: I am so sorry. Couldn't you make him a squeaky pair? There is a certain young gentleman who visits me frequently, and—and it would be very convenient for him to know just when pa is coming.

—J. Rowton, Queensbury.

QUITE A NATURAL QUESTION.

Little Boy: England's a free country, isn't it?

Patriotic Parent: Yes, my lad; it is, indeed.

Little Boy (aggrieved): Then why don't they let me go into your circus without paying?

—Eleanor Jakeway, 1, Calder-avenue, Pye Nest, King Cross, Halifax.

POOR DAD.

"I want you to understand," he said, addressing his 17-year-old son, "that I am still boss in this house."

"All right, dad," the boy replied, "but you're a coward to make the boast behind mother's back."

—E. Jones, 8, Water-lane, Halifax.

"AND HE WAS."

"Smart Boy Wanted." Such was the notice outside a Halifax warehouse. It hadn't been there long before a little fellow, red headed and freckled, calmly lifted it down and went inside briskly.

"Did you hang this outside, sir," he asked the manager.

"Yes!" was the stern reply, "and what did you pull it down for?"

The boy looked at him for a few moments. Pity for the man's ignorance was plainly written in his face. Then he spoke, and his reply was short, but to the point.

"Why," he said, "why, become I'm 'im!"

—David Smith, 53, Ripon-street, Hopwood-lane, Halifax.

"AND HIS WIFE."

A certain gentleman who had accompanied his wife on an excursion to Lewis's, Manchester, with all its bargains, in the enormous building, with its great departments, became separated from his better half.

For an hour or more he remained lounging at the entrance of many ways where lifts and stairs met.

Then, tired and angry, he approached an irreproachable shopwalker. "Sir," he said to the floor-walker, addressing in tones of indignation, "I've lost my wife!"

"Third floor and over the bridge for the mourning department," came the ready reply, with unerring force.

—Mrs. Greene, 90, Phillips Park-road, Berwick, Manchester.

WHEN I'M SEVEN.

Soldier Daddy's gone away—
Gone to fight the naughty men;
When they all have runned away
Daddy's coming back again.

When my daddy went away,
He did buy me lots of toys:
Soldiers and guns, and green, and guns
What do make a great big noise.

When I'm seven I'm going too,
Just to catch a naughty boy I can—
Going to fight by daddy's side,
'Cause I'll be a quite big man.

When I'm seven they mummy says
Five's too little. Then I won't
Cry because my childhoods lasting—
Mummy says she soldiers don't.

Darling daddy, do you know,
Every night and every day,
When I say my prayers one aloud
This is what I always pray—

"Please, God, bring my daddy back.
Daddy's gone to kill a man,
Mummy cries and looks so sad.
Never plays with little Jack."

—Frances Wilkinson, 15, York-crescent, King Cross, Halifax.

CAUSE OF WET WEATHER.

"Hello, Jim; life's wet and soggy."

"Aye, it is. What's to think's t'cause of all this rain?"

"Government, Aw think. They can do owt."

"Ha's that?"

"Why, they've risen tax to 3d. a pint, and shut pubs up at 9 o'clock on a nook, and all sic cans 'll want summout to sup, soa it'll hev to be watter, and that 'll hev to mean more moosterers!"

—Wilfred Shackleton, 78, Town Gate, Mirfield.

BIRTHS.

By going to [illegible] week for the [illegible] opera [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

THE WEEK'S POLICE.

HALIFAX BOROUGH COURT.

SATURDAY.

HALIFAX MAN'S 20th CONVICTION.

Silas Appleyard (60), labourer, 6, Smithy-street was fined 10s with appurtenances. It was also his seventh time for begging. P.C. Thomas Corney said prisoner came to him—he was in plain clothes at Ward's End—and asked for a halfpenny towards his lodging money. Prisoner, pleading guilty, said he had an order for the Guardians, and if the Bench would let him go he would not beg again. He said he was "nayt fair brokken daho." The Chairman said his record was too black against him, and he must go to prison for 14 days.

TUESDAY.

SUNDAY EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN.

Willie Sunderland, Holdsworth House Farm, was summoned for employing a child on Sunday, Jan 24.—P.C. Davis said he saw a lad named Arnold, a relative, in charge of a milk-float delivering milk in Scarr-road. The lad told him he was 11 years of age. When seen by defendant he said the following day, defendant told him he did not think he was doing any harm and that the lad was sent out because one of the farm lads was afflicted to the army and he (defendant) was bad with rheumatics.—Defendant was ordered to pay 3s. costs.

