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"CHRIST AND WAR" is the Subject of a Lecture to be delivered TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at ... in the CHRISTADELPHIAN MEETING-ROOM, ... Street, Keighley. Speaker, Mr. A. S. WADSWORTH (Keighley). All Seats Free and No Collection.

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For particulars of Services see Parochial Bills.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, HIGHFIELD. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), November 5th, PATRONAL FESTIVAL. 10.30, Matins and Holy Communion; 6.30, ... and Sermon. Preacher at both Services, Rev. ... (Leeds). In the Afternoon, at 2.30, ORGAN RECITAL by Miss EMMA WALBANK, A.R.C.O. Soloist: ALICE THOMAS. Offertories for Church Funds.

ALBERT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH. SERVICES TO-MORROW. Morning at 10.30, Afternoon ... Preacher, Rev. T. G. HUNTER. At 4.30 there ... YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING held in the School. WEDNESDAY NEXT, November 8, VISIT of Rev. F. C. ..., of London. Afternoon Service at 4 p.m. TEA ... In the Evening, at 7.30, LANTERN LECTURE on "Romance of Australia" (Illustrated by 100 specially-... slides). Collections for Church Funds.

DEVONSHIRE PARK WESLEYAN CHAPEL.
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY).
Morning, 10.30: Rev. W. J. BRITTON.
Evening, 6: Rev. W. L. HANN.
Subject: "Sentiment and Sacrifice."

WESLEY PLACE CHAPEL, INGROW.
HALF-YEARLY CHOIR SERVICES,
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), November 5th.
Morning Service at 10.30. Preacher: Rev. W. L. HANN.
Anthem ... "Benedictus" ... Tours.
AFTERNOON SERVICE.
2.30 the Choir will Sing "REBEKAH" (Barnby).
Soloists: Miss M. SUGDEN, Mr. E. RATCLIFFE, Mr. F. POPPLEWELL (Guiseley).
Organist and Choirmaster: Mr. JAS. HEY.
Evening Service at 6 o'clock. Preacher: Rev. R. H. KILLIP.
Anthems: "In Heavenly love abiding" ... Parker, "And Jesus entered the Temple" ... Walford Davies.
Soloists: Miss SUGDEN and Mr. POPPLEWELL.
Collection at Each Service for Choir Fund.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH. CHURCH ANNIVERSARY SERVICES. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), November 5, 10.30 and 6: "THE ARK OF GOD WAS TAKEN" (1 Sam. iv. 11). "A NIGHT OF WEEPING AND THE MORNING OF JOY" (Psl. xxx. 5). Preacher, Rev. F. J. STOCKTON.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, CAVENDISH STREET.
Rev. J. A. HOWARTH will Preach
Morning, 10.30.
Subject, "The Disobedient Prophet."
Evening, 6 o'clock: "Iron Men."
Anthem, "Like as a Father."

ALICE STREET P.M. CHURCH. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), Nov. 5th. Preacher: ... 10.30, Evening 6 o'clock, Rev. J. H. MIDDLETON. ... Young People's Service at 6 o'clock. Subject, "Problem of the Pure Life." Miss E. GORDON will sing "Beyond the Dawn" (Sanderson) and "Abide with Me" (Liddle). Anthem by the Choir.

ALICE STREET P.M. CHURCH. THE ANNUAL "AT HOMES," TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, and SATURDAY, November 7th, 8th, and 11th, 1916. TUESDAY: CONCERT at 7.30 p.m., by Mrs. CLIFFORD DENBY (Soprano), Mrs. SUNDERLAND (Contralto), Mr. H. SHACKLETON (Bass), Mr. J. WHITEHEAD (Tenor), Miss L. HALL (Elocutionist). Mrs. R. GREENWOOD (Cononley) will preside. WEDNESDAY: CONCERT at 7.30 p.m., by ALICE STREET P.M. CHOIR. Chairman, his Worship the MAYOR. SATURDAY: Commencing at 7 o'clock, a Descriptive Cantata, entitled "BRITANNIA'S COURT," ... performed by Children from Worth P.M. School. Conductor, Mrs. W. BANNISTER. Chairman, THOMAS C. SMITH, Esq. (Keighley). ...ments, Teas, and Suppers at Reasonable Charges.

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KNOWLE PARK CONGREGATIONAL MISSION.—TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at 6 o'clock. ... Mr. W. LUND (Oxenhope). Anthem, "Before ... were spread abroad."

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UTLEY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), Rev. F. HORROX, M.A. 10.30: "A Blind Man's Faith." 6.0: "The Message of the National Mission: I.—Repentance." Communion after Evening Service. ... Note.—Retiring Collections after each Service in ... Fund for sending Christmas Parcels to our Soldiers ...

INGROW CONGREGATIONAL MISSION. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at 6 o'clock. Speaker, Sapper CLIFFORD DENBY, R.E. Soloist, Miss DYSON.

THE SALVATION ARMY, KEIGHLEY. FLAG HOISTING AND DEDICATION CEREMONY ON THE LAND FOR NEW BUILDINGS, IN COOKE LANE, SATURDAY, November 4, at 4 p.m. Mrs. PRINCE SMITH will Hoist the Flag. ... the MAYOR (W. A. Brigg, Esq.) will Preside, supported by a number of Ladies and Gentlemen.

HEBER STREET SPIRITUAL TEMPLE. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), Services at 3 and 6. ... WARRINGTON (Skipton), Speaker and Clairvoyant.

HEBER ST. SPIRITUALIST LYCEUM. On SATURDAY, November 11th, A SPECIAL SOCIAL ... held for the BENEFIT of the LYCEUM TRIP FUND. Refreshments will be Provided. Admission: Adults 4d., Children 2d.

TEMPLE STREET BROTHERHOOD. TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON, November ... Mr. F. E. DODSON (Skipton) will Address ... Subject, "Is Religion a Force in Life?"

KEIGHLEY TEMPERANCE SOCIETY. GRAND CONCERT TO-NIGHT, at 7.30, by LIGHT BLUES. Early Doors 6.15, Ordinary Doors 7 o'clock. Early Doors 5d. and 4d.; Ordinary Doors 4d. and 2½d. CHILDREN'S SUNDAY. LANTERN LECTURE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), in the Large Hall, at 6 o'clock. Subject, "Prodigal's Return." Reader, Mr. NORMAN GREEN. ... Manager, Mr. S. GREGSON, 4, Spencer Street. ... Secretary, Mr. A. BARBER.

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BRITISH WOMEN'S TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION. MONTHLY MEETING, MONDAY NEXT, November 6th. Speaker: Mrs. T. SEATON DAVIES. Soloist: Mrs. HARRY MYERS. Chair to be taken at 3 p.m. by Mrs. J. SCOTT. COMMITTEE MEETING, 4.15.

KEIGHLEY I.L.P. TO-NIGHT, at 7.30, WHIST-DRIVE. MONTHLY MEETING MONDAY, 7.30. Executive Sunday, 9 a.m. Male Members 10.30.

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KEIGHLEY AND DISTRICT BAND OF HOPE UNION.
A MASS MEETING will be held in the TEMPERANCE HALL, KEIGHLEY,
On SUNDAY, November 12th, 1916, at 7.45 p.m.
Speaker: F. W. RICHARDSON, Esq., F.I.C., F.C.S., &c.
Subject: "The Call of Christ and the Temperance Crusade."
Chairman: Mr. W. J. JOHNS (President of the Union).
The UPPER GREEN CHAPEL CHOIR have kindly consented to Lead the Singing.
A Collection will be taken to defray expenses.

KEIGHLEY AND DISTRICT RESCUE SOCIETY.
Eleventh ANNUAL MEETING, in the MAYOR'S PARLOUR, TUESDAY, November 7th, at 3 p.m.
Speaker: Rev. THOS. CHEE, Hon. Sec. Church Penitentiary Association, Westminster.
The MAYORESS will Preside.

KEIGHLEY TEXTILE SOCIETY.
A DISCUSSION on "FAULTS IN SPINNING" will be held TO-DAY (SATURDAY), November 4th, in Room 34 of the TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. Mr. J. DUMVILLE (Bradford Technical College) will Open the Discussion.
The Chair to be taken at 7.30 by F. N. MAHONY, Esq.

WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.—TUESDAY NEXT, Nov. 7th, in Room 14, TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE, at 7.30, LECTURE, "Labour After the War," by Mr. G. D. H. COLE, M.A. (Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, author of "The World of Labour," "Labour in War Time"). Chairman, Mr. G. H. Thompson, District Secretary. Mr. Cole is one of the most up-to-date authorities in the country on Labour Problems.

KEIGHLEY AND DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION, MECHANICS' INSTITUTE, Basement Lecture-room.—TUESDAY, November 7th, 7.30 p.m., LECTURE by W. H. WOMERSLEY, Esq. (Shipley). "Bromide Printing."

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Teachers, Governesses, &c.

WANTED in January Next, a TEACHER for young children. Address Miss Gibbons, Broomfield College, Keighley.

Clerks, Workpeople, &c.

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A Dress Goods Manufacturer Wants a PIECE-LOOKER; must be over military age. Write, stating age, experience, and where last employed, to H 641, Keighley News.

BOROUGH OF KEIGHLEY EDUCATION COMMITTEE. Wanted, a CARETAKER for Long Lee Council School. Inclusive salary £34 per annum and war bonus. The person appointed must provide all the cleaning materials required for carrying out the duties, and must reside near the School.
A List of the Duties, which must be returned with or without an application, can be obtained from the Secretary. Applications, stating age, experience, and present employment, together with copies of recent testimonials, to be sent to the undersigned not later than Monday, November 13th, 1916.
H. MIDGLEY, Secretary.

DRAWING OVERLOOKER Wanted; must be ineligible. Apply Holmes, Saxton & Co., Vale Mills, Oakworth.

HAIRDRESSING AND TOBACCOS.—Wanted, an ASSISTANT. Apply H. Windle, Ingrow Bridge.

LAD and MAN for Billposting; ineligible for military service. Apply to Billposting Co., Ltd., Russell Street, Keighley.

OUT-PORTER Wanted at once, strong lad, age 16 to 18; wage 15s. Gott & Butterfield, Ltd., Ironmongers, Keighley.

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WANTED, First-class Weaving OVERLOOKER for Cotton Fancies; must be ineligible. Write H 556, News Office.

WANTED, MANAGER for Wholesale Grocery and Provision Warehouse (ineligible); hours 7.30 to 6, Saturdays 1 p.m.; state age, experience, and wage required. Write K 412, News Office, Keighley.

WANTED, LOOMER and TWISTER, accustomed to fancy cottons; ineligible; duration of war. Write H 674, News Office.

WANTED, Two WARPDRESSERS, ineligible; duration of war; good wages earned. Write H 675, News Office.

WANTED, Spinning and Twisting OVERLOOKER, cap and ring. Write, stating age, experience, and wages required, to Taylor Bros., Waterloo Mills, Silsden.

WANTED, Weaving OVERLOOKER, for Hodgson looms, plains and dobbies; good wages to suitable man. Apply Downs, Coulter & Co., Ltd., Spring Mills, Wilsden.

WANTED, good Weaving OVERLOOKER. Apply A. R. Wright & Co., Bingley.

WEAVING MANAGER for Worsted Coatings. Dress Goods desires Change; 20 years' experience; worsted coatings preferred. Write H 705, Keighley News.

WANTED, Two Good HORSEMEN, drive single or pair; ineligible. Hey, Cab Proprietor and Mineral Water Manufacturer, Haworth.

WANTED, COWMAN; good milker (ineligible). Hannam, Nook House Farm, Wilsden.

WANTED, a Good MAN, to work out particulars Coloured Cotton Goods and take over Inside Management; a 6 o'clock man required; state wages and experience. Apply H. W. Bannister, Forest Shed, Trawden, near Colne.

WANTED, TAILOR, good coat hand; also TAILORESS, one accustomed to ladies' coats. Pearson Atkinson and Sons, Keighley.

WANTED, MASON; one able to fill in time by carting; good wages to competent man. Harrison, Builder, Cross Hills.

WANTED, CARETAKER for the Heber Street Spiritual Temple. Applications to be sent to Secretary, Heber Street Temple, Keighley.

WANTED, GARDENER, for duration of war only. Edmondson, The Lindens, Utley.

WANTED, Good BENCH MEN, 10½d. per hour. Apply Thomas Taylor & Son, Joiners and Builders, Salem Street, Bradford.

WANTED, Good CARTER, to drive light horse. Apply F. S. Murray & Co., Coal Merchants, Ingrow.

WANTED, steady, Reliable MAN, used to farm work, to deliver milk; ineligible; good wages to suitable man. Apply Smith, Manor Farm, High Utley, Keighley.

WANTED, CASHIER for Spinning Business. Write H 333, News Office.

WANTED, Respectable YOUTH (ineligible) for Coal Office; state wage, references. Write R 121, News Office, Bingley.

WANTED (Temporary) CASHIER and BOOKKEEPER, Lady or Gentleman; must have had actual experience; references; state age and salary required; also Warpdresser and Apprentice. T. Snowden & Sons, Argyle Mills, Bingley.

WANTED, YOUTH, 16 to 17 years, for office. Address, in own handwriting, H 338, News Office.

WANTED, Smart YOUTH to Assist in Shop. R. O. Haigh, Tailor, North Street.

WANTED, MAN for Corn Mill and Office Work; ineligible. Apply J. H. Whitley, Corn Miller, Bingley.

BURLERS and MENDERS Wanted, experienced; good wages; bonus. Hodges, Marley Street, Keighley.

DRESSMAKING.—Wanted at once, IMPROVERS, also COAT HAND. Apply E. and F. Shepherd, 2, St. John's Terrace, Utley (tram terminus).

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WANTED, Experienced BURLERS and MENDERS. L. Spencer & Co., Lawkholme Mills, Alice Street, Keighley.

WANTED, an Experienced GARMENT KNITTER, or to learn. Apply Hartley's, Green Street.

WANTED, Young LADY to assist in Fruit Shop. Apply J. Hindle, Market Place, Keighley.

WANTED, WEAVERS, Winders, Menders, Twisters, Boy for Reaching In, also a Few Girls; good wages paid. Apply Wm. Oddy & Co., Junction Mills, Shipley.

WANTED, Woman as CARETAKER; cottage provided. Apply by letter, stating age and full particulars, to Ripponden Mills Co., Adelaide Street, Keighley.

WANTED, a good, all-round Lady TYPIST, with knowledge of bookkeeping, if possible. Write, with salary and full particulars, Y 1, News Office, Keighley.

WANTED, an Experienced IRONER, and Experienced Calendar Hand, an Experienced Packer and Sorter, and a Washhouse Man. Keighley and District Laundry, Ltd., Utley, Keighley.

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Wants.

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CARRYING Wanted by Hour or Day; also Strong FLAT CART For Sale, suit Coal Dealer. Clegg, 28, Emily St.

WANTED, WORK that can be done at own home, for three capable Women; good references. Write H 790, News Office.

WANTED, by young married Woman, OFFICES to CLEAN or light work, two or three days a week. Write H 807, News Office.

YOUNG married Lady requires position as CLERK in Office; husband called for military service. Write H 787, News Office.

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Apprentices, Boys, &c.

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APPRENTICE Wanted to the Plumbing trade. J. W. Cragg, 80, Sandywood, Keighley.

APPRENTICE to Electrical Engineering. Apply Standard Electrical Co., Cross Roads, nr. Keighley.

APPRENTICE Wholesale Drapery; also Strong ERRAND BOY; hours 8.30 to 6.30, Saturdays 1 o'clock. Stoyall and O'Brien, Sun Street.

LEES AND CROSS ROADS CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LTD.—Wanted, a BOY for office and other work, from 14 to 15 years of age. Applications, in own writing, to be sent in on or before Thursday, November 9th, 1916; two references to be sent, and envelope endorsed "Office."
F. HARTLEY, Secretary.

WANTED, an APPRENTICE to Pattern-making. John Smith (Keighley), Ltd., Crane Works.

WANTED, Smart BOY for Office. Address, in own handwriting, J. Bottomley & Sons, Ltd., The Mint Rock Works, Keighley.

WANTED at once, smart Respectable ERRAND BOY for Half or Full Time. Grand Clothing Hall, Low Street.

WANTED, APPRENTICE to Pork Butchering. Apply W. Pickard, 26, Cavendish Street, The Old Shop.

WANTED, Smart BOY for the Grocery Trade; good wages and prospects; age about 15 years. Apply Redmans, North Street.

WANTED, an APPRENTICE to Pork Butchering. Apply Level, Pork Butcher, Keighley.

WANTED, an APPRENTICE to Pattern Making. Write H 587, News Office.

WANTED, Respectable ERRAND BOY, half-time; 8s.; must be quick. Crabtree, Stationer, Changegate, Keighley.

WANTED, BOY for Errands. Apply S. Bairstow, North Street.

WANTED, BOYS for Morning and Evening Work; also GIRL, 13-14. W. H. Smith & Son, Bookstall, Railway Station, Keighley.

GIRLS Wanted for Tape Factory. Apply Walk Mills, Keighley.

WANTED, one or two GIRLS, 13 or 14 years of age. J. W. Clore & Son, Tobacco Manufacturers.

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RESPECTABLE GIRL Wanted to help with housework. Mrs. Baldwin, 46, Cavendish Street, Keighley.

WANTED, Experienced GENERAL; family four. Mrs. D. Weatherhead, Low Utley.

WANTED, Experienced GENERAL; three family; help given; good wages; references required. Newsholme, Greystone, Utley.

WANTED, GIRL, assist in Confectioner's Shop; live in. Write H 740, News Office.

WANTED, a good, Reliable GENERAL. Mrs. Dunderdale, Moor Bank, Ferncliffe Drive, Utley.

WANTED, reliable Woman for Washing and Cleaning. 31, East View, Barlow Terrace.

WANTED, Good WASHERWOMAN, for Mondays. Apply first to Mrs. Alfred Smith, Woodworth, Keighley.

HOUSEKEEPING or Sick Nursing Wanted, temporary or permanency. Apply News Office.

RESPECTABLE Woman Wants Situation as HOUSEKEEPER to one or two elderly people (town or country). Apply News Office.

SERVANTS' DRESSES from 5s. 6d., ready made or to order, also Caps, Aprons, Housemaids' Gloves, and Everclean Washable Collars and Cuffs, can be obtained at G. Foster's, 17, Low Street.

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WANTED, Gentleman BOARDER; bath, &c. Apply News Office.

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Miscellaneous.

HAND-READING. — Wanted, everybody to Consult Madame Taylor, of Skipton Street, Morecambe: Every Wednesday at Station Bridge, Keighley; office above Iris shop. Hours 2 to 8. Established 29 years.

A 4 or 5cwt. Platform WEIGHING MACHINE. Price and particulars to Secretary, A.S.E. Institute, Market Street.

PIGEON DUNG Wanted; must be dry. I. Foulds and Son, Parkside Tannery, Keighley.

Wanted, 1,000 WATCHES and CLOCKS to CLEAN and REPAIR at WHOLESALE PRICES. Watches thoroughly Cleaned 1s. Main Spring, 1s. Clocks, from 1s. Watch Glasses, 3d.; Watch Hands, 2d. Brooch Pins, 1d. Repairs at Lowest Prices. Gramophone Repairs a Speciality.
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COLT, rising 3 years, To Sell, or Exchange for Heifers. H. Scott, Aire Bridge Farm, Kildwick.

SALE, Bay HORSE, 15.2; good worker, quiet, straight. Bye Croft Farm, Holmfield.

FOR Sale, Good FARMER'S FLOAT, or will Exchange for Young Pigs. Beadle, 135, East Parade.

GOOD, Useful WAGGON, with bows and cover, lamps, loose sides for removing; all complete; also Block CART, as new. Rhodes & Son, Wheelwrights, Bingley.

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FOUR GILTS, ready for serving. Apply William Nixon, 65, Devonshire Street, W.

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PIG KEEPERS WHO WISH THEIR PIGS to pay should use as a Condiment Thorley's Food for Cattle; keeps pigs thrifty. Sold in cases containing 56 packets, 4s. 6d., by Agents in all parts.

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WHITE Wyandotte COCKERELS, bred from Edward Cam's extra special pen No. 2, with records from 260 to 276 in twelve months, mated to Cockerel from 281 hen by 272 sire. I have purchased Eggs direct from above pen which cost me 30s. a dozen; 10s. each; also White Leghorn Cockerels, bred from Tom Barron's Cockerel from 282-egg hen; prices 5s. 6d. to 5s. each. Sam Bancroft, Minnie Terrace, Haworth.

A REMARK: What a fine, healthy lot of birds. A Reply: Yes; and abundance of Eggs, too, because I give them OVUM, THORLEY'S POULTRY SPICE. You try it. It is sold by Holgate & Co., Market House, Keighley.

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CHICKENS WANTED.
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EGGS, more Eggs, and still more Eggs are obtained with Karswood Harmless POULTRY SPICE. 2d., 6d., 1s. Taylor's Drug Co., Ltd., 73, Main Street, Bingley, and at 72, Low Street, Keighley.

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FROM 2 Eggs to 70 Eggs a day was increase one user got with KARSWOOD SPICE, containing ground insects. Packets 2d., 6d., 1s. Wm. H. Smith, 41, Market Place, Keighley.

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ONE beginner paid all expenses and made clear profit in six months through using KARSWOOD POULTRY SPICE (containing ground insects). 2d., 6d., 1s. Earnshaw and Son, 213, South Street, Keighley.

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FOR Sale, Corner HOUSE, 11, Clyde Street, Bingley. Duxbury, Whitley Street, Bingley.

FOR Sale, by private contract, HOUSE, 57, Green Street, Keighley. Apply Daynes, 8, Hainworth Crag Road.

FOR Sale, by private treaty, the valuable Freehold Mill PREMISES known as Lawkholme Mills. For further particulars apply R. B. Broster & Sons, Land Agents, &c., Craven Bank Chambers, Keighley.

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WRIST WATCHES, 4s. 6d. to 50s.
The Service WRIST WATCH, with strong strap, perfect timekeepers, 6s. 6d.; with radium dial, 7s. 11d.; with full radium glow figures, 8s. 6d.
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Solid Silver Waltham Lever WATCH; in new condition. Our special price, £1 4s. 6d.
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Old Gold and Silver bought or exchanged. Good prices given.
Pair of Polished Walnut BED-ROOM CHESTS; washstand, marble slab, tile back, three drawers; dressing table, fine centre swing mirrors, good drawers. Connor's price, £2 12s. 6d.
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Seven-piece SITTING-ROOM SUITE, in Lister mohair; couch latest full-roll back settee end; £8 17s. 6d.
Solid Oak BEDSTEAD, full size, £1 19s. 6d.
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Boots made in our own Factory Retailed at Factory Prices.
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Boys' BOOTS, size 11 to 1, 4s. 6d. The Scout, size 2 to 5, 4s. 11d.
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NAVY Blue Boat-shaped PRAM For Sale. Apply A. Shuttleworth, Motor and Cycle Engineer, Skipton Road.

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POULTRY KEEPERS should write to Joseph Thorley, Ltd., King's Cross, London, who are the Manufacturers of Ovum Thorley's Poultry Spice for Thorley's Poultry Keepers' Account Book, also book giving useful hints to Poultry keepers—both sent Free.

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Our New Season's Stock is to hand, and we cordially invite your inspection.
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TO Sell (cheap) Blue-fronted Amazon PARROT, talks and whistles; also Wanted, GAS COOKER, cheap for cash. Write H 712, News Office.

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HOUSE To Let in Devonshire Street. Apply Fred Waterhouse, 98, Devonshire Street.

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OAKWORTH.—To Let, the Detached HOUSE recently erected and known as Daisy Mount, together with 17 acres of grass and moorland; every convenience. Apply G. D. Douglas, Land Agent, Halifax Commercial Bank Chambers, Bradford.

SILSDEN.—LOCK-UP SHOP, 2, Bradley Road, near Picture Palace, now occupied as a hairdresser's shop; immediate possession. Apply Martin Clarkson, 22, Bridge Street, Silsden.

TO Let, THE GRANGE, Cullingworth, near Keighley and Bradford, and grounds, about 6 acres; rent £125. Apply Alfred Bottomley & Co., Accountant, Lord Street, Keighley.

TO Let, the very desirable Family RESIDENCE, Westfield, Keighley, containing five reception, 10 bed rooms, and every modern convenience; beautifully situated, commanding most extensive views; large garden, tennis lawn, orchard, and greenhouses; excellent stabling, coachhouse, and outbuildings; rent very moderate. For particulars apply Mr. J. W. Laycock, residence.

TO Let, HOUSE, No. 11, Castle Road, Keighley. Apply Jonathan Whitley & Son, Chartered Accountants, Temple Buildings, Keighley.

TO Let, WELL HOUSE, Laycock; good garden. Apply S. D. Wood, Braithwaite.

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TO Let, HOUSE and SHOP, 19, Main Street, Haworth. Apply Watson Ellison, Belle Isle Road, Haworth.

TO Let, Lock-up SHOP, Cavendish Street. Apply H. Hardaker, Manager, Fleece Mills.

TO Let, HOUSE and SHOP, No. 42, North Street, Keighley, suitable for Confectionery business. Apply Jonathan Whitley & Son, Chartered Accountants, Temple Buildings, Keighley.

TO Let, commodious and Convenient SHOP PREMISES, 20, Low Street, centre of Keighley. Apply Abm. Altham, Ltd., 22, Low Street, Keighley.

TO Let, HOUSE and SHOP, 71, Main Street, Haworth; recently occupied by confectioner. Apply Watson Ellison, Belle Isle Road, Haworth.

TO Let, Lock-up SHOP, 41, Aireworth Street; suitable for a Fancy Draper. M. Hargreaves, 87, Selborne Grove.

TO Let, SHOP and PREMISES, No. 36, Cavendish Street, Keighley; possession after December 31st. Apply Jonathan Whitley & Son, Chartered Accountants, Temple Buildings, Keighley.

VERY Good SHOP and PREMISES, in excellent position (near the Cross), 10, High Street, Keighley, lately occupied by Mr. Griffiths, boot dealer. Apply Mr. Chadwick, 23, Low Street, Keighley.

Offices and Rooms.

LIGHT ROOM, used as shooting range, Russell Street. Lister & Turner, Keighley.

OFFICES To Let, Arcade Chambers, North Street. Apply Jonathan Whitley & Son, Chartered Accountants, Temple Buildings, Keighley.

OFFICES To Let over United Counties Bank. Apply there.

Mills, Works, Room and Power.

TO Let or Sell, Good FACTORY, in Greengate, Marley Street bottom, in good condition; electricity inside, also engine and boiler; three good rooms. For particulars apply Longbottom & Farrar, Alice Street, Keighley.

TO Let, WORKSHOP and HOUSE at Riddlesden, suitable for Laundry, Engineering, or any small works. B. Hugill, Crympton Buildings.

Farms, Pasturage &c.

BENT HOUSE FARM To Let, Oakworth, near Keighley; 15 acres grass land, farmhouse, and buildings. Apply Messrs. Chambers & Chambers, Brighouse.

FOR Sale, One 12ft. CHAIN PUMP, refitted equal to new. Bailey & Clapham, Ltd., Alice Street, Keighley. Telephone 233.

TO Let, May 13th, PONDEN HALL FARM, Stanbury, Keighley; 50 acres; Good HOUSE, suitable for summer letting. Apply Mr. Wright Taylor, 8, Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, London; or Mr. H. R. Weatherhead, Solicitor, North Street, Keighley.

TO Let, HOLLINS FARM, near Sladen Bridge, Haworth; land 2nd February, buildings 1st May; about 15 acres; annual rent £28, including two cottages. Apply Watson Ellison, Belle Isle Road, Haworth.

TO Let, SCHOOL GREEN FARM, Thornton; pleasantly situated, compact little Dairy Farm, comprising about 23 acres of good land, with good water supply and farm buildings. Apply on the premises.

Miscellaneous.

TO Let, Good STABLE, containing three stands and loose-box. G. Thompson & Co., Hanover Street, Keighley.

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Upper or Lower Sets at Reasonable Prices.
Repairs, Remakes, &c.

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YORKSHIRE DIALECT SOCIETY.

AN INCIDENT IN THE TRENCHES.

The annual meeting of the Yorkshire [illegible] Society was held on Saturday at the University, Leeds, the president, Sir William [illegible] occupying the chair. The report and [illegible] for the past year were adopted, the [illegible] a balance in hand of £5 [illegible] 1s. 9d. in the previous year, but against [illegible] is a charge of £20 [illegible] actions of the society. The [illegible] with the addition of Dr. [illegible] presidents.

The Chairman alluded in his remarks [illegible] annual meeting on the desirability of [illegible] as theirs holding meetings in wartime, [illegible] a happy instance of the service of [illegible] trenches. Sir William said that his [illegible] "somewhere in France," in the summer of [illegible] was in command of a company in a [illegible] recruited from the North. Finding the [illegible] and weary with their work on one occasion, [illegible] a little story in the Yorkshire dialect. [illegible] a sergeant of the company thanked him, [illegible] that it was very good to hear a [illegible] dialect in the trenches. That soldier, [illegible] added, thought of his Yorkshire home [illegible] of his Scandinavian ancestors, and [illegible] he met the next [illegible] for the memory of the [illegible].

Professor F. W. Moorman announced [illegible] anthology of Yorkshire dialect verse [illegible] the society was now in print, and would [illegible] be in the hands of the members within [illegible] month or six weeks. The Council of the [illegible] had made itself responsible for 500 [illegible] did not know how many copies would be [illegible] but perhaps a thousand. The [illegible] would be 2s. There would also be a [illegible] in paper covers, because the society [illegible] strongly that the collection should be [illegible] the reach of working men and women.

The meeting passed a vote of congratulation [illegible] Mr. S. P. Unwin (Bradford), the chairman [illegible] Council of the society, on the attainment [illegible] eightieth birthday. After the transaction [illegible] business of the meeting an address [illegible] Mr. A. C. Coffin, Director of Education, [illegible] on "William Barnes, the Dorset Poet."

THE SLINGSBY APPEAL.

POSTPONEMENT REFUSED BY [illegible] OF LORDS.

The House of Lords on Tuesday refused [illegible] cation of Commander Slingsby to postpone [illegible] hearing of the appeal against the Court [illegible] decision in the suit to establish the legitimacy [illegible] "Slingsby baby." Their Lordships [illegible] dane and Lords Kinnear, Shaw, and [illegible] ever, promised that the case would [illegible] list until December 1.

The application was made by Mr. [illegible] for Commander Slingsby, the guardian [illegible] and the appellant in the case, and [illegible] for a period of not less than six months [illegible] of the appeal Slingsby (by his guardian [illegible] the Attorney-General and others.

Mr. Schiller said the case occurred [illegible] timacy Declaration Act. It was heard [illegible] instance by Mr. Justice Bargrave [illegible] decided in favour of the petitioner [illegible] of fourteen days. There was a [illegible] and it had been a very expensive one [illegible] hearing of seventeen or eighteen days [illegible] Appeal reversed the first decision [illegible] guardian ad litem to pay the whole [illegible] ceedings personally. An immense [illegible] evidence had been taken by commission [illegible] The ground of the application [illegible] for the moment, the guardian [illegible] to raise the necessary funds [illegible] having the matter heard. In 1912 [illegible] tain estates upon the death of his [illegible] for life.

INCOME FROM THE ESTATE.

The estates at the present moment [illegible] in £3,300, which left him only a [illegible] £1,200. He had a jointure to pay, [illegible] interest on mortgages; and he had [illegible] heavily, largely to meet the costs [illegible] ceedings. At the moment the [illegible] heavy indeed, because after the hearing [illegible] Justice Bargrave Deane, the guardian [illegible] immediately placed himself at the [illegible] Admiralty and was put in [illegible] sweeper, an exceedingly hazardous [illegible] on account of which the [illegible] a much heavier premium. [illegible] he found it difficult [illegible] Some of the estates [illegible] felling timber, [illegible] obtained, but at the [illegible] because the timber was [illegible] was not yet realised. [illegible] especially having regard to the [illegible]

Lord Haldane [illegible] appeal of this kind [illegible] because the appellant [illegible] counsel's fees [illegible] long time since [illegible] and if he is to be [illegible] he ought to have [illegible]

Counsel said the [illegible] present time.

In reply to Viscount Haldane, [illegible] parties cited [illegible]

Mr. Pocher [illegible] expressed no opinion [illegible]

After consultation [illegible] Haldane said the [illegible] quite contrary to [illegible] six months. [illegible] its not coming on before December. [illegible] give a month [illegible] thought a month [illegible] be given.

Mr. Gover [illegible]

Viscount Haldane [illegible] case not to be [illegible] but you will find [illegible]

LADY ECONOMIST ON THE [illegible] RISING PRICES.

At University [illegible] Grier, staff [illegible] head of the Department [illegible] the second of a series [illegible] tions, taking as [illegible] In the course of [illegible] sible explanation [illegible] necessaries of life [illegible] ports, she said, [illegible] divisions. First [illegible] which had risen [illegible] cent.) during the [illegible] came raw materials [illegible] or 17 per cent. [illegible] with an increase [illegible] was very important [illegible] ties of imports [illegible] It was important [illegible] sary, and that [illegible] value. Thus [illegible] the facts that [illegible] the shipping [illegible] per cent. of [illegible] trolled, and that [illegible] drawing upon [illegible] added to the cost.

On the [illegible] Miss Grier [illegible] that in 1913 [illegible] for by exports [illegible] portion had risen [illegible] first six months [illegible] In 1915, it [illegible] 17 per cent. [illegible] ways were that [illegible] loans to that amount [illegible] But now that the situation [illegible] only paying for [illegible] exports, the difference was paid for by [illegible] proved by statistics, for whereas in [illegible] 1904-13 we imported on an average [illegible] of gold yearly more than we exported [illegible] had begun the pendulum had swung [illegible] In 1915 we exported £18,000,000 worth of [illegible] than we imported, and during the first [illegible] of this year we exported [illegible] would appear that we were for the [illegible] forced to fall back upon our gold [illegible]

LOCAL HEROES OF THE WAR.

Private THOMAS ROBINSON, of Ingrow—wounded.

Private A. JULIAN, of Oakworth—missing.

Private J. MEEGAN, of Keighley—killed.

Gunner W. ACKROYD, of Wilsden—wounded.

Private PETER RAPE, of Keighley—killed.

Private EDWARD LOFTUS, of Keighley—died of wounds.

Private W. COOPER, of Bingley—wounded.

Sergeant CECIL RHODES, of Ingrow—Military Medal.

Sergeant ATKINSON RHODES, of Ingrow—Military Medal.

Private W. LILLEY, of Keighley—wounded.

Corporal JOHN EDWARD ADAMS, of Keighley—died of wounds.

Private SYLVESTER PETTY, of Keighley—killed.

Private ALLAN HEATON, of Ingrow—wounded.

Private G. F. THORPE, of Cowling—wounded.

Private FRED GRANGE, of Bingley—wounded.

Private J. ROYSTON, of Bingley—killed.

Private A. WALLER, of Harden—missing.

Private FRANK MIDGLEY, of Oakworth—killed.

Private J. W. WILLOUGHBY, of Keighley—septic poisoning.

Corporal E. HANLEY, of Keighley—wounded.

Lance-Corporal A. SCOTT, of Keighley—Military Medal.

Private A. WATT, of Keighley—wounded.

Private EMMOTT SNOWDEN, formerly of Cowling—killed.

Private J. MORRIS, of Keighley—wounded.

WOUNDED SOLDIERS ENTERTAINED

A DELIGHTFUL GATHERING AT CAVENDISH STREET SCHOOL.

The United Methodist Church, Cavendish Street, Keighley was the scene of much animation on Saturday last, when members of the congregation entertained wounded soldiers from the local hospitals to tea and a concert. Some few weeks ago it was decided that it was the church's duty to "do its bit" in making an endeavour to raise money for aiding the local hospitals and providing parcels for men who had gone from the school, and the culminating point was reached on Saturday afternoon when, despite the inclement weather, seventy-five wounded soldiers attended and sat down to a sumptuous repast. The schoolroom had been made to assume quite a festive and cosy appearance, the decoration of the platform for the subsequent concert presenting a really artistic effect with its combination of trellis work, flags, and palms. Shortly after 4 o'clock the men took their seats at the well-laden tables, and immediately the "attack" commenced. This was the signal for the ladies in charge to fall back upon their huge stock of "ammunition" in the shape of all kinds of tasteful delicacies, and though at times there was a momentary lull in the steady supply, in the end the "enemy" was "silenced." The scene was an effective one, with the blue-clad men seated at four long tables, each of which was heavily laden with tasty viands and prettily decorated with floral devices. During the repast jokes and laughter reigned supreme, and the feeling of awe which came spontaneously over one at first sight of some of the guests soon vanished. During tea popular selections were played by a small but efficient orchestra.

After each had declared himself satisfied the men adjourned to special rooms which had been set aside for smoking, and here the time prior to the commencement of the concert was whiled away with the fragrant weed and amusement in the form of an advertisement guessing competition, for which prizes were offered, and in which most tried their skill. During the subsequent concert the winners received their awards amid loud applause.

OUR DEBT TO OUR SOLDIERS.

The concert was timed to commence at 6 p.m. on account of the early departure of the invalid guests, and by that time the sitting accommodation of the room was heavily taxed, many having perforce to stand at the back. The proceedings commenced with the National Anthem, after which the pastor (the Rev. J. A. Howarth) offered a short prayer, and followed by introducing the chairman, Mr. Joseph Ward expressed his appreciation at being allowed to preside over the gathering. He was delighted to see so many present, especially on such a wet evening, but they all realised their duty towards the brave lads who were going forth to fight their battles. It would be necessary for everyone to keep their interests up in that direction, for the great crisis through which we are passing showed no signs of abating, and we could never do too much to show our deep gratitude to the men who had gone through all the horrors of warfare in order to keep our homes and country intact.

The first item on the programme was a glee by the Male Voice Quartet "Here's life and health" (Holdsworth)—Messrs. R. Drake (alto), J. Whitehead (1st tenor), J. Harker (2nd tenor), H. Shackleton (bass); following which Mr. W. E. Goyer created much amusement with "Dr. Jonathan Jay," for which he received a recall. Mr. Shackleton proved to be in fine voice for the bracketed item "Son-o'-Mine" and "The Rebel" (Wallace), and the trio "Ye Shepherds Tell Me" (Mazzinghi), Messrs. Whitehead, Harker, and Shackleton, was pleasing. Mr. Whitehead rendered the old song "Roses" sympathetically. The only lady artist appeared in the rôle of elocutionist. Mrs. Frank Elphick was well received, and caused much merriment with "The Bishop and the Caterpillar" (Anon), and the first half of the programme came after the duet "Battle Eve" (Bonheur), Messrs. Whitehead and Shackleton. To save time the interval was not observed, and the quartet reappeared in "Annie Laurie" (Cantor). Mr. Goyer again "brought down the house" with a burlesque military ditty "When the Bugle Calls." In response to an encore he gave a Jewish item. In "The Desert (Emmanuel) Mr. Shackleton was able to demonstrate his powers as a baritone of fine range and timbre, and the applause was very hearty. Mrs. Elphick then recited a negro episode "How Uncle Mose counted the eggs," the humour of which was very good and much to the liking of the hearers. The duet "Excelsior" was given by Messrs. Whitehead and Shackleton and proved acceptable; and "An Evening Song" (Blumenthal), though quite a classic item, was nicely given by Mr. Whitehead. Mr. Squire Moore was an able accompanist. During the programme the men were regaled with ice cream, served by young ladies.

