

TEESDALE RECORD SOCIETY.

GARTH WILLS.

William Garth, of Bolam, in the County of Durham, Gentleman, 13 Feb., 1793. Whereas I have been at great expense in the education and maintenance of my eldest son Samuel Garth, at the University of Cambridge and elsewhere...

William Garth, of Bolam, in the county of Durham, gentleman, 10 Nov., 1730. I give and devise all my messages and hereditaments situate and being within the town and territories of Barton in the county of York unto my friends Cuthbert Raine, of Gainsforth, gentleman, and Thomas Sanderson, of Hilton, gentleman, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to hold, etc.

P.C.C. 8 Browning. WILL OF SIR SAMUEL GARTH, M.D. Sir Samuel Garth, of St. James, Westminster, Co. Middlesex, Knt. 28th May, 1717.

I hereby devise all my manor of Edgecote and the advowson of the Church of Edgecote and all lands and tenements in Edgecote, Co. Bucks, which I lately purchased of John Dormer, Esq. unto Sir John Rushout of Harrow-on-the-Hill, Co. Middx. Hugh Cholmley, of Whitby, Co. York, Esq., upon the trusts herein mentioned Vizt. from the time of my death for the term of 21 years...

trustees to my daughter Martha Beaufoy Boyle for her own use for her life, and immediately after her decease I will that £1,500 be paid unto my granddaughter Beaufoy Boyle out of the same, and bequeath £3,500 to be divided between the younger sons and daughters of my said daughter, which last two legacies are in full discharge of a bond entered into by me to the said William Boyle and Henry Boyle, of Castle Mortar in Ireland, dated 21 Dec., 1716, in £10,000 penalty, conditioned for leaving £5,000 amongst the younger children of my said daughter Martha at my death...

STAINDROP.

S.W. DURHAM SCOUTS ASSOCIATION. A meeting of the South-West Durham District Association of Boy Scouts was held at Staindrop on Saturday, Mr G. Oxley, Evenwood, presiding, and the attendance including Lord Barnard, County Commissioner, and Mr J. W. Broumley, J.P., honorary secretary.

A letter was read from the Rev. H. S. C. Spurrier, late Vicar of Staindrop, thanking the Association for its kind message on his retirement, and saying that it had always been a pleasure to him to do what he could for the Scout movement.

Mr T. G. Coates, treasurer, reported a balance in hand of £14 1s. Mr John Rand, badge secretary, reported the issue of 24 badges since the last meeting—ten to Barnard Castle School troop; ten to the First Staindrop troop; and four (ambulance) to the First Barnard Castle troop.

Reports from the groups showed that good progress was being made at Cockfield. At Evenwood, according to Mr Dunn, there had been visits by the District Commissioner to present medals to Scoutmaster Musgrave and Assistant Scoutmaster Tallentire. There had been a party in collaboration with the Girl Guides, and the troop's 21st birthday had been celebrated. Four cubs had joined the troop and four of the patrol leaders attended the conference at Baby Castle on March 22nd. On the previous Sunday scouts acted as messengers for the A.R.P. at the local Home Guard exercises.

The collection of waste paper had been resumed by the troop, and Mr Dunn expressed the opinion that the collection could be done better by the Scouts than by the local authority.

Mr Broumley said there was no reason why scouts should not collect waste paper. The paper had to be collected and it did not matter who collected it so long as it reached the mills. If scouts wanted to collect waste paper the Council could not stop them.

Mr J. H. Franklin, reporting on behalf of the Etherley troop, said efforts to bring in lads from Witton Park had been disappointing. Much salvage had been collected, and the troop was progressing favourably.

Mr Coates, reporting on the Staindrop troop, said there had been a week-end camp at Bedburn Hall, and the collection of waste paper had exceeded all expectations.

Lord Barnard, reporting on the Scouters' Conference at Durham, said it was very successful, there being an attendance of 140 in three sessions. He said the general conclusion arrived at was that given a reasonable chance they could still provide as good quality products as any other organisation yet thought of.

Scouter Holt gave an amusing and interesting talk of a varied character; and there was an address by Professor Jeffreys, Professor of Education at Durham University, which called for more discussion than he expected, raising many interesting questions.

It was decided to hold the annual district competitions about the middle of June in form similar to that of previous years, but slightly varied.

There was some discussion on the proposed Baden-Powell Memorial. Lord Barnard said he had tried to find out how much money was required for the memorial, but so far had not been able to. He was sure they would all want to take a share of the work, and the money would be spent on building a house in London which would be the headquarters of scouting for the whole world.