George Hemingway, 229, Range-lane, was summoned for causing a child to street trading, on the same date.—P.C. Robinson said he saw the 13 year old son of defendant at the bottom of Hailey Bank on the Saturday night in question with a bundle of papers under his arm and a man went up to him and bought a paper. When spoken to defendant said "I thought I could do so. I lived with my own boy.—Abl. Coe (one of the magistrates): You cannot do as you like in a free country.—Defendant was fined 5s. inclusive.

WORSTED SPINNERS' EXPLANATION OF BLACK SMOKE.

A case under the Public Health Act was heard, when Messrs. Illey and Pearson, Limited, worsted spinners, Trafalgar Mills, were summoned, (1) for a contravention of the law by neglecting to comply with a notice to abate a nuisance arising from the discharge of black smoke from a chimney at the mills.

Mr. Minshull (for the prosecution) said an inspector took observations on Nov. 25, and between 10.20 and 11 a.m. saw black smoke issuing for 16 minutes. The stokers attributed black smoke to wet coal being used. On Nov. 26, a notice to abate the nuisance was served upon defendants. On Jan. 6, 14 days after the expiration of the notice, the chimney was not clear of smoke for 10 minutes during a period of two hours, from 9.50 to 11.50.

Mr. L. Rhodes, who pleaded guilty on behalf of defendants, said it was most unfortunate proceedings should have been taken at the present time. The defendants were most anxious to support in preserving khaki, and were working at full speed. They had great difficulty in complying with the requirement of the Government inspectors when they visited the mill past month, but been urging the defendants to speed ahead with the work. In addition to some consideration should be shown to the defendants from the Government admitted that the times were not normal, and had suspended the operations of the Factory Act. His clients had done what could reasonably be expected of them to try to minimise any nuisance.

It was stated the present was the third charge against defendant, who had, in 1905, been convicted for a similar offence.

Defendants were fined 20s. with 8s. 6d. costs, and the Bench made an order that the nuisance should be abated within 14 days.

THE EMPTY PIANO-CASE.

Morris Cherry Sutcliffe, 15, George-street, was summoned for failing to light an obstruction in Rawson-street on Feb. 1.—P.C. Harrison said he saw, at 5.55 p.m., a large unlighted piano-case outside defendant's premises in Rawson-street. There was no danger lamp attached. He saw the case on the middle of the footway next morning. Defendant, in admitting the offence, said when pianos were delivered they left the cases outside for the carters to collect them, which they generally did in about an hour's time. On the occasion in question the carter did not collect the case, and he (defendant) did not know anything about it until the following morning.—Fined 2s. 6d. inclusive.

THURSDAY.

ALLEGED THEFT OF A PONY.

John Fisher (25), hawker, no fixed abode, was charged with stealing a grey pony, value £4, from a stable in Commercial-street on Dec. 28 last. Mr. F. G. Minshull (assistant solicitor to the Halifax Corporation) prosecuted.

Edward Lumb, 9, Short-street, Cromhalde, said he locked up his stable at 10.30 on the morning of December 28. The grey horse was in the stable at the time. In consequence of something which he was told he went to the stable about 4 o'clock, but the staples had been drawn out. The grey horse was missing. When he looked up the stable in the morning there were two grey horses in the stable. Information was given to the police, and he identified the horse. He paid 20 he went to the horse slaughterer's at Ploughcroft; after that he made a further communication to the police. The grey horse pony was his property, and he was valued at £4.—By prisoner: He called at prisoner's father's, which was the last place he saw him on the 28. He never asked prisoner's father if he knew of anyone who would buy a pony.

Prisoner: Didn't we go drinking together?—Yes.—How many pints of beer did we have each?—I cannot say. Did we have five or six pints each?—No, we did not.—Had we four or five pints each?—We might have.—Did I pawn my coat and vest?—Not while I was there.—Subsequently you pawned my shoes?—No he did not.—Were we together all the day until four o'clock?—No. You left me in the "Rose," with your father, and I asked your father where you had gone, and he told me you had gone to fetch a hamah for the landlord.

Prisoner: I wish to apply for a remand for a week to call witnesses.

The Chairman (Mr. A. Crabtree): What do you want to prove?—That I was in this man's company from 8.30 in the morning until 4, and that I gave him 35s. deposit on this pony.

Prisoner gave the names of witnesses he desired to call, and he was remanded till Tuesday next.

Prisoner: May I ask the police to be allowed to try and find those witnesses who have gone away from here?