The Rev. J. A. Howarth moved a vote of thanks to the artists for so willingly giving their services, and Sergeant-Major Richardson expressed the pleasure he and his comrades had derived from the whole proceedings.—Mr. Arthur Clough voiced thanks to all who had in any way contributed towards the success of the event. He knew, he said, that behind the scenes many hours of real hard work had been involved, but the reward had come that day in the splendid attendance. The conveyances having now arrived, the men were quickly conveyed to their respective hospitals, after receiving many hearty wishes for their progress.

GATHERING AT HOLY TRINITY.

A party of over 150 wounded soldiers from the local military hospitals were entertained to tea on Monday evening last by the workers of Holy Trinity Church. The inconvenience of the stormy weather was largely obliterated through the kindness of local residents, who conveyed most of the men in motor-cars. The arrangements for the lavish meat tea were carried out by Mrs. Scott, who received great assistance from many members of the congregation. The Rev. F. C. Foote welcomed the guests of the evening, and the Rev. H. J. Peck voiced the thanks of the men for the splendid and generous entertainment given. Mesdames Foote, Peck, Mitchell, Logan, H. V. Robinson, and Walker presided at the tables, which were beautifully decorated with flowers and the national colours. Cigarettes in great abundance were provided, and Mr. Dalby (society entertainer) submitted an interesting programme. The wounded soldiers expressed their feelings of appreciation by giving three cheers for their hosts.

6th BATTALION WEST RIDING VOLUNTEERS.

Battalion orders by Captain W. Roper, commanding officer, week commencing November 4:—Officer for duty: Platoon-Commander O. Craven; next for duty, Platoon-Commander F. H. Pilsbury. N.C.O.'s for duty: Sergeant J. B. Bilbrough and Corporal S. Chester; next for duty, Sergeant H. Middlebrook and Corporal F. Clapham. Company drill: Monday, B Company; Thursday, A Company, at 7.30. Drum and bugle practice as usual. Signalling: Tuesday, 8.30; Friday, 8. Ambulance: Thursday, Drill Hall, 8.30. Sergeants' meeting, Monday, Drill Hall, 8.30; all sergeants are requested to attend. Sunday week, November 12: Fall in at the Drill Hall at 1.30, for extended order drill on the golf links. Skipton and Gargrave platoons need not attend.

The Commanding Officer thanks all ranks for their attendance on Sunday last for the operations against the 8th Battalion West Riding Volunteers (Halifax). He also wishes to express his appreciation of the keen interest taken in the operations, and in spite of the very bad weather, for the excellent work done.

Exempted men: Monday and Thursday at 8.30. Other drills, see above. By order,—H. Clayton, Adjutant.

Haworth.—To-day (Saturday), 4th B.S.A. competition: "A" team will fire off at the Drill Hall, Haworth, 2.30. Monday, No. 2 platoon, drill at Drill Hall, 7 and 8; recruits' drill at Church School, 7.30. Tuesday, No. 2 platoon, drill at Drill Hall, 7; No. 1 platoon, drill at Drill Hall, 8; recruits' drill at Church School, 7.30. Oxenhope members' drill at Oxenhope Church School 7. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, firing practice in Drill Hall, 7.30 to 9. Corporal for duty, Corporal W. H. Ogden.—M. Ratcliffe Barnett, Platoon Commander.

Cross Hills.—To-morrow (Sunday): Fall in at 10 a.m. near the Friendly Society's Hall, for church parade at Sutton Church, where a memorial service will be held for local men who have fallen. Wednesday: Rifle drill, &c., at Glusburn Institute, 7.30. Thursday: Shooting, at 7.30 (Corporal L. K. Powlson).

Silsden.—To-day (Saturday), drill for exempted men, 2, Hothfield Street School; rifle range, 7 (Company Quartermaster-Sergeant Summerscales). Monday, rifle range, 7.30 (Corporal Wade). Thursday, drill in Church schools, 7.30. Friday, rifle range, 7.30 (Corporal White).

3rd WEST RIDING VOLUNTEERS.

Bingley.—Week commencing, November 5: Sunday, November 5, parade at the Drill Hall at 10.30 a.m. prompt for manœuvres on the moors; all members are asked to put in this parade; dress uniform with haversacks; rations to be carried. Members of the bugle band must attend at the Drill Hall. Tuesday, November 7, section and platoon drill parade at 7.45 prompt. Thursday, November 9, section and platoon drill parade at 7.45 prompt; Wednesday, November 8, practice for bugle band at the Drill Hall at 7.30. By order, J. Knox and C. Calvert, Platoon Commander.

PASSING UNFIT MEN.

THE MILITARY REPLY TO A YORK PROTEST.

The York Local Tribunal recently addressed a letter to Lieutenant-General Sir H. M. Lawson, commanding-in-chief, Northern Command, on the subject of the passing of unfit men by the recruiting medical boards, and at a sitting of the tribunal yesterday a reply was read which stated:—

It must now be remembered that there are very many branches of military employment in which use can be made of men who at one time were considered unfit for military service; it is not merely men who are fit for the fighting ranks that are now required, but all men who are fit for employment in a hundred other ways, and upon which employment the administration, the transport, the feeding, clothing, and equipment (and all that is connected therewith) of the Army depends. All certificates from civil practitioners are carefully weighed, but the Board takes full responsibility for apportioning the exact value of such certificates—when considered with other factors, both objective and subjective—in giving their verdict for fitness or unfitness.

If some specific case of serious departure from the code which I have outlined can be reported to me instead of mere generalities I will have it fully inquired into. It is not considered advisable that each individual recruit should be asked whether he has a medical certificate. There are many reasons against such a universal practice, and it is left to the individual who considers that he is unfit to produce all the evidence he has in his possession as a reason for his belief.

The tribunal decided to bring before the military authorities certain specific cases which had come before them.

It was officially announced on Sunday night that the three German prisoners who escaped from Rutherglen internment camp, Godbarsen, Hilker, and Schmidt, had been recaptured. Juhns Schmidt, one of the three Germans who escaped from Stobs camp, was captured on Sunday. A sailor saw Schmidt in a railway carriage and suspected him, and he admitted his identity.

The Airman eats Mackintosh's TOFFEE DE LUXE—thousands of feet up.—Advt.

KEIGHLEY CHARITY ORGANISATION SOCIETY.

CO-ORDINATION OF SOCIAL WORK.

The annual meeting of the Keighley Charity Organisation Society was held on Thursday afternoon last in the Mayor's Parlour at the Town Hall. The Mayor (Mr. W. A. Brigg) presided, and was supported by the Mayoress (Mrs. W. Cecil Sharpe). After the usual business had been transacted an address was given by Mr. L. V. Shairpe, of Leeds, organising secretary of the Charity Organisation Society for the North of England, on "Co-ordination of Social Work," as a result of which it was decided that the Keighley Society should take steps to start a register of families relieved by any organisation now in existence in the borough.

CO-ORDINATION OF SOCIAL WORK.

In his address, Mr. Shairpe, describing the benefits of the register, said during the past few years we had been learning the lesson that social and charitable work to be really effective must be co-operative work on the part of the various bodies engaged. Organisation seemed a word which was almost antagonistic to charity. Charity was a personal impulse and organisation suggested something rather dry and cautious. But there were groups of people attacking a social problem, and attempting to deal with the problem of the people whose position was not what it should be, and it was really commonsense that there should be a connection between those groups. Was it not an absurdity that there was such an isolation on the part of many of those groups of people—the various institutions and private individuals working for charity, and even the Poor Law, which was spending the ratepayers' money? Something in the nature of a remedy could be provided by the Charity Organisation Society. The idea was that the society should be a sort of meeting-place for any members of those charitable groups who cared to make use of it. The Charity Organisation Society was to be a sort of clearing-house where there should be a central register of the names and addresses of the persons with whom the various societies had to deal. The Registrar compared all the lists, and if persons were found to be on two lists the respective organisations were informed. The register became extremely valuable in time and checked an enormous waste of energy and a tremendous amount of money. Often quite a number of suggestions with their respective visitors were interested in a case, and the information obtained by one organisation was valuable to the others. Registration did not really mean the saving of a few pounds only. It meant the modernisation of social forces, and a bringing together of all the goodwill and effort in order that it might be effective.

A discussion on the details of the scheme was taken part in by the Mayor, the Rev. L. S. Robinson, the Rev. A. L. Curry, the Rev. T. Seaton Davies, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Stansfield, Mrs. Butterfield, Mr. Abram Gill, and Mr. J. Best. Replying on the discussion, Mr. Shairpe said that privacy should be the feature of the whole affair, and people who received relief should have nothing whatever to do with the list. Skilfully and carefully managed, there should be few disadvantages. They should remember that their business was to help people in distress, and the effort was in the direction of helping people in the most suitable manner, and enabling those who really needed most help to get what they required. This was constructive charity, and in merely preventing overlapping it was a means of providing more efficient help to people in difficulties.

On the motion of the Mayor, seconded by the Rev. L. S. Robinson, it was unanimously decided that steps should be taken to start a register.

THE SOCIETY'S "MAJORITY" YEAR.

Presenting the report of the past year's work, Miss Keers remarked that the society had been in existence twenty-one years, and during that time had been carrying on its work for the betterment of the needy citizens. Miss Wild, the secretary, had been released from her work in connection with the society for the duration of the war, as she had been appointed welfare superintendent in a munitions factory. During the year there had been practically no unemployment and little distress of the ordinary kind, so that the demands upon the society in this respect had been few. The work had been chiefly with respect to convalescent treatment. Forty-four persons had been sent to convalescent homes for treatment, some of them in conjunction with the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association. Valuable work was still being done in connection with district nursing, and a tribute was paid to the work of Nurse Nicholson. The schools had co-operated with all the charitable institutions in the town, and their relations with the Soldiers and Sailors' Families Association, the Soldiers and Sailors' Help Society, and their successors, the Keighley Naval and Military War Pensions Allowances District Committee. The society's sense of loss in the departure of the Rev. W. T. Elliott (Vicar of Ingrow) was recorded, and thanks were accorded for valuable work to the Mayor, Miss Wood, and Mr. J. Ward, to the members of the medical profession, to employers of labour for assistance, the trustees of Bowcock's Charity, the Poor Law officials, and the subscribers. During the year the society had received 275 applications for help, and these, together with 14 cases for inquiries and 16 cases in hand, represented a total of 351 cases dealt with. Of these cases three were withdrawn, 17 were referred to the Poor Law authorities or other agencies, 245 were assisted directly by the society, and there were 39 in hand at the end of the year. Of the cases dealt with by the society 44 had received convalescent aid, 155 were attended to by the district nurse, and 45 were given other forms of help. Reports had been issued to persons interested in 184 cases.

In presenting the accounts for the year Mr. J. Ward said the total income, including a balance of £16 in hand at the commencement of the year, amounted to £445. The principal items of income were subscriptions £117, from Bowcock's Charity £100, and applicants' payments for districts nurse £22. The principal items in the expenses were £116 relief for convalescent cases and £22 for special grants.

A RECORD OF QUIET WORK.

In moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet the Mayor commented upon the fact that their work during the year had been of a very quiet character, and as wages had been high there had been practically no distress in the town. The number of cases dealt with was smaller than usual. They had specialised in convalescent work, and spent a great deal of money in that way, but they owed a debt of gratitude to the employers of labour for the way in which they had come forward and helped in the treatment of their workpeople.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. A. Gill and carried unanimously. The officers were re-elected, including the Mayor as president (ex-officio), with Mr. Brigg as hon. secretary also.

On the motion of Mr. A. Gill, seconded by the Rev. L. S. Robinson, a vote of thanks was accorded the Mayor and Mr. Shairpe. Mr. Gill expressed the hope that when the Mayor went out of office he would not lose touch with the many bodies he had taken such an active interest in during his term of office.

The Mayor, in reply, said he could promise that he would not lose interest in the Charity Organisation Society.

VISIT OF MADAM STRATHEARN TO KEIGHLEY.

SOLDIERS AND THEIR MASCOTS.

Mme. Jessie Strathearn, who since the outbreak of the war has been engaged in cheering the lives of our soldiers in the home training camps and at the front, visited Keighley on Tuesday last, and gave two excellent concerts in the Temple Street Wesleyan Chapel. The Rev. T. Seaton Davies presided in the afternoon in the unavoidable absence of Mrs. Sam Clough, whom he said had been confined to her house for the past two weeks by influenza. Mrs. Clough regretted her inability to be present, but enclosed in her letter a donation of three guineas for the Deaconess Fund. The Chairman explained that the proceeds of both concerts were for the Deaconess Fund, and said that the Deaconess at Temple Street was doing a good work, especially amongst the young life of the church. There should not be any difficulty, he said, in raising money at a place like theirs, but during the past few years a deficiency had accumulated, until it had now reached £15, and he appealed for support in obliterating this. He gave a hearty welcome to Mme. Strathearn, who, he said, had been engaged for many months among our troops in France. He had a sister-in-law, who had come over from France for a few days, and she assured him that Mme. Strathearn was greatly appreciated by the "Tommies" at the front. They thoroughly enjoyed her singing and remarks, and her singing and buoyant spirit could not fail to be of great moral and spiritual value to the men. He knew of the importance and necessity of remembering the moral and spiritual needs of our soldiers.

ADDRESS ON "MASCOTS."

Mme. Strathearn pleasingly rendered "There is a Green Hill" (Gounod), and "Nearer, my God, to Thee" (Carey), and followed with an interesting address on "Mascots." She stated that she had been all through the war zone alone, and before going out to France had sung in the huts in this country. She commenced her work just over two years ago by singing to the men of the Naval Brigade at the Crystal Palace, under the direction of the Y.M.C.A. She found that the men at home had mascots, but out in France mascots were more numerous. One hut had a huge dog, and another a monkey for their mascot, and she told an interesting story of the mascot of the Ulster Regiment—a little boy whose parents had been murdered by the Germans. The men called him "Jimmy Ulster," and he was dressed in full uniform; and Mme. Strathearn mentioned that the men thought the world of him. She touched on various other mascots, and said that for her mascot she had taken the following quotation from the Bible, "Be strong and work, for I am with thee, saith the Lord of Hosts." She concluded her afternoon programme by giving a delightful rendering of "Friend o' Mine" (Sanderson).

The Mayoress (Mrs. Cecil Sharpe), presided over the evening entertainment, and the Rev. T. S. Davies apologised for the absence of the Mayor. The Mayoress said that Mme. Strathearn would be able to tell them what was going on in France among our soldiers, and that would interest them, as there was hardly anyone present who had not a relative or friend in France or other parts of the world. She urged that people should see that our men who were fighting had as much relaxation as possible. They had very great hardships to undergo, and anything that could be done to brighten their lives should be done, and the Y.M.C.A. was doing that excellent work. Continuing, she mentioned that Keighley was well represented by four deaconesses attached to the Wesleyan Churches. She thought it was a wise arrangement, and added that if every church followed their example they would derive great benefit from it.

Mme. Strathearn gave her popular lecture "With Our Troops in France," and also contributed the solos "Abide with Me" (Liddle), "When you come home" (Squire), "A Perfect Day" (Jacobs-Bond), and "There's a Land" (Allitsen). All her selections were highly appreciated. Both concerts were fairly well attended, and silver collections were taken for the Guild Deaconess Fund. Miss Butterfield presided at the organ on each occasion.

WEST RIDING POLICE CHANGES.

A number of changes have just taken place in the West Riding police force. Inspector Charles Woodcock, of the Upper Osgoldcross (Castleford) Division, has been appointed superintendent of the Skyrack (Leeds) Division, in place of Superintendent Symonds, who has been transferred to the New Cross (Ingleton) Division. Superintendent Hustler, Upper Agbrigg (Huddersfield) Division, has retired on pension, and he will be succeeded by Inspector Alexander McDowall, who has been on the headquarters staff at Wakefield since 1910. Superintendent James Fairburn, of the New Cross Division, will succeed Superintendent Keel, of the East Morley (Bradford) Division, who is retiring on pension. Inspector William Denny, of Bingley (Keighley Division), is transferred to the Upper Osgoldcross Division. Sergeant Hoit, clerk at Keighley, has been appointed inspector at the depot at Wakefield and Sergeant Metcalfe (Keighley Division) has been promoted to inspector and will be stationed at Bingley.

FAULTS IN METHODISM.

CRITICS AT A BRADFORD MEETING.

The condition of Methodism was a subject that occasioned some critical speeches at a meeting held at the Princeville Wesleyan Chapel, Bradford, on Saturday night, under the chairmanship of Mr. Harry Dawson, of Huddersfield (prospective Liberal candidate for the Elland Division).

Mr. Dawson remarked that they as Methodists were too introspective, but he had faith in Methodism, and the simplicity of its faith, ideas, and doctrine. The more he knocked about the world the more convinced he was that it needed all they used to be proud of in Methodism. But they had been retrograde, and it was time for an advance. The Spiritual Advance Committee was going to find out the real causes of the condition of Methodism. It was not going to have an inquest, but was going to see how Methodism could focus its energies in the right direction. They seemed to have lost their aggressive evangelism and power to save the people, and it was time the spiritual rout and retreat were stopped.

Do not let them think that he was in a state of panic. He believed that real Methodism was needed more than ever in this country. The greatest revival of religion he had ever seen in his time was with us now. He could feel it in commercial and social life. There was a great change in scientific grounds of thought. The best men in the Labour movement, he knew, were feeling their way towards the religion of Christ. It was for Methodists to go forward. What were they ashamed of? Everything was on their side. Every movement in the world favoured them. He believed the present crisis was going to make better men of them all. The men at the front were sacrificing their lives. It was for those at home to maintain ideals worthy of their sacrifices.

LOSING GROUND.

The Rev. Samuel Chadwick (Cliff College) remarked that the industrial belt from Leeds to Liverpool contained all the problems of the twentieth century, and it was the battle ground of the opening decade. Methodism had its stronghold in this belt, but in the past few decades they had been losing ground. This region used to be the glory of Methodism, but now it had become the problem of Methodism. Leeds and Manchester were pretty much the same. Congregations were smaller than they were twenty-five years ago. It was freely stated that there was a decline in quality as well as in numbers, and that there was a waning influence of the Methodist fellowship in the life of the community and upon the moral questions and issues with which they were confronted. He was quite clear in his own mind that if they could solve the problem of Methodism between Leeds and Liverpool there was nothing they could not do.

Referring to the Church of England National Mission of Repentance and Hope, the speaker contended that the best in the literature being used had come from Methodist sources, and said that the lines on which the Mission was being worked were just old-fashioned Methodist lines. What Methodists had dropped as being out of date the Church of England had taken up as being most modern. What Methodists had scrapped the Church had used and found effective. The supreme need and the only hope of the time was a revival of spiritual experience.

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THE ROUMANIAN STAND.

THE Roumanian theatre continues to be the main centre of interest and anxiety. During the past week there have been no marked changes in the situation. What news there is is almost entirely reassuring; but it does not relate to any operations on a large scale. Mackensen has not so far followed up his successes in the Dobrudja with further attacks of a far-reaching character, and it is impossible for the moment to form any clear idea of what his next move may be. So pushing a commander is little likely to remain wholly idle, but each passing day ought to put the Roumanian and Russian forces opposed to him in a better position for countering whatsoever schemes he may have in mind. The fact that his victories, great as they have been, have delivered no considerable part of those forces into his hand is a distinctly gratifying one and justifies the assumption that the defence is being capably directed, and that, with the arrival of reinforcements, the tables will be turned in due course. For the time being the critical front is the Carpathian one. There, too, the outlook is slightly more encouraging, not so much on account of any positive results as of the time gained by the defenders to set their lines in order. Russian help, it is reported, through indirect channels, is being poured in, and, most important of all, Roumania's powerful neighbour is bringing up much-needed supplies of artillery and ammunition. This stiffening of the defence has already had some effect. Not only has the defence of the passes been well maintained, but at most points the enemy has been pushed back, though in the neighbourhood of the Predeal and the Roter Turm he still appears to have somewhat of the advantage.

In estimating the Roumanian situation, however, it is necessary to remember that, though the fighting has been so furious that the German army is said to have lost one-quarter of its effectives in the course of a month, the engagements so far must be regarded as of a preliminary and minor character. We are still passing through one of those periods of anxious uncertainty between the launching of an offensive and its development to the highest point of the rising movement. How long that period will continue it is impossible for anyone to say. In the case of the earlier offensives of the enemy in the west—the march on Paris, the attack on Antwerp, and the push towards Calais—the decisive point was reached very soon. It speedily became apparent whether the attempts would prove successful or otherwise. But in the case of the German advance into Russia last year the ultimate issue was in doubt for some months, and at Verdun the period of uncertainty was even more protracted. Taking these later operations as a criterion, it may be long ere the safety of Roumania is definitely assured. There is pretty conclusive evidence on one point, however, and that is that the German commanders are finding their new task beset with greater difficulties than they imagined. A longer period has already elapsed than King Constantine, relying on the assurance of his relative the Kaiser, declared would be necessary for the subjugation of Roumania, and so far Roumania's real defences have not been pierced to any appreciable extent, while every day that passes lessens the enemy's chances of accomplishing his object. As against these reassuring facts we have to set the clear determination of the enemy to carry through his purpose if he can. He will concentrate every available resource for the undertaking, and he will persist in his attack on Roumania as he persisted at Verdun. The business of the Allies is to see that his persistence in the one case proves as ineffective and as costly to him as in the other.

Direct help for Roumania in the trial through which she is passing can come only from Russia. But that the other allies are not neglecting any opportunity for rendering indirect aid is evidenced by the pressure continuously exerted by the composite army operating from Salonika, and the repeated blows struck by Italy on the Carso. The Bulgarians have been subjected to another severe attack this week in the direction of Demirhissar, and have lost an important post together with 300 prisoners. The possession of this new point by the Allies constitutes a serious menace to the Bulgarian communications in this area, and the probability is that it will speedily be followed up. The Serbians, too, are pressing their attack further west, and, with the development of these campaigns, Bulgaria is little likely to be able to spare further supplies of men for assaults on Roumania. Meanwhile, General Cadorna has made another of those advances towards Trieste which have become a kind of monthly occurrence. The first was early in August, and resulted in the capture of Gorizia and 10,000 prisoners. The middle of September saw further important captures, and just short of a month later there was another push, which yielded 6,000 prisoners. Now, after a three weeks' interval, the Austrians have had a fourth beating and have lost nearly 5,000 in prisoners alone. Never once have they been able to make an effective counter stroke. So far as the western front is concerned there has been no big movement to record since the French advance of a fortnight ago at Verdun. The comparative lull is no doubt mainly attributable to the weather conditions, which, according to Sir Douglas Haig's review of the latter half of October, have greatly impeded military operations of late. The British Commander's summary makes it plain, however, that every opportunity for harassing the enemy and keeping up the push, which has already given us so many points of vantage, is being taken, and this is borne out by the news of British and French successes obtained this week in the neighbourhood of Lesboeufs and on the outskirts of St. Pierre Vaast Wood. What the Allies' attacks in the west have cost the enemy in man-power may be gauged from the statement contained in the review already alluded to, that the prisoners taken by the British alone since the great push began now total to well over 31,000.

THE GOVERNMENT AND FOOD PRICES.

THE resolutions passed by the Welsh and Scottish miners on Monday have brought the question of food prices under general discussion this week, not only in Labour circles, but also in other quarters. There can be no doubt that the ever-increasing prices are giving rise to widespread dissatisfaction and resentment, and that there is a growing demand for Government action to check the upward tendency. That Government action will have anything like the effect that some people expect of it is extremely unlikely. Doubtless there is a certain amount of exploitation of the people's needs going on, but for the most part the increasing prices are due to causes beyond the Government's power to control. In regard to the more essential supplies—such as sugar and wheat—the Government have stepped in, not so much with the idea of keeping prices down as of preventing a serious scarcity on account of the reluctance of private speculators to buy ahead. Possibly they would have extended their operations in the matter of food control before now but for the consideration that such extension is almost bound to involve an increase of officialism at a time when the country can ill spare either men or money for such a purpose. If further action is taken as a result of the agitation now set on foot it will call for much careful thinking out of ways and means to prevent it from resulting in more loss than gain. Wholesale control of all supplies will necessitate an enormous amount of labour in mere supervision. At the same time there are directions in which Government action can no doubt be taken with marked advantage. As the secretary to the National Transport Workers has suggested, an embargo might be laid on fancy foodstuffs and various kinds of unnecessary luxuries requiring an excessive allowance of such essentials as sugar for their production. It is waste that requires to be guarded against just as much as exploitation. If waste could be checked and a more equitable distribution ensured, there would be little opportunity left for any exploiter to secure a questionable profit. The strongest argument for Government control on a large scale is the probability that, unless means can be found of keeping prices down, the Government will be faced with the task of keeping the people who cannot pay the prices. One speaker stated last Monday that household necessaries which cost 22s. before the war could now only be obtained for 42s. It can readily be realised that if this sort of thing goes much further the incomes of an appreciable portion of the population will fall below subsistence level.

THE NATIONAL MISSION.

PREPARATIONS AT KEIGHLEY.

[BY A KEIGHLEY CHURCHMAN.]

Perhaps there has never been a religious movement in the nation's history of such a character as the National Mission of Repentance and Hope. Called into existence by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, it has engulfed the life and thought of every parish up and down the country. It is not the mere excitement of cranks. It has won the approval and caught the interest of men and women of all classes, of varying professions, and of widely differing views. Sir David Beatty flashes his good wishes from the stormy seas, as he keeps vigil against the nation's foe. Sir William Robertson, the Empire's most scientific soldier, urges the nation not to put its entire trust in "chariots and horses," but bids it remember that it is well to have behind the nation's struggle, as an inspiration in bearing burdens, a sense of God and of an eternal right. "The Lord God omnipotent reigneth."

Why and of what does the Church call upon the nation to repent? Not that we are in the war. We could not keep out of it and look each other in the face. No, we do not repent that we bear the burden. We carry it proudly knowing it to be our glory, and determined, whatever the cost, that we shall see it through. But, as a sharer of responsibility, we deplore that such a war should be necessary, and that, after centuries of Christian light, the life's blood of the earth should be poured out in such slaughter, the science of the world be so prostituted, the riches of the world be so squandered. "We went into the war with clean hearts, we have fought it with clean hands, let us come out of it with clean souls," writes "Nunquam" in "The Clarion," and the Churchman speaks in some such wise, and wants to see the British Empire win through to a nobler life and a more splendid service for humanity.

How many and various have been the methods of the National Mission! In the villages of the West of England women called "The Pilgrims of Prayer" have met with enthusiastic reception as they knocked at the door of the hall and of the cottage. From town to town, and from hamlet to hamlet the itinerant preachers have gone forth, preaching the Mission at the cross road or in the church-yards, or mounted on the steps of some old grey cross crowning the market square. Great processions of witnesses have been seen in Bradford and Leeds and London, and all great centres (as in Keighley) have listened to the stirring words of the Archbishops' Messengers, who have paid flying visits from headquarters. For what have they pleaded so eloquently? For a restored vision, because they know, as do we all, whatever our views of life may be, "that where there is no vision the people perish." King George, ever to the fore in all which makes for the nation's highest life, found time to lay aside the crushing burdens of his kingly office, because he knew that time so spent with the Royal Family and household in a quiet service in the Palace chapel was well spent; and because he knew that behind the sway of earthly kings rules the eternal right.

The climax of the National Mission is reached by the visit of the Bishops' Messengers, who conduct five-day missions in every parish church. They do not choose their sphere; no names are announced. They deliver the Bishop's message, and pass away. The leaders of the great Nonconformist churches, in council assembled, have sent messages of fraternal greeting, wishing the Mission God-speed, because they know that such a movement is for something greater than party view, and everything which spreads true religion will mean a breath of newer life to all the churches. The rural deanery of South Craven, with Keighley as its centre, will devote next week-end to the purposes of the Mission. The Messengers will conduct their missions in each of the churches, and the newly-elected chief of our civic life (Mr. F. W. L. Butterfield) has shown his sympathy by promising to preside at a men's meeting, to be held in the Keighley Temperance Hall during the Sunday afternoon. Every sincere patriot will wish the movement all success, and help it where and how he can.

The Amsterdam "Telegraaf" states that Vienna newspapers anticipate that the consumption of cigars in Austria will shortly be limited to one per day.

LONDON LETTER.

London, Thursday.

The King and the War.

Balmoral has finally given up hope of a visit from the King and Queen. In his grandmother's time the heavens might fall, but the consequent awkwardness would not have been permitted to interfere with Her Majesty's setting off at the usual time for her best-loved home in the Highlands. Whatever crisis might be in sight or in being, Queen Victoria in the first week of August set her face northward, requiring the attendance of a succession of Ministers who, after a long laborious Session, had earned the right to a more relaxing holiday. King George regards it as an imperative duty to remain in close touch with his Ministers in performance of the incessant labours devolving upon him in connection with the war. If he makes holiday at all he will spend a week or two either at Windsor Castle or Sandringham, both within immediate call from Buckingham Palace. Among a long line of sovereigns King George has happed upon a period which, when the end is accomplished, will have added the most stirring chapter to the history of England. From the very first he has played a kingly part, sparing no labour, shirking no risk of personal danger. Without exception he has said and done the right thing at the right moment.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught and their pretty daughter having safely arrived from Canada, there is no harm in saying that their homeward voyage was watched with anxious gaze from both sides of the Atlantic. To torpedo a merchant ship which had among its passengers three Royal personages, blood relations of the Kaiser, would have spread through Germany a joy exceeding even that which hailed the destruction of the Lusitania. Great pains were taken to frustrate murderous intention, of which it is possible the home authorities knew more than has been disclosed. Almost up to the moment of embarking, information of detail was withheld from public currency. Out of a narrow official circle no one knew the name of the ship by which the Royal party would sail, the day of her departure, or the route the steamer would take.

Torpedoes and Travelling.

In degree of distance and of time occupied on the voyage a similar risk is run day and night by British steamers crossing and recrossing the Channel. The King has more than once braved it, so have Mr. Asquith and other of his Cabinet colleagues. It was the hard fate of Lord Kitchener that, having crossed the Channel many times since German torpedoes went on the prowl, he should have been drowned in an unfrequented sea on the furthest northern coast of the island. For a period exceeding two years, during which more than 2,000,000 of troops have crossed the Channel, up to Thursday in last week enemy torpedoes, hungrily on the look-out, were persistently baffled. The partial success of their raid last week will have wholesome effect in increasing the vigilance of the destroyers guarding the entrance to the Channel.

The Late Major Congreve.

Writing two and a-half months ago about the heroic death of Major Congreve, back to the trenches after brief honeymoon, I mentioned the fact that had he survived his latest valorous deeds he would have received the Victoria Cross. It has been bestowed posthumously, and will find companionship in that won by his father at Colenso. Instances where father and son have each gained the highest guerdon for which a British soldier strives are exceedingly rare. In the case of General Congreve and his son the event is the more remarkable since the former won his Cross in the effort to save the life of the son of Lord Roberts. As in the case of young Congreve, the Victoria Cross was bestowed upon Lieutenant Roberts after his death. Had Lord Roberts lived to this day, the similarity of circumstance would have drawn closer together the elder warriors.

Bravest of the brave, "Billy" Congreve had qualities and capacities beyond that of dauntless valour shared with the privates whose names figure in the glorious list. Although young, and gaining his first experience of active service during the present war, he displayed singular aptitude in the field. In a letter written to the sorrowing parents, which I was permitted to quote, his commanding officer expressed the conviction that had he lived he would have risen to the highest position in the Army. As it was he lived long enough to attain in the course of three years the M.C., the D.S.O., and the Victoria Cross, a record, I believe, unparalleled.

Winston Churchill's New Role.

In a moment of Ministerial depression during the activities of the Fourth Party, Stafford Northcote plaintively murmured to a sympathetic colleague, "You never know where you have Randolph." This tendency to irrepressibility in unexpected quarters is hereditary. Winston Churchill having thrown up Cabinet office, having done a turn of work in the trenches, suddenly divested himself of khaki, and returning to the House of Commons took his seat on the Front Opposition Bench. Whether he had lurking intention to run for the leadership of the Opposition is an undisclosed secret. However it may be, he finds himself outclassed and outpaced by Sir Edward Carson, who, with the general assent of the party, has formally assumed the position. It might be thought that in such circumstances he would for a while at least remain in the background. On the contrary, he has broken out in a fresh and prominent place. The circumstantial report that the editor of "The Observer" has broken down in health, and had to abandon his work, is, as Mark Twain wrote in contradiction of the report that he was dead, "exaggerated." All that has happened is that, making holiday for the first time in three years, he has taken up his abode for a month in a quiet village on the Dorsetshire coast. It was impossible at that distance from London to continue his marvellous tour de force of six printed columns in the Sunday "Observer," closely reviewing and shrewdly commenting upon the progress of the war. It was difficult, at first sight impossible, to find a substitute. In a moment of inspiration he thought of the ex-First Lord of the Admiralty, who promptly accepted an invitation temporarily to fill his place.

A War Journalist.

The position thus attained is of supreme advantage to the present incumbent. Among London newspapers "The Observer" holds a unique position. It is no exaggeration to say that every man engaged in Parliamentary or political life, has the paper on his Sunday breakfast table, and closely scans its leading article. Passages from these are widely quoted in the columns of the country papers. Mr. Churchill might, of course, have delivered himself and his opinions on the war from his place in the House of Commons. But he would have to wait for opportunity, and when it was provided would find himself hampered by rules of debate and the responsibility of membership. Writing anonymously, albeit his identity is no secret, he has full fling, and he is taking it. No one out of office has fuller or more intimate knowledge of all going on in connection with the war, whether in the field or the Cabinet. His articles—the second appearing last Sunday, the third and last forthcoming on Sunday next—instantly arrested public attention. He is one of the exceedingly few statesmen endowed with the double gift of public speaking and journalistic writing. Six columns make rather a large mouthful even for the comparative leisure of the Sabbath Day. I fancy no one beginning at the beginning would skip any of the passages. One which arrested attention in the first letter warned the country against the assumption that the German Fleet was played out, and the bugbear of invasion, which at one time loomed large, might safely be ignored. It pointed out the possibility of an attempt being made to land a force that might take London by surprise. Four days later came the startling news that a German squadron had broken through the Straits of Dover, fondly held to be unapproachable, had sunk a transport and torpedoed a couple of destroyers.

LOCAL AMUSEMENTS.

THE KEIGHLEY HIPPODROME.

This week there has been a return to revue at the Keighley Hippodrome, and large numbers of patrons have witnessed "Spots," a bright and breezy production, which is being presented by the Big Feature Syndicate. There are several scenes by Julian Hicks and Charles Wood, ranging from a ranch in Texas, to more familiar scenes in London, and the dresses are of a character calculated to delight the hearts of the female patrons. The principals are ably supported by a capital West End beauty chorus, and the music is light and catchy throughout. Mr. Bert Edmunds is a typical rancher, and his numerous vocal selections are capitally given. Included in the cast are Mr. A. G. Spry and Mr. B. S. Monti, and when these two are together the fun is fast and furious. Miss Freda Spry, the inimitable American comedienne, scores immensely, contributing a number of songs; Miss Molly Ward admirably supports Miss Spry in two of her songs, and Miss Elsie Percival also sings well. Mr. Leo Phillips is successful as the "donkey." A number of dances are gracefully contributed by the "Four Sisters Ozlee."

"The Flapper," another sparkling revue, will be presented next week. The scenery and dresses are on a lavish scale, and the parts of Raffles and the Flapper are taken by Mr. Will Lindsay, a favourite comedian with Keighley audiences, and Miss Bella Moody. There is also in the company Mr. Leslie Race, a popular light comedian. Dances will be contributed by the "Four Sisters Henriques," and the chorus and orchestra will be under the direction of Mr. Lionel Marr.

OXFORD HALL.

"Meg, the Lady," a London Film Company production, is "starred" at the Oxford Hall this week-end, and shows what trouble an innocent woman can get into through having a double. Elizabeth Risdon, the famous actress, plays the dual rôle of Lady Brisby and "Meg, the Lady," her double. Lady Brisby strays into the London slums, where she is mistaken for an outcast, "Meg, the Lady." She is brutally forced into a house by a ruffian whom she strikes, and, thinking she has killed him, she rushes into the next room, which is occupied by "Meg, the Lady," who lends her clothes. "Meg, the Lady," that night goes into the ruffian's room for her mother's photograph, which has been stolen, and deals him a second blow, which this time proves fatal. Lady Brisby confides in Curwen, who is in love with her, and he sees a way of turning the knowledge gained to his own account by incriminating her if she does not go to him. In the end, however, after many complications, "Meg, the Lady," confesses her part in the murder, and Lady Brisby no longer fears to go to her husband. The acting of Elizabeth Risdon, on the one hand, the haughty, unsympathetic aristocrat Lady Brisby, and on the other the dowdy slum-bred "Meg, the Lady," is really fine.

For the first half of next week a fine Hepworth production, "Adrift on Life's Tide," with Episode 14 of the "Greed" serial, will be shown, whilst during the last three days the fine circus picture "The Circus of Death" will be the "star" film. This picture is full of sensations, among them being a fight on the top of a mill chimney.

COSY CORNER PICTURE HOUSE.

A fine Vitagraph drama, "The Making Over of Geoffrey Manning" is the "star" film at the Cosy Corner Picture House to-day. The film points out that everyone has something of the man in him, even if it be of a fearful turn of mind. The chief character in the play is the idle son of a rich manufacturer, whose only object in life is to have a good time. He resents all suggestions that he should work. But at length club gossip on his laziness and his father's taunts make him think, and he decides to go away and see if he cannot become a real "man." After some struggling he gets a job as stoker in one of his father's workshops, and eventually becomes a foreman. The workmen's wages are cut, and there are signs of a riot, but when the workmen are on the brink of striking, young Manning reveals himself and shows his father the miseries of his poor employees. The father sees the justice of the men's demands, and peace reigns once more. There is a splendid love story running through the whole film, which shows that "one half of the world knows not how the other half lives." The acting is dramatic and tense, and many of the scenes, especially those of the interior of a steel works, are splendid.

The old song "Annie Laurie" has formed the theme for another film drama in four parts, which will be shown for the first half of next week. The play, which no doubt will be as popular as the song, features the Hepworth "stars," Alma Taylor and Stewart Rome. For the latter half of the week the photo-play adaptation of George Eliot's famous novel "The Mill on the Floss" will be shown. There are some remarkable flood scenes in it.

KEIGHLEY PICTURE HOUSE.

The moral of the chief film entitled, "Then I'll Come Back to You"—an excellent adaptation from the popular novel by Larry Evans—which is being shown at the Picture House this evening, is that good eventually triumphs over evil. It is an enthralling story laid in the picturesque hill country of the lumber camps, and it reveals the enmity between Steve O'Mara, the upright and honest engineer of a railway construction gang, and Archie, the proprietor of a lumber business. Steve is in love with Barbara, the daughter of one of the stockholders in the railway company who has invested heavily in the lumber business, and is consequently fighting against the railway company. Barbara is engaged to marry Archie, but after a series of stirring events, including a most realistic fight between the engineer and the hired bully of his enemies, the complete humiliation of Archie the villain, and a flood, Barbara learns to love the engineer. There is some masterly acting by Miss Alice Brady as Barbara, and the photography of the rugged country is noteworthy. The comic element is well represented in "Passionski's Beauty Parlour," a three-part whirlwind Triangle comedy.