The question of what they owed to Lord Baden Powell was one for all of them, for it would be readily agreed that they had much fun in scouting which they would not have had if Lord Baden Powell had not started the movement. He thought the matter of helping to raise funds would be one for groups rather than for district efforts.

It was agreed that the matter should stand over in the hope that it would "sink in" and be ready for discussion later. In his report as District Commissioner, Lord Barnard said he had visited the troops at Barnard Castle and at Barnard Castle School and was satisfied that both were getting on all right. Barnard Castle troop could not be increased because of the lack of accommodation, but Mr Harrison was a good leader. At Gainford a boy named Wright, only 12½ years old, seemed very determined to undertake scout work and it was hoped that a patrol would be formed in the village. With regard to general war-time problems they were up against the question of uniforms, in regard to which he felt they were not being fairly treated. Every effort was being made to obtain some concession, which except in the matter of supplies had not been altogether

successful. The enrolment of A.T.C. Cadets was not having a very serious effect on scouting, and there were several cadets who were active scouts. Cadets were something new and it was not the intention of the War Office that they should be encouraged to the detriment of other voluntary organisations, of which scouting was one. There would be a county patrol leaders' conference at Durham on May 30th, and they had secured Mr Haydon Dimmock, editor of "The Scout," to give an address. It would be a day conference and not a week-end camp as was at first expected. In regard to the waste paper collection, local scouts had collected 22 tons 6 cwt. 3 qrs., and of the proceeds £37 5s. 3d. had been given to groups and £15 0s. 9d. to charities. For mixed paper and cardboard £4 per ton was now paid, and for newspapers and books £7 per ton. Concluding, Lord Barnard said he was quite satisfied with the condition of the District, considering all the difficulties. He hoped that in the time weather they would be out as much as possible and try to achieve something in the way of camps if only at the week-ends. On the whole war-time problems ought not to trouble them.

STAINDROP COMFORTS FUND.

A very successful concert was held on Friday night in aid of the Staindrop Comforts Fund. The programme was varied, consisting of accordion solos by Mr J. Horrihan; recitations, Miss Mary Nodding and Miss Joan Stubbings; tableau, "Red Riding Hood," by the infants; violin solos by Miss Armstrong, Barnard Castle; juggling by Mr Wetton; duets, Miss Lowson and Mr Rand; early morning exercises and an old-fashioned dress parade by Staindrop Stars under the direction of Mrs Harding; dialect stories by Mr Watkyns; and a play, "Green Magic," by the Guides.

A musical box, 110 years old, given by Mr Nicholson, Gainford, was auctioned on behalf of the Missions to Seamen's Fund, and realised £3 17s. 6d.

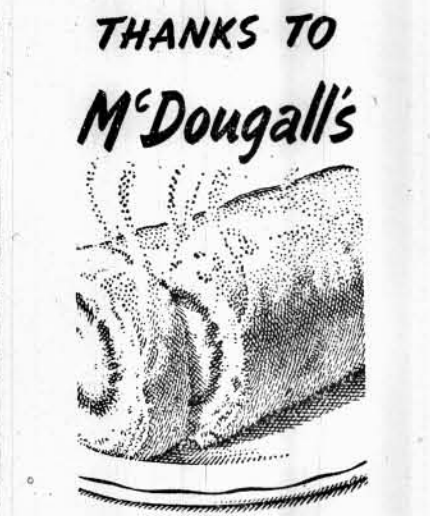
The Hon. Rosemary Vane, daughter of Lord and Lady Barnard, at this, her first public function, compered the concert very charmingly. The concert was organised by Mrs Jackson, to whom every credit is due. Thanks were accorded to her and to Miss Vane by Mr T. W. Applegarth. The proceeds of the concert were over £10, in addition to the musical box result. Miss Jean Birtley was a very efficient pianist.

Staindrop Parish Council.

At the annual meeting of the Staindrop Parish Council on Wednesday, Mr J. W. Broumley, J.P., was elected chairman and Mr J. Hartley vice-chairman. Mr Broumley and Mr T. Place were appointed representative trustees of the Poor Land Charity; Messrs J. Hartley and J. J. Arnison, Scarth Memorial trustees; and Messrs J. J. Arnison and J. Soulsby on the Rating Committee.

Music Successes.