Chief-inspector Gledhill said that would be done.

FRIDAY.

HALIFAX CLERGYMAN'S WIFE DUPED.

Walter Baldwin (24), 19, James-street, described on the charge sheet as a hospital attendant, was brought up in custody charged with obtaining 5s. by false pretences on Feb. 5, from Mrs. Mary E. Dixon, wife of the Rev. C. E. Dixon, vicar of St. Jude's, who is at present with the chaplain with H.M. Forces. Mr. F. C. Minshull, assistant-solicitor to the Halifax Corporation, prosecuted.

Mrs. Dixon said about 1.30 on Feb. 5 she saw the prisoner at the entrance to the vicarage. He said a wounded soldier wished to see her, and she went to him. He was dressed in the uniform of the Black Watch. He said "I am a witness, Good morning, Mrs. Dixon. Do you remember me?" So many soldiers came to see her that she could say that she was not sure of him, and said "No, unless it is Dick Kelly." He replied, "Yes, that is my name." He told her he was home on leave from the front, and was wounded in the knee at Ypres, and would like to see Mr. Dixon. He said he had been in St. Thomas's Hospital, and that he had been sent from there forced to Bradford, where he had to report himself that afternoon. He asked her to give him something to buy that his mother was ill and had not been working lately. He said he had been allowing his mother 5s. 6d. per week out of his pay, and the Government 10s., but he had not had anything. He asked whether she would help his mother, adding his mother felt sure Mrs. Vicar, or wife, would assist her. Witness told him she would ask the clergyman, who was playing golf, and advised him to call and see the mother. Knowing Mrs. Kelly and the family as well she, believing his statements to be true, gave him 5s. to assist his mother. She identified prisoner from a number of photographs produced, and also identified him in Court. When asked if he had any questions to put to witness prisoner said "Only I wish to refund this lady her money. I said pity when I saw her."

Mrs. Kelly O'Kelly, wife of George O'Kelly, 24, Timber-street, said she had a son Richard. He was out in India, serving as a soldier. He was not ill, and had not, at any time, authorised any person to call upon Mrs. Dixon for money. She did not know the prisoner at all. Mrs. Dixon had known witness and the family for many years.

Detective-Sergt. Moss said he received a communication, on February 5, that this money had been obtained, and on February 10 he went to prisoner's house into custody from the West Riding police. He charged prisoner, who replied, "All right, guilty."

Prisoner, when formally charged, said, "I wish to take my trial at the assizes."

The Deputy Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. Wilcock): You have already been committed for trial to the Sessions?—Yes, but I shall get justice administered to me at the Assizes.

The Mayor: As you have already been committed to the Sessions we have no alternative.

Prisoner: So I take my trial on both at the Sessions?

The Mayor: Yes. The Bench wish to compliment Mrs. Dixon upon coming forward to give evidence. There are so many people going about soliciting for alms and circulating false statements as to not receiving army pay that it did a great deal of harm.

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HALIFAX WEST RIDING COURT.

SATURDAY.

AN UNDESIRABLE.

When John Hayward, 27, who was fined abode, was charged with begging at Siland, Supt. Myers said prisoner was a most undesirable person, and there were several previous convictions against him. He had been convicted for false pretences, being found on enclosed premises, and other offences; had been discharged from the Army with ignominy.—P.C. Whitaker, having given evidence as to arresting prisoner, P.S. Walton said prisoner, who was charged, also had not worked for 10 years.—Committed for 14 days.

SILAND WOMAN'S LANGUAGE.

Mary E. Taylor, married woman, Siland, was upon the evidence of P.S. Walton, fined 7s. 6d. and 9s. 6d. costs or 7 days, for using obscene language on January 31. Defendant was stated to have used the language in her own house, and when spoken to by the sergeant replied "It's a——I cannot swear in my own house." Defendant gave evidence denying using any bad language, and was corroborated by Mrs. Alice Eastwood (Halifax) and Mrs. Lena Houldsworth.

MONDAY.

Before Mr. J. E. Shaw (chairman) and Mr. J. Whitaker.

VIOLENT PRISONER.

A Sowerby Bridge soldier won police appreciation for his help in quelling a violent prisoner. George Dewhirst, driver, Sowerby Bridge, was charged with being drunk and disorderly on Saturday, and assaulting the police. He pleaded guilty to both charges.