For the earlier part of next week "The Lily and the Rose," a Triangle masterpiece in five acts, produced by D. W. Griffith and featuring Miss Lilian Gish, the beautiful actress, will constitute the chief attraction. It is a fascinating story of a struggle between the delicate beauty of the lily and the sensuous strength of the rose for the love of a man. "Blue Grass," an adaptation from the novel by Paul Armstrong, featuring Thomas A. Wise, a famous dramatic actor, will be shown during the latter part of the week. The scenes are laid in a picturesque country of Virginia, and the story a romantic one of the race track. Two clever Triangle comedies will also be screened. "Truth and Justice," the great John Bull film featuring Mr. Horatio Bottomley, will visit the Picture House shortly.

THE FUTURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

"Great Thoughts" for November commences a new volume. A valuable symposium on cinema manners and morals includes letters from Lady Jellicoe and Lady Willoughby de Broke, from Will Crooks and Mr. Cecil Chapman (police magistrate), from Dr. Campbell Morgan and the noted producer, Mr. Bannister Merwin. The effect upon the imagination and psychology of the child is dispassionately set forth and remedies suggested. Dr. A. C. Benson talks in a human fashion about the "Future of Higher Education." He gives it as his opinion that "our leading universities will have to reconstruct several of their present methods. For instance, the 'pass' examinations here are to-day a feeble compromise; they are very easy for a clever man, too hard for the duffer, and much too hard-and-fast in type. What is needed are more special courses, with certificates attached to them, so that even if a student could not stay the full three years here, and take his degree, he would still have time to come for one or two years, do good work, and have this satisfactorily acknowledged." The Rev. F. H. Gillingham boldly attempts to answer the question, "Has the Church Failed?" and Sir John Maclure, head-master of Mill Hill School, contributes the first of a series of articles on "My Early Struggles." He sums up the whole situation thus: "The failures of brilliant men have become proverbial, though these failures have probably been exaggerated. But the successes of brilliant men were not surprising; they were expected, and hence the work they have done (and it has been much and admirable) does not impress one so greatly as that of much less able men who by reason of the dedication of their moderate abilities to some one end or purpose have accomplished far more than was ever expected."

LOCAL TOPICS.

Keighley and the West Riding Soldiers' Fund.

The purpose of the West Riding War Fund, on behalf of which the Mayor of Keighley has just issued a special appeal, has previously been explained in these columns. The fund is intended to supply the more important comforts required by the men of West Riding regiments. Under the regimental distributing arrangement now in operation overlapping, waste, and inequality of distribution are obviated, and very considerable savings in carriage, &c., are effected. On the West Riding fund all West Riding units can draw for the supply of their needs, and, owing to the more effective organisation and the closer touch kept up with the commanders, it is possible to supply these needs far more effectually than local committees can do when working separately on their own. The requirements of the men vary greatly according to the duties they are engaged in and the places where they are stationed, and, even when the wants are clearly known, such things as gum boots, mackintosh capes, and oilskin jackets cannot very well be sent out individually. Through the West Riding fund, however, these things can be supplied where they are really wanted. It is hoped that Keighley will contribute at least its £500 share towards the £15,000 that is asked for from the whole riding to enable the work to be carried on.

Rescue Society's Annual Meeting.

A good attendance is hoped for at the annual meeting of the Keighley and District Rescue Society, which is to be held in the Mayor's Parlour at the Town Hall next Tuesday. The society is one which does not come very much under the public notice, but in the ten or eleven years of its existence it has done a vast amount of good in a quiet, undemonstrative way, and if people only realised the help and encouragement it has been able to give and the reformations it has brought about they would be anxious to prevent any impairment of its usefulness. Speaking a year ago, the Mayoress urged the desirability of interesting people more in what was being done, and thus obtaining a larger measure of appreciation and support, and she suggested that the committee might try to make a larger appeal, not only to the inhabitants of Keighley, but also those of Bingley and Skipton, because these places had shared in the benefits accruing from the society's efforts. What, if anything, has been attempted in this direction we do not know, but no doubt some statement will be made on Tuesday. One of the features of the meeting will be an address by the Rev. Thomas Cree, the hon. secretary of the Church Penitentiary Association, Westminster.

A Remarkable Contrast.

We wonder how many people, in their animadversions on the weather conditions of the past month, have been tempted into comparisons with the state of things for the corresponding period of last year. Then we were grumbling about the drought. It is doubtful if a greater contrast could be found in the whole length of our local weather records. This October the difficulty has been to keep out of the wet. A year ago the trouble was to obtain enough water for absolute necessities. The reservoirs were well nigh drained dry, and the rainfall week after week was altogether negligible. The water in the town was cut off for the greater part of the twenty-four hours, and baths and wash-houses were closed down on account of the scarcity. On November 19 the depth of water in the Watersheddles reservoir had fallen to 17ft. 9in. It was not until December was well in that relief came in a welcome downpour, but even on December 11 the town only had forty days' supply of water in stock, as against 112 days' supply on the corresponding date of the year before. This November and December a water shortage is about the last thing we need look for, for the October just past must have been one of the wettest on record. The Watersheddles measurements show a rainfall for the month of over twelve inches, and even in Keighley the fall has amounted to eight inches. That is enough to go on with for some time, even if November and December should prove as abnormally dry as October has been wet.

The National Shop Closing Order.

The shopping time extensions conceded by the Home Secretary, in response to the protests against his original order, greatly simplify the situation so far as Keighley is concerned. As regards the majority of the traders of the town the national order does not go nearly so far as the local order recently drawn up by agreement between the shopkeepers and the Town Council. Under that order the local shops will close down at 7 on three nights in the week, as against the 8 o'clock closing insisted on in the Home Office order. Thus there is not likely to be much difficulty about complying with the restrictions of the latter. Only in the case of Saturday night shopping is any change called for under the national regulations, and, as regards the larger and more central shops, at any rate, the docking of a further hour off the time allowed for shopping on that evening is more likely to be welcomed than resented by both proprietors and assistants. As compared with the one-time practice of carrying on up to 11 o'clock and after on Saturday nights, a general shuttering up at 9 represents a marked change, but the public has already begun to accustom itself to 10 o'clock closing, and the further reduction now called for will not, therefore, come as any great hardship. Owing to the lighting restrictions, Saturday night in town has for some time been shorn of most of its erstwhile attractions, and now there will be less inducement and excuse than ever to indulge in aimless promenading.

Possible Extensions for Christmas-time.

On one point it is possible that some further concession may be granted. The Home Office evidently recognises the possible need for extensions to cope with the rush of Christmas business. Such extensions, however, are likely to be dependent on local representations. Local authorities are being invited to inform the Home Secretary whether or not the tradesmen in their districts would like to have later hours fixed for the Christmas season, and in Keighley, we believe, the shopkeepers have already come to an understanding as to what they consider necessary. In regard to the enforcing of the national order, there will be some variation from the practice adopted under the local closing order. Instead of being proceeded against under the Shops Act, persons who keep open after the times specified by the Home Office will be liable to prosecution under the Defence of the Realm Act, and the duty of seeing that the order is observed and of taking action against offenders will rest primarily with the police and not the officials of the local authority. The latter, however, are expected to assist in seeing that the regulations are carried out, and there will be co-operation between the officials and the police authorities in the general work of administration.

The Cry for Allotments.

In considering the possibilities of increasing the home-grown food supply it is to be hoped the conference which is to be held at Leeds shortly will not overlook the point raised at the Keighley Rural District Council meeting this week. The Chairman of the Council (Mr. James Bairstow) mentioned that in looking around Sutton he noticed that a great many more vegetables were being grown in the allotments this year than usual. This may be taken as evidence of the readiness of working people, at any rate, to do their share towards increasing the food supply if they are given the chance. Unfortunately, most of them never have the chance, because attempts to rent a plot of ground for kitchen garden purposes are usually looked on all too coldly by those who have the land at disposal. To increase the food supply we need not only more vegetables in the allotments, but a good many more allotments at disposal to grow the vegetables in. It is extremely gratifying to learn from the representatives of Steeton, Sutton, and Eastburn that those villages are now plentifully supplied with gardens. Unfortunately, as Mr. J. H. Smith pointed out, all places are not in the same happy position, and if there is anything local authorities can do to improve the situation in this respect they ought to do it. If their powers are all too small and their efforts all too ineffectual, then the sooner they petition Parliament to extend the one and back up the other, the better will it be for the food supply.

A Benefactor of 200 Years Ago.

Apart from the direct interest attaching to to-day's flag-hoisting ceremony in Cooke Lane, as an event of note in the annals of Keighley Salvationism, the occasion is not without significance for local historians and antiquarians for quite another reason. The site of the proposed new Salvation Hall is one of the most historic in the town. It is associated with the first beginnings of education in the place, inasmuch as it forms a portion of the ground occupied by, or going with, the old free Grammar School, which the worthy innkeeper, John Drake, set himself to provide somewhere about the year 1700. Worthy man as this educational benefactor showed himself to be in his concern for the intellectual welfare of the youth of the place, his admiration of learning, as was only too often the case in those times, was offset by an extreme prejudice in religious matters, and one cannot but wonder what his feelings would have been if he could have seen forward to to-day's function and realised the purpose for which a portion of his school site is going to be utilised. His thoughts and sentiments would have needed a good deal of widening with the process of the suns for him to have taken such a development in good part.

John Drake's Educational Zeal.

For the teaching and methods of the Salvation Army, it is to be feared, John Drake would have had anything but sympathy, judging by the way he was wont to allude to the unorthodox sects of his own day. In a "History of the Free Grammar School" the Rev. Miles Gale, who was Rector of Keighley from 1680 to 1720, and who was himself a pretty good hand at vituperative denunciation of those whose religious views did not coincide with his own, tells how and why his innkeeping parishioner was moved to the step which he took. "The town of Keighley," he says, "having no school nor any encouragement for promoting humane learning, whereby for want of knowledge, some were seduced by that vile sect of the Quakers, and others by that wicked crew of the Anabaptists, to follow false ways of worship. It being taken into consideration by John Drake, an innkeeper at the Church Gate, he was resolved to break the ice in an unknown passage to the land of knowledge, hoping that others would follow his example and not be afraid to venture themselves and vessels where he had led the way. Accordingly he left a yearly salary for a master of this Free School, under these limitations, that he should be learned as to the Latin and Greek tongues, also, to be master so long as he continues unmarried."

A Stone-laying in 1716.

Whether the extremely orthodox bachelor-innkeeper of Church Gate would be entirely satisfied with the religious tolerance which has come with the increased knowledge he helped to provide is, perhaps, doubtful, but if he could see all that has come from his experiment on the educational side he could hardly fail to be gratified with the fruits of his 200-year-old endowment. The work which he set going is still continuing, though the original school premises have long been degraded from their former academic state. Yet these buildings constitute a sort of landmark in Keighley's educational history, and possibly some who attend to-day's flag-hoisting function will be moved to look at them while the chance is still left. The date of their erection does not seem to be definitely fixed. Thoresby tells in his diary how Mr. Gale "showed me a Free School, lately erected by Mr. John Drake, of Keighley, now living, who will settle the whole of his estate upon it at death." Therefore, the school was evidently in existence before Drake's death in 1715. Yet we read elsewhere that "on August 20th, 1716, four of this town laid the four corner stones of the school in Cook Lane," and how "everyone of which, depositing for the masons one shilling on his stone, wished prosperity to the building, and Timothy Rhodes, with his two men, proceeded in walling." Possibly Timothy's walling in 1716 had to do with an extension or enlargement of a smaller building. At all events, it would seem that just two hundred years and a couple of months ago the site in Cooke Lane must have been the scene of a gathering not so very dissimilar from that of to-day, though the Cooke Lane and the Keighley of those times would, of course, be very different from what they now appear.

West Riding School Fees.

The action of the West Riding Education Authority in practically doubling the fees for evening schools, says a daily contemporary, would seem to be having a detrimental effect upon the classes in some places. For instance, at a recent meeting of the Worth Valley Education Committee the reports of the head-teachers of the evening classes showed that many of the young people who had joined the classes were unwilling and in some cases unable to afford the increased fees, and the fear was expressed that the evening classes would suffer greatly unless some modification could be obtained. No doubt had payment of the fees in advance been demanded the attendance would have been very seriously reduced. Though the order to charge increased fees also applies to the evening classes in Keighley elementary schools, no variation appears to have been made from the old scale there. On this point the county authority may want an explanation. And even at the old fees the number of schools holding classes has been reduced. In those four, however, the total number of students is 544, compared with 525 in 1915. In the six schools within recent years the students have reached over 1,200.

Schoolgirl War Workers.

By what appears to be a happy little arrangement girls in elementary schools are to be allowed to make, in school hours, woollen articles for the troops during the coming winter. The Director-General of Voluntary Organisation has drawn the attention of the West Riding Education Department to the pressing need for mittens, mufflers, helmets, gloves, cardigan-jackets, and socks—especially the three first mentioned—and the Education Authority have intimated that they are prepared to approve of an increased amount of knitting being done during ordinary needlework lessons, provided the educational side of the work is kept in view. In cases where articles are made from material supplied by the Education Authority the cost will have to be refunded; but there should be no difficulty in meeting any cost of material by voluntary subscription in the towns and villages where the articles are made.

Agricultural War Problems.

The West Riding War Agricultural Committee got through an immense volume of business at their meeting at Wakefield on Wednesday. The most important questions dealt with did not appear on the agenda, and there would probably have been a much larger attendance if the members had known that several matters of grave importance to the agricultural community would have cropped up. At the meeting of the West Riding Education Committee last week the members were evidently so much impressed by the undesirability of allowing schoolchildren to continue to be employed in agriculture that the recommendations of the sub-committee were confirmed without comment. After a ten minutes' discussion yesterday the War Agricultural Committee resolved that, in their opinion, children of both sexes should be employed in farm-work until the end of the war, the condition of the potato fields and fears of famine prices to come being a determining factor in the question. Another important resolution was to take steps to secure, if possible, that any farm-hand who is substituting a man on active service shall be prevented from leaving his employment so long as the conditions are equitable. Those who attended to air the grievances of farmers in regard to the prices they are getting for their wool had quite a good time.

The King has conferred a [illegible]etcy on Mr. L. Worthington Evans, M.P. The new baronet has represented Colchester in the Unionist interest since 1910.

The Factory Lass eats Mackintosh's TOFFEE DE LUXE—it looms large in her life.—Advt.

The war has changed people's ideas in many ways. We have learned the lesson that to meet to-day's conditions we must use to-day's methods. Some of the well-tried things of the past are not good enough for to-day's needs. Even so in household matters. The old cocoanut matting used to be satisfactory, but it must and is giving place to *Doubletwist*, the matting made by a modern process which gives to the fibres an extra hard twist and results in a finished material having a hard, bright, dirt-proof surface. The price is no higher than that of the ordinary matting, and you can have any length and width in different patterns. Come and see it. Besides matting we have the largest stock in the district of carpets and cork linoleum. Come and look round, you will not be asked to buy. *Shore's Warehouse, Bottom Market Place, Keighley.*

VOLUNTEER MANOEUVRES IN BAD WEATHER.

KEIGHLEY'S UNFORTUNATE EXPERIENCE.

On Sunday last the Keighley and Hal[illegible] battalions of the West Riding Volunteers took [illegible] in combined operations in the neighbourhood [illegible] Ogden, which formed a practical demonstr[illegible] of the immediate utility of the Volunteers [illegible] case of mobilisation, and incidentally [illegible]clusive proof that the Volunteers have no dream [illegible] merely fine-weather soldiers. Conditions through[illegible] the day were execrable, but despite the [illegible] discomfort awaiting them on the exposed moor[illegible] the members of both battalions paraded in num[illegible] that were most gratifying, and maintained the [illegible] of spirits. All through the men took the ke[illegible] interest in the operations, and were zealous [illegible] performance of their own share in them. Th[illegible] devised by Major Wayne, of the Halifax Ba[illegible] was a simple one. The Halifax Battalion [illegible] escort a convoy from the direction of Todmorden [illegible] The Raggalds Inn, where they were suppos[illegible] hand it over to a Bradford contingent.

The enemy held Keighley in force, and [illegible] advanced patrols, represented by the Keighley [illegible]talion, were to attack the convoy and [illegible] The route to be followed by the Halifax [illegible] the Cold Edge Road, the Ogden Moor Road, [illegible] the Causeway. The vital point was a [illegible] bridge, for if this were destroyed the convoy [illegible] not reach its objective, it being presumed that [illegible] direct road was blocked by the bursting of a [illegible]voir. The time of the Keighley Battalion's [illegible]ture from Denholme was known to the Halifax [illegible] who therefore rapidly pushed forward three [illegible] to hold the bridge. As a matter of fact, [illegible] advanced well beyond it, perhaps too far, [illegible] came against strong Keighley forces. It [illegible] they had high ground to the north of the bridge [illegible] fall back upon, and they were considered to [illegible] achieved the passage of the bridge for the [illegible] which was accompanied by the main Halifax [illegible]

An important feature of the scheme was that [illegible] the convoy reached Clews Moor they were [illegible] to be reinforced by a battery of artillery and a [illegible]pany of infantry. The Keighley men occupied [illegible] Hill and Clews Moor, this disposition being [illegible] to cut off the reinforcements. As a matter [illegible] their position was one which made them open [illegible] on both flanks, and the umpires, Major Wayne [illegible] Captain Moore, gave their award in favour of the Halifax Battalion, holding that the convoy had [illegible] brought to a point within easy reach of the [illegible]forcements. Major Wayne expressed the opinion [illegible] the Keighley Battalion should have attacked [illegible] in the operations in order to be effective. Had [illegible] done so the weakness of the flank guard [illegible] convoy would have enabled them to do [illegible] damage. On behalf of the Keighley battalion [illegible] urged that on account of a misunderstanding [illegible] regard to the time of commencing operations [illegible] gained a decided advantage. About [illegible] part on the Keighley side, commanded by Comman[illegible]dant Roper, whilst the Halifax battalion [illegible] 500 strong, commanded by Commandant [illegible]

SILSDEN NURSING ASSOCIATION.

SCHOLARS' SUCCESSFUL EFFORT.

The head-master and scholars of the [illegible] Street School, Silsden, are to be congratulated on the splendid effort they have made to increase the funds of the Silsden and District [illegible] Association. A number of scholars took [illegible] of the "Musical Minnies" [illegible] concert in the Primitive Methodist School [illegible] day evening last, and the crowded audience [illegible] appreciated the children's efforts. The programme was comprised of twenty-five items all [illegible] of the best of its kind ever presented [illegible] The children, attired as pierrots, went through various songs and performances in a [illegible] manner, and the whole proceedings reflected [illegible] credit upon the head master (Mr. A. J. [illegible]) and teachers at the school, who had trained them. In addition to items by the "Minnies" songs were given by Misses D. Burrows, [illegible] Bailey, E. Clarke, L. Summerscales, [illegible] R. Southwell, S. Stephenson, A. Boggy and [illegible] F. Milnes, J. Driver, J. Tillotson, [illegible] Barker, F. Lee, J. Paley, H. Hinds, [illegible] —, Mather, F. Robinson, —, [illegible] R. Dolfyn, and N. Summerscales. The [illegible] were Mr. A. Longbottom and Master T. [illegible]

FINE EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS.

During an interval Mr. R. Fletcher presented prizes to scholarship winners at the day and class prizes to evening school students. [illegible] of a few remarks he said they were all proud of their boys and girls at school, and [illegible] they found them in lightsome vein. [illegible] some very good talent on the platform [illegible] ing himself (laughter), and the concert [illegible] magnificent. The children were not [illegible] ployed on that kind of work, however [illegible] day school they were doing something [illegible] serious as the audience would see [illegible] announcement he was going to make. [illegible] scholars at Silsden got their full share of the Minor Scholarships, there would [illegible] years, but during the last school year [illegible] five of their boys and girls had been [illegible] gaining the scholarship. (Applause.) [illegible] many a hundred per cent. more than [illegible] entitled to. The scholars who had gained distinction were Lena Wade, Margery Smith, [illegible] Clarkson, Fred Dawson, and Tom Mitchell [illegible] stood out prominently in the West Riding [illegible] regard to the winning of County Minor Scholarships, and it was very nice that the children [illegible] go to a secondary school for three years [illegible] cost whatever. They were going on [illegible] from the elementary school to the Grammar School and from there to the University.

Mr. Fletcher presented prizes of books [illegible] the scholars named, and also to Emma [illegible] Albert Stephenson, and Arthur Firth for [illegible] work and progress at the evening classes [illegible] session 1915-16.

They heard a good deal at the present time [illegible] their fallen heroes, continued Mr. Fletcher [illegible] were proud of them, but peace had its [illegible] as well as war. One of their young men [illegible] Wilkinson, had gone on a long journey [illegible] the second industrial prize at the evening [illegible] He won the prize in mathematics [illegible] He was very proud to give the [illegible] tives of the young man.

The prize was received by a brother of the deceased.

Certificates were won by Arthur Robinson, [illegible] Wilkinson, Arthur Steele, and Wilfred [illegible] entitling them to free education at the [illegible] classes at Keighley.

The prizes had been given by Messrs. [illegible] Clough, T. Fletcher, R. Fletcher, W. [illegible] Hill, and Miss Moore.

Mr. Jay and his assistants and the [illegible] heartily thanked for the splendid entertainment provided.

The proceeds, it is estimated, will amount to between £12 and £13.

WEST YORKSHIRE TECHNICAL TEACHERS.

The annual meeting of the West Yorkshire [illegible] of the Association of Teachers in Technical [illegible] tions was held on Saturday at the Bradford [illegible] College. The following officers were elected: [illegible] man, Mr. T. Leadley (Bradford); vice-chairman [illegible] A. T. J. Kersey (Halifax); hon. secretaries, [illegible] R. Bower (Huddersfield) and H. W. [illegible] (Huddersfield); hon. treasurer, Mr. [illegible] (Bradford). It was reported that the number of members had been maintained and that the [illegible] position of the branch was satisfactory. [illegible] members of the branch had joined His Majesty's forces during the year.

The officials are:—Barnsley [illegible] man, Mr. [illegible] Sub-branch [illegible] tary, Mr. J. W. Hall. [illegible] Mr. T. Minnett, [illegible] Textile Section [illegible] tary, Mr. W. [illegible] Mr. J. Dunn [illegible] Section [illegible] chairman, Mr. T. Leadley.

MILITARY DISTINCTIONS FOR LOCAL MEN.

SILSDEN OFFICER GAINS THE MILITARY CROSS.

D.C.M. FOR THORNTON CORPORAL.

News was received in Silsden on Thursday last of Second Lieutenant Harold Longbottom, of the Royal Field Artillery, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Longbottom, of 60, Skipton Road, Silsden, won the Military Cross. The information was conveyed in the following brief letter from the gallant officer to his parents: "It might please you to know I have been awarded the Military Cross. I cannot give details just now, but some day when I get a spare moment I will tell you more. For your sake I am very proud to have this honour bestowed on me." Lieutenant Longbottom received his commission about a year ago and went to France in February. He will be 23 years of age this month, and before joining the colours was employed in the Inland Revenue Office at Skipton.

MILITARY CROSS FOR A FORMER RECRUITING OFFICER.

Second Lieutenant Frank Noddle, of the King's (Yorkshire Light Infantry, a Shipley officer, who for a short time engaged in recruiting work at Shipley, has received a telegram from the General Officer Commanding congratulating him upon having been awarded the Military Cross. Lieutenant Noddle, whose parents live at Hall Royd, Shipley, is a B.Sc. of the University of London. On the completion of his studies he joined the Army. He was for some time recruiting officer in the Otley area, and at Keighley during the recruiting under the Derby scheme. It is presumed that the honour has been gained for gallantry in a bombing expedition on the Somme front. Supported by eight men Lieutenant Noddle was responsible for the capture of a German machine gun and a number of prisoners, as well as 200 yards of trenches, which were retained after repeated counter-attacks.

THORNTON CORPORAL WINS D.C.M.

Lance-Corporal Albert E. Parker, of the Durham Light Infantry, of Great Horton, near Barnsley, but native of Thornton, has been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal. He was brought up in Thornton, and his brother still resides there. He enlisted at the Dearne Valley Colliery when the war broke out, and he enlisted three weeks after the outbreak of war, and has been twice wounded, gallant action which won him distinction was rendered under fire of a comrade who had been killed by the bursting of a huge German shell.

TWO BROTHERS AWARDED THE MILITARY MEDAL.

Two Ingrow brothers have been awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty on the field of battle. They are Sergeant Tom Rhodes and Sergeant Cecil Rhodes, sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rhodes, of Corn Street, Ingrow. Atkinson is a member of the Machine Gun Corps, and Cecil is attached to the West Riding Regiment. It is not known what act gained Atkinson the distinction, but he has been engaged in the fighting on the Somme, taking part in several battles. He enlisted shortly after the opening hostilities, and after undergoing a course of training went out to the Dardanelles, taking part in the landing at Suvla Bay, and the subsequent campaign to the evacuation. He then went to Egypt, and the early part of this year came over to France. Is well known in the town, especially in football circles, having before enlistment played with Keighley and Keighley Zingari clubs. Whilst serving at the Dardanelles, he met his brother Private Frank Rhodes, of the East Lancashire Regiment, who had already been wounded in France, and who, after evacuation of the Peninsula, was drafted to Mesopotamia, where he is now serving. Sergeant Atkinson Rhodes was home on leave for the first time a fortnight ago, and the day following his brother Sergeant Cecil Rhodes arrived from France.

On Monday week the following letter was received by Mrs. Ogston from Lieutenant K. Ogston: "Captain Ogston has just brought news that you have been gazetted the Military Medal. Accept my heartiest congratulations. I see in the wording that bombing experiences and your capabilities as a bomber are 'of the highest standard.'" The officer concluded by expressing the hope that he had had an enjoyable leave. A further letter was received from Company Sergeant-Major O. Buckley, who said: "Pleased to inform you that your name has appeared in Divisional Orders today for the Military Medal, also A. H. Scott. Congratulations, but sorry it was not the D.C.M." He added in one of the letters was the ribbon, but the medal, which in all probability will be presented to him when he gets back to the front. Sergeant Cecil Rhodes is only 20 years of age, and twice he was recommended for the D.C.M. He was in the local Territorials before the commencement of the war, and was mobilised on the outbreak, going out to the front in April, 1915. He returned to the front last Saturday evening. In civil life he was a brass founder, employed by Messrs. J. Firth & Co., brass founders, Keighley. Private Frank Rhodes, another brother, is serving at the Front with the Mechanical Transport Section of the Army Service Corps.

Lance-Corporal A. Scott, West Riding Regiment, whose parents reside at 65, Bradford Street, Keighley, has been awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry. The information was contained in a letter home, in which he stated that he had earned the ribbon; but he did not say in the letter what had earned for him the distinction. He is 21 years of age, and was mobilised with the local Territorials at the outbreak of the war. Formerly he was with his father at Messrs. Ward, Haggas & Sutcliffe, Keighley.

THE MEN OF FORTY-ONE.

FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO TRIBUNALS.

The Local Government Board on Tuesday issued a letter to local tribunals and appeal tribunals informing them that the following additional instructions have been made regarding cases of voluntarily enlisted men:—

An application for a certificate of exemption in respect of a man who has attained the age of 41 years shall be entertained by the local tribunal if it has been duly delivered in the prescribed form appropriate to the local tribunal not later than seven days after individual notice has been sent to the military authorities calling him up for service in the ordinary course.

An application for a certificate of exemption by reason of a man who has attained the age of 41 years may be entertained if it has been duly delivered after the period above specified if it is shown to the satisfaction of the tribunal that failure to make application within that period has arisen from any cause which appears to the tribunal to be a reasonable ground for allowing the application to be made, provided that the application shall in no case be entertained, except with the consent of the Army Council, if it has not been delivered before the day on which the man has been required to join for service with the colours.

In regards unattested men, it is competent to the tribunal to allow a late application to be made in a case in which good cause is shown for this course, but it is the wish of the Army Council that tribunals should refuse to entertain late applications by or in respect of men aged 41 years not serving with the colours who are being in default in reporting themselves for service with the colours where there is no excuse for failure to make application in time.

RIPON ELECTRIC LIGHTING SCHEME.

A meeting of the Ripon City Council was held on Tuesday night, the Mayor (Mr. F. W. Hargrave) presiding, to consider the advisability of applying for a provisional order for an installation of electric lighting plant for the city. Similar schemes have been advanced in past years, but have not been completed. There is now, however, owing to the local population a strong feeling in favour of obtaining a supply, but the site selected by the Committee for the generating station did not meet with the Council's approval, and the matter was deferred for a later meeting in order that the committee might have the opportunity of selecting other sites.

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LOCAL WAR CASUALTIES.

KEIGHLEY.

Private Sylvester Petty (30), West Yorkshire Regiment, who before enlistment in February, 1915, resided in Spencer Street, with his sister, was killed in action on October 7. He was a native of Sutton Mill, and his family have had a long settlement at that village, but both his parents are now dead. Private Petty was for many years connected with the Sutton Baptist School and chapel, and was a fine type of soldier. He had served twenty months with the colours, going out to the front in April last, and had taken part in several engagements prior to his death, which is said to have been instantaneous.

Private Edward Loftus, West Yorkshire Regiment, son of Mrs. Mary Loftus, of 303, South Street, Keighley, has died in a Liverpool hospital from wounds received in action seven weeks ago. He enlisted at the opening of hostilities and took part in the landing at Suvla Bay and subsequent fighting up to the evacuation. Later he went to Egypt, and during this year was drafted to France, where he took part in several engagements on the Somme. He was 24 years of age and in civil life was employed by a Huddersfield firm, but was very well known in Keighley.

Private Thomas Robinson, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson, of Wheat Street, Ingrow, was wounded on September 25. Prior to his enlistment in the early part of the year he was employed by S. Laycock and Son, fish and fruit dealers, Market Place, Keighley. A brother is also serving with the forces at one of the home training camps.

Private A. Watt, West Riding Regiment, son of Mrs. Watt, of 22, Ash Street, Highfield Lane, Keighley, has been wounded in the back and is in hospital. Before being rescued he lay in the open for three days. He had been wounded three times previously and was "gassed" at Hill 60. He is a Regular, and served through the Boer war.

Private Allan Heaton, West Riding Regiment, son of Mr. and Mrs. Heaton, of 14, Bracken Street, Spring Bank, Ingrow, has been wounded a second time, and is at present in Beckett's Park Hospital, Leeds. Before enlistment, at the beginning of the war, he was employed as a drawing overlooker by Messrs. I. Firth & Co., Ingrow.

Private J. W. Willoughby, West Yorkshire Regiment, of 11, Rowsley Street, Dalton Lane, Keighley, is in hospital at Birmingham suffering from septic poisoning. He enlisted about twelve months ago, and went to the front in February last. Formerly he was employed as a cabinetmaker by a Keighley firm.

The names of the following Keighley soldiers have appeared in the official casualty lists of wounded issued during the past week:—Royal Garrison Artillery: Corporal G. Clarkson (52056); Yorkshire Regiment, Private H. Lewthwaite (7922); King's Royal Rifles, Private F. Binns (7356).

It has been officially announced this week that Private G. Longbottom (20555), King's Royal Rifles, a Keighley soldier, is missing.

Private G. Birch (9364), a Keighley soldier attached to the West Riding Regiment, has this week been officially reported a prisoner of war in Turkish hands.

OXENHOPE.

Mr. Craven Nicholson received on Tuesday morning last official intimation that his son, Private W. Nicholson, of the R.A.M.C., was killed by shell fire on September 28, whilst engaged in wheeling a trolley containing wounded soldiers from the front line. Private Nicholson was well known and highly respected in Oxenhope, and previous to joining the forces was employed by Mr. J. Ogden, of Oxenhope. Mr. Nicholson has received letters of sympathy from his son's officer, and also from his "pals" in the Ambulance Corps.

OAKWORTH.

Private Frank Midgley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Midgley, of Slack Lane Farm, Oakworth, was killed in action on October 7. This is the second son Mr. Midgley has lost during the war. He went out to the front early in July, and prior to his enlistment in January, he had been employed for about five years by Messrs. J. Waterhouse and Sons, shuttle peg makers, Oakworth.

Private A. Julian, West Riding Regiment, of Street Head Farm, Oakworth, has been missing since July 30. He only went out to the front on July 1.

FARNHILL.

Mrs. Stott has received official information that her son, Private John Stott, of the Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment, has been wounded. Prior to joining the forces Private Stott was a barber in the village.

COWLING.

Private George F. Thorpe, Machine Gun Corps, has been wounded in the right leg, and is now in the 1st Northern General Hospital, Newcastle. He enlisted on November 1, 1915, and in April, 1916, was transferred from the West Yorkshires to the Machine Gun Section. Previous to the war he was employed as shorthand typist by the Keighley Gas and Oil Engine Company. His parents live at 195, Keighley Road, Cowling.

STEETON.

News has been received this week that Private Bertram G. Clough, of the Northumberland Fusiliers, and son of Mr. F. P. Clough, of Cross Hills, has been wounded in the nose. He was on sentry duty when he received his wound, which was caused by a piece of metal. Prior to enlisting in April this year Private Clough resided with his aunt, Miss Greenwood, Station Road, Steeton, and he was employed as a warpdresser at Messrs. S. Clough & Sons' mill. He is 23 years of age, and went to France just over three months ago.

CROSS HILLS.

Private J. W. Davison, Canadian Force, has been wounded and is at present in hospital in Edinburgh. He has been a resident of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, for six years, but formerly resided at Cross Hills, Keighley.

CONONLEY.

Private T. H. Reynolds, who is at the front and has previously been wounded and gassed, has written to his wife, Mrs. Reynolds, of Cononley, stating that he has been removed to a base hospital in France. The nature of his illness is not stated.

SKIPTON.

Private Charlie Branston (19), West Riding Regiment, the son of Mrs. Branston, of 27, Brook Street, Skipton, has been killed. A short time ago he was wounded. He was a lad of about 6ft. in height, and before enlistment was employed in a local branch of a firm of grocers. A cousin, Private T. B. Cartman, was killed a little while ago.

BINGLEY.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Waite, of 17, Sydney Street, Bingley, received notification on Saturday last that their son, Private David Waite, (22), of the East Lancashire Regiment, had been wounded by shrapnel in the right knee and calf on October 25. Private Waite left Bingley four years ago to follow his trade as a butcher in Nelson, having served his apprenticeship with Mr. H. Thornton, Bingley, and was employed as a manager by the Nelson Co-operative Society, until he enlisted about six months ago. His eldest brother, Fred, was discharged from the Army recently, being a time-expired Territorial, and having fought many months in France as a sergeant with the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding) Regiment (T.F.).

MORTON BANKS.

News has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Scott, of Bank Top, Morton Banks, that their son, Corporal D. C. Scott, of the Royal Field Artillery, was killed in action in France on October 11. Corporal Scott, who was 24 years of age, was very well known in the district, and particularly in local musical circles. He was possessed of considerable talent as a baritone vocalist, and was a pupil of Mr. Wainwright, and before joining the Army he had been a member of the Wesleyan choir at Morton Banks and also of the St. John's choir at Ingrow. He was among the first volunteers for the war from the Morton Banks district, enlisting in November, 1914. After training for ten months at home he went out to France in September of last year, and received his baptism of fire almost immediately on landing, his battery being sent on direct to take part in the fighting at Loos.

HARDEN.

Official notification was received on Wednesday last that Private Arthur Waller (24), of Spring Row, Harden, was "posted as missing after an engagement in France on October 12th." Before joining the West Riding Regiment about 12 months ago he worked for Messrs. J. Barron & Son, coal merchants, Bingley.

WILSDEN.

Private Harry Collins, of the Northumberland Fusiliers, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Collins, of 10, Royd Terrace, Wilsden, has been wounded in the right leg and left foot by shrapnel, and is in hospital in the case.

Gunner Phillip W. Ackroyd, R.F.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Ackroyd, of Rose Cottage Farm, Wilsden, was wounded in the left arm by shrapnel on October 25, and is in hospital in France.

Private Arthur Dolphin, the well-known Yorkshire County wicket-keeper, whose home is at Wilsden, is stated to be in a hospital at a seaport abroad suffering from shell-shock. Private Dolphin, who is in the West Yorkshire Regiment, has recently had a narrow escape from shell-fire, an enemy shell bursting beside a party of six men.

The funeral took place at Morton Cemetery on Monday last of Private John Henry Allen, of the First Canadians, who died at the Morton Banks Military Hospital. It is said that the deceased's grandfather was a Mohawk Chief. The Rev. J. Brash (Bradford) was the officiating minister.

The body of Corporal William Dagnall, of the Cheshire Regiment, who died at the Morton Banks Hospital, was removed on Monday to Seacombe for interment. Messrs. E. Waterhouse & Son had charge of the funeral arrangements in both cases.

CROSS HILLS AND DISTRICT Y.M.C.A. HUT.

FORMAL OPENING AT HOWDEN.

The formal opening of a Y.M.C.A. hut at Howden, on Saturday afternoon, was, by place and circumstances, made an extremely interesting event. The building is the gift of a group of West Riding villages in the ancient parish of Kildwick, embracing Cross Hills, Glusburn, Sutton, Kildwick, Farnhill, Cononley, Lothersdale, and Bradley; and it was personally handed over by Mrs. Frank Petty, of Langstead, who was accompanied by Mr. Frank Petty and Miss Petty; Mr. James Bairstow, Springfield, Sutton; Mr. F. H. Pickles, Kildwick; and Miss Crosswell, Burley. The sum of £947 17s. 3d. was raised, and about £800 has been spent upon the hut, which contains, besides the large hall, three sleeping apartments, a rest-room, kitchen, stores, and a billiard-room with two full-sized tables. The contractor for the work is Mr. G. H. Upton, of Hull.

WHAT THE Y.M.C.A. IS DOING.

At the ceremony Lord Nunburnholme (Lord-Lieutenant of the East Riding) presided, and he was supported by the Bishop of Hull, Mr. Arthur J. Atkinson (Sheriff-elect of Hull), Mr. Philip B. Reckitt, Commander Boothby, R.N., Mr. Alan Park (Mayor-elect of Hedon), the Rev. W. H. Heap, Mr. Hall (Howden), Mr. Bennett (York), Mr. J. Charles Storey (chairman of the Humber Defences Social Committee), Mr. A. Stansfield, and Mr. R. H. Winter. The Bishop of Hull offered a dedicatory prayer, and this was followed by the National Anthem.

Mr. Philip B. Reckitt (honorary treasurer) made an appeal for further support. In Hull and district, he said, £8,000 had been raised and spent upon these huts for soldiers and sailors; and yet the need for them was greater than ever. There were already twenty huts and thirty centres, and, as still more were wanted, the East Riding looked to the West Riding for help on behalf of the East, where there were so many more soldiers, and where the risks of invasion were among the dangers from which inland centres were practically exempt. The twenty huts in this district were self-supporting, and he hoped that the Howden hut, like the rest, would not be a drain upon the current subscriptions. (Applause.)