At the recent examination of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music, London, R.A.M. and R.C.M., Mary J. Barker (pass with credit) and Winifred R. Ransom, pupils entered by Miss Gladys Lamb, were successful in pianoforte playing in grade 5, higher division.



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UPPER TEESDALE.

[BY OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Mechanics' Institute Whist. The prizewinners at the weekly whist drive held on Wednesday night in the Mechanics' Institute were Mrs Colman, Mrs J. Baum, Mr R. Aspden, and Mr H. Atkinson.

Death of Former Middleton Resident. Mr J. T. Walton, of Wesley Street, Coundon Grange, has received notification of the death of his mother, Mrs M. Walton, at Maryville, New South Wales, Australia. Mr and Mrs Walton were natives of Middleton-in-Teesdale, and then removed to Shildon, where they commenced a saddlery business. They left Shildon 18 years ago to join some members of their family already in Australia.

Romaldkirk Vestry Meeting. The Rev. Claud Snushall, Rector, presided at the annual vestry and parochial church meetings at Romaldkirk, when churchwardens were appointed: For Romaldkirk, Lieut.-Colonel H. R. McCullagh and Mr G. Crowther; for Cotherstone, Messrs J. Roddam and J. W. Ditchburn; for Baldersdale, Mr J. Archer. Sidesmen and members of the parochial church council were elected, with Mr G. S. Rogerson as secretary of the council. The report of the council and the statement of accounts were adopted as satisfactory.

Parish Council.

Middleton Parish Council held the yearly meeting on Wednesday, when the officials were re-elected. A satisfactory balance sheet, presented by the clerk, was adopted, and it was decided to get, if possible, the hedges cut at Hude and High Force Road by the owners. It was also agreed that the village greens should be dug over. Various other items of interest were discussed. It was decided to allow the Mechanics' Institute an annual sum to keep the committee room in order for meetings.

A Middleton Wedding.

The wedding took place on Thursday at the Bourne Methodist Church, Middleton-in-Teesdale, of Miss Dulcie Smedley, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. J. Smedley, Market Place, Middleton-in-Teesdale, to Mr Reuben Johnson, son of Mr and Mrs J. W. Johnson, South View, Staindrop. The Rev. Fred Wright, Methodist minister, officiated, and Mrs W. Dowson was at the organ. The bride, who has for some years been employed by the Middleton Co-operative Society, was given away by her father. She chose a dress and hat of dusky pink with burgundy accessories, and wore a spray of blue cineraria. Mrs Clara Mawson, Middleton-in-Teesdale, who was matron of honour, wore a dress of blue mist with hat, shoes and gloves of a burgundy shade. She also had a spray of cineraria. Mr Joseph Kidd, Eggleston, was best man. A reception was held later at the home of the bride.

Death of Mr J. E. Jones.

The interment took place on Wednesday at Middleton-in-Teesdale of Mr John Ellis Jones, of Hude, Middleton-in-Teesdale. Mr Jones, who was 78 years of age, started working for Messrs Ord and Maddison as a sett-maker 45 years ago at their Middleton quarries. When the sett-making boom ended Mr Jones remained in Middleton and continued his work. He was a leading figure in the Workmen's Club movement and had served several years on the local committee. The Rector (the Rev. J. W. Willis) officiated at the burial. The chief mourners were: Mrs Jones, widow; Mr R. Jones, son; Mr and Mrs H. Temple, daughter and son-in-law; Mr and Mrs Robinson, daughter and son-in-law; Vipond, Daisy, Jean, Shirley and Audrey Temple, grandchildren; Mrs S. Walton, sister-in-law; Mr T. Walton (Bishop Auckland), Mrs Morton (Barnard Castle), Mrs F. Richardson, Miss E. Walton, Mrs A. Smith, Mr and Mrs Prudence, Mrs Stanway (Middlesbrough), Mrs Bancroft (Bishop Auckland), nephews and nieces.

Barningham Women's Institute.

Lady Milbank presided at the meeting of the Barningham Women's Institute, when Miss Cooper Hodgson gave a talk on how people, places and things got their names. Mrs C. Brown proposed a vote of thanks which was seconded by Mrs R. Jackson. A dyed egg competition was won by Miss Atkinson with Miss Percival second. The hostesses were Mesdames Brown, Brass, Cook, and Davis. The whist drive and dance held in aid of the Red Cross realised £11 0s. 9d. Prizes were won by Mesdames Adamson, Turner, Etherington, and Master G. Smith.

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