Supt. Myers said that about 9.15 p.m. on Saturday P.C.s. Cooper and Beecham, when in West-street, saw prisoner drunk and behaving disorderly. He refused to go when requested. Immediately the police took hold of him he became very violent, and kicked P.C. Beecham so severely that he had a contused right leg, causing him to go off duty, and he was ordered to be off a week. A bottle crowd gathered, about 200 collecting on the canal bank, and they had to draw off duty in getting prisoner to the police station. Great credit was due to Quartermaster-Sergt. Brewer, 4th West Riding Regiment, stationed at Sowerby Bridge. He, seeing the difficulties the police were in, kept back the crowd, in which were several soldiers, until prisoner was taken to the police station.

P.C. Cooper, having this out, said after prisoner had been cautioned and was being taken away a friend, he stopped, and turning to the police said, "Let them take me into custody if they can.

As to the charge of assaulting, prisoner said: "I had got so far that I didn't know what I was doing just."

P.C. Beecham, who had had to take a seat owing to his injured ankle, said when he assisted P.C. Cooper, prisoner kicked him on the right leg. Prisoner said he got up prisoner kicked him again. He had to be attended by Dr. Adams.

Prisoner: I don't remember kicking. I might strike a time or two, but I don't remember kicking that man.

Supt. Myers said prisoner had been in Court on 20 previous occasions.

Mr. Stephen Dyson, manager for Sowerby Bridge Co-operative Society, said prisoner was in their employ, and was a really good, hard-working young man, who had done very well for the Society. While he did not bear with the man at all in what he had done owing to the enmity of those at that time, he asked the Bench to deal with him as leniently as possible.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Fishwick, but said the case was a serious one, and the police must be protected in the discharge of their duties. They must deal with the case as it stood. Prisoner would be given 14 days' hard labour without the option of a fine for the assault, and fined 7s. 6d., costs remitted, or seven days (concurrently with the other) for drunkenness.

Prisoner: I will go down for the lot.

WEDNESDAY.

Before Major Morris, Mr. J. E. Shaw, and Mr. C. Waller.

SOLDIER'S ALLEGED FRAUD.

Attired in military uniform, on the arms of which he sported the three chevrons of a corporal, Walter Baldwin, aged 24, was charged on three informations with having obtained money by means of false pretences. The persons he had imposed upon were Canon Ivens, Vicar of Sowerby Bridge, Mr. Robert Lionel Foster, of Greenabury, and the wife of Col. Crossley, of Ripponden. Mr. F. G. Minshull, a deputy of the Halifax Corporation, prosecuted.

Edward Lumb, 9, Short-street, Cromhalde, said he locked up his stable at 10.30 on the morning of December 28. The grey horse was in the stable at the time. In consequence of something which he was told he went to the stable about 4 o'clock, but the staples had been drawn out. The grey horse was missing. When he looked up the stable in the morning there were two grey horses in the stable. Information was given to the police, and he identified the horse. He paid 20 he went to the horse slaughterer's at Ploughcroft; after that he made a further communication to the police. The grey horse pony was his property, and he was valued at £4.—By prisoner: He called at prisoner's father's, which was the last place he saw him on the 28. He never asked prisoner's father if he knew of anyone who would buy a pony.

Prisoner: Didn't we go drinking together?—Yes.—How many pints of beer did we have each?—I cannot say. Did we have five or six pints each?—No, we did not.—Had we four or five pints each?—We might have.—Did I pawn my coat and vest?—Not while I was there.—Subsequently you pawned my shoes?—No he did not.—Were we together all the day until four o'clock?—No. You left me in the "Rose," with your father, and I asked your father where you had gone, and he told me you had gone to fetch a hamah for the landlord.

Prisoner: I wish to apply for a remand for a week to call witnesses.

The Chairman (Mr. A. Crabtree): What do you want to prove?—That I was in this man's company from 8.30 in the morning until 4, and that I gave him 35s. deposit on this pony.

Prisoner gave the names of witnesses he desired to call, and he was remanded till Tuesday next.

Prisoner: May I ask the police to be allowed to try and find those witnesses who have gone away from here?

Chief-inspector Gledhill said that would be done.

FRIDAY.

HALIFAX CLERGYMAN'S WIFE DUPED.

Walter Baldwin (24), 19, James-street, described on the charge sheet as a hospital attendant, was brought up in custody charged with obtaining 5s. by false pretences, on Feb. 5, from Mrs. Mary E. Dixon, wife of the Rev. C. E. Dixon, vicar of St. Jude's, who is at present with the chaplain with H.M. Forces. Mr. F. C. Minshull, assistant-solicitor to the Halifax Corporation, prosecuted.