Lord Nunburnholme, on behalf of the people of the East Riding, acknowledged the splendid gift from the West Riding. Since the beginning of the war, he said, the Y.M.C.A. had provided huts for our soldiers and sailors all over the world. Our Army and Navy were now so enormous that the men had to be cramped up together, and it was only in these huts that they could find a place to sit down in, to write a letter, or read a paper, or have a little light refreshment in the evening. (Hear, hear.) The people of the East Riding were delighted to have this section of His Majesty's forces located among them. (Hear, hear.)

OPENING BY MRS. FRANK PETTY.

Mrs. Frank Petty declared the hut open in a happily-phrased and well-delivered speech, which evoked rounds of applause. She considered it an honour, she said, to represent the people of the Kildwick parish at the opening of the hut, the cost of which they had been pleased to defray. Her share in the scheme had been small compared with that of some of the other workers. If they knew the district from which she came they would agree that it was a large sum for them to raise, and yet she could assure them that every penny had been cheerfully given. (Applause.) Rich and poor contributed, and there was not a single grumble or refusal. (Hear, hear.) She knew of several cases in which working women, unable to afford money, had willingly given a hard day's work at the gala. Women who really had not money to spare had asked to be allowed to do something, if only out of gratitude for the notepaper supplied by the Y.M.C.A. to their soldier sons. (Loud applause.) With such workers and with such a spirit the scheme had been a great success, and her only regret was that it was not possible for every subscriber to see the magnificent hut that had been erected with their money. Her daughter worked in a soldier's canteen in Scotland, and considered it a privilege to do so, and she knew how the soldiers appreciated the little that was done for them. Huts of that description, with facilities for recreation, reading, writing, and refreshment, were perhaps the only bit of home men enjoyed when on active service. She liked the soldiers' interpretation of Y.M.C.A.—You Make Christianity Attractive. (Applause.) There was an ideal motto for all canteen work. Some of the subscribers at first thought it would be fitting if the hut to be erected should be for the men from their own district, but their imagination had taken wings, and they were delighted that the hut was to be used by members of the air service. (Applause.) Her hope was that the tea and coffee would always be hot and the buns never stale, and that when the war was over officers and men would look back with pleasure upon many happy hours spent in the Y.M.C.A. hut. (Loud applause.)

A NOTE PAPER BILL.

Commander Boothby, in accepting the hut, gave the donors the thanks of both officers and men. Before they came to Howden, he said, they had heard of Yorkshire hospitality; they had since been overwhelmed with it. (Hear, hear.) And what had they done to deserve it? They had turned men off the land, they had stopped many a country road, and they had spoilt the best fox covers; and yet they had been treated with the greatest kindness. (Laughter.) Now they had this magnificent hut. Their station was not a cheerful spot, and that made the gift of Mrs. Petty and her subscribers the more welcome and acceptable. (Applause.)

Mr. Arthur J. Atkinson presented Mrs. Petty with a handsomely bound copy of the New Testament, with suitable inscription, as a memento of the occasion.

Mr. Bennett in proposing a vote of thanks to the donors, and those who had assisted at the ceremony, mentioned that there were 125 Y.M.C.A. centres in Yorkshire, and that over 1,700 huts had been erected in various parts of the world. Since the outbreak of the war 360,000,000 sheets of notepaper and envelopes had been provided. The cost of stationery alone was £50,000 a year, so that they would appreciate the need for subscriptions.

Mr. Hall seconded, and said the people of the district were grateful to their West Riding friends for what they had done.

Mr. Stansfield supported the vote, which was carried with acclamation.

Mr. Bairstow replied, and humorously warned Commander Boothby that if he offered to entertain the donors he must be prepared for a friendly invasion of great numbers. (Laughter and applause.)

Solos contributed by Miss Olga Cook, to the accompaniment of Miss Harrison, were well received.

A SERIOUS TALK ON A SERIOUS SUBJECT.

When getting over a cold, fever, or illness of any kind, be careful to guard your kidneys against a breakdown. Every day thousands are recovering from one disease or another, and it's while "convalescing" that great care is needed to avoid falling into the clutches of kidney trouble.

The kidneys, when in health, are the hardest worked organs in the body. No wonder that when the blood is loaded with uric acid poisons and the work of the kidneys is doubled, that they break down. Kidney weakness follows as naturally as night the day.

After influenza, pneumonia, fevers, and even ordinary colds, watch for a kidney trouble, and don't neglect such signs as backache, headache, dizziness, nervous trouble, and that dull, tired feeling, no matter how unimportant they appear to you.

Your kidneys will need help for a while. There is nothing more soothing, nothing better than Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. This medicine is for the kidneys and bladder only, and has no action on the bowels. With the temporary assistance of Doan's Pills, care as to diet, more rest and sleep and exercise in the open air, you can soon get back to normal.

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LOCAL POLICE COURTS.

KEIGHLEY BOROUGH COURT.

TUESDAY.

(Before the Mayor, presiding, Mr. Robert Clough, and Mr. D. Rhodes.)

A CRICKETER'S LAPSE.

Tom Wildman, iron turner, Keighley, and a former well-known cricketer, was summoned for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Constable Wriggles said that at 12.15 a.m. that (Tuesday) morning, in consequence of a complaint, he went to Royd Works, Keighley, and found defendant, who was drunk, trying to quarrel with a night man employed there. Witness took him into custody.

Defendant stated that he had neuralgia and got some stout, which went to his head. He was very sorry for what he had done, for he had worked at Royd Works on nights for six months without complaint.

Superintendent Slack remarked that a telephone message was received with regard to the man's conduct. Defendant came out of the Cattal Home on May 1, where he had been sent as an habitual drunkard. He (Superintendent Slack) thought Wildman had gone straight since he came out.

Defendant: I have tried to be good and do good, but I have fallen. I hope you will give me another chance.

Superintendent Slack: You know the risk you run if you come here again.

The Mayor said the Bench was very sorry to see the defendant before them once more. They were hoping that he had turned over a new leaf, and so far as they knew he had done so for six months. They were not going to punish him this time, but were going to bind him over in the sum of 40s. to be of good behaviour for six months. One of the conditions was that he had not to touch intoxicating liquor.

Defendant: By the help of God I will not do any more.

DRINKING BY WOMEN.

Julia Callaghan, married woman, Turkey Street, Keighley, was fined 15s. for being drunk and using obscene language at 10 o'clock last Saturday night. Defendant denied the offence.—The Mayor said the woman's conduct was disgraceful, and added that there was far too much drinking by women at the present time.

TALKING ABOUT THE KAISER.

Andrew Wilson, labourer, Keighley, was summoned for using indecent language in his own house in Leeds Street at 11.15 p.m. on Friday week.

Mrs. Wilson said her husband was talking about the Kaiser, and did not use indecent language. He had been discharged from the Army owing to deafness, and he was speaking loudly as though he thought everyone else was deaf.

A fine of 9s. was imposed.

Herbert Taylor, of Keighley, pleaded "Guilty" to being an absentee from his regiment, and was remanded in custody to await an escort. The lad said he had no intention of overstaying his leave, but had done so by a day owing to a mistake.

THURSDAY

Before Mr. Shem Paget (presiding), Mr. Hartley Whitaker, Mr. D. Rhodes, Mr. R. Edmondson, and Mr. T. Wardle

DAMAGE TO CORPORATION PROPERTY.

Three boys—Thomas Walsh, Thomas O'Hara, and John Haran—were summoned for doing wilful damage to property belonging to the Corporation in Westgate, Keighley.

The Town Clerk stated that the defendants were found in a condemned house on September 22. One was found upstairs pulling up floorboards and throwing them through a hole in the floor to the other defendants, who were breaking them into firewood. The Corporation had spent a good deal of money in boarding up windows and doors of houses, but it had not prevented damage being done inside, and some of the houses had been made into such a condition that they were a source of danger.

Constable Mitchell bore out what had been stated. He discovered the defendants in the house No. 75, Back Westgate, and he estimated the damage done at 10s.

Each defendant was ordered to pay 18s. 4d., which included the cost of the damage.

A CORPORATION CLAIM.

Ralph Kay, of Haworth, was summoned by the Keighley Corporation for a civil debt.

The Town Clerk said some property belonging to the defendant had been pulled down by the Corporation, and the proceedings were taken to recover £12 9s. 6d., which was the difference between the cost of pulling down the property and what was received for the material. The contractor's charge was £37 10s. and the surveyor's charges £2 2s., while the material had been disposed of for £27 2s. 6d. That left a balance owing to the Corporation of £12 9s. 6d.

Mr. F. W. Butterfield, who appeared on behalf of the defendant, said he thought the charges were rather excessive for the pulling down of three old houses. He certainly objected to the charge of £2 2s. by someone who was in the employ of the Corporation.

The Town Clerk: If the Corporation had done the whole of the work by their own workpeople my friend would probably have argued that the defendant should not have paid anything at all. I ask for the full amount.

Mr. W. Fowlds, the Borough Surveyor, said £2 2s. was nothing like payment for the work that was put in.

Mr. Butterfield stated that the property was bought by the defendant in 1893 for £190, and since that time various requirements had been made by the Corporation which had cost the defendant a further £44 8s. 4d. About 10 years ago a fire took place at Firth's Mill, and prior to then the defendant's property was doing very well. Since then, unfortunately, the tenants left and the houses gradually got worse and worse. They had now been pulled down, and the land upon which they stood was valued at £30, but the Corporation was not disposed to make any bargain with regard to that. The Corporation was only entitled to out-of-pocket expenses, and the surveyor's charge of £2 2s. would be received by the Corporation, and he contended that that would be profit. He objected to the charge.

The Bench sympathised with the defendant, but made an order for payment.

A RAILWAY OFFENCE.

Edwin Lampard, a waggon repairer of Keighley, was summoned for travelling on the Midland Railway without paying his fare.

Inspector Dutton stated that on Wednesday, October 11, defendant arrived at Keighley by the 4.8 train from Skipton, and told the ticket collector that he had come from Steeton, and asked him to take the fare out of 6d. that he offered him. The collector did so, but it afterwards transpired that the man had joined the train at Skipton.

Defendant admitted the offence.

He had been fined once before this year for a similar offence, and the Bench imposed a penalty of £2, with 10s. costs.

Alice Greenwood, married woman, Haworth, was fined £1 for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. She had been bound over twice previously and once this year.

BRADFORD MUNITIONS COURT

A REBUKE FOR EMPLOYERS.

At a sitting of the Bradford Munitions Tribunal yesterday twenty-one men were summoned by a Bradford firm for failing to attend work regularly between October 23 and 25. All the men, with the exception of two, pleaded "Not guilty." It was stated that they had left work because they were under the impression that they were to receive a Government grant of 3s. a week as ironworkers. Subsequently the increase was given.

One of the defendants, who is over 70 years of age, said that he did not wish to be a "black sheep." This was the first time he had ever been on strike.

The Chairman (Mr. C. P. Charlesworth): Lads do get into bother, you know.

The Defendant: Aye, they do. (Laughter.)

Have you anything further to say?—No.

You are just putting in a plea of youth?—Yes. (Laughter.)

One of the men who interviewed the employers' representatives on the question of wages said that they were threatened that they would all be in khaki before 5 o'clock the same night. "I told the foreman," remarked the witness, "that if we were in the Army we should at least be getting meat every day in the week, which we could not afford now on 27s. a week." It was also stated by one of the defendants that the summons against one man had subsequently been withdrawn by the employers.

The Chairman, announcing the decision of the Court, said that he and his colleagues agreed that this particular man ought to have been before the tribunal. All the men concerned in a series of complaints like that ought to be brought before the tribunal, and if he had known the circumstances and had been consulted he would certainly have refused permission for the summons to be withdrawn. They thought the employers acted improperly in withdrawing that case after the man had been summoned along with the other men. As the case stood the Court was by no means certain that the man concerned was not the one who out of all others ought to have been before them.

One case was dismissed, and in all the others a fine of 5s. was imposed, to be paid in two weekly instalments.

A BINGLEY CONFERENCE.

CHILD LABOUR AND EDUCATION.

Under the auspices of the Bingley branch of the Workers' Educational Association a conference was held on Saturday at Bingley Technical School for the discussion of questions connected with the subject of "Child Labour and Education." The principal speakers were Alderman Conway (Bradford) and Mr. A. N. Shimmin (Leeds University). Mr. H. M. Dawson presided, and there was a good attendance. Letters regretting inability to attend were read from Mr. W. Dazeley and Dr. Angus.

The Chairman said he was brought up on a strong diet of John Ruskin, and commenced his public life with a decided leaning towards one side of the child labour question. Since, when advocating his views, he had met opposition from where one would not have thought opposition would have come, and he remembered being one of two members of the District Council who voted for raising the age limit for leaving school. He confessed that his idealism had been a little shaken. He felt they had first to convince parents that the half-time system was not a good thing for the children. In these days, he went on, it was possible to confer on this question without the prejudice and passion which it would have evoked before the war. He was only sorry there was not a larger representation of employers of labour because it was not much good discussing this question if they were all idealists or all educationists. It was certain that after the war they would have to consider the equipment of the children for the struggle of life far more than had been done in the past, for the destruction of wealth now going on meant that there must be increased production of wealth in the future.

AN EDUCATIONIST'S IDEAL.

Mr. Shimmin, answering the question whether child labour was necessary, profitable, or useful, said he did not believe child labour was necessary, and he could not find any economic argument which showed that if we tackled the problem on a broad basis, of applying our available labour to the needs of the community, we should have not simply enough, but more than enough, to meet the needs. Child labour was not profitable from the standpoint of the well-being of the community. The community had a right to demand all the capacity born in its children, and if it did not get it, then the system that prevented it was decidedly unprofitable to the community as a whole. This applied over the whole field of education, and no scheme of economics could be justified which did not enable a person to become ultimately a self-sustaining unity by his self-sufficiency and ability to minister to the needs of the community. Why did we not get this? Because the purpose of our activity had not been citizenship but exaggerated economic selfishness. Self-preservation was one thing, and was right, but as soon as it got over the borders and became self-aggrandisement all kinds of evils crept in, and this was what we had had. Specialism in industry was an advantage in making for greater production, but it had had results in another direction for the workers. They had to combat the repetition of fallacious arguments on the part of employers, such as that child labour was necessary, and that unless it was accepted it might be found that the whole of the trade left the country. On the other side there was what might be called the apathy of parents to contend with; in Lancashire there were thousands of children who were regarded simply as economic investments. Skill was not what it used to be. The place held by human dexterity had been taken by machinery, and the aim now should be to maintain and develop mental flexibility. Among the dangers which followed on juvenile employment were the lack of co-operation and the growth of a strong antagonism which it fostered among the workers. Their aim should be to shift the emphasis from the increase of wealth and to say that welfare must come first. If people lived in terror of decreased Board of Trade returns they could not have welfare, but the whole policy of the future should be inspired by the conception that inside a human being was a thing called a soul.

CHILDREN IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY.

Alderman Conway said it was difficult in the district of Bradford to get people to realise that it was a bad policy in every way for children to enter into the labour market too early. The national problem was how to diminish labour and improve its quality, and that included the policy of the abolition of child labour. He believed the problem of the demobilisation of the Army would be one largely of abolishing child labour. The first one or two million men might be absorbed back into employment without difficulty, but unless child labour were abolished it would be harder to make room for those who came later, for there were thousands of women who had gone into industry for good. He could not see any other way out than to stop children under sixteen years being in industry. He went on to maintain that child labour had a restrictive and deadening effect mentally on the children engaged, and mentioning some facts which had come under his own observation, he said that out of 180 old boys who went as half-timers only twelve got into trades, but the most alarming fact was that ultimately 80 per cent. of these boys came to be in casual employment, picking up a living anyhow. When they remembered that the majority of boys in mills were turned adrift when between 15 and 17 years of age they saw what made one of the problems in the West Riding for social workers. The textile trade for a boy was not only very often a dead-end, but its physical results were bad, and just as happened at the time of the South African war so it would be found again, when the figures were made known, that there were most physically unsound men in the textile areas. Child labour had as its results the triple problem of unemployment, under-employment, and incapacity for employment. Parents looked at the immediate gain only, but this outlook was a wrong one. There was neither social necessity nor social justification for child labour. The competition between nations was going to be decided by which was the better educated nation—it was never settled by war. The whole question was one of superior education. Child labour was a form of child neglect, and the protection of children should be the highest duty.

THE DISCUSSION.

The discussion which followed was opened by Mr. G. H. Thompson (Leeds), who said that the problem was with us because State industrialism came before State education, and education was still considered an appendage to the former. If they continued to rest on the argument that better education paid they would be beaten at the finish, for the relation between good jobs and poor jobs would remain. Education made a better man and a better woman. He mentioned that in the South Yorkshire mining areas one result which had followed from the better wages lately earned by miners was that there had been a very large increase in the number of children sent to secondary schools.

Miss Blake said that with respect to child labour in agriculture it was urged that it was necessary for the workers to begin young if they were to be interested in agriculture.

Dr. Wodehouse said that whereas she knew that this was urged by farmers in that portion of the country with which she was acquainted, the farmers themselves sent their sons to the secondary schools, and she did not find that they were too old to get interested in the work when brought to the farms from school.

Alderman Conway said that in Denmark and in the United States there was no child labour in agriculture, and it had never been to the detriment of Scotland that the ploughman could speak Greek. The strain of farm work was too much for young children.

Miss Scott expressed the opinion that the system of child labour was largely responsible for the lack of reverence and respect now shown by children.

Miss Crabtree said that child labour was a great obstacle to education, and the first difficulty they had to overcome in this matter was the attitude of parents.

Mr. S. Rushforth also agreed that a great obstacle was the apathy of parents to the child's educational welfare. He believed that employers of labour were coming to realise that child labour would have to go, and certainly it was not cheap labour, so far as factory work was concerned.

The Rev. F. A. Hodd, while admitting there was a great deal of apathy among parents, said this was not the whole difficulty. It was partly a wages question, economic necessity was the cause, and it was true that in many homes the children benefited when there was more money coming into the house. In this matter there was, he felt, a wages question also to be solved.

Mr. G. Severs contended there was something to be said for the idea that work and learning could go on together, and he said that no small proportion of juvenile workers came from homes where the money they earned was not urgently needed. There were other causes which contributed to the children who went to the mills not always turning out well, apart from factory work.

Mr. E. Norrie (Bradford) said that child labour make equal possibilities among children impossible, and it went also against the growth of mental alertness and spiritual quality in the younger generation.

The discussion was closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. Shimmin and Alderman Conway, proposed by Dr. Wodehouse and seconded by Mr. C. Smith.

THE HALF-TIMER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE KEIGHLEY NEWS.

SIR,—As the half-timer was not adequately represented at the W.E.A. conference at Bingley last Saturday, will you kindly allow me to plead for him in your columns.

1. True education implies the harmonious development of hand as well as head, body as well as brain, physical as well as mental. It should include not only book knowledge but good habits, not only the "what" but the "how." May not the half-timer, therefore, secure this part of his education at the mill, and acquire habits of thoroughness, dexterity, alertness, and quick-wittedness through his work there?

2. Children develop at different ages. The love for book knowledge does not come to some till late in their teens. In the meantime they long to be doing something; they are active and restless and cannot keep mentally alert at schoolwork for a full day. May not the mill give an outlet for this surplus energy in their early teens?

3. The longing to go to the mill and earn money is partly due, no doubt, as Burns puts it:—

"Not for to hide it in a hedge
Or for a train attendant,
But for the glorious privilege
Of being independent."

But I have known several cases where it was a desire to help their mothers in the struggle at home.

4. The most serious charge that was made against the system at the conference was that it produced the dullards of the nation in afterlife. This is not my experience. In my old school the half-timers were not, as a class, the dullest. Some of them won scholarships to the Grammar School, working up to the examination at the mill. I, too (as well as the speaker, Alderman Conway) have followed the career of my old scholars; and I am sorry to say that some have turned out to be dullards and "Weary Willies." But the reason was not because they had been half-timers (post hoc is not always propter hoc), but in most cases it was owing to the drinking habits of their parents, both before the children were born and after. The alderman's method for preventing the production of these dullards in after life

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groceries at these prices is for seven days only—until next Friday at 8 p.m. After then they will be dearer, how much or how little I cannot say. The food markets have advanced in prices more this last seven days than in any previous seven days since the war started. The present outlook is that it is only the beginning of a series of sharp rises in practically all kinds of eatables, added to that is the increased difficulty of obtaining goods. The following are Akeroyd's prices NOW. Carriage paid on 10/- worth within six miles. Cash with order, or on delivery.

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LOCAL NEWS.

KEIGHLEY.

CONCERT BY BELGIAN ARTISTS.

A high-class concert arranged by the Keighley Patriotic Committee, in conjunction with the Belgian Artists' Committee, was given at the Municipal Hall, Keighley, on Thursday night by a party of Belgian artists in aid of the British Society for the Relief of Belgian Wounded Soldiers. The party visited the town in the early summer, but owing to counter-attractions and fine weather the concerts were not very successful, and the local committee then decided upon another visit. The Mayor (Mr. W. A. Brigg), who introduced the artists, mentioned that they were old friends to many present, inasmuch as some of them were members of the party that visited Kildwick in the early summer. He said they owed the party another invitation, and they had the pleasure that evening of seeing them again. The object of the effort was to provide for the Belgian wounded soldiers, and he said he need not enlarge on the debt that we owed to the Belgian army. We had been reminded only recently of the second anniversary of the battle of the Yser, when that army held the line. An excellent programme was presented by Mme. Boin Kufferath ('cellist), Mme. Mary Rizzini (principal soprano, Royal Opera, The Hague), M. Jules Colbert (baritone, Royal Opera, Antwerp), and M. Francois Sirou (tenor, Royal Opera, Liége), and M. Paul Kochs (conductor, Royal Opera House, Liége) was an efficient accompanist. Before the commencement of the concert M. Kochs played the Belgian National Anthem, "La Brabançonne," the audience standing. Most of the items were sung in French, but two encores were delightfully rendered in English. M. Sirou gave a brilliant rendering of "La Donna e Mobile," from Verdi's "Rigoletto"; and M. Jules Colbert's rich baritone voice was heard to rare advantage in "Benvenuto Cellini" (Diaz), which was sung in Italian, and the famous "Toreador Song" from Bizet's "Carmen," for which he earned an encore. Mme. Mary Rizzini scored a great success in her numbers from Verdi's "Rigoletto" and Gounod's "Faust," and in response to the encore for the latter she cleverly rendered in English "Until." Perhaps the feature of the evening was the beautiful rendering of the prison and final scene in Gounod's "Faust" by Mme. Mary Rizzini, and Messieurs Sirou and Colbert. MM. Sirou and Colbert tastefully contributed the duet "Les Pecheurs de Perles" (Bizet). Mme. Boin-Kufferath ('cellist) executed two solos very skilfully, but perhaps she was heard to best advantage in her second contribution "Introduction et Polonaise" (Chopin), with M. Kochs (piano), for which she was rewarded with an encore. There was only a moderate attendance, but the concert was greatly enjoyed.

GIFTS FOR WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

The Keighley Wounded Soldiers' Comforts Committee wish to thank the following for gifts which have been received during the past week at the War Hospital Supply Depot: Captain Horsfall, Dr. Empey, Mrs. F. Tetley, Mrs. G. Green, Lees and Cross Roads Red Cross Sewing Party (per Mrs. T. H. Haggas); Steeton, Steeton Church (per Mrs. Arthur Dixon); Mrs. Maggs (from Haworth), Mrs. T. Harrison, Holy Trinity Church, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Driver, Mr. J. J. Brigg, Lothersdale Scholars, Mrs. Bettison (Oakworth), Nonconformist Sewing Guild (Haworth), Mrs. James Bairstow (Braithwaite, per Miss Laycock), Cavendish Street Ladies' Sewing Meeting (per Mrs. Sunderland), per Miss Spencer, Upper Green Congregational Church and School, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Spencer, the Misses Dennison, Mrs. Tom Brigg, Mrs. Hubert Wright, Mrs. Longsdon, Mrs. Silsden, Mrs. Whitaker, Silsden (per Mrs. W. A. Clough), Miss Craven, Mrs. Raw, Slater and Co., Sutton Baptist Chapel, Mr. Nelson (Cross Hills), Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. John Wilson, Miss Bairstow, and Mrs. Dawson.

WINTER COMFORTS FOR SOLDIERS.

The Mayoress's Comforts' Fund has this week despatched to Havre (France) the following winter comforts for the soldiers: 580 pairs of socks, 145 shirts, and 14 towels. Through the fund there have been sent to Salonika 186 pairs of mittens and 320 mufflers.

CIGARETTES FOR SOLDIERS.

Miss Mabel Rothera, of Keighley, has despatched 1,000 cigarettes to each of the following soldiers who are at the front: Private T. Robinson, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry; Gunners C. Ackroyd, G. Capper, and E. Ellis, Royal Field Artillery; Private J. G. Hope, West Yorkshire Regiment; and Private J. M. Spencer, West Riding Divisional Headquarters. This distribution of 6,000 cigarettes brings up to 200,000 the total number of cigarettes Miss Rothera has been concerned in sending out to soldiers on active service.

KEIGHLEY SOLDIER GRANTED A DISCHARGE.

Mr. W. E. Foster informs us that he has just received from the War Office a message granting the discharge of Driver Lee, of the Motor Transport Service, whose home is at 26, Paget Street, Keighley. The case of Lee is a very sad one. He was one of the Keighley men who joined up early in the war, leaving at home a wife and five children, the youngest of whom is now 9 years old. Some time ago his wife fell ill, and as it was feared she would not recover, Mr. Foster and others interested themselves in the matter with a view to obtaining leave for the husband to come home from the front to see her. Unfortunately, Mrs. Lee died before her husband could reach home, and on his arrival Driver Lee had to take charge of the children and the home. As a result of further representations to the War Office two extensions of leave were granted to him to see if arrangements could be made for the care of the children. In the attempt to secure a guardian for these he has not been successful, however, and, through the efforts of Mr. Foster and others, and the instrumentality of Sir Swire Smith, who has personally seen the authorities in regard to the case, we understand a full discharge has now been granted, on the condition that Mr. Foster finds a suitable man to take his place.

THE DAMAGE IN THE ANTI-GERMAN RIOTS OF 1914.

The Secretary of State after having considered the joint statement submitted to him by the West Riding County Council and the Corporation has decided that the sum of £498 12s. 7d. for damage done in connection with the riots which took place in Keighley in 1914 should be paid by the Corporation.

The districts of the Keighley Union outside Keighley borough were called upon in the precepts of March, 1915, to bear damages amounting to £233, Keighley being charged the balance. The out-districts protested against having to pay for damage done exclusively in the borough, and now that the Corporation has to bear the whole of the damage the out-districts will be credited with their payment of £233 in the precepts of March next. Keighley's precept will, of course, be increased by that amount.

COUNCILLORS WHO CONTINUE IN OFFICE.

The members of the Keighley Town Council who should have retired on November 1 this year, but who, under the Act suspending elections continue in office, are: Mr. J. G. Ambler (C.), Central Ward; Mr. T. Houldsworth (L.), East Ward; Mr. T. Wardle (Lab.), North-East Ward; Mr. H. Sellers (C.), North-West Ward; Mr. W. H. Murgatroyd (C.), South Ward; Mr. H. Whitehead (L.), West Ward. The term of office of Aldermen J. W. Midgley, J. Smith, and J. W. Smith has also been extended one year.

SPECIAL CONSTABLES.

Keighley Division: Keighley Town Section.—Notices for the week commencing November 5, 1916: Tuesday, drill parade at the Drill Hall, 7.30 for new members. Emergency section for the week: Section leader, Emmott Wood; Hampden Smith, and J. R. Stell; W. G. Hill, J. N. Mitchell, W. G. Bennett, D. Rhodes, and W. Myers. Emergency Section for the following week: Section No. 1 Leader, Mr. T. Broster.—J. C. Dawes, Section Commander.

WOMEN'S PATRIOTIC CLUB.

The Mayoress, accompanied by her daughter (Miss Dorothy Sharpe), presided on Thursday evening week over a crowded gathering at the Women's Patriotic Club, Church Street. The evening's entertainment took the form of a farcical sketch given in capital style by the members, the following ladies taking part: Jane, Mrs. W. Midgley; P.C. 700, Mrs. Robinson; Mrs. Crossgrain, Mrs. Fisher; Mr. Crossgrain, Mrs. Haigh; Mr. Harcourt, Mrs. Ackroyd; Miss Harcourt, Miss Wragge; Mrs. Pankhurst, Mrs. Waller; Mr. Lloyd George, Mrs. Culshaw; Lady Betty Balfour, Mrs. Newby. Miss Foulds (Woodbine) deserves praise for the excellent results of her coaching. During the evening Mrs. R. H. Edmondson, on behalf of the members, presented the Mayoress with a packet containing £1 2s. which had been collected during the evening for the Mayor's fund for wounded soldiers' comforts. The Mayoress had a hearty reception, and she thanked the members for their thoughtfulness for the soldiers, and promised to hand over the money to the Mayor. After the sketch Mrs. Robins (a member) sang and Mrs. Ackroyd recited. Hearty votes of thanks were accorded the Mayoress and Miss Sharpe, the sketch party, Mrs. Robins, and Miss Foulds, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

NEW PATRIOTIC SONG.

Following on his song "When the boys come marching home," issued a short time ago, Mr. C. Lord, the well-known leader of the Keighley Hippodrome orchestra, has composed another entitled "A Soldier Lad," in which he has again collaborated with Mr. Arthur Gamble, of Gargrave. His last composition is of a more sentimental and ambitious character than its predecessor, and the patriotic element is much in evidence. The setting of the words, without presenting much difficulty either to singer or accompanist, is certainly both pleasing and effective, and the compass is not extravagantly extended. The song should prove a useful addition to the libraries of amateur vocalists on the look out for something new.

AMERICAN LADY'S DEATH AT CLIFFE CASTLE.

Mrs. Harriet A. Ridgway, widow of Captain Jacob Ridgway, of Haverford, near Philadelphia, U.S.A., died at Cliffe Castle, Keighley (the residence of her son-in-law, Mr F. W. L. Butterfield), on Monday night, as the result of a stroke of apoplexy, followed by paralysis. Mrs. Ridgway, who was in her 87th year, had been in delicate health for the past two years. All the family were at the castle at the time.

The funeral took place yestrday, the body being placed in the Butterfield Mausoleum at the Keighley Cemetery. The Rev. L. S. Robinson (Rector of Keighley) conducted a service in the drawing-room at Cliffe Castle, being accompanied by the boys of the choir at the Parish Church. At the service there were present Mr. and Mrs. F. W. L. Butterfield, Miss Albertson (sister), Miss Butterfield (granddaughter), Sir Swire Smith, M.P., the Mayoress of Keighley (Mrs. W. Cecil Sharpe), Mr. and Mrs. Sam Clough, Alderman and Mrs. H. C. Longsdon, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haggas, Mr. T. C. Butterfield, Miss Craven (Hawkcliffe), Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Petty, and Nurse Pace. The choir sang the hymns "Rock of Ages," "How bright the glorious spirits shine," and "Peace, perfect peace," and at the close of the ceremony the organist (Mr. A. E. Medley) played the Dead March from "Saul." The wreaths included one from the staff at Cliffe Castle.

CONGREGATIONAL DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY.

The sixtieth anniversary of the Devonshire Street Congregational Church was celebrated on Sunday last, the occasion being marked by the visit of the Rev. Dr. Albert Goodrich (Colwyn Bay), who delivered two able sermons. In the morning he based his discourse on "This life eternal" (John xvii. 3), and in the evening spoke on the words, "I have pardoned, but——" (Numbers xiv. 20). He placed before the congregation the doctrine of forgiveness, and showed that God's pardon disposed of the primary but not of the secondary consequences of sin. He also pointed out that "whatsoever a man sows—pardon or no pardon—that shall he also reap." He stripped pardon of the veneer with which frail mortals are prone to clothe it, and then exhibited God's mercy in all its majesty. The choir rendered special music throughout the day, under the leadership of Mr. H. Dunderdale, who presided at the organ. Despite the inclement weather good congregations assembled, and the collections, which were in aid of the Church funds, amounted to between £30 and £35.

PARISH CHURCH LADIES' GYMNASIUM CONCERT.

With the object of augmenting the repair fund of the Keighley Parish Church Ladies' Gymnasium an excellent concert was given in the Temperance Hall on Tuesday evening last by a number of well-known artists. Mr. Herbert Brown, the well-known local baritone, sang with rare power "Home" and "I love the Jocund Dance" (H. Walford Davies), and he was also eminently successful in "False Phyllis," a delightful old English air, for which he had the distinction of a double encore. Miss Miranda Sugden used her fine soprano voice to full advantage in "Sing, Sweet Bird" (Ganz) and "Sincerity" (Clarke), being recalled for each; and Mr. W. G. Bennett's songs "Thine" (Valentine Emery) and "When Thou art near me" (Lohr) were well given and very highly appreciated. Miss Susan Briggs, a Halifax contralto with a rich voice, made her debut before a Keighley audience and created a distinctly favourable impression in her two contributions, "Sink, Red Sun" (Del-Riego) and "Down Here" and "As I went a-roaming" (Brake), being twice recalled. "In Springtime" (Newton) was tastefully rendered by Miss Sugden and Mr. Brown; Miss S Briggs and Mr. Bennett gave in good style. "The Sailor Sighs" (Balfe), and the artists also contributed two quartets. Elocutionary selections were finely contributed by Miss Lilian Evans, and Miss Mary Longsdon was responsible for a number of graceful dances. Miss Mary Davies was an efficient accompanist. The hall was crowded, and during the interval the Rector (the Rev. L. S. Robinson) thanked the audience for their support, the artists, and commended the work of Mr. Throup, Mr. Fox, Mr. Stephenson, and the Ladies' Gymnastic Committee in arranging the concert. He remarked that the gymnasium had done a good work in the past for the young men and ladies of Keighley, and spoke of the unhappy mischance of the walls giving way during a time when money was so difficult to raise for objects outside war charities.

The total receipts were over £34, and the net profit was £23.

EXHIBITION OF WATER-COLOUR DRAWINGS.

Mrs. Sunderland (Frances Watson) will open her annual exhibition of water-colours at her studio, 31, Scott Street, to-day, and it will remain open until Saturday next. The works hung number close upon 100, and on the whole the exhibition is one on which the artist has good reason to pride herself, and one which the public will find especially interesting by reason of the variety of the subjects and the general excellence of the work. Probably no local artist works harder than Mrs. Sunderland, and certainly none has more truthfully reproduced the many truly delightful little bits of scenery, places of historical interest, or street scenes in and about Keighley than she has. In the Mayor's parlour to-day hang some thirty charming reproductions of bits of old Keighley which the Mayor (Mr. W. A. Brigg) has generously purchased and given to the town in order that their historical interest might be preserved. Eleven of these by Mrs. Sunderland have been added by the Mayor this year, and they fully maintain the standard of the artist's previous work of the kind. The present exhibition includes examples of old Keighley, but only a few—too few, in fact. One misses Whitby scenes this year, but the exigencies of war have put that artists' paradise "out of reach" for the time being; indeed, sketching at other places has been banned by the authorities—a permit is necessary even in Keighley—with the result that Mrs. Sunderland's activities have been considerably restricted. Her enterprise has triumphed over these obstacles, however, and in search of new scenes she has spent some hours in the Beamsley district and reproduced several fine bits of the beautiful scenery abounding in the valley of the Wharfe. Moorland scenery in Bronteland and the Harden district constitute an interesting feature of the exhibition, and one view looking down on to the "Gawmless" Inn from a point well above Hainworth is noteworthy for fine atmospheric effect and happy blend of colour. No less interesting is a view of the Aire and the Riddlesden slope from the east side of Stockbridge; and there are also one or two pleasing little scenes in the neighbourhood of Bolton Abbey. Mrs. Sunderland has had few better exhibitions than this.

NATURALISTS' SOCIETY.

Mr. Jonas Bradley delivered his presidential address before the members of the Keighley Naturalists' Society on Monday evening last in the Museum, Victoria Park. On account of the tempestuous night the attendance was smaller than usual. Mr. Bradley chose as a topic the "Natural History, Geology, Antiquities, and Folk-lore of the Kirby Lonsdale and Ingleborough Districts," and the address was illustrated by a new series of very fine lantern pictures. Kirby Lonsdale, on account of its beautiful surroundings and associations, has long been and is still a famous rendezvous of cultured people. Here Turner painted some of his landscape masterpieces. Ruskin, who was fond of the valley of the Lune, was loud and extravagant in his praise of Kirby Lonsdale. He said there was no view to be compared with that from the churchyard. Several views of Lunedale from the vantage ground close to the church were thrown on the screen and fully described in appropriate terms by Mr. Bradley. The square old church itself came in for a well-deserved share of attention. The pile embodies the chief features of church architecture, and some good views of the fine Norman doorway were shown. A number of views of old buildings and quaint backyards and passages in the market town were next screened, and the style of grouping and architecture was contrasted with the old part of Kendal. A series of pictures of Cowan Bridge and Tunstall Church served as a means for a dissertation on the association of the Brontë sisters, who were partly educated at Cowan Bridge School and attended Tunstall Church. Near here was a Roman camp and a good view of a remnant of the Roman road was shown. Towards the close of his address Mr. Bradley dealt with Ingleborough, of which he is very familiar. A dozen lectures would not exhaust material from this fairyland, for each time one visits the neighbourhood he sees something new and interesting. During the past season Mr. Bradley has been successful in securing some excellent photographs. These were thrown on the screen, and those who had braved the elements felt amply repaid. On the motion of Mr. A. Wilman, seconded by Mr. W. Driver, thanks were accorded the lecturer.

LECTURE ON "ROME."

Mr. Shuttleworth presided over a moderate attendance of members of the Keighley and District Photographic Association on Tuesday evening last, when Mr. A. S. Dean (president) gave an intersting lecture on "Rome." He illustrated his address with over 100 beautiful lantern slides, mostly of his own making, and commenced by throwing on the screen a map of Rome, pointing out all the principal streets and other places of interest. He also showed beautiful views of the Vatican, St. Peter's, the Coliseum, the Forum, and various old churches, describing each picture in detail.

A JOINER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

The death took place somewhat suddenly on Sunday last of Mr. Fred Halstead (54), joiner, Elsie Street, Beechcliffe, Keighley. Deceased followed his employment up to Saturday last, though he had suffered from bronchitis for three or four years. On Sunday he did not rise until noon, and in the afternoon he told his wife he would return to bed, as he had a pain in the chest. When his wife took him some tea she noticed that he loked strange, and she at once called in a neighbour and sent for Dr. H. S. Doble. Before the doctor arrived, however, Mr. Halstead had passed away. Deceased was a capable tenor singer, and had been associated as boy and man with the Parish Church choir, and for some years had been a member of the Keighley Glee Union.

TRADESMEN AND CLOSING HOURS.

A meeting of the Keighley and District Tradesmen's Association was held at Messrs. Robertshaw and Myers's offices on Thursday evening last, Mr. Newell in the chair. Mr. Charles Stanley reported on a meeting of the West Yorkshire Federated Chambers of Trade held at Ilkley, when the question of house-shops was discussed. It was stated that in some of these cases this class of shopkeeper was avoiding payment of income tax. It was stated that shopkeepers were agitating for millowners, manufacturers, and others to pay workpeople's wages earlier in the week. It was pointed out that shopkeepers themselves set a bad example by paying their assistants at the last moment at the week-end.

A letter from Mr. J. C. Dawes (chief sanitary inspector for the Corporation) was read, stating that the Health Committee were desired by the Secretary of State to forward their views as to the desirability, or otherwise, of fixing later closing hours during the Christmas season. The views of the tradesmen were asked on the matter. The meeting resolved to suggest that the closing hours in the week previous to Christmas should be as follow: Tuesday, optional, but to close not later than 7 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 p.m. It was decided to close the shops for Christmas on the whole of Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26.

It was resolved to convey to Mr. Joseph Binns until recently in business as a tailor in Low Street, the heartiest thanks of the association for the useful services rendered by him to the association in years past, with best wishes for health and prosperity on the occasion of his going to Morecambe.—Mr. G. Brown was nominated as representative of the association on the Keighley War Pensions, &c., Committee.—It was decided to hold a special meeting of the association to take into consideration the question of closing shops on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m., and Saturdays at 9 p.m. during the period that the order of the Secretary of State is in operation.

THE PROPERTY MARKET.

Mr. V. Stanley Walker, of Leeds, offered for sale at the Victoria Hotel, Keighley, on Wednesday afternoon last, Bleak House Estate, situate off the Keighley and Halifax road at Flappit Springs, Cullingworth. The property comprises a superior residence with outbuildings, store, shippon, mistal, stables, loose box, conservatories, other buildings, and about 49a. 1r. 7½p. of nursery and grass land. A portion of the property is in the occupation of a tenant at an annual rental of £45. No bid was forthcoming.

POULTRY SHOW.

The Keighley and District Poultry Association held a monthly show on Saturday last. Mr. H. Berry's awards were as follow: M. game cock, 1 and 4, Driver; 2 and 3, Melvin. M. game hen, 1, 4, and 5, Driver; 2 and 3, Melvin. Old English game cock, Fortune. Old English game hen, Fortune. Pekin cock, 1 and 2, Bancroft; 3, Robinson. Pekin hen, Robinson; 2, Bancroft; 3, Driver. Roscomb cock, 1, 2, and special, Driver; 2, Robinson. Rosecomb hen, Robinson; 2, Driver. Wyandotte cock, Stoney; 2, Warton & Pearson; 3, Driver. Wyandotte hen, 1, 2, 3, and special, Stoney; 4, Warton & Pearson. Sebright, Robinson. Japanese, Robinson. 10s. selling class, Fortune. 5s. selling class, Fortune; 2, Stoney.

FOUND DEAD IN A LODGING-HOUSE.

An inquest was held at Keighley on Tuesday afternoon last by Mr. Edgar Wood (District Coroner) on the body of Thomas Fowler (better known as Emmott) who was at one time an umpire to the Keighley Cricket Club. He was found dead on Sunday morning last at the New Model Lodging-house, Keighley, where he had resided for the last six months. He was 73 years of age.

Amelia Chandler, who resides at Manchester, identified the body as that of her stepfather, Thomas Emmott.

The Coroner: His real name is Fowler, is it not?—I have always known him as Emmott.

Walter Willows, keeper of the New Model Lodging-house, Keighley, said the deceased got a severe cold on Wednesday week. Witness asked him if he would like a doctor to see him, but he replied that he thought he would get all right without one. On Saturday night last, at 11 o'clock, he saw the deceased into bed, and he appeared to be all right then. Witness did not know whether or not the man had had anything to eat that day. Next morning Fowler was found dead on the floor, lying on his right side.

The Coroner: Had he the old age pension?—Yes. How did he live, for that would not keep him?—He seemed to have a few friends who helped him.

Do you know what his proper name is?—I believe his proper name is Fowler, but he was better known as Emmott.

Martha Hum, who is employed at the lodging-house, expressed the opinion that deceased had had plenty to eat. She thought the man's name was Fowler as that was the one he had in his pension book.

Dr. Villy stated that the deceased had been under his care at the Keighley Infirmary, and the last time was in February and March of this year. The man had a leg amputated in August, 1915. He examined the body about 5 o'clock the previous day and there were no marks of violence upon it. Death was due to heart failure following upon chronic bronchitis.

The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the doctor's evidence.

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The Rev. Edward Pringle, who has been pastor of the Devonshire Street Congregational Church for the past thirty-two years, is lying seriously ill at his residence, Rock Cottage, Keighley.

Winter Comforts for Soldiers.—Cardigan Jackets, Mufflers, Gloves, Socks, &c., at Spencer's, 4, Church Street.—Advt.

The various Keighley war funds yesterday stood as follow: War Relief, £5,010; Belgian Famine, £4,791; Serbian Relief, £1,289.

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Mrs. Susanna Gledhill, of The Cottage, Albert Street, Keighley, widow of the late Councillor John Gledhill, left £1,704.

"Aireworth Series."—Fireworks in boxes, 1d. to 2s. 6d. each. Loose Fireworks from 3d. per dozen. A. Sunderland & Son, 32, Aireworth Street.—Advt.

The Temperance Society's weekly concert was sustained on Saturday evening last by "The Helios" (Bradford)—a popular troupe of entertainers who presented an excellent programme.—Mrs. Robinson was the reader at the lantern lecture on Sunday evening, when the subject was "Little Willie's Wings."

Rushton & Wilson, 4, Drake Street, showing Chic Millinery and Storm Hats.—Advt.

The secretary of the Victoria Hospital acknowledges receipt of the following: Workpeople's Collection Committee, £319 1s. 7d.; hospital box, £1 17s. 10d.

Don't forget the House-to-House Collection in aid of the Victoria Hospital, Keighley, November 11, 1916. Funds are urgently needed for the general upkeep of the institution.—Advt.

The overflowing of the River Aire on Tuesday resulted in the flooding of hundreds of acres between Steeton and Keighley. In the vicinity of Hawkcliffe the floods extended to the Skipton Road side of the railway line.

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Misses S. E. Wright, M. Towler, M. A. Towler, and F. Harrison have been able to purchase, as the result of the sale of scent cards, two basket chairs for the military wards.

James Walsh, Wine and Spirit Merchant, 11 Queen Street. Single bottles supplied.—Advt.

At the November meeting of the Town Council on Thursday next the Gas Committee will recommend that, not withstanding the war bonus already granted by the Council, every employee of the Gas Department be paid a war bonus of 3s. per week, commencing on October 13.

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UTLEY.

SWIMMING TROPHY PRESENTATION.

On Thursday afternoon the scholars of the Utley Council School were assembled to witness the presentation of the "Longsdon Cup" and certificates to the winners in the recent swimming gala. Alderman Cass, who presided, complimented the girls and the school on their success in winning the cup this year, and made some very interesting observations on the value of learning to swim. Alderman H. C. Longsdon, the donor of the cup, after expressing his pleasure at the successful efforts of the scholars both in swimming and in the war savings school branch, formally presented the certificates to the four girls—Adeline Heywood, Alice Terry, Mary Hill, and Muriel Mitchell—who, by their efforts, had won the cup for the school. The first and second prizes in the girls' handicap race had also been won by Utley girls this year. Mr. E. Horner (head-master), on behalf of the scholars,

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LOCAL NEWS—Continued.

...received the silver cup and a framed certificate to hang on the school wall. The proceedings were interspersed by songs and recitations. Votes of thanks to the visitors were ably moved and seconded by Louise Crabtree and Dorothy Beckwith (two first-class girls) and the proceedings terminated by the singing of the Russian National Anthem and "God Save the King."

Viyella, Scotch Wincey, Flannelette suitable for night-dresses and pyjama suits. Ladies' and gent.'s pyjama suits and children's sleeping suits made to order at G. Foster's, 17-19, Low Street.—Advt.

On Thursday evening, at St. Mark's Church, Utley, an interesting presentation, consisting of a silver cake stand and knife, was made to Mrs. Tack (née Miss Alice Shackleton), a member of the choir, on the occasion of her recent marriage. The Rev. H. Percy (curate in charge) made the presentation on behalf of the choir, and the members afterwards partook of a jumble supper.

Stoddart's Children's smart winter Coats, scarlet, navy, saxe, and tan, 5s. 11d. each.—Advt.

STANBURY.

MILITARY WEDDING.

Stanbury's first military wedding took place at the Parish Church, Haworth, on Wednesday last, the Rev. T. W. Story officiating. The contracting parties were Private George W. Bellwood, of the Grenadier Guards formerly of Pitcher Farm, near Stanbury and Miss Rhoda Binns, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Binns, Stanbury. Previous to joining the Army Mr. Bellwood was a member of the West Riding Constabulary, and was stationed at ...borough. Soon after the outbreak of the war he volunteered for active service.

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM KNOWLES.

There passed away on Thursday week at the age of ... Mr. William Knowles, of Coney Garth Farm, ... Born at Clapham, near Settle, in the ... 'Forties,' he was reared amid ideal surroundings in that delightful spot at the foot of Ingleborough. His father was a gamekeeper on the estate (the Farrar's), and his uncle for many years looked after the world-famed Ingleborough, or Clapham Cave. In the late 'sixties he came into the Brontë country and obtained employment at the Keighley Corporation Waterworks (Ponden and Watersheddles), then in course of construction, and worked ... until their completion—Ponden in 1876, and Watersheddles in 1877. For some years after his marriage to Miss Hodgson, of Bully Trees, he resided at New Bridge, near Cullingworth, but returning to Stanbury he took Copey Garth farm. A few years ago failing health caused him to relinquish quarrying, which occupation he had followed along with farming, and devote himself wholly to the farming. He was an ardent Liberal and always gave a helping hand when there was a strenuous contest, often ... his conveyance to fetch the moor-edge voters to the poll. He was a Wesleyan and attended ... the Wesleyan Chapel at Stanbury until a few weeks of his death. Kind hearted, ... and unassuming he will be greatly missed. He leaves a widow and two sons, one of whom (John) is at present serving in His Majesty's forces. The funeral took place on Monday at the Haworth West Lane Wesleyan Cemetery.

WAR SAVINGS.

Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Mason, Lumbfoot, ... the War Savings Committee the number of certificates taken out grows apace. Mr. Mason has ... a respectable number of regular weekly subscribers who up to last week-end accounted for about £... With the help of two or three large subscribers and the regular weekly contributors, mainly at the ... Messrs. R. Sunderland & Son and Messrs. W. Wilbank & Son, the secretary (Mr. Joseph ...) is able to announce about £1,200 saved.

Last week-end there was an exceptionally heavy rainfall, the Stanbury School rain gauge registering 2 ... during the period from 9 a.m. on Friday to 9 a.m. on Monday. Most of this fell during Saturday afternoon and evening.

Winter Show of New Blouses, Furs, Muffs, &c. Pedley's.—Advt.

After being immune from epidemic for several years it is reported that two cases of scarlet fever have occurred at one of the farmhouses on the edge of Stanbury Moor.

LEES AND CROSS ROADS.

WOMEN'S PLEASANT HOUR.

Miss Haigh, of Keighley, addressed the members of the Lees Women's Pleasant Hour on Tuesday afternoon last on "Work Amongst the Blind." Mrs. Bannister presided. Miss M. Baldwin (Haworth) was the soloist and Miss M. Earnshaw the accompanist.

Winter Show of New Blouses, Furs, Muffs, &c. Pedley's.—Advt.

BRAITHWAITE.

Ermine, Squirrel, Fox, Wolf, and Coney Seal Necklets in newest shapes are now showing at G. Foster's, 17, Low Street, Keighley.—Advt.

Stoddart's up-to-date children's Hats, Bonnets, and Caps, from 1s. 11½d.—Advt.

OAKWORTH.

SCHOLARS' SUCCESSES.

Twenty-nine certificates of merit have been awarded to scholars of the Oakworth Council School for excellence in reporting a lecture given some time ago by Mr. B. Craven, of the Yorkshire Band of Hope Union, on the lines of the Board of Educations' temperance syllabus. The winners are as follow: Standard V., Hilda Bowker, Irene Edmondson, Nancy Midgley, May Wilson, Jack Akeroyd, Clara Hutchinson, Winnie Cockshott, Wilfred Cockshott, Madge Wilkinson, Annie Wood, Louisa Dodds, Clifford Pickles, Leonard Sargent, Frank Page, Hilda Bedford, and Joseph Holdsworth. VI., Nora Brearley, John Adams, Norman Feather, Noel Johns, James Midgley, Nora Melrose, Clarice Hodgson, Norman Hargreaves, and Ellen Docksey. Standard VII., Arthur Petty, Ruth Heaton, Edith Scall, and Hannah Sugden.

LIBERAL CLUB CONCERT.

The committee of the Liberal Club promoted a concert in support of the club's finances in the Holden Hall on Saturday last. Mr. Eustace H. Illingworth presided over a capital attendance. A miscellaneous programme was sustained by the following artists: Miss Miranda Sugden, soprano, Keighley; Miss Clara Baxandall, contralto, Bradford; Mr. Wilfrid Hudson, tenor, Yeadon; Mr. Herbert Brown, baritone, Keighley; and Miss Irene Akeroyd, solo pianist, Oakworth, and Mr. James Hey, Keighley, were accompanists. Songs, duets, and quartets were given by the artists, and all were cordially received by an appreciative audience, encores being repeatedly demanded. Mr. Hudson was unfortunately suffering from indisposition, but compensation was afforded by Mr. Brown, who delighted the audience with extra contributions.

Our well-known 4s. 6d. Corsets comprise a range of models which are unequalled for style and value. G. Foster's, 17, Low Street, Keighley.—Advt.

Ladies' Winter Coats, Men's and Boys' Overcoats at Ina Murgatroyd's, Mill Hey, Haworth.—Advt.

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Ladies', children's winter coats, Midgley, Church St.—Advt.

HAWORTH.

GARMENTS FOR THE WOUNDED.

The Nonconformist sewing Guild held their fortnightly meeting at the Hall Green Sunday School, Haworth, on Tuesday last. About thirty sat down to tea, on the conclusion of which the Rev. David Arthur congratulated the ladies of the guild on the amicable manner in which they had worked during the last two years, and on the large number of garments, &c., made. During the week the following articles have been sent to the depot at Oaklands, Keighley: Six shirts, 9 bed jackets, 12 pairs of socks, 21 pillow-cases, 1 pillow, and 3 sandbags.

NATIONAL MISSION.

In connection with the National Mission special services were held at Haworth Parish Church from Friday evening week to Tuesday last. On Friday the Bishops' special messenger was received. On Sunday afternoon a children's service and a service for men were held. At the latter a collection was taken for the Lord Kitchener Memorial Fund for Disabled Soldiers and Sailors. On Monday afternoon a service for women was held.

SOCIAL AND DANCE.

On Saturday evening last a patriotic social and dance took place in the Haworth Drill Hall. The function was promoted by the weavers of Messrs. Hattersley & Sons, Spring Head Mills, and was a great success, a net sum of about £25 being raised; this is to be divided between the lads who have joined the forces from the firm and the wounded soldiers in the Keighley hospitals. The committee chosen from the weavers are to be congratulated on the success of their arrangements. The first part of the evening consisted of a concert, over which Mr. G. Thornton presided. Songs were given by Miss L. Waddington, Mr. E. Chaplin, and Mr. A. Parsons; recitals by Miss G. Holmes and Mrs. H. Wharfe; and a duet was contributed by Messrs. E. Chaplin and A. Parsons. A sketch, entitled "The Little Scamp Next Door" was also given by the Mill Hey Party. Messrs. H. Stansfield, J. Pratt, J. H. Thornton, and J. H. Binns acted as stewards; and Messrs. J. H. Quarmby and Albert E. Hey were the masters of ceremonies for dancing. Refreshments were provided, and there was a very large attendance.

RAMBLERS' LECTURE.

"Yorkshire Life and Character" was the title of a delightful lecture given to the Haworth Ramblers in Haworth last Saturday night by Mr. Tom Appleby, of Kildwick. Mr. Joseph Holmes (Cleckheaton) presided. For more than an hour Mr. Appleby discoursed on the many-sidedness of the Tyke, and illustrated his points by frequent flashes of wit and humour, and by stories racy of the soil. A hearty vote of thanks was passed after an interesting discussion, in which the president (Mr. Bradley), Mr. J. Dickinson (Lees), and Mr. Eli Hirst (Cleckheaton) took part. At the commencement of the meeting the members signified their sense of the loss the Ramblers had sustained by the tragic death of Mr. George Harrison (Lees) by rising in silence, and a resolution of condolence with Mrs. Harrison was passed.

Smart Stylish Coats for Winter wear at J. P. Knight's, 25 and 27, Mill Hey, Haworth.—Advt.

Millinery and Fancy Drapery for Autumn Wear. Call and see selection. D. Binns, 38, Mill Hey.—Advt.

Don't forget the House-to-House Collection in aid of the Victoria Hospital, Keighley, November 4, 1916. Funds are urgently needed for the general upkeep of the Institution.—Advt.

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Snowdrift Bleach makes clothes snow white.—Advt.

OXENHOPE.

NATIONAL MISSION.

Special services were held at Oxenhope Church during last week-end, commencing on Friday evening week, when the Bishops' messenger delivered a portion of his message. Prior to this public service a meeting of the churchworkers was held. The services were continued on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday last, and the Mission terminated with a celebration of the holy communion on Tuesday morning last at 5 o'clock, at which there was a moderate attendance. Holy communion was also celebrated at all the other special services. On Sunday afternoon an address was delivered to children, and on Monday afternoon an address to women. The district had been well canvassed by Churchworkers, and the services were largely attended, but the advertised open-air services had to be abandoned owing to the bad weather.

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STEETON.

COMFORTS FOR WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

Gifts have been received at Holmes House, Steeton, for the wounded soldiers in the Keighley hospitals during the month of October from the following: Mr. and Miss Wade, Mrs. Sugden, Mrs. Laycock, Mrs. Seelly, Mrs. Alfred Stell, Mrs. George Stell, Mrs. R. Jennings, Mrs. Ellison, Mrs. Elvidge, Miss Petty, Mrs. E. Jeff, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mrs. Hubert Smith, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Townend, Mrs. A. Dixon, and a large contribution from Steeton Church.

For Spectacles, call at Currer Gill's, Jeweller and Optician, Silsden, holder of the F.S.M.C. diploma for sight-testing by examination, London, being the highest certificate of merit for opticians.—Advt.

In connection with the Steeton Wesleyan Mutual Improvement Society an interesting lantern lecture entitled "An Evening with Punch" was given by Mr. Thomas Appleby (Kildwick) on Thursday evening last. Mr. J. Pearson presided over the gathering.

SILSDEN.

SILSDEN SOLDIER'S CHEERY LETTER.

In a letter to his parents, who reside at 55, Bolton Road, Silsden, Gunner V. Hudson, of the Royal Field Artillery, says: "I am somewhere in France, where I cannot say, but at all events I am in a very nice part of the country, the picturesqueness of which would be greatly enhanced if only the villages were not to be counted amongst the ruins. A large number of ploughing fields also detract its beauty. You would be surprised if you were out here. You cannot walk many yards without dropping into shell holes, and this makes it very difficult walking about. You have to think nothing about getting a few bumps, and what with the treacherous ground and Fritz's scrap iron flying about, we are unable to indulge in many pleasant walks. We are mostly under cover—'lovely' cover I should say, as it has all been blown down by the strong wind. However, we have started making a fire in our gun-pits now, and it feels nice I can tell you. I have still a good old pal left in my section. Nearly all the other boys have had to go to the hospital, as they simply could not stand it. But you know I always was a sticker, and I am going to stick it as long as it lasts. You must understand that I am not upset at all, and we have some very lively times, particularly at night before we retire to bed. I fairly keep things going, and can always make my comrades roar with laughter. I mentioned bed, but we have a ground sheet and blanket and have to 'plank' down wherever we can round the gun. You would laugh to see us, for we are just like pigs, but we are as comfortable as anyone need wish to be. I would almost rather sleep on the ground now than a feather bed. Well, you know what a sleeper I used to be, and I can sleep anywhere now. I am just giving you a bit of an idea what I am living like, but understand I am enjoying it, and as long as those 'bally' Germans leave us alone this is the right sort of a life for me. I shall never settle down any more in ordinary life. I fancy when the war is over that I shall travel with a wild beast show or something of that sort. Now I shall have to close, as my light has given out."—Prior to enlisting Gunner Hudson acted as drummer in the Silsden Brass Band.

WAR SAVINGS PROGRESS.

The Silsden people have entered enthusiastically into the National War Savings Scheme, and up to the present the results have been exceedingly satisfactory. Prior to Thursday last six local associations had been formed, with a membership of 526. On that day Mr. W. J. Taylor (Bradford), a representative of the West Riding Central Committee, paid a visit to several factories in the town, and at each place it has been decided to have an association. It is estimated that close upon £1,000 has already been contributed. Associations have been formed at the Dye Works, the Aireview and Hothfield Street schools, and Messrs. Berry & Fletcher's, Messrs. Knox's and Messrs. Driver's factories, and they are in the course of formation at Messrs. Taylor Bros.', Messrs. Wiseman's, Messrs. Tillotson's, Messrs. Walton's, Messrs. Wilson's, Mr. C. H. Fletcher's, and Mr. W. H. Watson's factories, the latter being the places visited by Mr. Taylor. The employers showed their interest in the scheme by allowing the machinery to be stopped for about a quarter of an hour at each shed, so that Mr. Taylor could speak to the operatives. The workers were keenly interested in what was said, and showed willingness for associations to be started. A secretary has been appointed at each factory, and the committees will be elected later.

CHOIR SERVICES.

Choir services were held in connection with the Silsden Parish Church on Sunday last, the preacher in the morning being the Rev. Tomlinson, curate at Holy Trinity Church, Bingley, and in the evening the Rev. Gerald Richardson, of Kildwick. Anthems were rendered by the choir, with solos, trio and quartet, by Miss Annie Bradley (soprano), Mrs. H. Barrett (contralto), Mr. Arthur Dixon (tenor), and Mr. H. B. Summerscales (bass). Mr. Herbert Cooper, A.R.C.O., was the organist and choirmaster. There were good congregations and collections were taken in aid of the choir funds.

BILLIARD LEAGUE.

At the annual meeting of the Skipton Division Conservative Billiard League held at the Skipton Conservative Club on Saturday last, when there were representatives present from Skipton, Gargrave, Earby, Barnoldswick, Silsden, Carleton, and Kelbrook clubs, it was decided that there should be no competition this winter. All the officers were re-elected.

It Gives Results!—Haw's Poultry Spice and Egg Producer, 6d. per packet. Reduction for quantity. Harold Haw, Chemist, Silsden.—Advt.

LAYCOCK.

Special Value in Hosiery. Midgley, Church St.—Advt.

CROSS HILLS.

LIEUTENANT PEACOCK'S PROMOTION.

Lieutenant D. Frank Peacock, second son of Mr. F. G. Peacock, solicitor, Cross Hills, has been promoted temporary captain (October 1). Captain Peacock is in the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, and joined the Army as a private shortly after the outbreak of hostilities, afterwards receiving a commission. He was gazetted lieutenant on January 1 last. He has recently been home on leave for a rest. He was a playing member of the Skipton Cricket Club.

EBENEZER "AT HOMES."

The first of the annual series of "at homes" in connection with the Cross Hills Ebenezer Church was held on Tuesday evening last. Mr. James Clough (senr.) and Mrs. Clough (Sutton Mill) officiated as host and hostess, and the "at home" was opened by Mr. Seth Hutchinson (Cowling). There was a very good attendance, and a capital programme was sustained by Miss L. Dillingham (London) and Professor Carl Everette (Cowling). Miss Dillingham was encored for her renderings of "I wonder if love is a dream?" (Forster) and "Sonny" (A. Meale). During an interval in the programme Miss Dillingham, by special request, gave a short account of her experiences during her recent visit to France, and at the close made a collection on behalf of Miss Lena Ashwell's fund for providing concerts for our troops in France. Professor Everette gave two magical performances, and Mr. Ernest Clough, A.T.C.L., was accompanist. On Thursday evening Mrs. Key (Silsden) opened the proceedings, and Master H. Walmsley and Miss M. Greenwood received the visitors. This was "children's evening," and a capital concert was provided by the children of the Sunday school. Included in the programme were a children's play, "The Snow Queen," and an excellent dialogue entitled "An Unexpected Entertainment." Miss P. Riddihough gave a solo entitled "Japan." Miss M. Greenwood was conductor and Miss E. S. Clough accompanist. There was a good attendance.

SCOUTS' SOCIAL AND DANCE.

On Saturday evening last the Cross Hills troop of Boy Scouts, under Scoutmaster Alan Todd, held a dance and social in the Glusburn Institute. There was a crowded attendance, and Messrs. Sam B. Richmond and Arthur Brown officiated as masters of the ceremonies. Mr. Lewis Phillips played for dancing. Refreshments were served, and as a result of the effort the troop funds will benefit to the extent of £4 12s.

At Harold Haw's Rexall Pharmacy Altham's Delicious Teas are sold.—Advt.

Stoddart's still lead with all the newest Blouses, from 1s. 11½d.—Advt.

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SUTTON.

WEDDING: CLOUGH—BANCROFT.

A wedding which aroused considerable interest was solemnised at the Sutton Baptist Chapel on Wednesday afternoon last, the parties being Mr. Fred Clough, only son of the late Mr. C. Clough, of Blackburn, and Mrs. Clough, of Old Trafford, Manchester, and Miss Sarah Bancroft, eldest daughter of the late Mr. J. G. Bancroft, of Manchester, and Mrs. Bancroft, Holmfield, Sutton. The bride was attired in a grey costume, and wore a white hat trimmed with ermine, and was given away by her brother, Mr. Charles G. Bancroft. Miss Annie Bancroft (sister of the bride) and Miss Lizzie Clough (sister of the bridegroom) acted as bridesmaids. Mr. Alfred Bancroft (brother of the bride) was best man, and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. W. Pollard. The honeymoon is being spent at Morecambe. The bride is well known in the district, and has been very closely associated with the Sutton Baptist Church, of which she is a member. The happy couple have received several handsome and costly presents from relatives and friends.

A war supply depot has been formed in connection with the Sutton Baptist Chapel, for making and providing comforts for the wounded soldiers in the Keighley and Bingley War Hospital, Morton Banks. Working meetings are to be held in the Sunday School on Thursday evenings.

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A Baptist Women's League has been formed in connection with the Sutton Baptist Chapel, and the first meeting was held in the Sunday School on Wednesday afternoon last, when an address was given to a good assembly by Mrs. F. J. Wilson (Lothersdale). Afternoon tea was served.

GLUSBURN.

EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING.

On Monday evening last a monthly meeting of the Glusburn District Education Sub-Committee was held in the Glusburn Council School, under the presidency of Mr. Everett Binns. On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Dixon, a vote of condolence was passed with Mr. Snowden, a member of the sub-committee, whose wife had recently passed away. Mr. Snowden, in reply, said he was deeply grateful for the vote of sympathy, and he appreciated the remarks of the chairman very highly.—The attendance report for the past month showed that the highest percentage in the mixed department had been obtained at the Kildwick National School with 94·94. The next in order were Lothersdale Council School 94·12, Cowling 94·08, and Eastburn Council 93·13. Bradley Council School had obtained the highest percentage in the Infants' Department with 94·12, the next in order being Cononley 90·47, and Kildwick National 90·00. The lowest percentage in the Infants' Department was at the Eastburn Council School with 69·25. The total percentage for the month was 89·61, against 87·64 in the corresponding period of last year. The report further stated that on the school rolls there were 294 scholars with an average attendance of 256. There were at the present time 134 half-timers.

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KILDWICK.

CONSERVATIVE CLUB ANNUAL TEA.

The Kildwick Conservative Club annual tea and social gathering were held on Saturday last. In the afternoon tea was provided in the Kildwick National School, and was largely attended. The concert was presided over by Mr. James Woodrow (president). Mr. Woodrow said that over twenty-five members of the club had joined the forces, and this he considered a very creditable record. Practically all the eligible men from the club had gone, and fortunately up to the present time they had not lost one on the field of battle, though several of their members had been wounded. He hoped that in due season peace would be declared, and that the lads would return safely to their homes. The Airedale Quartet party, consisting of Miss Sara Knowles (soprano), Miss Emily Chapman (contralto), Mr. Willie Laycock (tenor), and Mr. R. Hutchinson (baritone) sustained a capital programme. Mrs. Spencer Barrett officiated as accompanist. A vote of thanks to the chairman and artists was proposed by Mr. W. E. Biggs and heartily carried. A dance followed the entertainment, Mr. Ernest Longbottom officiating as master of the ceremonies, and Mr. Smith Overend supplying the music. Refreshments were served by ladies connected with the club.—The festivities were continued on Monday evening, when a whist drive and supper took place in the club rooms. The first prizes in the whist drive were won by Mrs. Craven (Cross Hills) and Mr. Thomas Boddy. Both Saturday's and Monday's events proved very successful, and the proceeds—two-thirds for the club funds and one-third for the Ladies' Working Party to provide sewing and knitting materials—were about the same as last year. Private Tom Hargreaves, of the West Riding Regiment, a member of the club who has been out in France about sixteen months, was present at the gatherings, having come home on leave after being wounded.

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FARNHILL.

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COWLING.

COWLING FARM HAND'S ARREST.

At the Skipton Police Court on Thursday Watson E. Dawson, a farm labourer, of Cowling, was charged with failing to report under the Military Service Act.

It appeared that the accused had been arrested as a man being at large without any documentary evidence to show why he was not serving in the colours. It transpired, however, that the man had been medically rejected, but his certificate was at Keighley. The accused said he was 29 years of age, and that he was working regularly on his father's farm. The prisoner was discharged.

CONONLEY.

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Town, of Skipton Road, Cononley, recently celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding. They were married on October 25, 1866, at the Kildwick Parish Church by the Rev. — Hinde. Mr. Town has attained the age of 77, and although born at Glusburn may safely claim to be a native of Cononley, having lived there since infancy. For about forty-six years he has been in the service, firstly of the late Mr. and Mrs. P. Teal, and since their demise with Mrs. Tetley (their daughter) as farm bailiff, and still follows the farm duties. Mrs. Town, who is 72 years of age, was born at Mixenden, near Halifax, her maiden name being Elizabeth Whitaker. She has, however, lived in Cononley for the past fifty-five years, and at the time of her marriage was in service with the late Mr. and Mrs. P. Teal. It is worthy of note that Mr. and Mrs. Town have lived in their present house for upwards of thirty-seven years. Both have enjoyed fairly good health all their lives. They have had seven children, four being alive, and have nine grandchildren. They have received a number of congratulatory messages, and have been the recipients of several presents.

EGG COLLECTION.

The egg collection in Cononley for our wounded soldiers now amounts to 9,389, the last four collections yielding respectively 64, 77, 80, and 94 eggs, which have been forwarded to the Keighley war hospitals. By permission of Major Scatterty, who has expressed his great appreciation of the gift of eggs, the collectors visited the Morton Banks and Spencer Street Hospitals, and were impressed by the cheerful condition of the patients and the excellent organisation of both institutions. They fully realised the necessity for keeping the number of eggs collected as high as possible.

THE BELGIAN FUND.

From the Cononley sympathisers with the poor and distressed inhabitants in Belgium there has been collected to date £22 5s. 5d., which has been forwarded at intervals to the Mayor of Keighley's fund. This is an excellent result.

THE WATER QUESTION.

Mr. A. Stansfield presided over a monthly meeting of the Cononley Parish Council held at the Foresters' Hall on Friday evening week. The Lighting Committee reported having taken steps to have all dangerous corners in the village whitewashed, in view of the Council's decision not to light the street lamps.—A communication was read from the Local Government Board, in reply to an inquiry by the Council relative to a suggested analysis of the water supplied to houses in Cononley. The letter stated that the President of the Local Government Board was not aware of any statutory authority for expenditure by the Parish Council in the matter. If it was considered desirable that examination of the water should be made, the Rural District Council might be approached. In view of the resolution passed at the meeting of ratepayers asking the Council to investigate the condition of the water supply in the village, the meeting decided to refer the question to the Rural District Council.—A circular letter was read from the Local Government Board stating that the term of office of the councillors had been extended until March, 1918.

BRADLEY.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

The anniversary of the Bradley Primitive Methodist Chapel was held on Sunday last, when sermons were preached by the Rev. W. A. Eyre (Barnoldswick). The choir rendered an anthem, the solo being taken by Miss L. Denby. Miss Ada Gill presided at the organ. The services were continued on Wednesday evening, when a recital on "The Experience of a Recruiting Officer" (Coulson Kernahan) was given in the school by the Rev. David Bradbury (Edinburgh). Mr. Tom Lumb (Skipton) presided over a good attendance. A solo was sung by Miss Linda Denby, Miss L. Fryers being the accompanist. The proceeds were for chapel debt reduction.

SKIPTON.

PRESENTATIONS.

An interesting series of presentations were made at Skipton on Monday, the recipient being Mr. Edmund Lund, who has held the positions of secretary and manager to the Skipton Industrial Co-operative Society for the period of thirty-three years. The recognition took the form of the presentation to the Skipton Cottage Hospital of a cot which is to bear Mr. Lund's name, while in addition a bureau, with a set of Dickens's works, from the employees, and a walking-stick were presented to Mr. Lund.

CURIOUS DEVELOPMENT IN A SKIPTON PROSECUTION.

A curious case was brought to the notice of the Skipton magistrates on Saturday, when Edward Reader, joiner, of Skipton, was summoned at the instance of the Skipton Guardians for neglecting his wife. Mr M. R. Knowles, who appeared to prosecute, said that at the request of the defendant, who was away on munition work, his wife was admitted to the workhouse on November 8, and she was still chargeable to the common fund. On September 11 this year the defendant was requested to remove her, and he was subsequently informed that if he did not do so he would be proceeded against for neglect.

The defendant declared that the woman's first husband was still alive.

Mr. Knowles explained that the parties were married in 1892, and he produced the register of the marriage between them, and in it is described the woman as a widow. The defendant had never before raised a question as to the legality of the marriage.

The defendant repeated the allegation that the woman's first husband was still alive, and he further alleged that she knew it.

The Clerk (Mr. Edgar Wood): Are you prepared to bring witnesses in support of your statement?—Yes.

The Bench adjourned the case for fourteen days in order that inquiries might be made.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE MAYORALTY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE KEIGHLEY NEWS.

SIR,—I read with some interest the letters signed by a "Member of the Council" and by "A Councillor," which appeared in your issue of last week. Presumably the writer of the first letter is a full-blown alderman. Apparently both members of the Council are greatly perturbed about the Mayor being described as the "best Mayor Keighley ever had." Personally, I had no intention of touching the tender susceptibilities of the worthy alderman, or penetrating the vulnerable parts of the modest councillor. I simply quoted what a Conservative thought to be true, what the public generally think to be true, and what I think to be true as well. However, we won't quibble about the word "best," if this is too hard to digest, but suppose we say the record of the Mayor is incomparable and transcends all that was ever accomplished by the very fine men who have held the position in the past, and whose records we still remember.

The alderman acknowledges that the Mayor has been a "good" one, and further states that it is fortunate his circumstances allowed him to devote a great amount of time to the office. This admission is surely an indictment on the Council's decision. If the results of Mr. Brigg's mayoralty are even only as the alderman suggests, then I maintain the Council would have been wise in retaining the man whose services are beyond dispute, and whose circumstances enabled him to be of help to the town. The alderman states that the present time and circumstances have given mayors a great opportunity for doing good work; he might have gone further and said that the times have given opportunities to everyone to do good work. The chance has even been given to aldermen and councillors. It is gratifying to observe that our Mayor has taken those opportunities and produced the results he has done; and, on the other hand, it is to be regretted that our aldermen and councillors, with one or two exceptions, have done so little when the demands for public service have been so great.

I would ask the public to go very carefully through the names of persons now engaged in public work (outside the Council), such as the raising of funds, attending patriotic meetings, assisting distressed soldiers and their families, or promoting schemes for war economy, &c., and they will be amazed at the almost entire absence of members of the Council. Had they taken upon themselves to pursue a policy of masterly inactivity and lukewarmness to the needs of the town, they could not have done it better. Had even the worthy alderman taken the opportunities given to him, which have been neither small nor few, his public record would have been enhanced, and he might then have had sufficient courage to sign his name to his letter.

It is contended by the alderman that they and the councillors are elected to decide the question of Mayor. "When I ope my mouth let no dog bark." I have no desire to rob the Council of this prerogative, but the Council are always expected to elect a Mayor from their own body, and fortunate is the Council that is in a position to do so. It is always held that only as a last resort should a Council invite an outsider, and if a person can be secured within the Council it is held to be in every way preferable. But if a change in the mayoralty is desired, is not a change desirable in the Council? If a vote is needed about the Chief Magistrate, why should the town not also take a vote upon each alderman and councillor? The members of the Council have overrun their time, and some of them have actually held their position two years over the normal course. It is an incongruity for a council, whose seats are secured under an emergency Act of Parliament, to determine a position of such importance, affecting so many organisations and institutions outside their own body. No matter how good and useful a mayor may be, apparently a council can bowl him over; but no matter how useless, nay, how undesirable or incompetent a council may be, they can look upon the public and defy them with impunity.

The contention that neighbouring towns have changed their mayors is no argument why Keighley should do so. It is a stronger argument to say that if it is desirable to retain all our Council without an election, it is more desirable still to retain the holder of the principal office without a change, so long as the present circumstances prevail, and this claim is greatly supported when the occupier of the post has rendered such good service that he "deserves the greatest praise and thanks for his generosity and energy." "A Councillor" states that a mayor's term of office is twelve months. I am indeed grateful for this information. I think I remember being taught this at school some thirty-five years ago, and I have a recollection we were also told that councillors sat for three years, and then an opportunity was given to the electors to decide upon their work. I have no desire to be rude to "A Councillor," but I should have had more respect for him had his letter betrayed less asperity when referring to the Mayor. When one of our public men talks about giving hints to get rid of men from positions, he indicates that he is a cowardly man and does not perform his work in an open and frank way, and when he refers to the Mayor "counting his chickens before they are hatched," he becomes mean and unworthy of the great trust he holds.

Personally, I have a great opinion of men in our public life, and am not unmindful of the great service that is voluntarily given. I believe many in our Council are also doing very useful work, but when I read that some of them do their work by hints, and that they sneer at a man whose record is unimpeachable, then I wonder if there is anything in the rumour that had the Mayor fed the Council more sumptuously and seen that the "chickens" were brought on the table, an invitation to retain office might have been given him.

I am asked, Do I want a house-to-house canvass? No, I don't, but I would not mind the Council testing their own decision and letting the town go to vote without a canvass. This could be done at a cost of less than £5. Or, if this councillor would like to ascertain a true census of the people, let him persuade one representative from each ward to resign and come before the people. I fancy they would "catch a cold." The question of mayoralty is no party question with me. Thank heaven! we dropped party politics some eighteen months ago. We are national men at present, and the disposition of the country is to hold in office the best of our citizens, either in municipal or national life, irrespective of what politics the man held before the war. This is exemplified by the retention of the heads of our Government and of our local authorities without having resort to a contested election. If it is good, then, to retain the services of men, from the Prime Minister down to the modest councillor or member of a board of guardians, surely it is doubly essential to see that we keep hold of a Mayor whose worth has been proved and whose record is unchallenged.