Mrs. Dixon said about 1.30 on Feb. 5 she saw the prisoner at the entrance to the vicarage. He said a wounded soldier wished to see her, and she went to him. He was dressed in the uniform of the Black Watch. He said "I am a witness, Good morning, Mrs. Dixon. Do you remember me?" So many soldiers came to see her that she could say that she was not sure of him, and said "No, unless it is Dick Kelly." He replied, "Yes, that is my name." He told her he was home on leave from the front, and was wounded in the knee at Ypres, and would like to see Mr. Dixon. He said he had been in St. Thomas's Hospital, and that he had been sent from there forced to Bradford, where he had to report himself that afternoon. He asked her to give him something to buy that his mother was ill and had not been working lately. He said he had been allowing his mother 5s. 6d. per week out of his pay, and the Government 10s., but he had not had anything. He asked whether she would help his mother, adding his mother felt sure Mrs. Vicar, or wife, would assist her. Witness told him she would ask the clergyman, who was playing golf, and advised him to call and see the mother. Knowing Mrs. Kelly and the family as well she, believing his statements to be true, gave him 5s. to assist his mother. She identified prisoner from a number of photographs produced, and also identified him in Court. When asked if he had any questions to put to witness prisoner said "Only I wish to refund this lady her money. I said pity when I saw her."

Mrs. Kelly O'Kelly, wife of George O'Kelly, 24, Timber-street, said she had a son Richard. He was out in India, serving as a soldier. He was not ill, and had not, at any time, authorised any person to call upon Mrs. Dixon for money. She did not know the prisoner at all. Mrs. Dixon had known witness and the family for many years.

Detective-Sergt. Moss said he received a communication, on February 5, that this money had been obtained, and on February 10 he went to prisoner's house into custody from the West Riding police. He charged prisoner, who replied, "All right, guilty."

Prisoner, when formally charged, said, "I wish to take my trial at the assizes."

The Deputy Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. Wilcock): You have already been committed for trial to the Sessions?—Yes, but I shall get justice administered to me at the Assizes.

The Mayor: As you have already been committed to the Sessions we have no alternative.

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WEST MORLEY DIVISION.

CHAIRMAN AND THE INCREASE IN DRUNKENNESS.

FUTILE OPPOSITION TO A SOWERBY BRIDGE LICENCE.

The annual Brewster Sessions for the West Morley Division of the West Riding were held at the Court House, Halifax, on Wednesday, the justices present being Major T. H. Morris (chairman), Mr. J. E. Shaw, Dr. Denning and Mr. S. Lumb.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Superintendent Myers reported that the total number of licensed houses in the division was 2249. One fully licensed house and one beerhouse were referred at the last Brewster Sessions to the Compensation Authority, and both were refused and the houses closed. The population of the division, according to the last census, was 66,596, giving an average of one licensed house or beerhouse to every 302 inhabitants. Taking all classes of licenses, for every 267 inhabitants. During the year, one beerseller was proceeded against and the case dismissed against one proceeded against and convicted the previous year. One hundred and fifty-one persons were proceeded against during the year for drunkenness and other offences under the Licensing Acts, namely, 141 for drunkenness, six for being drunk in charge of licensed premises, three for being drunk on licensed premises, and one for being drunk and refusing to quit. Eleven of the 151 persons were females. There were 100 were residents and 51 non-residents, chiefly of the tramping class. One hundred and thirteen of the cases took place on Fridays and Saturdays. The total compared with previous years as follows: 1909, 1,016; 1910, 959; 1911, 224; 1912, 172; 1913, 111; and 1914, 140. There were 49 clubs registered in the division, with a membership of 6,943, representing an increase of 348 members.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS.

The Chairman, commenting on the report, remarked that the most satisfactory part was that no licence holder had been convicted during the year. It was not, however, satisfactory that there should have been an increase of 13 in the cases of drunkenness on the previous year and the year before. No small amount of increase in the police superintendents told him, was due to a considerable portion of the police force being withdrawn in connection with strikes, and consequently that there was not the same supervision. As to the past year, the increase corresponded to the fall in the number of the police. He thought the Superintendent suggested that the fact of new tramways being laid in certain parts of the division, owing to the improvement of a new road of labour, had something to do with the increase. He was not sure, however, that that reason was quite satisfactory, because of the increase of cases in the five were residents. After the satisfactory decreases of previous years, the justices looked with disappointment on the increase. They sincerely hoped there should have been an increase, and it was to be hoped that an improvement would be experienced. He was pleased to observe that in the case of drunkenness amongst women should have increased from seven to eleven. That, of course, could have nothing to do with the labour conditions in the division. It behoved licence-holders to see that no woman was served when she ought not to be.