It is misleading for the two members of the Council to say their decision was unanimous. The requisition has eventually been signed by the Council. In the first instance there was opposition to a change, articulate and inarticulate; ultimately all acquiesced. I venture to suggest the memorial was not signed either heartily or gushingly. I suggest it was signed by many "because others had signed it," and by some "because they thought the other side had a claim to nominate a Mayor," and by some who still think "it has been a mistake to go for a change"; and some, it may be said, signed it in a spirit of vindictiveness. I should imagine "A Councillor" would be one of the latter. Therefore, to say that the invitation was unanimous is to evade stating the true sentiment of the Council, and it is almost on a par with the effort made by some members of the Council to create an impression that they had asked the Mayor to continue for another year, and that he had declined.

Now I part with the alderman quite friendly, but differ in opinion. His letter was courteous, even if it did possess a little tincture when referring to the Mayor. His claim amounts to this: That the Council have a right to appoint a mayor and sack him when they feel disposed, and, no matter what his achievements may be, these are not taken into consideration, nor have the feelings of the public to be taken into account, nor the special needs of the time, even though he might be just the man for the post. The alderman's position and claims I entirely disagree with, and I have no desire to emulate his conception of public morality. In having a parting word with "A Councillor" I may say that I deplore his bitter references concerning the Mayor. It appears to have been written ostensibly to be "dirty." The public like a clean fight, and they like it to be conducted in a gentlemanly way. The Mayor seems to have had some strange colleagues.—I am, &c.,

JAMES BERRY.

SIR,—One hesitates to criticise those who give time and thought to matters concerning the town's welfare, but there is a limit to human endurance, and the way in which the Council have dealt with the mayoralty and the question of street lighting has caused great dissatisfaction, so far as one can hear, among all classes of the community. In times like these the few living on the outskirts of the town must expect to be left to their own devices, but the absence of all light from the top of Dalton Lane to the Mechanics' Institute in a thoroughfare of such importance has no parallel in other towns or cities. In contrast to this, Highfield Lane has a number of darkened lamps, which are a very acceptable help. One member of the Council tells us that those in the country manage in the dark, and the town must learn to do the same. The policy in Cavendish Street seems to be to cater for those who love darkness rather than light, and in this way those who should serve the town's interests encourage a state of things more harmful than a visit from a Zeppelin. Total darkness is not necessary when lights, like those on the tramcars, can be instantly cut off in case of alarm.

Widely-expressed disgust on this matter has only been exceeded by the general indignation at the treatment of the Mayor. The Council's reasons, because of the times, for retaining him last year, apply still more, one would think, this year; but now we are told a change is desirable, and this, at a time when, more than ever, we need a man who is easily accessible and acquainted with and interested in the many claims, both national and civic, incident upon the times. Party feeling is said to be the motive, and in civic life at present this is regrettable. The Mayor and Mayoress, in spite of many other interests, have given freely of their time, thought, and money; and abuse, such as appeared in your last issue, by mem... of the Council who dare not sign their na... is contemptible in the extreme, especially w... written about one who has always shown himself a gentleman. If a reply to correspondents was necessary, a straight, manly letter, duly signed, would have commanded respect. Why should men in civic life stoop to meanness, for which any other councillor may receive the blame? This unpleasant and unpopular affair will be remembered to the discredit of those who have brought it about, but the services of the Mayor and Mayoress during these responsible years will never be forgotten.—I am, &c.,

HENRY FIRTH.

Windygarth, Keighley, November 2, 1916.

SIR,—I am quite in sympathy with the letter of Mr. Berry, and certainly think that our Council have not dealt with our Mayor in a very gentlemanly manner. It seems to me they might have conveyed to his Worship that they were of the opinion that a change was desirable. Surely, when Mr. Brigg has put energy and time, and given his practical support, financially and otherwise, to each and every object that has been before us during his term of office, he might have been considered worthy of having the invitation offered again. No doubt the majority of the burgesses think that it is not wise to change our Council during the war. Then why change our Mayor? This is not written with any disrespect to our worthy nominee for the office, as no doubt the public will hail with delight the presence amongst them of Mr. and Mrs. Butterfield, and the earnest wish of the writer is that they may have as successful a term of office as Mr. Brigg and Mrs. Sharpe have had.—I am, &c.,

RATEPAYER.

WAR TALK AND WHISKY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE KEIGHLEY NEWS.

SIR,—Permit me to point out that the statement made by Miss Slack at the British Women's Temperance meeting that "in France intoxicants were not sold after 8 o'clock" is inaccurate. I was in Paris about a month ago. With the exception of absinthe and one or two other strong waters, intoxicants of all kinds might be had nearly as usual. Mr. Richardson's delectable essay on patriotism, and his statement that "it was disgusting for the master of a house to talk bravely and patriotically about the war, and the part we were taking in it, and then go into his study and consume whisky," reminds one of those teetotallers, mentioned by the chairman, who "would be better if they had a little more discretion and a little less zeal." No more want of patriotism is shown by the man who goes into his study, or elsewhere, and consumes whisky, than by the man who gets into his motor-car and lights a cigarette. Whence then the disgust!—I am, &c.,

BEN WILDE.

85, Birch Lane, Bradford, October 30.

"BREEZE" IN A HALIFAX POLICE COURT.

At the West Riding Police Court at Halifax on Saturday Rhodes Armitage, postmaster, Triangle, was summoned under the Lighting Restrictions Order. Police-Constable Cannon and Kenyon Waddington, mechanic, said that on October 16, at 7 p.m., the defendant's shop door was open and a light shone through it on to the road and the wall opposite.

For the defence it was stated that on a previous occasion the police objected to the defendant displaying sets of transfers which included representations of warships. In consequence of this the defendant communicated with the Admiralty, who replied that the transfers were not objectionable, as it was not considered that they could assist in identification of His Majesty's ships. Since then, it was stated, the police seemed to have been aggrieved with the defendant.

Superintendent Myers objected to the suggestion of victimisation by the police.

Mr. W. Storey (the defending solicitor): Will you muzzle the superintendent, please?

Superintendent Myers: I object to such a remark. I am not here to be insulted.

Mr. Storey: That is not possible. I should never attempt it.

The defendant said that his lamp was shaded, and nothing but a subdued light could have shown in the road. The evidence of the defendant was supported by the Vicar of Sowerby (the Rev. G. A. Hervey) and Horace Hodgson, the former stating that the light in the shop was so subdued that he could not see the telephone number he wanted.

A majority of the Bench decided to convict, and a fine of 15s., with 3s. 6d. costs, was imposed.

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JULIAN STEPHENSON, Engineer and Manager.
Gas Works, Bingley, October 20th, 1916.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS FOR BINGLEY MEN IN THE KING'S FORCES.
At a Public Meeting on MONDAY EVENING, October 30th, a Representative Committee was appointed for the purpose of Providing CHRISTMAS PARCELS for all BINGLEY MEN in the National Forces, on Land or on Sea. To meet the cost, which will be considerable, owing to the large number of men to be provided for, Mr. J. H. WHITWHAM, Chairman of the Bingley District Council, was asked to Appeal for a Fund for this purpose, the amount estimated as necessary being about £500. Mr. Whitwham will be pleased to receive Donations for this Fund, which may be sent to him at the TOWN HALL, BINGLEY, or paid to Messrs. BARCLAY & CO.'S BANK, THE BANK OF LIVERPOOL, or THE BRADFORD DISTRICT BANK, BINGLEY, for the Fund.

BINGLEY WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE SOCIETY.
A MEETING will be held on MONDAY NEXT, November 6th, in the ADULT SCHOOL-ROOM, REGENT STREET, BINGLEY, at 4.15. Dr. WODEHOUSE will speak on "Organisation of Industries." All are Welcome.
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ROUND ABOUT BINGLEY

Christmas Parcels for Soldiers and Sailors.

A first step towards the provision of Christmas gifts for Bingley men in the King's forces was made on Monday night at a meeting called by Mr. J. H. Whitwham, the chairman of the Bingley District Council. A committee was then appointed, representative of various interests and organisations, and this body held its first meeting last night. A year ago, it will be remembered, the work was undertaken by the Bingley Ladies' Committee, but events which have occurred since then make it desirable that the organisation this year should be on a rather different basis, largely because there are now so many more men serving in the forces from this district than there were twelve months ago. Some of the villages, it was reported, are undertaking to see that their own men shall be provided with Christmas gifts, and in this way Harden, Cottingley, Wilsden, and Cullingworth will not need to come within the sphere of action of the central committee, but, with the responsibility for Bingley town, and the surrounding villages of Eldwick, Gilstead, Crossflatts, and Micklethwaite, there will be enough to do, and there is none too much time in which to get it done. In fact, to compass the work there will be a need for both plenty of workers and plenty of money, and with respect to the last-named point, it is to be hoped the fund which Mr. J. H. Whitwham is opening will be generously supported.

A Town's Effort Desired.

What will be needed both in the way of work and of money may be measured when it is stated that last year 612 parcels were despatched, and that it is expected quite double this number will be required this year. Once again, in the absence of any official and complete list of men serving, such as the authorities of some towns have prepared, it will be necessary that the relatives and friends of the men shall furnish names and full particulars of their soldiers or sailors, and for the reception of these names a box is provided at the Town Hall. It may be mentioned that this information should include the man's number, rank, unit, and address, and the home address will be useful if that is given also. The sooner the names are given in the better, for in the case of men serving in war spheres furthest away, such as Salonika and Mesopotamia, the parcels should be sent away in a very few days to make sure that they will reach their destination for Christmas. One point about which the meeting on Monday night was unanimous was the desirability of one town's effort instead of many sectional ones. It is known, of course, that certain of the churches and some other organisations have already in preparation, or in contemplation, the provision of parcels for men who formerly were associated with them, and it was hoped that in these cases they would combine with the town's effort, so that the Bingley men would receive their gift as one from the whole of their townsfolk at home. Whether it will be possible to secure one united effort remains to be seen, but if such a desirable result cannot be altogether secured, there should be so much of co-ordination that the lists of men who are being separately provided for should be given to the town's committee, so that there shall not be unnecessary duplication.

A Conference on Child Labour.

The conference last Saturday at Bingley, which was organised by the Bingley branch of the Workers' Educational Association for the discussion of the question of child labour and education, was a gathering of an interesting and useful nature. Views on this question of child employment differ, and sometimes differ strongly. Like many other things, the subject presents more than one aspect, and sometimes those who are idealists and educationists first and foremost overlook too completely other points of view. There can be no doubt, however, that until the war came and put a stop to so many things, the feeling was growing that child labour was not advantageous to the child, and, consequently, in the long run was not advantageous to the nation; and it is well known that juvenile labour in this district was none too plentiful. For that very reason employers of such labour were being compelled to turn their thoughts more and more in the direction of how best to minimise the need for such labour by mechanical means, and by using adult workers more. In some respects the war may have made the situation worse for some employers, but it has also done something to check the growth of feeling against child labour. But education is going to be of paramount importance in the future if we are to maintain our position in industry and commerce, and therefore all the more necessary is it that we should begin to think again of where improvements can be made in our educational aims and system. One reform must be in connection with child labour.

The War Savings Movement.

Some interesting figures were given at the meeting this week of the Central War Savings Committee for the Bingley district, showing the progress which has been made in the interval of a month since the previous meeting of this body. It was shown that there had been a gratifying increase in the number of associations, and in the certificates taken up, and every indication was forthcoming that the movement is expanding, and will be still more largely taken advantage of. One piece of information came upon the meeting as rather a surprise. The chairman (Mr. N. Hackett) has been trying to find out how many war savings certificates have been taken up in the Bingley district. There are, of course, other sources through which these certificates can be procured besides the different associations which have been established in schools and workshops. They can be had at the Post Office and through any of the three banks in the town. The figures for the Post Office are not available, but Mr. Hackett finds that through the three banks no less than 11,000 certificates have been issued. It is a large figure, much larger than the War Savings Committee can show as the direct result of its work, but, nevertheless, some of the result may have followed upon what the members of the committee have done in bringing this means of helping the nation into public notice. It must also be remembered that the associations reach, to a very large extent, those people who, if they had no other way of taking up certificates than through a bank, would never take them up at all, for the ordinary business bank is outside of their calculations entirely.

The Police Changes.

At the Bingley Police Court on Wednesday there was a very pleasant and kindly exchange of courtesies between the magistrates and the West Riding police officials who are taking up new positions. Mr. J. H. Robinson, the presiding magistrate, referred to the services of Inspector Denny during the time he has been in charge at Bingley, and welcomed his successor in an admirable manner, and the two officers concerned evidently appreciated what he said on behalf of the justices, judging from the character of their acknowledgments. As notified last week, Inspector Denny is going to Castleford, a larger place than Bingley, and one which may possibly give more work to a police officer than we do in this neighbourhood—at least judging from the local records for the past twelve months or more. Mr. Denny will take with him from Bingley the good wishes of those who have had to work with him during his period of service here, or have had occasion to invoke his assistance or advice in the multifarious things which come within the sphere of activity of an officer in his position. We are losing a capable officer, and in his daughter, Miss Denny, we are also losing a clever vocalist who has done a great deal during the last two years to help war funds of one kind or another by the enjoyable concerts she has organised and taken part in. The vacancy at Bingley is to be filled by the promotion of Sergeant Metcalfe to the rank of inspector, after fully ten years of service in the Wilsden and Harden area, and his transfer to the Police Station at Bingley. It is somewhat unusual for a promoted officer to escape being transferred on promotion to another district. The exception now made will enable the new head at Bingley to start with the undoubted advantage of knowing the district and the people among whom he has to work. Inspector Metcalfe has a good record behind him, and every inducement in front of him to make good, as the saying is.

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BINGLEY VOLUNTEERS: RECOGNITION OF NEW OFFICERS.

On Saturday evening last the members of the Bingley Volunteers spent a very pleasant evening together at the Fleece Inn, Bingley, and advantage was taken of the occasion to make formal recognition and introduction of the new officers of the force, Platoon-Commanders J. Knox and C. Calvert. These gentlemen have been actually in charge of the Bingley men for some time, but it was only a few days before that they were officially announced as the commanding officers. The Bingley men now form the left half of E Company of the 3rd (Bradford Athletes) Battalion of the West Riding Volunteers, the Shipley men forming the right half of the company, which is under command of Company-Commandant Williams. The men turned up in good numbers last Saturday, and were entertained to dinner. The officers present, in addition to those previously mentioned, were Commandant Bullus (C Company) and Sergeant-Major McMarr, and Mr. J. H. Whitwham (chairman of the Bingley District Council and president of the Volunteers), and Mr. T. Turner were also present. After dinner Mr. Whitwham made a formal introduction of the two officers, and expressed the opinion that he could see no reason why a full company could not be raised in Bingley. Commandant Williams urged the men to continue to give full attention to their duties, and also threw out a challenge from the Shipley half company for a shooting match, and he further promised a cup for competition by the Bingley half company for platoon efficiency and shooting. Other speakers were Commandant Bullus, who referred appreciatively to a short, pleasant, and successful association with the Bingley men, as chief officer, Sergeant McMarr, and Mr. T. Turner. Platoon-Commanders Knox and Calvert acknowledged the introduction, and said it was their wish that the movement should be successful in Bingley, and that they were prepared to do all they could to make it a success. During the evening Mr. Norman Hackett, Private Beckwith, and Private H. Waite contributed to the entertainment of the gathering, Platoon-Commander Knox being the pianist.

BINGLEY WAR SAVINGS COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Bingley Central War Savings Associations Committee was held on Wednesday evening at the Town Hall, Bingley. Mr. Norman Hackett presided, and there was a very good attendance of representatives of the various associations. The secretary (Mr. W. Rushton) reported that at the end of October the membership of the various associations numbered 1,410, and that 814 certificates had been purchased during the month, to the value of £630 17s. Mr. Hackett said that the increase in the number of associations and in certificates bought was extremely gratifying. There were now thirty-three associations in the district, with a total of over 1,410 members, and he felt the movement had developed quite as well as they could have expected. He went on to say that he had been making some inquiries in order to ascertain, if possible, the total number of war savings certificates taken up in the district. He had not been able to get the figures showing the certificates issued at the post office, but through the various associations 1,220 certificates had been bought, while through the three banks in the town over 11,000 certificates had been bought. He thought the committee and associations could claim some credit for the certificates issued through the banks and the post office, by the encouragement they had given to the movement. He added that a few days ago he and the secretary visited Cullingworth and succeeded in getting an association formed at Cullingworth Mills, which had now 100 members, and another association at the Council School. They were hoping during the coming month to visit Cullingworth again, and other places, and secure the formation of additional associations.

BINGLEY EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

A monthly meeting of the Bingley Education Subcommittee was held on Tuesday evening, Gunner H. Laycock (chairman) presiding. The other members present were Miss Moulden, and Messrs. J. Bartle, A. Dean, S. Hartley, and H. K. White. The Attendance Officer (Mr. H. Anderson) reported that the attendance during September had been fairly good, considering that a great many children had been away on holiday, and that others had been excluded from the schools on account of infectious disease of various kinds. The attendance for October would be about the same. There was a considerable amount of influenza among the children of certain schools, and at one school mumps existed among the scholars. The averages for September were 92.34 in the mixed departments, 88.69 for children over five years, and 70.11 for children under five years, the total for all departments being 88.78, as compared with an average of 90.53 in the corresponding period of last year. The Clerk (Mr. Leah) reported that he had received notification from the West Riding Committee that exemptions for the employment of children of school age in agriculture expired at the end of October, and would not be renewed.

The Clerk also mentioned that at the last meeting the committee asked Dr. Angus, the Medical Officer for the district, to visit the Wilsden school and report whether there was anything in the proximity of the school injurious to the health of the children. He had received a communication from Dr. Angus, in which the latter stated that he visited the school on October 28th, and also inspected the tip in an adjoining field, about which complaint had been made. No organic matter, he said, appeared to be deposited at the tip, and he did not think it likely to affect the health of the children. He saw nothing to complain of. The Chairman observed that this report confirmed his own impression when he had been in the neighbourhood. The talk about the tip had been simply begging the whole question.

The question of an alteration in the times for afternoon school was briefly considered, and it was decided, as last winter, that from the beginning of November to the end of February the schools should commence in the afternoon at 1.15, and close at 3.45 p.m. It was decided to grant the use of a room at Cullingworth for drill by the Volunteers. The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from the West Riding Committee stating that it had been decided to grant extra payment to teachers on the permanent staff of West Riding schools during the period of the war.

BENEFITS OF THE INSURANCE ACT.

Mr. Jennings Alderson (chairman) presided at a meeting of the Shipley District Insurance Committee held on Thursday at the Saltaire Institute. It was reported that there had been no change at Baildon, where insured persons are practically unable to get doctors' prescriptions dispensed. The only means of securing an improvement, it was stated, was for complaints to be made by aggrieved persons. When that was done action could be taken.

The Clerk's report showed that the number of applications to date was 198. There had been fifty-three deaths (two during October last), leaving 145 now on the books. Mr. J. Hudson said it was a considerable achievement to have rounded up 200 cases of tuberculosis and done much good in spite of the difficulties they had to contend with in various ways. In the old days when a man was attacked by this illness his workmates got up a subscription or a concert and he received a few pounds, but after that he was practically allowed to die. Now patients were given milk and eggs and dispensary and sanatorium treatment. When they compared present conditions with the past they could feel that the Insurance Act had done much good.

Alderman Dunn remarked that the number of deaths seemed to be a large proportion, but the Clerk (Mr. T. Luxton) pointed out that the fatality rate had fallen very considerably. Turning to his case-book, he said that on the first page there were the names of twenty-nine persons, of whom fourteen had died; on the fourth, fifth, and sixth pages thirty-three names in each case, the deaths being eleven, seven, and one respectively.

It was agreed that these figures were remarkable.

CHANGES IN POLICE OFFICERS.

The vacancy in the position of inspector of the West Riding police force for the Bingley sub-division caused by the transfer of Inspector Denny to Castleford has been filled by the promotion of Police-Sergeant Metcalfe, of Harden, to the rank of inspector, and his transfer to Bingley. The vacancy at Harden is being filled by the transfer from the Bradford West Riding Division of Police-Sergeant Consett, who had previously served in the Bingley district. The new inspector commenced his police career as a constable in the Knaresborough district, where he was for two and a-half years, and he was afterwards for five years in the Halifax division. He has been sergeant at Wilsden and Harden for the past ten years.

At the Bingley Police Court on Wednesday reference was made by the presiding magistrate (Mr. J. H. Robinson) to the departure of Inspector Denny, and the appointment of his successor. Superintendent Slack formally informed the Bench of the changes, and said he wished Inspector Denny the best of success. He had always been a loyal officer, and he had felt he could trust him in everything that had to be done in the Bingley district.

Mr. Robinson said the relations between the Bench and Inspector Denny had always been of an agreeable and pleasant character, and they had always been pleased with the way in which he had given evidence. They felt that if he was equally successful at Castleford it would not be long beore he occupied a higher position in the force. On behalf of the Bench, he congratulated Inspector Metcalfe upon his promotion, and said they felt that if he acquitted himself as well as an inspector as he had done as a sergeant they would have no fear for his success.

Both officers briefly thanked the justices for their observations. Inspector Denny said it was very pleasant to know that his efforts had given satisfaction, though he had only tried to do what was his duty. Inspector Metcalfe said he hoped in his new responsibility to be able to give satisfaction.

LIFE IN SHAKSPEARE'S ENGLAND.

In continuation of the lectures arranged by the Bingley branch of the Workers' Educational Association, Mr. J. Dover Wilson, of Leeds, last night lectured at the Bingley Technical School on "Life in Shakspeare's England." Dr. Wodehouse presided, and there was a very good attendance.

Mr. Wilson said he wished to suggest to his hearers a way of reading Shakspeare which perhaps might be new to them. People read Shakspeare for many purposes, but mostly to enjoy and understand his writings, but a very interesting way of reading Shakspeare was to do so as a human document, as a revelation of the age of Shakspeare. He did not think it had been properly realised how much Shakspeare did really reveal of his own age. Ben Jonson said that Shakspeare wrote not for an age but for all time, but Shakspeare bore in his work the stamp of his own age. The life of sixteenth century and early seventeenth century England pulsed through all Shakspeare's writings, whatever the period or motive dealt with. For instance, it was always English weather he spoke of; the people of his plays were very often English, and so were his scenes and descriptions. He threw illumination on his own age. Mr. Wilson went on to point out, with numerous references, how many sides of life of the country town of Stratford-on-Avon in the younger days of Shakspeare, and of the country life and sports found illustration in Shakspeare's works. With regard to sport, Shakspeare was fond of the chase, and he (the lecturer) even thought the references to it supported the old legend of Shakspeare having been addicted to poaching in the neighbourhood of Stratford. Then came the time when Shakspeare went to London—why, or how, he observed, no-one knew, for in fact what we actually knew of Shakspeare was very little. What the writer got from the journey by road to London was seen in what was said of the vagabonds of the roads, and of inns; what he got from London had many illustrations, and could be found in "Measure for Measure," "Henry VI.," "Romeo and Juliet," to single out only a few, and Dogberry's words to the watch were typically English of the time. Further, said the lecturer, Shakspeare had references to dress and fashion, art and literature, the conditions of the theatre, and of the Elizabethan theatre audience. Lastly, there were passages in Shakspeare descriptive of the interior of an Elizabethan house, which came from the time when the writer returned to Stratford a rich, prosperous, well-to-do man for the closing years of his life. To look, said the lecturer in conclusion, for revelations of his times in Shakspeare's writings would give an added zest to their study.

At the close a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Wilson, on the motion of Mr. G. Severs.

BINGLEY BURIAL BOARD.

A monthly meeting of the Bingley Burial Board was held on Wednesday evening, the members present being Messrs. R. Nunns (chairman), S. Mitchell, R. Garnett, W. E. Medley, A. Bolton, and J. Bateson. The Registrar (Mr. J. Greaves) reported that the interments in October at the cemetery had been nineteen, of which twelve had been in the consecrated portion and seven in the general portion. The receipts for the month had been £45 19s. 2d., and the payments £610 5s. 7d., including a loan of £500 repaid, the balance remaining at the bank being £7 14s. 9d. The remainder of the business was of a routine nature.

BINGLEY COTTAGE HOSPITAL.

The secretary (Mr. John R. Sampson) announces the following gifts during October: Flowers, Baptist Church and St. Wilfrid's Church, Gilstead; grapes and magazines, Mrs. A. Mitchell; grapes, Mr. A. Platts; vegetables, Mrs. J. Hirst; apples, Mrs. J. R. Holmes; beans and apples, Mrs. Brigg; twelve novels, Mr. Harry Wortley. Donations: Employees, filter-beds, 13s. Contributions of patients and ex-patients—Miss Pegler, £2 2s.; Mr. Coonan, £1; executors of Miriam Rushforth, £5 5s.; Mrs. Rimmington, 4s. 6d.; Mrs. Dunhill, 10s.; Mrs. Whittingham, £1; per Rev. Levi James, £3 3s.; per G. W. Foster, £10 10s.

SALVATION ARMY WEDDING AT BINGLEY.

On Saturday afternoon last the marriage was solemnised at the Bingley Congregational Church of Captain George E. Latter, the officer in charge of the Bingley corps of the Salvation Army, to Captain Annie E. Hawkes, captain of the Harrogate corps. Brigadier Palmer, of Leeds, officiated, and he was assisted by Mrs. Palmer. The band of the Stanningley corps was in attendance, and rendered special music, and also accompanied the special hymns which were sung. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of people. After the ceremony a wedding banquet was held in the Salvation Army Hall, when over 200 sat down to tea. A "bridal reception" was held in the Victoria Hall in the evening, after which the bride and bridegroom went to Ilkley, where the honeymoon is being spent. On Sunday special services were held in the morning and evening, conducted by Brigadier and Mrs. Palmer, and a musical service was given in the afternoon by the Stanningley band. There were very good attendances. A collection was made at each service in aid of the funds of the corps.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHURCH.

In continuation of the church anniversary services at the Bingley Primitive Methodist Church special services were held in the church on Sunday last. The Rev. W. Johnstone Dodd, of Halifax, preached to good congregations at both morning and evening services. In the morning the choir sang the anthem "Teach me, O Lord" (Attwood), and the anthem "How calmly the evening" (Elgar) was sung at the evening service. Mr. W. Robertshaw officiated as choirmaster and organist. In the afternoon a service of song entitled "In the rough" was given by the married ladies of the church. Mrs. A. Townend was the reader, and Mr. H. Stephenson presided at the organ. The attendance was a good one. A collection was made at each service in aid of the trust funds.

MISSIONARY SERVICES.

At Hill Street Wesleyan Mission Hall, Bingley, on Sunday last, special services were held in aid of the Wesleyan Foreign Missionary Society. The Rev. Levi James (superintendent circuit minister) was the preacher at the morning service, and Mr. J. Hudson, of Bradford, preached at the evening service. There were good congregations. Collections were made at each service on behalf of the Foreign Missionary Society.

The annual missionary meeting was held in the hall on Thursday evening last, and was well attended. Mr. F. Wadsworth presided. An interesting address on "The Cross in the Land of the Trident" was given by the Rev. Edward Gearey (circuit minister). A collection was made in aid of the Wesleyan Foreign Missions.

I.L.P. Room, Clyde Street.—To-morrow (Sunday) afternoon, at 2.45, W. C. Anderson, M.P., will speak in the above room. Admission by ticket, 3d. each. To-night, at 7.30, whist drive, tickets 6d.—Advt.

HARDEN.

CONCERT AND WAR MASQUE.

A great effort is being made in the village of Harden to raise funds for providing Christmas parcels for Harden soldiers. Last Saturday evening an entertainment and war masque entitled "The Empire's Honour" were given in the Council School, for the scheme. Mrs. Alfred Platts, of Bingley, presided, and the room was packed by an appreciative audience. The first part of the programme was given by the scholars of the school. The opening recitation was by May Leach, and "The Babes in the Wood" was nicely rendered by thirty-six infants in dainty dresses. Thirty-four older scholars next gave the operetta, "The Doll's Tea Party," which was very creditably gone through. Miss Agnes E. Bertram took the leading part as the "Doll's Mistress." Eleven girls from the higher standards gave great satisfaction with the action song, "Caller Herrin'." Miss Atkinson, the head teacher in the infants' department, accompanied on the pianoforte. Great credit was due to Miss Atkinson, Miss Doris Johnson, and Miss Binns for training the scholars. The second part of the programme was the musical war masque, "The Empire's Honour," by the young people of the village. Miss Doris Johnson took the leading part, Britannia, and the other characters were—England, Miss May Foster; Scotland, Miss G. Wade; Wales, Miss Whiteley; Ireland, Miss M. Bailey; Newfoundland, Misses Foster and Jeffrey; India, Misses Jeffrey and M. Whiteoak; Canada, Misses Phillips and M. A. Haigh; Australia, Misses Leach and Machin; Egypt, Misses Connor and E. Haigh; New Zealand, Misses A. Sant and Robinson; Africa, Miss Rhodes and N. Peake; the Empire's Honour, Miss M. Slater; Freedom, Miss Orpah Viney; Peace, Miss M. Storry; Herald, Miss A. Crabtree; Allies, Misses S. Foster, P. Crowther, M. Dawson, E. Hodgson, A. Thompson, and E. Lake; Lord Kitchener, G. Holmes; Factory Girl, D. Hodgson. All the artists wore suitable costumes and rendered their parts remarkably well. Miss L. Barrett accompanied on the piano, assisted by Mrs. Wagstaff and Mr. F. Barrett (violinist). Mr. C. Grimley had trained the artists and conducted the singing. The platform was prettily decorated with flags and bunting. The performance was repeated on Tuesday evening, Mr. J. H. Whitwham presiding, and the school-room was again filled. Over £23 has been raised by the two performances.

MISSIONARY SERVICES.

In connection with the Wesleyan Church the annual foreign missionary services were held on Sunday last. The sermons were preached by the Rev. Edward Gearey (circuit minister). Mr. Jonas Leach presided at the organ.—On Wednesday evening a missionary meeting was held. Mr. A. Rhodes, of Bingley, occupied the chair. The Rev. Edward Gearey gave a very interesting address on "The Cross in the Land of the Trident." Mr. Gearey, having spent many years in India, described the rapid progress of religion since the seventeenth century, and spoke of the need of more missionaries, as the natives were pleading for them. The financial report for the circuit showed that the church at Harden had responded very generously, and led the other places in the circuit, the contributions working out at 17s. per member. There was a good attendance. Mr. C. Grimley presided at the organ.

DEATH AFTER AN INJURY.

An inquest was conducted by Mr. Edgar Wood (coroner) at the Reform Sunday School-room on Monday on the body of Richard Driver (72), furniture broker, of Harden Beck, whose death took place on Saturday last. Polly Driver, a daughter, gave evidence of identification, and said deceased had been suffering from weakness for eighteen months. On Wednesday, October 25, she retired to bed about 12 o'clock at night, leaving her father sitting by the fire in the kitchen. About 5.20 on Thursday morning she went downstairs and found him lying on the hearthrug, with a coat wrapped around his head. She roused him and he said he was not so well. After lighting the fire, and assisting him into a chair, she was surprised to see that he had a nasty cut across his throat. Dr. Marquis was at once sent for.—The Coroner: Had he ever threatened to commit suicide?—Witness: No.—Did he say why he had done it?—He said he was ashamed because he could not look after himself.—What did he do it with?—A razor.—Where did you find the razor?—On the top of the drawers.—Was it his own razor?—Yes. Witness added that she got her father to bed, and he stayed there until he died on Saturday morning.

Dr. Marquis said deceased had suffered from weakness of the bowels for the last eighteen months and had been attended by him for that time. When he saw deceased on Thursday morning he found a ragged gash about four inches long across his throat. It was only skin deep. The Coroner: Do you think it hastened his death?—Witness: Well, it might have done; not the wound, but perhaps excitement. How long do you think he would have lived if the wound had not been caused?—Perhaps a week.—Do you think he intended to commit suicide?—Yes, he said to me he could not get the razor to cut through.—Had you told the family he could not get better?—Yes, about six weeks ago.

The jury brought in a verdict of "Death from natural causes."

Last week's contributions to the wounded soldiers at Morton Banks Hospital were: Apples, tomatoes, rice, sago, cocoa, soap (15lb.), bread, cakes, parkin, chocolates, biscuits, bananas, eggs (18), cigarettes (140) and money (10s.).

CULLINGWORTH.

WESLEYAN FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Services in aid of Wesleyan foreign missions were held at the Cullingworth Wesleyan Chapel on Sunday last. The Rev. S. L. Evans preached at the morning service, and in the afternoon gave an interesting account of mission work in China. A feature of the afternoon service was the part taken by fifteen young people, who in the form of a dialogue gave a glowing report of the progress of the work in the mission fields of India, China, the Transvaal, and the Gold Coast. Additional interest was also manifested by the presence of Pastor Smith, of Leeds, a coloured preacher, whose parents had been slaves in the Southern States of America. Mr. Smith preached at the evening service, and deeply interested the audience by his description of the work of the missionaries amongst the black people.—The annual missionary meeting was held on Tuesday evening last, under the presidency of Mr. Arthur Robinson. The Rev. Mr. Hinchcliffe (Hebden Bridge) was the speaker, and the story of his and other missionaries' work on the Gold Coast of Africa was listened to with great interest. At the close of the meeting a "faith supper" was provided, a goodly number attending. The collections at all the services amounted to £9 10s.

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WILSDEN.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS FOR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

For the Christmas Parcels to Soldiers and Sailors' Fund there has been contributed 24s. by Mrs. W. Wood and Misses Janey Bower and Dolly Middleton, from the sale of needlework; also 10s. by the winders and warpers employed at Messrs. A. Ambler & Sons, Ltd.

WAR BONUS FOR NORTH BIERLEY RELIEVING OFFICERS.

At a meeting on Wednesday the North Bierley Board of Guardians appointed Mr. W. Halstead (Tong) to represent the Board on the executive of the Bradford Lord Mayor's War Fund, and Messrs. Thistlethwaite and Briggs as members of the City Committee for the Care of Mental Defectives. A recommendation by the Finance Committee for the grant of a war bonus at the rate of £10 per year to the four relieving officers of the union for the duration of the war was approved subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

GIFTS TO WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

The weekly parcel for the wounded soldiers at Morton Banks Hospital contained 15 fresh eggs, 40lb. home-fed bacon, 50 cigarettes, 8 bananas, 1 apple, 1lb. grapes, 2 2lb. jars of jam, 1 parcel of magazines.

DENHOLME.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

A service in memory of two Denholme soldiers was held on Sunday morning last in the Denholme Independent Chapel, and conducted by the Rev. G. S. Smith (secretary of the Bradford Free Church Council). The two men who have made the supreme sacrifice—Second-Lieutenant Asa Craven, of Keighley, and Lance-Corporal Jack Spencer, of Denholme—were formerly members of the Independent Sunday School. Special hymns were sung by the choir, and Mr. J. Butterfield presided at the organ.

The number of eggs collected at Denholme last week was 315, making a total of 53,570 for eighty-four weeks, and giving an average of 637 eggs per week. During the week the whole collection has been despatched to headquarters in London.

The collection at Denholme last week for the local Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund amounted to 19s.

THORNTON.

ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL.

On Saturday and Sunday last the Thornton Wesleyan Young Men's Bible Class celebrated its second anniversary. On Saturday tea was provided in the school and largely attended, and subsequently a concert was given by the following artists from Bradford: Miss B. Batt (soprano), Miss C. Parker (contralto), Mr. P. Appleton (tenor), and Mr. T. Parker (bass), with Mr. Ernest Priestley as accompanist. Addresses were given by the Secretary (Mr. I. Ingham) and the Rev. J. C. Jowett (London). Mr. S. Chaffer (Bradford) presided. On Sunday sermons were preached by the Rev. J. C. Jowett to large congregations, and in the afternoon a mass meeting was addressed by the Rev. J. C. Jowett, who took as his subject "Applied Christianity." Mr. C. Raper (Bradford) presided, and the soloist was Mme. Tapp. At the evening service Mr. Jowett read the roll of honour, which showed that over fifty men connected with the school had joined the Army or Navy, and that the following had laid down their lives for their King and country—George Smith, Harold Hey, Dewhirst Hill, Edgar Mellor, and Edward Heap. The choir, under the conductorship of Mr. E. Priestley, rendered anthems, and a solo was sung by Mme. Tapp at the evening service. Collections in aid of the trust funds realised £20 3s. 8d., an increase of over £4 on last year's amount. In addition there will be the profit from Saturday's tea and concert, and over £5 profit from the sale of scent charms to hand over to the trust funds.

PATRIOTIC CONCERT.

On Sunday last a concert was given in the Egypt United Methodist School by Miss C. Bottomley (soprano), Clayton; Miss E. Hill (contralto); Mr. Darnbrough (tenor), Dudley Hill; Mr. C. Jowett (baritone), Bradford; Miss D. Pickles (elocutionist); Mr. C. Firth (concertina soloist); Miss E. Brooksbank (elocutionist); and Miss Mabel Farrar (accompanist). The Rev. P. S. Johnson presided. The proceeds were equally divided between the Christmas parcels' fund for soldiers who have gone from the Sunday School and the Thornton Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund.

SCHOLARS AND WAR SAVINGS.

In connection with the War Savings Association the scholars of James Street Council School, Thornton, have contributed £184 during the last seven weeks. The scholars holding subscription books number 237, and they make payment weekly to Mr. Alpheaus Mitchell, the secretary for the fund at the school.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY'S MEETING.

The half-yearly meeting of the Thornton Co-operative Society was held on Thursday night last, the president (Mr. S. Hainsworth) in the chair. The balance-sheet showed that the sales for the half-year had amounted to £11,878—a record—and the profits to £1,573, allowing of a dividend of 3s. in the pound to members and 1s. 6d. to non-members. The membership stood at 742. Mr. S. Hainsworth was re-elected president, and Mr. H. Whalley (Denholme) public auditor, and Messrs. I. Hodgson, W. Morrell, and S. Tatham were reappointed directors.

BOWLING CLUB CONCERT.

On Wednesday evening last the Thornton Bowling Club held a successful smoking concert in the Mechanics' Institute. Refreshments were served, and during the evening the prizes were presented by the president (Mr. J. Downs) to the winners of the handicap held during the past summer. There was a very large gathering, and the proceeds (about £4) were for the Thornton Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund.

On Thursday evening last the Thornton branch of the National British Women's Temperance Association held a coffee supper and social in St. James's National School.

The services at Kipping Chapel, Thornton, were conducted on Sunday last by the Rev. Professor Armitage (Rawdon).

On Sunday last special sermons were preached at the New Road Congregational Church, Thornton, by Mr. R. W. Goldie, of Bradford (morning), and Miss Spencer, of the Bradford City Mission (evening). Solos were rendered by Miss Dennison (Bradford).

SUICIDE IN AN ELDWICK RESERVOIR.

On Monday morning last a lady's hat, coat, and umbrella were found on the bank of the compensation reservoir at Eldwick belonging to the Shipley District Council. The circumstances pointed to a case of suicide, and steps were promptly taken to search for the body. The outlet valve to let off the water was opened, and dragging was resorted to, but it was not until Wednesday morning that a body was seen and recovered. It was removed to the mortuary at Bingley and identified as that of Edith Elliott (38), wife of William A. Elliott, commercial traveller, South View, Frizinghall, who had been missing from home from Sunday morning, October 29.

The inquest on the body was held on Thursday afternoon at the Primitive Methodist School-room, Bingley, by Mr. E. Wood (district coroner). Mr. I. Lindow, clerk to the Shipley District Council, the owners of the reservoir, was present at the inquiry.

William Anthony Elliott, husband of the deceased, gave evidence of identification, and afterwards said that his wife had been in ill-health for five years, and had been attended by Dr. Ballantine, of Shipley. Witness last saw her alive at 7.30 on Sunday morning, October 29, at home. She had had a bad night, and had not slept, and she got up at the time stated and went out of the bed-room, saying she was going to her sister's house, about five minutes' distance away. He thought it rather strange that she should get up so early. He heard her leave the house at 7.50. He learnt some time afterwards that the deceased had not gone to her sister's house, and he became anxious and made inquiries for her of relatives at Horton and Cleckheaton, without any result. In the evening he gave information to the police at Frizinghall that his wife was missing, and he did not obtain any information until Tuesday, when he was shown a newspaper cutting that a lady's hat and other articles of clothing had been found on the bank of the compensation reservoir at Eldwick on the previous day. The deceased had not been in the habit of going into the Eldwick district. She had said on several occasions that she would go right away and not come back again, and for some time she had been in a depressed state of mind. She did not leave any message or note behind her when she left home on Sunday.

Samuel Naylor, farmer, of Eldwick, gave evidence that he found the clothing mentioned on the reservoir bank at Eldwick. He found a lady's hat, coat and umbrella; the coat was folded up, with the hat on the top of it, and the umbrella at the side. He said that he also saw the body recovered from the water on Wednesday morning, only a short distance from the spot where he found the clothing. He saw the deceased on Sunday morning last about half-past 10 o'clock in an old lane near the reservoir, and she then asked him the way to Morton. He showed her the route and she went away in that direction. There was nothing peculiar in her manner or appearance. She was wearing the hat and coat which he found the next day on the reservoir bank, and he then recognised them again. She would have to pass through two gates to get to the reservoir bank.

A NOTE BY THE DECEASED.

The Coroner here read part of a note which was found in the pocket of the deceased's coat. He read: "Sorry my head has got no better; have tried this last day or two, but am worse and worse." Continuing, the Coroner said the deceased wrote that she wished she could have died in bed, and the rest of the note appeared to be about her little boy and where her husband had to bury her.

William Green Wood, reservoir keeper, Eldwick Crag, said that after the clothing had been found he shut off water from entering the reservoir and opened a 12in. valve to run off the water. [illegible] level of the water was reduced about [illegible] the body was seen and recovered about [illegible] on Wednesday morning. It was lying [illegible] side. The deceased could not have fallen [illegible] water accidentally.

Dr. R. F. Ballantine, of Frizinghall, [illegible] the deceased on September 24. She was [illegible] excitable and complained of a dilated stomach [illegible] the condition of the stomach was not [illegible] cause the excitement and it somehow [illegible] With medicine she improved. He [illegible] October 4 and she then complained of [illegible] but was quite rational. He saw her [illegible] October 17, when she spoke of feeling [illegible] October 19 she complained that the pain [illegible] head had been very severe, but on October [illegible] said her head was better and she appeared [illegible] and told him she had been doing a [illegible] work. That was the last occasion [illegible] saw her. He did not perceive any [illegible] suicidal tendencies, and had not [illegible] such danger, but he now thought she [illegible] become mentally upset, and thus had [illegible] suicide.

The jury returned a verdict of "[illegible] suicide while of unsound mind."

A THACKLEY LADY'S SALE OF LAND.

RIGHT OF WAY DISPUTE.

In the Chancery Division on Tuesday Mr. Justice Eve heard a summons taken out by Mrs. [illegible] Walmsley, of Burnwells, Thackley, Bradford, [illegible] reference to a dispute arising out of a sale [illegible] applicant of land and a cottage at [illegible] parish of Harewood, to the respondent, Mr. [illegible] Schofield Shaw, glass bottle manufacturer [illegible] Mr. A. Adams appeared for the applicant, and [illegible] P. F. Wheeler for the respondent.

It appeared that there was a contract of sale between the parties, but the question that [illegible] was as to an alleged right of way over the [illegible] The vendor asked the Court for a declaration [illegible] the buyer was not entitled to have inserted [illegible] conveyance any express grant of any right of [illegible] over the property of the applicant as [illegible] him. It was claimed on behalf of the [illegible] that the right of way was a well-worn [illegible] path that ran along the western side of [illegible] bought, and after leaving this continued [illegible] land belonging to other owners.

A large number of legal authorities were [illegible] the Court, and it was submitted by Mr. Wheeler [illegible] the respondent that the Court could not [illegible] client of a right over a definite visible road [illegible] was in existence at the time of the contract [illegible]

Mr. Justice Eve decided the summons [illegible] the applicant vendor. He said that the [illegible] claimed to have an express grant of this right [illegible] put into the conveyance. This was [illegible] cart track, and he saw no reason to give [illegible] respondent the express grant that he asked for [illegible] therefore declared that the respondent was [illegible] titled to the express grant of the right of [illegible] the form of conveyance as already [illegible] to remain, would give effect to this judgment [illegible] respondent must pay the costs of the summons.

The Thornton Wesley Guild held a special [illegible] ing on Monday last, when an address was given by the Rev. J. C. Jowett (London) on "Some [illegible] world owes to Jesus." The Rev. F. [illegible] presided, and solos were sung by Miss M. A. [illegible]

"How are you getting on?"—he said.

"HOW are you getting on, Alice?" he said. "Fine," I replied, but I was feeling a bit tired, though I didn't want to own to it. What with pushing past people standing inside and the climbing up top, I can tell you it does take it out of one a bit. "Women don't eat enough," he said. "Why don't you take a cup of cocoa?—it turns a biscuit into a meal." But somehow I wouldn't, just because it was his idea and not mine. One night I came in extra wet and cold, and there was his Rowntree's Cocoa steaming in the jug, and it had such a lovely fragrance that I drank the whole lot up. "Hullo," he said when he came in, "where's my cocoa?" Then I had to own up that I had drunk it, but I didn't care a bit, for I was feeling so fresh and happy. I wouldn't go without my Rowntree's Cocoa now for anything—night and morning.

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MILITARY SERVICE TRIBUNALS

KEIGHLEY.

FIRE BRIGADE EXEMPTIONS REVIEWED.

The Keighley Borough Tribunal sat on Monday, Mr. J. Longton presiding. The other members present were Rev. Canon Russell, Mr. T. Houldsworth, Mr. A. Liddemore, and Mr. J. Redman. Mr. W. Morkill represented the military authorities.

The exemptions of four members of the staff of the Keighley Corporation Fire Brigade were reviewed. Chief Officer Marlton said that when war broke out he had fourteen men eligible for service ... auxiliary staff, and nine enlisted ... They had to fill the positions ... really too old or too young for fire ... They had two men over 60 years of ... in addition to four lads of 15 and ... They were obliged to send them to ... were not quite equal to the arduous ... men of 60 years were not fit to run up ... had been in a quandary on one or ... Chief Officer Marlton said he realised ... firemen were not entitled to exemption ... Of the four men one was a ... two were fitters, and one was a master ... understood that their fire brigade ... their ordinary work. There were ... military age on the permanent staff.

... It is a question whether you cannot ... these four men.—Mr. Marlton: We ... fires already at which we have been ... by the loss of our men.

Mr. M...: That is the complaint all round.

Mr. Marlton pointed out that they had now a very ... area to cover, including the Skipton rural district.

Mr. Morkill asked if the Skipton Rural Council ... asked to look after their own fires; but Mr. Marlton said he was afraid they could not do ...

... to the Chairman, Mr. Marlton said they ...

... were considered in detail. In the case ... foreman the military representative's ... certificate to be varied was with... men who are fitters were given four... which to get work on munitions, and ... master plumber, was given until ...

SALVATION ARMY CAPTAIN'S EXPLANATION.

A Salvation Army "captain" applied for exemption on ground of his wife's health, and asked ... as a minister of religion. Mr. ... (military representative) held that such ... referred to the War Office, with a ... from the head of the denomination. ... said he wished to enter his protest ... ministers of religion of military age being ... service, no matter of what denomination. ... moved that a protest should be sent to ... Council on the matter. Mr. Houldsworth ... the motion.

... said it was a big question, and he did ... Army Council would take any notice ... protest. He did not, however, think this ... have exemption. He thought his position ... he had not complied with the instructions ... therefore the application should be refused. ... tribunal consequently refused the claim, but ... of protesting to the Army Council was ... to the next sitting.

... Bartrim (19), a conscientious objector, ... was willing to join the Royal Army ... Corps. He attended the Quakers' ... and his parents were members of ... He objected to killing anybody, ... to the military representative said ... object to munition work. He offered himself ... enlistment because he thought he would have ... for appeal if he did not. He was rejected ... rheumatism. One brother was serving ... had been badly wounded. The application was ... but a recommendation was made that the ... should be given work in the Royal Army ... Corps.

"A BIT OF A JOURNALIST."

A man 40 years of age, "combed out" from one ... engineering works in the town objected to ... go whilst men twenty years younger than ... were allowed to remain. He wished the tribunal ... that into consideration, and also the fact that ... "bit of a journalist." He was "a journalist ... draughts" and earned a lot of money in that ...

Mr. Morkill: I don't think that is in the national ... We can get on without draughts.

... Liddemore: Would not a good draughts player ... a good general?

... Applicant: It would be a good promotion from ... to a general.

The application was refused.

An accountant appealed for a clerk in his employ. ... seven clerks when war broke out. One went ... to a shell factory, another went into munitions ... went into the Army, and another into the ... Now he had two clerks and a lady. The ... went into munitions was his son, but if ... was taken it would be impossible for him ... out of munitions to take his place. He ... do the work.—The appeal was refused.

TODMORDEN HEAD MASTER AS ABSENTEE.

THE END OF THE FARRAR CASE.

At Todmorden Police Court on Monday Mr. ... Farrar, head-master of the Todmorden Secondary ..., was brought up in custody on a charge ... the order of the Central Tribunal in ... failing to report himself for military ... In reply to the charge the defendant said: "I have failed to join the colours, for good ..."

Superintendent Peckitt said that the defendant was ... age and single. His appeal for exemption ... by the Keighley Tribunal, the Appeal ... Bradford, and the Central Appeal Tribunal, London. The latter body decided that Mr. ... join up at once. He should have reported himself at Keighley last Friday, but failed ... and was arrested.

... Heywood, representing the Keighley Recruiting Office, said that the following letter ... received from the Central Tribunal:—

"I have to inform you that the case of Mr. ... has been considered by the Central ... and they have decided that the appeal ... military representative be upheld, and that ... not exempt. The tribunal, having carefully considered the full statement of his objection ... by the appellant, are clearly of ... that his objection is a political objection ... of this country with reference to the ... and is in no sense a conscientious ... the undertaking of combatant service ... meaning of the Military Service Act."

... defendant's behalf it was contended that ... Tribunal had no power to make the ... That tribunal had only power ... which the Act of Parliament gave it. ... it did something else than that the ... must stand.

... (solicitor for the defendant), continued: We propose, if the Bench will grant ... for a month, to apply to the High ... for a mandamus. Counsel has the ... has to advise whether a mandamus or ... any other remedy is available. ... to have it thrashed out before His ... Judges in London. I don't think there ... Mr. Farrar running away.

... Heywood opposed the application ...

... announced that the Bench could not ... and the defendant would be ... military escort.

... Well, as to that, sir, I would like ...

... You can just sit down. We shall ... The case is finished.

... the Keighley Tribunal on Monday ... Mr. Smith Terry) read a letter, dated ... from the Central Appeal Tribunal, ... the case of Mr. E. Farrar, of Greenhead Lane, Keighley, the head-master of the Todmorden Secondary School, an application had been received for a rehearing of the case, but as the Central Tribunal had decided the case it could not be reopened, and their decision was final. Mr. Farrar was therefore available for military service.

The Chairman (Mr. J. Longton): We have nothing further to do with that case now.

WOMEN AS LOOMERS AND TWISTERS.

The Skipton Urban Tribunal sat at the Town Hall on Thursday, Mr. J. Platt presiding. Mr. A. V. Mason attended as military representative.

The principal of a firm of manufacturers sought further exemption for two overlookers and a loomer and twister. All three were married men, and were declared to be absolutely indispensable. The factory was running almost at full strength, notwithstanding the fact that they were two overlookers short. That had been managed by a distribution of the wages of the men who had gone amongst those who remained, in addition to war bonuses. If one of the men were taken it would mean the stopping of fifty or sixty workpeople who were under their charge.

The question of employing women as loomers and twisters was raised, but the applicant said he had never found it a success. He also mentioned that the three men applied for were regularly attending the drills of the Volunteer Force.

Three months' exemption was granted in each case.

Another manufacturer appealed for the exemption of a head loomer and twister on the ground that it was of national importance that his services should be retained, as the cloth made by the firm was either for the Government or for export. If the head loomer were taken they would be compelled to close down. They had advertised, but had not received a single application. The applicant also complained that applications by manufacturers before the Lancashire tribunals met with better success than at Skipton. He declared that the tribunals mentioned were, without wasting any time, giving conditional exemption in the cases of such workmen as these, while at Skipton his firm had to keep bringing their men and were only granted temporary exemptions.

The Chairman: I hope you do not want the good old town of Skipton to have the reputation that some towns have?—I cannot help that. We have sent seventeen men and released another man for munitions out of our few men.

The Chairman: We have our instructions, and if we carry them out we are doing our duty. If other tribunals do not carry them out, we have nothing to do with it.

Conditional exemption was granted.

APPEAL FOR KEIGHLEY TEACHERS.

The Appeal Tribunal for the West Central District of the West Riding sat on Wednesday at the Bradford Town Hall, Mr. Duncan G. Law presiding.

An appeal was made by the Keighley Education Authority on behalf of three teachers in their schools. It was stated that out of eleven or twelve teachers in this particular school four had been called up, and if these three were also taken it would be extremely difficult to fill their places. It was decided to grant exemption in all three cases until January 1.

THE RE-EXAMINATION DIFFICULTY.

At the meeting of the Wharfedale Rural District Tribunal on Thursday, two farmers, one from Bramhope and one from Pool, brothers, aged respectively 26 and 24, were applicants for exemption. The elder brother stated that they had been referred by the tribunal for examination by the Medical Board. They went to Keighley, where they were told by the recruiting officer that there were 3,500 cases before them, and that as only 120 were taken each week it would be six months before they could be examined.

A Member of the Tribunal: When was that?—In September some time.

Mr. H. H. Spencer moved a resolution setting forth that the tribunal "viewed with the greatest concern that obstacles were put in the way of young men who presented themselves for re-examination at Keighley." Mr. Jesper seconded the resolution, and it was agreed to.

The two cases were adjourned for a month.

BINGLEY PETTY SESSIONS.

MONDAY.

(Before Mr. W. R. Atkinson.)

Private Richard Henry Turner, of 6, North Street, Bingley, was charged with being an absentee from a Canadian regiment stationed at Shorncliffe, Kent. He was remanded to await a military escort.

CHILDREN'S COURT.

WEDNESDAY.

(Before Mr. J. H. Robinson, Mr. G. Ackroyd, Mr. W. Sugden, and Mr. J. H. Whitwham.)

WORKS FIRE CAUSED BY HARDEN BOYS.

Two Harden schoolboys, aged 9 and 11 years respectively, were summoned for doing wilful damage at the works of Messrs. J. Steel & Sons, springmakers, Harden, on October 4. The boys were represented by Mr. J. W. Atkinson, solicitor, who pleaded "Not guilty." Superintendent Slack stated that about 5 o'clock on the afternoon of October 4 the two boys were playing on the highway near the works, and were throwing coloured lights about the road, and eventually one of them alighted inside the works and caused a fire by which damage was done to the amount of about £4.—Evidence was given by another boy, 11 years old, of seeing the two defendants striking fusee matches, some of which were thrown into the field at the side of the Keighley Road, and the others in the direction of an open window at the works. A match thrown by the younger boy went through the window, but the other boy did not succeed in getting one through.—Police-Constable Harper stated that he received information that a fire had been caused at the spring works, and as a result of inquiries found that the two defendants had been throwing matches at a window, and that the fire had been caused by one of the matches, which went through and fell inside the works.—William J. Fouracre, manager at the works, said the burning match fell into a tank of japanning material and set it on fire. The damage was estimated at £4, but the fire assessor had put it at £3 10s., declining to allow anything for the labour of the men who extinguished the fire.

Mr. Atkinson first questioned the two boys whether they had any knowledge of what there was behind the open window, and after receiving the answer that they did not know, submitted that as there was no deliberate intention on the part of the boys to do harm the damage could not legally be styled wilful, but was accidental.—The Bench decided against Mr. Atkinson on the point, and he then submitted that the act was that of children, done on impulse only, and they could not be expected to at all realise what serious results might have followed the occurrence.—The Chairman (Mr. J. H. Robinson) said it would probably have been better if Mr. Atkinson had started his observations where he had finished. He felt commonsense was against him on the first point, whatever the law might be.

The two boys were given good characters, and were stated not to have been in any trouble before. The Bench ordered their parents to pay the costs and damage, £4 2s. altogether, directing the parent of the younger boy to pay £2 15s. and the other parent £1 7s.

WEST RIDING COURT.

(Before Mr. J. H. Robinson, Mr. G. Ackroyd, Mr. W. Sugden, and Mr. J. H. Whitwham.)

Leave to sell at the Brewers' Arms, Wilsden, until next transfer day was granted to John William Fawcett, of Wilsden.

ANOTHER WARNING FOR LIGHTING OFFENDERS.

Ernest Brooks, shoemaker, East Morton, was summoned for an offence against the lighting regulations on October 23.—Police-Constable Brown stated that the defendant had allowed an unshaded incandescent light in the window of the boot and shoe shop of the Co-operative Society. When spoken to, he said he had forgotten to pull the blind down. He added that the defendant was cautioned in March last.—The Chairman said what the defendant considered an oversight was now a very serious offence in the eyes of the law, and he must repeat the warning the justices gave the week before that they could not continue to look lightly upon such offences. Defendant would be fined 10s., including costs.

Thomas William Watson, fireman, Wilsden, was fined a similar amount for a like offence on October 20. In this case light came through an open house door, and defendant said it had been left open accidentally.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS FOR BINGLEY SOLDIERS.

On Monday evening a meeting—convened by Mr. J. H. Whitwham (chairman of the Bingley District Council)—was held at the Town Hall, Bingley, for the purpose of considering the question of sending Christmas parcels to men from the Bingley district now serving in His Majesty's forces. Mr. Whitwham presided. The attendance was only small, probably owing to the unfavourable weather, among those present being the Rev. R. Pulleine, the Rev. F. A. Hodd, the Rev. C. R. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Weatherhead, Mrs. A. R. Wright, and Messrs. H. M. Dawson, E. H. Gates, T. Turner, T. W. Smales, V. E. King, and B. Broadbent. At the beginning letters were read from Mrs. Ferrand, who asked to be acquainted with any decision by the meeting; Mr. W. R. Kay, of Cottingley, who said that the people of Cottingley had been in the habit of sending Christmas parcels to soldiers and sailors from Cottingley, and were sending about 100 such parcels this year; and from Mr. J. T. Johnson (Wilsden), who stated that the people of Wilsden were taking similar steps to provide for Wilsden soldiers and sailors, and were arranging to send a parcel of the value of 10s. to each man on foreign service and of 5s. value to men in training at home.

Mr. Gates said he knew that there was a similar movement on foot at Harden, where they hoped to provide for their own men.

Mr. Turner said that would mean that Bingley, Crossflats, Eldwick, Gilstead, and Micklethwaite were the districts to be provided for.

Mr. Dawson said the aim of the committee to be appointed should be to make sure that every man from the district had a Christmas parcel, quite irrespective of whether a man's own relatives sent him one or not.

Mrs. Weatherhead suggested that where churches or other organisations were sending parcels to men they should provide the local committee with a list of the names of the men to whom they sent parcels so as to prevent overlapping.

Mr. V. E. King asked if there was a record of the names of the men who had gone from this neighbourhood.

Mr. A. Platts: There is not. He added that the only way by which it was possible to secure the names and addresses of local men was by asking the relatives and friends of the men to put the names and addresses in a box at the Town Hall, as was done last year, and also to ask all churches and any other organisations to send in the lists of the persons to whom they were sending parcels. Those not provided with parcels by churches and other organisations would have to be provided by the local committee.

A BALANCE FROM LAST YEAR.

Mrs. Wright said that the Ladies' Committee last year sent 612 parcels, and after meeting the cost there was a balance remaining of £16 odd to be handed over to the new committee. The Ladies' Committee felt this year that the responsibility for the parcels should be taken over by a town's committee, as the work would be greater owing to the larger number of men now with the forces as compared with a year ago, and more expensive because of the rise in price of everything, and also because the Ladies' Committee had now a great amount of work to do in connection with the Morton Banks Military Hospital.

Mr. Turner thought that every Bingley man should have a parcel from the town, that the gifts should come from one source, and that the churches and other organisations should co-operate with the central committee for this purpose.

The Rev. R. Pulleine thought it would be much better if all the parcels were provided out of one fund and sent by a committee in the name of the people of Bingley as a whole.

Several other speakers expressed themselves in favour of a town's effort in preference to sectional efforts, and the Rev. F. A. Hodd suggested that a house-to-house collection would help considerably in providing the funds needed.

Ultimately, after further discussion, Mr. H. M. Dawson proposed that a committee should be formed to undertake the work of sending Christmas parcels to men in the forces, the committee to be composed of the members of last year's committee, representatives from the churches, friendly societies, clubs, and other organisations, and members of the District Council, with power to add to their number.

Mr. Gates seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Subsequently another resolution was adopted, on the motion of the Rev. R. Pulleine, seconded by Mr. Gates, authorising the chairman to appeal for a fund of £500 in order to meet the cost of the parcels.

REGISTER OF WAR CHARITIES.

A WEST RIDING LIST.

An official list has now been issued by the Charity Commissioners of the various charities in the combined register of charities registered under the War Charities Act, the list being brought up to October 21 last. Further lists will be issued from time to time, so that as far as possible the names of all war charities which have complied with the provisions of the Act as regards registration may be accessible to the public.

The list just issued includes the following, the registration authority being first mentioned and then the charities:—

Baildon Urban District Council.—The Baildon Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund.

Bingley Urban District Council.—Bingley Ladies' Garments and Comforts Supply Fund Committee, Bingley Refugee Committee, Comforts Fund for Wounded Soldiers at Keighley and Bingley Joint Base Hospital, Cottingley Soldiers' Comforts, Cullingworth Wounded Soldiers' Fund.

Bradford City Council.—Belgian Soldiers' Leave Fund and Belgian Orphan Fund, Bradford City Police Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund, City of Bradford Co-operative Society's Soldier Employees' Christmas Comforts Fund, Frizinghall Wesleyan Church and Sunday-school Soldiers' Christmas Parcel Fund, Great Horton Wesleyan Soldiers' Comforts Fund, Khaki Club, Lord Mayor's Comforts Fund for Soldiers in Bradford Units Serving Abroad, Manningham Mills Self-dressing Department Soldiers' Comforts Fund, Prospect Hall Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund, St. Stephen's Church (Bowling) Soldiers' Comforts Fund, the European War—Lord Mayor's Fund.

Brighouse Town Council.—Boothroyde Auxiliary Military Hospital, Bridge End Church Soldiers' Comforts Fund, Mayoress's Fund for Sick and Wounded Soldiers and Sailors, Mayor of Brighouse's Local Distress Fund.

Castleford Urban District Council. — Castleford War Honours Fund.

Halifax Town Council. — "Halifax Courier" Comforts Fund, "Halifax Guardian" War Prisoners' Fund, Halifax Mayoress's Red Cross, Halifax Mayor's Local Relief Fund, the Mayor's Allies' Flag Day.

Harrogate Town Council.—Harrogate Belgian Refugees Committee, Harrogate Women's Sewing League, Royal Bath Hospital and Rawson Convalescent Home, Harrogate.

Hipperholme Urban District Council.—Bailiffe Bridge and District Soldiers and Sailors' Comforts Fund.

Holmfirth Urban District Council.—Holmfirth Auxiliary Hospital.

Huddersfield Town Council.—Crosland Moor Wesleyan Soldiers' Comforts Fund, Huddersfield and District Women's Committee for Soldiers and Sailors, Huddersfield War Relief Committee, Longwood Local Aid Society, Mayor's Cigarette Fund, Scottish Tommies' Fund.

Ilkley Urban District Council.—Christmas Gifts for Ilkley Soldiers and Sailors, Ilkley Branch of the Relief of Belgians in Belgium, Ilkley Local Belgian Hospitality Committee, Ilkley Rest-room for Wounded Soldiers, Sailors and Soldiers' Needlework Guild Hospital, Belgian Clothing and Food, Wounded Soldiers' Outings, Drives, and Entertainments Fund.

Keighley Town Council.—Belgian Refugee Fund, Keighley War Hospital, Keighley War Hospital Fund for Wounded Soldiers, Keighley Wounded Soldiers' Comforts Committee, Ward, Haggas & Smith's Soldier Employees Fund.

Leeds City Council.—Bramley War Relief Working Party, the Gambit Wounded Warriors' Weekly Welcome and Entertainment, Harehills "Busy Bees," Leeds Flag Days Committee, Leeds Military Hospitals Depot, Leeds War Hospitals Entertainment Fund, Moortown War Fund.

Morley Town Council.—Morley Voluntary Organisation Central Committee, Y.M.C.A. Hut from Morley.

Ossett Town Council.—Local Fund for Soldiers' Comforts.

Otley Urban District Council.—The Otley Belgian Hospitality Committee, Otley Swimming Club.

Oxenhope Urban District Council.—Oxenhope War Relief Charity.

Silsden Urban District Council.—Silsden Belgian Relief Fund, Silsden Local Relief Fund, Silsden St. John Ambulance War Fund.

Skipton Urban District Council.—Belgian Refugees' Sub-committee.

Slaithwaite Urban District Council.—Ladies' Warm Clothing Committee for the 1/7th, 2/7th, and 3/7th Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment, Slaithwaite Sailors and Soldiers' Comforts Charity.

Sowerby Bridge Urban District Council.—Sowerby Bridge Belgian Famine Fund Charity, Sowerby Bridge Red Cross Society Charity, Sowerby Bridge Serbian Relief Fund Charity, Sowerby Bridge Swimming Club Charity, Sowerby Bridge War Refugees' Relief Fund Charity.

Spenborough Urban District Council.—Cleckheaton European War Fund, General Relief Fund, Liversedge War Fund.

Whitwood Urban District Council.—Robin Hood Inn Soldiers' Fund, Whitwood Distress Committee, Whitwood Women's League.

York City Council.—West Riding War Fund, York Citizens' Committee.

GROWTH OF WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATIONS.

With the affiliation of 619 new associations to the National War Savings Committee last week, the number at work in England and Wales is now over 11,000. The three leading counties in regard to the number of their associations are London, the West Riding of Yorkshire, and Lancashire. During the last two months the figures for London have risen from 889 to 1,288, an increase of 399. The West Riding has grown from 630 to 1,143, thus showing the largest increase of the three districts—namely, 513. Lancashire, which had 548 associations two months ago, has now 1,124, an increase of 576.

The Scarborough Military Service Tribunal on Saturday gave conditional exemption to eleven lifeboatmen, all married and of eligible Army age, without whom, it was stated, the lifeboat service at Scarborough would be inadequate. No appeal was made on behalf of five single members of the crew.

TRADE AND MARKET REPORTS.

IRON, COAL, AND METAL TRADES.

MIDDLESBROUGH, Friday.—The Cleveland pig iron trade to-day was quiet, and only a small business was done, chiefly in foundry and forge qualities. The export trade is fairly strong. The shipments for October were 54,500 tons. The warrant stock is unchanged at 4,434 tons. For export No. 3 G.M.B. is at 97s 6d and upwards, No. 1 102s 6d, No. 4 foundry 96s 6d, and No. 4 forge 95s 6d, and to home consumers No. 3 is at 87s 6d and No. 1 92s 6d. Producers of East Coast hematite pig iron report a heavy demand on old contracts, and the output is well maintained. The maximum price to home consumers is maintained on the basis of 122s 6d, and the general export rate is 142s 6d for mixed numbers. The coke position is very satisfactory, furnace kinds being at 30s 6d delivered, and the ore trade rules steady.

CORN.

LIVERPOOL, Friday.—There was a moderate attendance at to-day's market. Wheat closed quiet and in poor demand at a decline of 2d per 100lb. Flour was unchanged and in fair demand. Indian corn was strong, with a fair trade passing at an advance of 3½d per cental. Peas were scarce and firmer. Oats were in good request at advanced prices. Oatmeal experienced an upward tendency.

OTLEY, Friday.—Prices of all cereals show further substantial increases. Wheat is 2s, maize 1s 6d, and oats 1s per qr. dearer. Bran is up 10s per ton. New English wheat 68s to 70s, new oats 34s to 36s, grinding barley 56s to 58s, and malting barley 58s to 60s per qr. Ordinary bran £10 15s and broad bran £11 15s per ton.

WAKEFIELD, Friday.—Small attendance of buyers and business very quiet. There was only a small supply of English wheat, which was quoted at 70s to 73s per qr., being an advance of 2s to 3s. Foreign wheat was steady at full prices. A small supply of barley, which was quoted at 58s to 64s per qr., an advance of 1s. Oats were considerably firmer at up to 38s per qr., an advance of 1s to 2s. Feeding stuffs continue firm, being 5s to 10s dearer.

HIDE, SKIN, AND TALLOW.

BRADFORD, Friday.—The Yorkshire Butchers' Hide and Skin Company, Limited, report:—

HEIFER HIDES.	Per lb. d.	ILL-FLAYED AND WARBLED COWS.	Per lb. d.
90 and upwards	10	70 and upwards	8¾
80 to 89	10	60 to 69	8¾
70 to 79	10	50 to 59	8¾
60 to 69	10	49 and under	8¾
50 to 59	10	Irregular Hides:	
49 and under	10	41 and upwards	8
COW HIDES.		40 and under	8
70 and upwards	8¾	OX HIDES.	
60 to 69	8¾	90 and upwards	10
50 to 59	8¾	80 to 89	10
49 and under	8¾	70 to 79	10
Bull Hides, 1st class:		60 to 69	10
51 and upwards	8	50 to 59	10
50 and under	8	49 and under	10
Bull hides, 2nd class:		CALF SKINS.	
51 and upwards	7½	17 and upwards	11½
50 and under	7½	9 to 16	11½
ILL-FLAYED AND WARBLED OX AND HEIFER.		8 and under	14½
90 and upwards	9¼	Cut	10½
80 to 89	9¼	SHEEP SKINS (each).	
70 to 79	9¼	Wools	2/0 to 9/10
60 to 69	9¼	Hoggs	2/6 to 8/11
50 to 59	9¼		
49 and under	9¼		

Fat 2s, fresh marrow bones 1s 1d, and fresh waste bones 7d per stone.

POTATOES.

KEIGHLEY, Wednesday.—Potatoes 14s 6d per bag of 9st., 1s 11d per stone retail.

OTLEY, Friday.—Potatoes 1s 6d to 1s 8d per stone.

PROVISIONS.

KEIGHLEY, Wednesday.—Craven Tenant-Farmers' Association official report: Fresh butter 1s 10d per lb. wholesale and 1s 11d retail, fresh eggs 4 and 5 for 1s, Danish butter 2s per lb. wholesale and 2s 1d retail, lemon soles 1s 4d per lb., halibut 1s 6d, turbot 1s 4d, plaice 1s 2d, cod 1s to 1s 3d, hake 1s 3d to 1s 6d, salmon 3s to 3s 6d, pigeons 1s each, chickens 5s to 9s, ducks 5s to 7s per couple, Canary bananas 1s to 1s 6d per dozen, Jamaica bananas 1s per dozen, English cooking apples 2½d to 5d per lb., American apples 3d to 4d per lb., English tomatoes 8d per lb., cauliflowers 1d to 6d each, Valencia onions 1s 6d to 2s per stone, 2d per lb., blackberries 5d to 6d per lb., carrots 2d per lb.

OTLEY, Friday.—Butter 2s 8d to 2s 9d per roll of 24oz., eggs 7 for 2s, dressed chickens 3s 6d to 4s 6d, and ducklings 3s 9d to 4s each, pheasants 7s 6d per brace, hares 4s to 4s 6d, and rabbits 1s 2d to 1s 4d each.

LIVE STOCK SALES.

BINGLEY, Monday.—Mr. T. H. Taylor to-day offered 65 fat cattle, 364 fat sheep and lambs, and 21 calves. For both cattle and sheep there was a sharper trade. The show of sheep, which were from Scotland and Craven, was the best for weeks, and the cattle were Yorkshire fed. Fat bullocks made £25 10s., fat heifers £25, fat cows £28 10s., halfbred shearlings 70s., grey-faced shearlings 66s., horned shearlings 60s., halfbred ewes 56s., white-faced ewes 50s., grey-faced ewes 52s., horned ewes 43s., and fat lambs 61s each. Mutton 10d to 1s 1d, lamb 1s 1d, veal 10½d, pork 11d, and beef 9d to 11d per lb.

OTLEY, Friday.—The number of beasts on offer was above the average, but although customers were not numerous, late rates were well maintained. Best milch beasts made £36 to £39, secondary £30 to £35, and English calving heifers £24 to £27 per beast.

HELLIFIELD, Thursday.—A good show of dairy cattle and a fair attendance of buyers. There was a steady demand at the lower level of prices recently established. Calved cows realised £20 to £38 10s., present calvers £24 10s. to £32, and heifers £19 to £31 10s. per head.

FARMERS AND WOOL PRICES.

THE QUESTION OF VALUATION.

A meeting of the West Riding War Agricultural Committee was held at the County Hall, Wakefield, on Wednesday, Alderman Major Dent presiding.

Mr. Leolin Brigg (Craven Tenant-Farmers' Association) raised the question of the prices paid to farmers for their wool. There was a strong feeling, he said, among farmers on the point, and in one case he knew of the farmer receiving only 22 per cent advance on 1914 prices, whereas the Government's figure was a 35 per cent. advance. There was no question with regard to the condition of the wool.

The Chairman explained that the 35 per cent. advance was only a basis for valuation: it did not follow that every farmer would get that price. The Government officials said that it depended entirely upon the value which the valuer placed upon the wool, in regard to what he considered it would be worth in 1914.

Mr. R. B. Barrett (Land Agents' Society) said that the mistake was that the farmers, who had not understood the position, had sent their wool to the merchants, and they were absolutely at the merchants' mercy.

Mr. Richard Garnett asked whether it was a fact that some of the wool which the Government did not require was being handed over to private merchants, who resold it at a considerable advance in price.

The Chairman said it was sold at the market price, and any balance of profit went into the Exchequer.

Mr. Garnett: I am told that this is not so, and that the wool is being sold by the merchants at a profit which they are pocketing themselves.

After further discussion, the following resolution was passed on the motion of Mr. Brigg, seconded by Mr. Barrett:—

That this committee call the attention of the Board of Agriculture to the great dissatisfaction caused amongst farmers in the West Riding through the prices obtained for their wool not being the standard agreed to—i.e., 35 per cent. in excess of 1914 prices, although the quality was the same or better than in that year. The committee suggest that the names of the Advisory Committee for the Riding and the means of having farmers' complaints investigated be freely published, so that every farmer may know how to obtain redress.

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FOOTBALL.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

NORTHERN RUGBY LEAGUE.

Wakefield Trinity v. Batley.
Dewsbury v. Bradford Northern.
Bramley v. Huddersfield.
Halifax v. Hunslet.
Leeds v. Hull.
Kingston Rovers v. Brighouse Rangers.
Leigh v. Widnes.
Rochdale Hornets v. Oldham.
St. Helens Recreation v. Barrow.
Swinton v. Broughton Rangers.
Warrington v. Salford.
Wigan v. Runcorn.

ASSOCIATION.
MIDLAND SECTION.

Bradford v. Bradford City.
Birmingham v. Sheffield United.
Huddersfield Town v. Notts County.
Hull City v. Leeds City.
Nottingham Forest v. Barnsley.
Rotherham County v. Chesterfield Town.
Sheffield Wednesday v. Leicester Fosse.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

NORTHERN RUGBY UNION.

	G.	T.	P.		G.	T.	P.
*Batley	1	1—	5	Leeds	0	0—	0
*Huddersfield	1	1—	5	Wakefield T.	0	1—	3
*Brighouse R.	0	1—	3	Bramley	0	0—	0
Bradford N.	0	3—	9	*Hunslet	0	0—	0
Dewsbury	3	3—	15	*York	1	1—	5
*Hull K. R.	3	3—	15	Hull	1	1—	5
*Salford	2	3—	13	Rochdale H.	0	0—	0
Wigan	3	2—	12	*Widnes	1	0—	2
*St. Helens	2	2—	10	Swinton	0	1—	3
St. Helens R.	0	1—	3	*Oldham	1	0—	2
*Broughton R.	0	1—	3	Warrington	1	0—	2
*Barrow	0	2—	6	Leigh	0	0—	0

* Denotes home team.

BRADFORD MARKET.

Thursday, 2 p.m.

WOOL.—There has been a good deal of activity throughout the trade during the past few days, and some substantial transactions have been carried through in tops and yarns. This activity, combined with the strong tone in London and in Australia, has added materially to the strength of the market, and to-day another decided advance in quotations for tops is recorded. In the case of merinos there is considerable irregularity, but, generally speaking, values have risen from ½d. to 1d. per lb. for all qualities. Some firms, however, frankly state that they are not sellers at present, and others are making use of prohibitive quotations in order not to add to their already heavy commitments. The demand extends to all crossbreds, though the sorts most favoured are from 46's upwards. Here, again, values are being placed on a higher level, the advance in many cases being at least ½d. per lb. In a few instances, however, where prices were rather above the ideas of buyers at the beginning of the week there is no quotable change, but the concessions that might then have been got are no longer obtainable. The small stocks of English old wool are being reduced at hardening rates, and the new clip is rising in sympathy with the advance in crossbreds. In regard to mohair, the market at Port Elizabeth continues to be exceptionally healthy. Americans are still buying freely, further large transactions in all descriptions having taken place since Monday, and stocks are getting into a very small compass. Business at this end is on a small scale, it being impossible to sell yarns upon the basis of prices ruling at the Cape. Notwithstanding this, however, there is a healthy tone. The sales of alpaca since Monday amount to about 380 bales of inferiors at full late rates.

YARNS.—There is no falling off in the demand for Botany yarns, although prices have risen step by step with the increases in the value of tops. At the present time there is actually more business on offer than spinners can conveniently accept in view of the uncertainty as to Government requirements and the possibility of a still further restricted output. The export trade is active, and licences are coming to hand more freely, while the home trade is by no means a negligible quantity. The demand embraces crossbreds, and prices are higher all round.

WEST RIDING WAR AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

SUBSTITUTION ON FARMS.