THE MILITARY ORDER.

Licensed houses were now under the regulation issued by the military authorities, and that regulation had been extended by the justices to clubs, which placed all on the same footing. He did not know that in this particular division it could be said for a moment that there was any necessity, on account of increased drunkenness, for the restriction. Everybody, however, would agree that in such a time as the present it was desirable to withdraw, as far as possible, any undue temptation to young soldiers. No doubt the regulation would inflict a considerable amount of hardship on licence-holders, but at a time like this everybody would be only too glad to do his share in the unfortunate war in which the country was involved, and which was making such tremendous calls on every class of the community. He trusted that, as the case ceased, the restriction would be withdrawn, and the trade would go back to ordinary conditions.

CONSTANT TRANSFERS.

The increase of 13 in the number of transfers, having regard to the experience of recent years, was an indication that in the division there was a less demand for intoxicants, certainly in the outlying districts. These constant transfers were not satisfactory to the justices, because where there were constant transfers there was a tendency to make them feel that the class of licence-holder was deteriorating, and that it was more difficult for those who owned houses to get a really satisfactory tenant. Comparing the division with neighbouring divisions, the division was not extremely well in the percentage of population to persons proceeded against for drunkenness, amounting to only 2.2 thousand of the population. The adjourned licensing sessions, the Chairman concluded, would be held on March 6.

OBJECTION TO A SOWERBY BRIDGE LICENCE.

Objection was made by Supt. Myers to the renewal of the licence of the West End Tavern, Sowerby Bridge, on the ground of its non-necessity. He did so, he said, on instruction from the Removal Authority. There was a great redundancy of licensed houses in the west end of Sowerby Bridge, and in his opinion the West End Tavern was the least desirable. To withdraw all the licence would involve no inconvenience to residents in the district.

Mr. Arthur Willey of Leeds, appeared for Walter Brigge, the landlord, in support of the renewal.

Supt. Myers in cross-examination by him stated that there were more than ample licensed houses in the particular district, and he considered that the Removal Authority had been ill-advised in every way than the West End Tavern. He knew nothing as to the trade done at that house. The house, according to his instructions, was not a free house. He was not in a position to say, assuming it was a free house, that it was the only house of that description in the district. The present tenant had held the licence for 16 years. Whether, however, the previous tenant was there for 22 years he could not say without reference to the register. He should be surprised to hear that Mr. Briggs had served regularly 150 at-dinner dinners for working men per week. If that the house was not a tramhouse, of, at least, £17 per week he did not admit. He could not say whether there was no house within 400 yards doing anything like that business.

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Mr. Willey, in asking for the renewal of the licence, laid stress on the fact that, three years ago, the renewal was opposed, and, on appeal, the Pear Tree and the Bridge were granted on opposition. Although, however, the Compensation Authority refused to the licences, the Removal Authority refused to act on the reference, and renewed those licences. It was based on the fact that the trade done at the Tavern was the most satisfactory of the three. If that was not objected to, for there had been no change in the circumstances of the locality in the meantime, the Tavern was the best suited to the important branch of advertising in the locality. He had a letter certified for the betterment of business by shopping and the increasing sales, for the reduction of selling costs, and for their spending a large amount. Sales of human agency were now most expensive. It was the purpose of trade papers to reduce the cost of transactions. That was accomplished by doing away with travellers, but by increasing the volume of their sales. Trade papers ensured the rapid advertising of any article brought into whole trade clientele. Good-will was enhanced by continuous and regular trade advertising, particularly by advertising articles made by a brand or trade mark. Having alluded to the economic of trade papers, he desired to read all their special functions. He suggested, amongst new methods of using trade papers, that commercial travellers should use them for the purpose of advising their customers or for addressing their customers in case of inability to call; railway companies ought to use them for advertising rates and times of collection; business requisites such as type-writers and indications of investment ought to be advertised more amongst trade-ns; and municipalities might do more side advertising in trade papers. There were signs that the trade paper was going to be a much more important factor.

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Marriages.

ARMITAGE—DRAKE.—At St. Cuthbert's Church, Ackworth, Feb. 9th, 1915, George, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Armitage, of Elland, to Lizzie, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Drake, of Ackworth.
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BIBBY—BEDFORD.—Feb. 6, at Saltaire Congregational Church, Harry Bibby, miner, Salterhebble, to Miss May Whaley Bedford, Siddal.
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