At a meeting on Wednesday at the County Hall, Wakefield, of the West Riding War Agricultural Committee, Alderman Major Dent (chairman), in giving a report of the recent conference of chairmen and secretaries of War Agricultural Committees, said that the impression he received was that early in the new year every man of military age would be needed for service abroad, whatever his occupation. He added that if the men were needed and the Government were prepared to face the probability of decreased production from the land, they should publicly announce that after a certain date certain men would have to go. What was required was that some definite information should be given to the farmers; no farmer would lay himself out to find substitutes so long as he felt there was a possibility that he might retain his men.

A resolution was moved by the Chairman to the effect that the Board of Agriculture be pressed to secure a guarantee that any man employed in substitution of a man called up for military service would remain in the employment of the farmer provided wages and conditions were satisfactory.

Mr. H. Lockwood said that the resolution would mean industrial conscription and would filch away the liberty of the individual.

In the discussion which followed it was pointed out that all that was required was that the men in question should be employed on the same principle as those on munition work, and the resolution was carried.

SCHOOL CHILDREN IN AGRICULTURE.

The Chairman made a statement with regard to the employment of school children in agriculture, the West Riding Education Committee having recently decided that all such children should attend school as from October 31. He was in agreement, he said, with the idea that they should go back to school for the winter months, but in the West Riding there were hundreds of acres of potatoes still in the ground and unless they could be gathered they would be destroyed by the frost. Potatoes then would not be £20 a ton; they would be unpurchasable, and he thought it was not unreasonable to ask the Education Committee to allow the children to be employed until the crop could be got in. He moved a resolution to that effect.

Mr. G. Craven (Wharfedale Chamber of Agriculture) said that the resolution did not go far enough and he moved an amendment that school children of both sexes be allowed to be employed in farm work until the end of the war.

Alderman H. Dunn expressed doubts whether the farmers were doing all they could to get adult labour, and stated that the Education Committee could not do anything until they met on the last Tuesday in November.

The amendment was strongly supported by Mr. Garnett and others, and was carried.

It was decided to hold meetings of the committee fortnightly instead of monthly in the future.

DEATH FROM BURNS AT QUEENSBURY.

An inquest was held at the Queensbury Council Offices on Tuesday on the body of Fanny Foster (52), a weaver, who resided alone at 24, Chapel Lane, Queensbury. At 12.40 p.m. on Monday a friend named Emma Robertshaw called at the house and found Foster dead in a chair in the living-room and badly burned. The house was full of smoke, and the carpet in the living-room was on fire, as also were the bedding and carpet in the bed-room. The jury returned a verdict of "Death from shock due to burns, the deceased having accidentally set fire to her clothing."

Mr. Benjamin Gregory, until four years ago senior partner in a leading firm of Cheltenham auctioneers and estate agents, died on Sunday, aged 75. On retiring from business he devoted himself with such zeal to the study of astronomy that he passed three examinations in dynamical, sidereal, and mathematical astronomy, obtaining maximum marks in all three, and three years ago he was unanimously elected a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. He was also a Methodist preacher.

THE PRICE OF MILK.

VIEWS OF THE YORKSHIRE FARMERS' UNION.

At a meeting of the Central Committee of the Yorkshire Farmers' Union at Doncaster on Saturday further consideration was given to the letter read at the previous meeting from Mr. H. W. Palmer, secretary of the National Farmers' Union, hinting at the possibility of Government intervention in regard to milk prices, and advising a compromise between farmers and wholesale dealers on the basis of 1s. 4d. per gallon. Mr. Johnson (Goole) attacked Mr. Palmer's attitude, expressing the opinion that he must have been "sleeping with some Members of Parliament," and declaring that the union paid him to look after the farmers. The milk question, he continued, would right itself in time. Townspeople did not understand the labour that was involved in milk production, and in particular the difficulty as to Sunday labour. Threepence a pint was not an exorbitant price for milk. It was cheaper than whisky, and more nourishing. (Laughter.)

Mr. Hounsfield (Sheffield) also strongly criticised Mr. Palmer's action, and moved that the meeting was of opinion that farmers were quite justified in advancing the price of milk, having regard to the greatly increased cost of production. This was seconded by Mr. Nicholson and supported by Mr. Swift. He dealt with the complaint that milk producers were unpatriotic in depriving soldiers' children of the necessaries of life. Members would be surprised, he said, if they knew what a small quantity of milk the working classes consumed. He had been in the milk business many years as a producer and a door-to-door vendor, and he could prove in the Barnsley district there was not a pint of milk used to every five persons. It was the better-off classes who took more than their share, and when they came to the working classes—"well," he added, "if it was prussic acid it wouldn't poison them." (Laughter.)

Mr. Hounsfield's motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. McCloy (Pontefract) brought forward a complaint as to the "dilatoriness" of the Government purchasing officers in taking over the commandeered stocks of hay and straw. Mr. Robinson (Wakefield) said that a district council in his area came to him to purchase straw. They applied to Whitehall, and sent the paper on to York. He wrote for the inspector to come and view the stacks, and they sent him a licence to sell ten tons of straw. That morning he had received a letter saying that the district inspector would come and inspect the stack. In the meantime the district council had no fodder for their horses. He had fodder in his yard which he would have used up for his own horses by now if the military authorities had allowed him.

Mr. Armstrong introduced the subject of calling up farm men for the Army, in a resolution "That this meeting considers it is expedient to the welfare of the country that no more expert horsemen shall be taken from the land unless they can be replaced by men who have not passed for active service and are fully competent to undertake any duty connected with agriculture. Further, that this committee approach the military and the Board of Agriculture requesting them to send representatives to meet a committee of farmers and try to come to some definite arrangement, and thus place the farmers in such a position that they may be able to continue to produce as much food as possible."

Mr. Hounsfield said that when December 31 came the calling up of these men would come upon them like a thunderbolt. He suggested amending the resolution by words indicating that the substitutes should be supplied before the present men were taken away.

The resolution as thus amended was carried.

Sir Douglas Haig was on Saturday unanimously elected Rector of St. Andrews University. Sir Douglas Haig succeeds the Earl of Aberdeen as Rector. The office is tenable for three years, and Sir Douglas Haig has consented to accept the honour. The gallant commander is a native of Fifeshire, and his election to the highest honour which the students can confer testifies to their keen admiration of his military services. The Vice-Chancellor presided, and the usual demonstrations preceded and followed the electing.

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THE WEEK'S WAR NEWS.

FURTHER PROGRESS ON THE SOMME.

ROUMANIAN SUCCESSES.

In the western theatre of war the heavy rains of the past week have greatly hindered operations by turning the ground into a quagmire, but notwithstanding this, considerable fighting of a local character has been going on. In the neighbourhood of Lesboeufs on Saturday the British captured several important enemy trenches, and another trench in the same area was taken on Sunday. Tuesday's reports spoke of artillery and trench mortar bombardments of the enemy's line in the neighbourhood of the Hohenzollern and La Bassée Canal, and of Beaumont Hamel, north of the Ancre, but owing to the water-logged condition of the ground infantry work on a general scale has not been possible.

On the Verdun front the French have carried a quarry north-east of Douaumont which had been strongly organised by the enemy and possessed considerable tactical value. Its capture was the result of a smart coup. The artillery duel on this front continues with undiminished violence, but no infantry action has been attempted.

On the Somme the Germans made an attack on Sunday on the French positions near La Maisonnette, preceding it by a violent bombardment accompanied by the use of liquid fire. The attack failed, the French artillery and machine-gun fire breaking up all the efforts of the enemy and driving him back into his trenches. Later the Germans launched another attack against the positions from Biaches, to the south of La Maisonnette, and after being several times repulsed they succeeded in penetrating some points in the first-line trenches north of La Maisonnette, and also set foot in the buildings of that farm. The Germans have again violently bombarded the town of Reims. Around Sailly-Saillisel the French have improved their position and have made progress, capturing a system of enemy trenches to the north-west and east.

PROGRESS TOWARDS LE TRANSLOY.

In attacks north of the Somme on Wednesday the French and British gained successes, mainly around Lesboeufs, in the direction of Le Transloy. During Tuesday night the French made some progress north-east of Lesboeufs, and on Wednesday, by a fresh attack, two enemy trenches were captured north of this village. The French also seized a strongly organised system of trenches on the western outskirts of St. Pierre Vaast Wood. On Wednesday morning the Germans made another violent attack on the village of Sailly-Saillisel, but met with a complete defeat.

British troops, in a local attack on Wednesday afternoon, in conjunction with the French, gained some ground east of Lesboeufs.

BETTER NEWS FROM ROUMANIA.

There is a decided change for the better in Roumania, where our ally is not only making a stand but taking the offensive on the Transylvanian frontier. Here the Roumanians have scored successes in several of the passes, and have taken over 2,600 prisoners. For the present General Falkenhayn's advance has been stayed, but it is too early to assert that he has been definitely checked. Bad weather has hampered operations of late. The fact remains, however, that with the help now arriving from the Allies Roumania is in a much stronger position to oppose the enemy, if not to resume herself a successful general offensive. The measure of Falkenhayn's success, apart from the recapture of ground, is surprisingly small, as is shown by Tuesday's German official report. Since October 10—that is, for the last three weeks—the enemy can only claim to have taken 10,000 prisoners. In the Dobrudja the situation still remains unchanged, although according to a report from Odessa the Russo-Serbo-Roumanian forces here have assumed the offensive. The report is not confirmed, but such a move is to be expected.

In the Jiul Valley a further Roumanian success is reported, but in the Predeal region the enemy claims to have penetrated the Roumanian positions, whilst it is added that south-east of the Roter Turm Pass enemy attacks have gained ground. Wednesday's Roumanian communiqué admits a Roumanian retirement in the Olt Valley.

BRITISH ADVANCE ON THE STRUMA.

The allied forces in Macedonia have made some progress, but their operations have slackened owing to bad weather. In the Cerna region, however, the Serbians continue to progress, though it is alleged in the Berlin communiqué that on Monday they were thrown back to the trenches from which they initiated an attack. An advance by the British on the left bank of the River Struma led to the capture of Barakli-Dzuma (with heavy losses to the enemy) and the occupation of Prosenik and Kumli, from which the enemy were driven.

Tuesday's Russian communiqué reports the capture of some enemy trenches west of Lutsk, in the district of Sviniusky. Monday's German and Austrian communiqués spoke of strong Russian attacks here, and alleged that they were repulsed. Similarly, Tuesday's German report alleges the capture of some Russian positions on the Narajowka, near Halicz, but Petrograd announces that the enemy attacks were repulsed.

Wednesday's messages state that desperate battles continue on the Russian front south of Brzezany, in Galicia. The Russians report the repulse of enemy attacks, whilst the Germans state that the Russians counter-attacked the positions alleged to have been won by the enemy on the eastern bank of the Narajowka, but without success.

The Venezelos Government warns the Allies not to put too much trust in the willingness of the Athens Cabinet to carry into full effect the undertakings given to the Entente Powers. The torpedoing of the Greek steamer Angeliki has created much indignation at Salonika, a feeling which will be still further intensified by the fact that another Greek steamer has been sunk at the same spot.

The Donaldson liner Marina (5,204 tons) was torpedoed and sunk without warning on Saturday by a German submarine. Some of the crew were picked up by a steamer and taken into the Irish port of Crookhaven. The owners of the vessel report that eighty-six men are reported to be landed, and that eighteen were on Tuesday still unaccounted for. It transpires that forty-nine Americans were among the crew, and of these six were killed and two injured. An investigation into the circumstances in relation to the German pledges to the United States is being made. The owners state that the vessel was not on Government charter nor did she carry a cargo.

It is officially reported from Berlin that the U53 has safely returned. This boat was the second German submarine to cross the Atlantic. She carried a message from the Kaiser to President Wilson, and after leaving the American port at which she called she sank several ships.

Mr. Balfour (First Lord of the Admiralty), in Parliament on Tuesday, gave some additional information regarding the German destroyer raid in the Channel. He stated that the Flirt, a destroyer of the old type, appeared to have been surprised in the darkness by the enemy, who fired on her at close range and sank her. The Nubian was torpedoed, but it was believed that she would be salved. We also lost six drift-net boats. There was ground for thinking that two of the German destroyers struck mines which we had laid and that probably they were sunk.

Captain Boelcke, the most prominent German airman on the west, has been shot down. He was officially reported to have brought down his thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth enemy aeroplanes on October 23, and if a statement from Berlin, via Amsterdam, is true, he added other two on October 27.

SOCIALIST OPPOSITION TO MR. PHILIP SNOWDEN.

MR. JOSEPH BURGESS A CANDIDATE.

Mr. Joseph Burgess, of Bradford, has been nominated by the Blackburn branch of the National Socialist Party as candidate to oppose Mr. Philip Snowden, M.P., at the next election.

Mr. Joseph Burgess, who is a resident of Bradford, in the days before the war did a good deal of propaganda work for the Socialist wing of the Independent Labour Party. He was one of the founders of the Independent Labour Party, but resigned twelve months ago on the ground of the party's anti-national attitude. When the "split" came in the British Socialist ranks and Mr. Hyndman, its founder, found himself in a minority on his attitude towards the war, a new organisation was founded. It is this new body which has determined to "go for" those Socialist Members of Parliament whose war record is regarded as unsatisfactory. The first selected victim of the difference of view is Mr. Snowden, but the Member for Blackburn has colleagues who agree with and to some extent join in disseminating his views. The war threatens to cause as great a cleavage in the Socialist ranks in Britain as it has caused in Germany.

TRAINING OF MUNITION WORKERS.

THE KIND OF WOMEN WANTED.

At the Bradford Technical College the free course for women munition workers have been very successful, and there is at the present time room in the classes for still more students. Since the special classes were begun scores of women have received the requisite instruction and the experience enabling them to begin work that is immediately of value in one or other of the munition-making establishments in the district. It is interesting to note the kind of occupations from which these women workers at the college have been drawn. A great proportion of them have been in domestic service, others have been dressmakers, some have worked in factories or laundries, others are the wives of men who are themselves in the engineering industry, and yet others have been nurses.

Any woman desiring to give regular and unremitting service for the country should find munition-making a fascinating sphere; a visit to the college shows that the student-workers have a fine enthusiasm that helps matters considerably. The right kind of women for munitions establishments are those who are used to work of one kind or another, and it is obvious that a certain amount of training should be undergone before a situation is taken. Indeed, it is just the willingness shown by the potential woman munition worker to be trained that proves her patriotism to be a genuine thing—in earnest, as it were, that she desires to take at least the time and trouble to become passably efficient. Those who before taking up munition work have engaged in some other occupation are naturally the quickest to realise the truth of the modern saying, "Get going and keep going."

The free course at the college provides for a three weeks' period in which are taught turning, boring, shaping, milling, and other processes in the manufacture of shells, so that the worker soon "gets going" on work that earns money for her, whilst she has the satisfaction of knowing that her output is at once of value to her employers and to the cause. She realises how important her three weeks of instruction have been when her newly-acquired knowledge is, in practical operation, shown to be the groundwork on which most of the activities in connection with a munitions-producing establishment are based. She has acquired a familiarity which she would not otherwise have had with the raw materials of her novel craft; she knows the part which accuracy plays in the avoidance of wasted effort and spoilt work; she has acquired that "machine sense" which is so subtle and so real an essential; and she has already begun to cultivate the delicacy of touch which in the realm of mechanics is shared alike by the—apparently—most clumsy-looking workman and the most womanly of women. This particular kind of delicacy is in fact a thing peculiar to itself, and is like the delicacy of a skilled pianist or a trained typist only in so far as it has to be as patiently acquired. Thus it is that the munition works at the present time need the woman who can and will work, who can and will learn, and especially who already knows something of what she will be called upon to do.

A KEIGHLEY SCULPTOR'S WORK.

STATUE FOR CARDIFF CITY HALL.

It is always a pleasure to record the successes of Keighley young men in any walk of life, and there are many in the town who will be gratified to learn of the success of Mr. William Wheatley Wagstaff in the realm of sculpture. When the Cardiff Corporation decided upon the acquisition of Cathays Park as the site of new civic buildings they resolved that the City Hall should be worthy in accommodation and in architectural design of the place it was destined to fill. The City Hall was planned with distinctive features, among them being pedestals and niches in the spacious marble hall for statuary, but from October, 1905, when the hall was opened, down to four years ago there was no sign that worthy occupants would be forthcoming for these pedestals and niches. Then Mr. D. A. Thomas (now Lord Rhondda) offered a munificent gift of a series of historical statuary in marble fully worthy of the city and Principality. The selection of the subjects was thrown open to competition in the Principality, a substantial prize being awarded. As many as 250 figures in Welsh history prior to the Victorian era had their advocates, and when the selection had been made, Professor J. Harvard Thomas decided that no sculptor should execute more than one work, in order that the series should be truly reflective of the present-day British school of sculpture. The commissions were duly placed, and Mr. Wagstaff was one of the eleven selected. The statues, which are in the finest statuary marble (Serravezza), and represent an outlay of over £15,000 by Lord Rhondda—were unveiled yesterday week by Mr. D. Lloyd George, and the freedom of the city conferred upon Lord Rhondda.

The statue executed by Mr. Wagstaff is "Daffyd ap Gwilym" (David, the son of William) and it is declared to be a magnificent piece of work. In July last all the figures were exhibited at the famous Grafton Galleries, London, and viewed by hundreds of art lovers, and criticised most favourably by London experts. Mr. Wagstaff is the son of Mr. James Wagstaff, of Park Grove, Keighley, and is 35 years of age. As a boy he attended Eastwood School, later attended the evening art classes at Keighley Institute, and served for some years with Mr. Alex F. Smith, sculptor, Keighley. On going to London he made rapid progress in his art and in 1910 gained the silver medal at the Royal Academy for a statue of "Mary Magdalene." This illustrated Mary flying from the crowd when Christ interposed—"Let him who is without sin cast the first stone." At the White City, London, he exhibited a marble model of "Moses in the Bulrushes"; and more recently he executed a marble memorial tablet to Robert Falcon Scott, the Antarctic explorer, which is in the New Museum at Cardiff.

FIREWORKS ON THE "FIFTH."

The competent military authority has interdicted the lighting of bonfires in the Bradford district in celebration of November 5. It would appear that some of the joys incidental to "Plot" night are to be permitted to those, whether they be old or young, whose enthusiasm for letting off fireworks in the semi-privacy of the backyard domain's that in some way or other traditional custom shall be observed. It is impossible to give anything like a list of the various fireworks which are permissible, and it must be very largely left to individual discretion whether the squibs, Roman candles, Catherine wheels, star-lights, and all their kind are of a nature to be deemed innocent amusement. The "Fifth" being on Sunday, doubtless to-day will by many be held to be the appropriate day for the celebration. It is to be doubted whether rockets are to be regarded as coming within the scope of those things which may be let off with impunity, but it would seem that the rocket costing but a few pence will not give umbrage, while the aristocratic sort that soar upwards in a line of red sparks and expire in a glory of brilliant globules of coloured light may at least be regarded with suspicion. Anything that may be regarded as a signal to the enemy is taboo and may be visited with severe penalties, but, as already suggested, what is or is not dangerous must be left to the common-sense of the celebrants.

SPLENDID ITALIAN VICTORY.

FRENCH MOVING TOWARDS LE TRANSLOY.

GERMANS ABANDON FORT VAUX.

The Italians on Wednesday attacked the powerful defences on the heights east of Gorizia and a strong new line on the Carso, east of the Vallone. The previous day's communiqué had prepared the public for the new advance, announcing an intense bombardment on the fronts concerned. In the Gorizia area trenches were captured on the eastern slopes of Tivoli and San Marco and the heights east of Sober.

On the Carso, the 11th Army Corps stormed several heights and advanced a kilometre. Two of the places named—Mount Pecinka and Veliki Hribach—form the northern pivot of the Austrian defence. East of Legeti (south of the Oppacchivella—Castagnavizza road) the enemy's line was occupied at several points. The enemy counter-attacked repeatedly, but the Italians held their gains. Their progress in this sector, of course, brings the Italians nearer Trieste. The infantry, after formidable artillery preparation, is advancing on Duino, which is the key to Trieste. In the course of the fighting the Italians took 4,731 prisoners and much war material. For the purposes of comparison it may be mentioned that in the three days' fighting at the beginning of October on the Julian front the Italians captured 7,475 prisoners, 5,304 of whom were taken the first day. It is unofficially stated that the loss of the Austrians in the past few days in the Carso fighting is about 25,000.

VERDUN FORTS RE-ESTABLISHED.

On the Somme front further progress has been made by the French in the direction of Le Transloy. In the course of operations during Wednesday night several points of support were carried between Lesboeufs and Sailly-Saillisel and 188 prisoners taken. On Thursday afternoon a further operation resulted in an appreciable gain of ground, and 200 more prisoners were taken, bringing up to 736 the total number of prisoners taken in this area since Wednesday. On the British front yesterday our troops took a trench east of Gueudecourt and secured the position. There was also a successful trench raid near Arras. Thursday's German communiqué announces that Fort Vaux, north of Verdun, was evacuated by the Germans on Wednesday night after important portions of the fort had been blown up. The abandonment of the fort by the enemy, although it is an event of importance, is no surprise, as the French victory of October 24 rendered the position untenable.

Yesterday's French communiqué reports the occupation of Fort Vaux. The ring of the interior forts of Verdun is now re-established, and solidly held by the French troops. The German papers are upset at the evacuation of Fort Vaux. The "Tageblatt" considers the news by no means pleasant for German feelings.

On the Somme the artillery duel is rather lively. A surprise attack was successfully carried out by the French in the region of Laucourt.

On the Russian front an enemy success is reported on the Stokhod. The Russians admit that their advanced trenches forming a salient on the west bank of the river were carried. The Germans claim to have taken 1,500 prisoners.

It is reported from Petrograd (says a wireless message from Rome) that the fierce battle proceeding along the whole of the Russo-Roumanian front, from Volhynia as far as the Danube, for a distance of 800 kilometres (500 miles), is perhaps the most important battle of the war.

CONSTANZA BOMBARDED.

On the Transylvanian front the Roumanians surprised the enemy twenty miles (roughly) south-east of Brasso and drove him back, inflicting heavy losses. In the Jiul Valley the pursuit of the enemy continues. The Germans report that Roumanian attacks against the enemy troops which had advanced across the Predeal Pass failed. South-east of the Roter Turm Pass the Germans report that successful fighting for them is continuing. The Germans report that Constanza (the Roumanian port on the Black Sea which recently fell into the enemy's hands) was bombarded from the sea.

The new position established by the British as the result of the capture of Barakli Dzuma, on the Struma, is being consolidated. A lively bombardment is maintained from the Vardar to the Struma. On the Cerna, the Serbians, it is announced, have made further considerable progress.

A naval skirmish arising out of a curious incident has occurred in the North Sea. On Wednesday, soon after leaving the Hook of Holland, the Dutch steamer Oldambt was overhauled by a German submarine, who sent a prize crew of ten on board. They turned the vessel towards Zeebrugge. Five German destroyers were in the vicinity, presumably ready to act as escort, when British light scouting craft came up. The enemy took to flight and the Oldambt was rescued, the German crew being taken prisoners.

AN AEROPLANE FROM BRADFORD.

"Old Bradfordian" writes to "The Yorkshire Observer": I was considerably interested in the excellent account you gave in your paper of the visit of Field-Marshal Viscount French to a Yorkshire aircraft factory. The account which your paper exclusively gave, illustrating the stupendous developments of the uses of the aeroplane, should help to acquaint local citizens with the vital importance of this latest form of warfare.

In view of the demonstrated value of aircraft in saving useless loss of life, and in view of the thousands of soldiers whom we have sent from Bradford and whom it is in our interests to protect as far as possible, I think it would be an excellent idea to start a fund for the provision of one aeroplane which could be presented to the War Office for use on our western front. It could be called the "City of Bradford" and carry the coat-of-arms of our city. Doubtless it would be an indication to the thousands of our Bradford lads in the trenches that they were not being forgotten by us at home.

I notice that Leeds yesterday decided to present a machine, and I believe some scores of machines have already been voluntarily contributed by our overseas dominions. At the back of the minds of people in our overseas dominions is a keen appreciation of the importance of aircraft, for undoubtedly the aeroplane has solved the problem which was uppermost in Napoleon's mind when he said that his biggest trouble was to know in time what the enemy were doing on the "other side of the hill."

A high-powered and swift-climbing aeroplane, fully armed, could be easily produced for £2,000, and I am sure that our citizens will not wish to be behind other cities and the dominions who have already taken up the scheme for additional aircraft with enthusiasm.

DRINKING IN MUNITION WORKS.

At a meeting of the Leeds Munitions Tribunal on Tuesday, Mr. Geoffrey Ellis presiding, a young woman was fined 20s. for being the worse for liquor in a controlled establishment. Commenting upon the excuse offered by the defendant, Mr. Ellis remarked: "You girls seem to be under the impression that black beer is good for a cold. You would do much better if you went to the canteen and got something for it."

Another young woman was fined 30s. for a similar offence. The evidence showed that she had been found staggering about in a dangerous part of a factory. "The tribunal must put a stop to this sort of thing, as the public must be protected," said Mr. Ellis.

The Pontefract Town Council on Monday invited Alderman and Colonel J. R. Shaw to accept the Mayoralty of the borough for a further year.

MORE MUNITIONS.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY DR. ADDISON.

400,000 ADDITIONAL WORKERS.

Dr. Addison (Parliamentary Secretary, Munitions), who was present with a party of journalists who visited Woolwich Arsenal on Thursday, gave an interesting and once racing account. He said that as we were providing extensions of steelworks at a probable saving of something like £6,000,000 a year, we should, provided our programme is satisfactorily developed, be entirely independent of foreign steel supplies by next March. During the Somme offensive the expenditure of ammunition had been about ten times weekly the rate of what it was in the month of January, but there were more filled shells in France to-day than there were at the beginning of the war. Our augmented programme, said Dr. Addison, arose largely from the increased gun ration. Several branches of labour were involved—the production of steel, and he thought that dilution could not go beyond a certain point. There was essential work which could only be entrusted to the physically vigorous.

The new programme was eating up explosives in thousands of tons. With regard to man-labour, even two new factories for explosives must require at least 21,000 people. He predicted that at least 315,000 additional men workers and 100,000 women workers would be necessary if the augmented programme was to be efficiently carried out. He outlined three items of heavy work for which neither women nor invalids were suitable. "We have practically," he said, "to control the whole stocks of the country, and it means a greater interference than ever with private trade. There are at present 600,000 badges held by men of military age. By returns from 5,000 firms who have badged men we find 76 per cent. claimed as skilled, 19 per cent. as semi-skilled, and 5 per cent. as unskilled. But we cannot be asked to supply munitions and at the same time part with the men who make them. Industry is going to be equipped in this country better than ever it has been equipped before. We shall find manufacturers more inclined than ever before to adopt scientific and up-to-date methods, and we shall make it a sine qua non in all the extensions contemplated that plant must be up-to-date."

THE YORKSHIRE BOWLING ASSOCIATION.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATION REVISED.

The question of district representation, as to which there has been much controversy for a considerable period, was decided at the half-yearly meeting of the Yorkshire Amateur Bowling Association at the Grand Central Hotel, Leeds, on Saturday. Until six months ago the county was divided into four districts, each of which was represented on the Management Committee by two delegates and three vice-presidents. At the annual meeting in March last the number of districts was increased by the admission of Bradford and Halifax, to which similar representation was accorded. This was an irregular procedure, as the rules cannot be altered except at the October meeting, but the matter was put in order subsequently by the executive committee passing a resolution for submission on Saturday in the following terms: "That the county be divided into six districts—namely, Bradford, Halifax, Huddersfield, Leeds, Wakefield, and West Riding Central, and that the Management Committee consist of two representatives from each of the said districts." Although not specifically mentioned, it was the intention that each district should continue to be also represented by three vice-presidents, and this omission gave rise to a misunderstanding which was the principal reason for the recommendation of the executive committee meeting with determined opposition. The Brighouse Association and the Spen Valley League gave notice of an amendment to the effect that the county should be divided into the six districts proposed by the committee, but "that each district be represented on the Management Committee on the basis of one representative for each five clubs in direct membership with the Yorkshire Amateur Bowling Association." After a spirited debate the amendment was carried by a sweeping majority.

The president (Mr. James K. Prince, Huddersfield) presided over a large gathering, and he was supported by the ex-president (Mr. Henry Taylor, Clifton), the secretary (Mr. James B. Peck, Leeds), the treasurer (Mr. Alfred Foster, Dewsbury), and Messrs. F. Thorp (Halifax), S. Williams (Mirfield), J. W. Pickles (Leeds), and J. C. Cartwright (Bingley Glen), vice-presidents.

THE SEASON'S HONOURS.

The first business was the presentation of silver-mounted "jacks" to the Taylor Hill and Liversedge Percival clubs, the winners of the Yorkshire Cup and the Yorkshire Consolation Cup respectively. The secretary stated that in connection with the district competitions which were arranged in substitution for inter-county matches during the period of the war the Management Committee had decided that the qualification for the president's and vice-presidents' medals should be the playing of four games. The president's medal had been won by Philip Kilner (Taylor Hill), who was successful in all the five matches which he played, defeating his opponents by 69 points, or an average of 13.8 points per match. The vice-presidents' medal had been won by Fred Heaton (Cleckheaton Punch Bowl and Scholes Conservatives), who defeated his opponents in four matches by an aggregate of 25 points, or an average of 6.25 points. A better average than that of Heaton was made by A. Pickersgill (Brighouse C. and B.C.), whose margin was 10 points per match, but he only played three games.

Mr. Peck mentioned that at the last meeting of the executive committee 30s. was subscribed towards the motor-ambulance fund which was being raised by British sportsmen. It was agreed to make a collection, and the amount was increased to £4 10s.

Mr. F. Thorp said there must be about four hundred bowling clubs in Yorkshire, and he thought they ought to raise the £500 or so that would be required for the purchase of an ambulance van and present it to the nation. (Hear, hear.)

On the motion of Mr. Joe Crowther (Cleckheaton) it was resolved to formulate a scheme on the lines suggested by Mr. Thorp, and the secretary undertook to circularise all clubs, whether affiliated to the association or not, on the subject.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATION QUESTION.

The President briefly explained the scheme of district representation that had been drawn up by the Management Committee, and asked for the amendment to be submitted in order that the whole question might be discussed.

Mr. A. Cooke (Brighouse), in moving the amendment, urged that representation on a pro rata basis was the fairest system that could be adopted. He recognised that there would have to be expansion at Bradford and Halifax before those districts were as fully represented as some of the others, but the adoption of the amendment would supply the motive for efforts to secure expansion.

Mr. James Crowther (Spen Valley), who seconded the motion, said the object of the amendment was to ensure fair representation, and to carry it would be to the best interests of the association.

Mr. C. F. Milan (Lockwood Conservatives) advocated the adoption of the Management Committee's proposal. He pointed out that if the amendment were carried the Leeds district would only have four representatives (including three vice-presidents), Bradford four, and Halifax five, and he feared that the smaller districts would be outvoted by larger sections such as Huddersfield and the West Riding Central. In his opinion the fair system was equal representation of every district, whether large or small.

Mr. H. Roberts (Keighley) expressed similar views to the last speaker, and observed that when a district became very large it could be divided and so obtain extra representation.

Mr. Henry Taylor spoke in favour of the amendment. He expressed regret that Huddersfield, which was the strongest bowling centre in the country, had only fifteen clubs in direct membership with the association. Leeds had only eight clubs affiliated with the association, and the number ought to be easily increased to ten, which would give that district five representatives, including the vice-presidents.

Mr. J. W. Pickles said there were about thirty clubs in the Leeds District Association, and he believed that if the amendment was adopted they would be able to bring at least another half-dozen clubs into membership with the county association.

The President reminded members that a two-thirds majority was necessary to make any alteration in the rules. If the amendment was carried he would ask the meeting to make a further alteration by increasing the number of vice-presidents from twelve to eighteen—three for each of the six districts.

Mr. J. C. Cartwright and Mr. William Watson (Leeds) supported the amendment, which was carried by 68 votes to 13, and the number of vice-presidents was increased to eighteen.

The proceedings were concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the president, which was proposed by Mr. H. Taylor.

WEST RIDING TERRITORIAL ASSOCIATION.

ARMS AND EQUIPMENT FOR VOLUNTEERS.

THE GOVERNMENT'S CONDITIONS.

The intentions of the Government with reference to the arming and equipment and use of the Volunteer Force were officially set forth in an important letter from General E. C. Bethune (Director-General of the Territorial Force), read by the Earl of Harewood (president) at a meeting of the West Riding Territorial Association held at York on Monday. The letter, received on October 24, was as follows:—

With reference to the proposed scheme for making further use of the Volunteer Force of the country, I am directed to inform you that the position now stands as follows: The Army Council are anxious to avail themselves in every way possible of the services of the Volunteers, whose patriotism they greatly appreciate; they are prepared under certain circumstances to arm and equip them, and at the same time to pay a capitation grant to meet the expense of clothing and minor expenses. The Army Council feel, however, that the members of the Volunteer Force, in return for such assistance, will readily consent to accept such conditions as will make the force a material advantage for the defence of the country. They, therefore, wish to impose certain conditions which are contingent upon the assistance mentioned above.

The conditions are that they will pass a medical standard, a low one, but at the same time sufficient to ensure that men will be physically capable of undertaking the services that will be required of them, and that they will give an undertaking not to leave the force except under exceptional circumstances until the end of the war. Lastly, that they will undertake a minimum amount of drills and musketry, the amount to be determined in conference between the military authorities and the chief representatives of the Volunteer movement. Men who have already enlisted in the force under the Volunteer Forces Act, 1863, but who do not think that they can give a further undertaking, will remain in the force as at present, but it must be clearly understood that these men cannot expect any assistance, pecuniary or otherwise, from the Government.

The military authorities greatly appreciate the patriotism of the Volunteer Forces, and wish me to point out that the object of this letter is to give effect to the desire so often expressed by the Volunteers themselves that they should be definitely incorporated in the defensive forces of the country, and in return will receive pecuniary assistance from the Government.

THE NEW BRADFORD BATTALION.

Lord Harewood added that he was glad to be able to inform the meeting that an additional battalion had been formed for Bradford, and that the King had approved of the battalion being embodied as the 21st Battalion West Riding Volunteer Force. Lord Harewood, proceeding, said that the capitation grant was what they had been fighting for for months, but which the Government did not see their way to grant until they were fully convinced as to their services being urgently required. He added that the Lords-Lieutenant had formerly had the control of the Volunteers, and now the Government wished the territorial associations to take charge of the direction of those forces. Now that the recruiting and other duties had been taken away from the associations, he felt sure that the associations would be willing and able to undertake these additional duties.

He desired to impress upon the members to use their utmost endeavours, both individually and collectively, to encourage the formation and proper equipment and drill of the Volunteer Force. Lord French told him the other day, in the course of conversation, that he saw the time coming, and not so very far off, when we should have to depend entirely for the defence of the country (from invasion on the Volunteer Force. That was what he (Lord Harewood) had always anticipated might come. In fact, the menace was so grave that it behoved everybody to see that they were properly supplied and equipped, and to undertake the minimum of drills required. He thought this was a very important matter, and that he was justified in asking the association to do all they could to render the Volunteer Force effective.

WEST RIDING WAR HONOURS.

Lord Scarbrough, in his report as chairman of the association, presented a list of decorations and awards granted since the meeting in June, and said that they had had 575 awards in the West Riding forces. He thought it would be interesting to the public to know how they were divided up—2 V.Cs., 4 C.B.s, 7 C.M.G.s, 21 D.S.O.s, 115 M.C.s, 166 D.C.M.s, 252 M.M.s, 1 Croix de Commandeur, 1 Croix de Chevalier, 4 Croix de Guerre, 2 Medaille Militaire (France), 1 Order of St. Anne, 1 Cross of St. George, 4th Class, 3 medals of St. George, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Class (Russia), and the Commandeur d'Ordre de Leopold (Belgium); a total of 575 since the division landed in France. Knowing how these West Riding troops had fought and suffered during the eighteen months they had been in France, they might be perfectly certain that all these honours had been rightly deserved and fully earned. (Applause.)

Lord Harewood said the association would be as gratified as he was at the distinctions gained by the West Riding force, but he was sorry to have to report that the casualties were heavy since last June. The casualties to both officers and men had been about trebled since the "great push" began, and the association would join with him in regretting the loss of so many brave men, but at the same time they would rejoice that the men who had fallen and been wounded had been doing their duty to their country. "We applaud their conduct and thank them heartily for their behaviour." (Applause.) The members of the association would be aware that they should go out of office this year, but the Army Council had decided that the military and co-opted members should retain their membership until further notice. No doubt they felt that when the war was over the military members should be, to a large extent, those who had taken an active part in it, and therefore the Army Council reserved the right to appoint such officers as they might care. Certain representative members were leaving, and as they would not be with the association in the future he would like to take that opportunity of thanking them for their services. He mentioned that owing to his many engagements Colonel Greenwood had tendered his resignation as a member of the association.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. E. Duncombe (county director) reported that in response to the appeal for nurses and special probationers in the West Riding they had received applications from 322 ladies, the vast majority of whom held both first-aid and home-nursing certificates, also from 42 members who volunteered for general service, making a total of 364. Out of these 112 had been appointed as nursing members, and nine as general service members. The greater part of those remaining had been placed on the reserve list, and would doubtless be called up in due course. The number of hospitals had increased from twenty-seven to thirty-one, and they had lately been urgently requested still further to increase their hospital accommodation. The number of beds had been increased from 1,186 to 1,451. The total number of beds occupied on September 30 was 1,368, against 579. The total number of patients treated during the six months was 5,559, and the number of patients dealt with since their operations began now amounted to 13,032. There were now seventy-six women detachments, against seventy-four; the number of men detachments was thirty-two.

BOY KILLED BY AN AEROPLANE.

An inquest was held on Saturday on the body of a boy of 13, who was killed the previous afternoon as the result of being struck by an aeroplane. The evidence showed that a second-lieutenant, of the Royal Flying Corps, had occasion to alight in a field, having lost his way. The lieutenant asked some men to hold the wings of the machine while he restarted the engine. By some means the men on one side let go, but the men on the other side held on. A considerable crowd of people were watching, and in consequence of the men letting go the machine swerved and got away. In its flight the blades caught the boy and were broken off within a few inches of the boss. The boy's skull was fractured and the brain exposed; his left arm was taken off by the elbow and the left leg was nearly severed between the knee and the thigh.

A witness stated that the lieutenant several times asked the crowd to stand clear, and gave them plenty of time to move away. The lieutenant himself said the men let go as soon as the engine roared, and that was the cause of the accident.

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned, and the jury attached no blame to anyone.

SUBSTITUTION IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY.

A meeting of the Women's War Employment Committee (Industrial) was held at the Bradford Town Hall on Tuesday, the Lord Mayor (Mr. Thomas Howarth) presiding. The members present were Messrs. Marsh, Raper, Grundy, Smith, Coffin, and Hayhurst, Mrs. Moser, Mrs. Burnley, Miss Keeling, Miss Roberts, Miss Wade, and representatives from the Home Office and the Board of Trade.

The committee has been formed for the purpose of pressing forward the substitution of female for male labour, and the meeting on Tuesday was held with the object of devising means of dealing with the shortage of the supply of female labour in the spinning and weaving branches of the textile trade. It is felt that there is a local supply which can be tapped, and the question of wages and conditions was discussed on Tuesday. It was decided to obtain the views of the various employers' and workpeople's associations.

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