P.C. Cronshaw, who is leaving the Accrington Force after several years' service, was last night presented by fellow officers with Five Bags Good House Coal

The traffic returns on the Accrington Corporation transvays for the week ending December 31 last were: Mileago, 11,202; passengers, 101,322; total receipts, £597 14s. 11d; receipts per car mile, 12.08d.

On Wednesday evening a meeting in connection with the British Women's Temperance Association was held in Jacob-street school when Mr. E. Poulson, of Burnley, gave an address to a good attendance.

The Rev. J. T. Lawrence opened the newlyformed Debating Class at St. Peter's Church Institutute on Sunday afternoon with remarks on Genesis and the creation of the world. There was a moderate attendance.

For the final examination of accountants held in London during three days of last month, two former students of Mr. Williamson's at the Business Training College, 52, Union Road, Oswaldtwistle. Accrington, Mr. Cheshyre Malpas and Mr. Robert Paley Whipp, have been returned first and fifth in all England.

A concert was given at the Accrington CHURCH AND Discussion Class on Sunday evening. There was a large attendance and Mr. J. B Emmett presided. The vocalists were Mr. George Woods, Miss May Coleman (Rishton) and Mr. Balderstone, Padiham, gave recitals. Mr. John Fletcher was the pianist. advertently stated that Councillor Wooler oted in favour of such advertisements. Mr Wooler seconded the amendment to refer the matter back to the committee, and voted, of course, against liquor advertisements on the trams.

Whilst on the way to work at Union Mill morning, Mrs. Grace Kay, weaver, of Maden-street, slipped and fell at the corner of and carried into the police office, where it was removed home in a cab.

GAS AND WATER BOARD.

tity of yearling trout. The accounts were passed. There was no business of public

THE BURNLEY CORONERSHIP.

The Conservative members of Burnley night to discuss the question of the borough coronership. They decided to support the

ODDFELLOWS' GRAND LODGE,

On Thursday evening a meeting of the Grand Order Lodge of Oddfellows of Accrington district, which comprises past and present officers of local district lodges, was held at St. Andrew's school. The Rev. J. "Lines of Thought.". Bro. Adamson. P.G.M., presided over a good attendance. ported by Bro. Swallow. A vote of sympathy was passed to Bro, R. T. Kenyon, P.P.G.M., of Rishton, in the loss he has sustained through the death of his wife.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRIZE DAY.

school, Avenue-parade. The Rev. A. Wil- borne out. cook presided and made a very earnest appeal to the scholars, parents and friends The Rev. F. Sykes, vicar of St. Paul's, connection with the Young Men's Culture report, porticulars of which were given in were re-elected on the committee. perintendentis, distributed a portion the prizes, and in so doing gave a short history of the early life of the late Mr. John Ashworth, of Rochdale, author of "Strange superintendent, distributed the other por tion, and in doing so gave a brief history of Mr. Ashworth's life after he became a man, and an energetic worker at the "Chapel for the destitue," Rochdale. A special feature of the service was the hearty singing of the scholars.

SPIRITUALIST FUNERAL.

At the Spiritualist Church Chinastreet on Sunday, Mrs. Buckley spoke on "Spiritualism; what is it?" In the evening her subject was "Death." The aftercircle was conducted by local friends. "We regret to announce," writes an official of the church, "the passing to the Higher life of known as Ada Fox, she having been called Bridge and J. Yates. home to the Higher life on January 3rd after a very long illness. The ceremony of funeral and there was service at the house and cemetery."-On New Year's Eve. Mr. the church on "The world's unrest," folannual coffee and bun treat took place, each scholar receiving coffee bun, orange and games, reciting and dancing, and the pro- (spinning). ceedings were greatly enjoyed by the children.

A HUNCOAT "AT HOME." Although the attendances were slightly under those of the previous year, the annual four days' "At Home" at the Huncost Wesleyan school were very successful. humorous dramatic and descriptive. Both moted, artistes received encores. Ar. R. Ashworth tralto and Mr. F. Thistlethwaite, tenor, Mr. M. Crankshaw and R. Gibson. S. Broughton's concert party pleased a the fines. crowded audience with their excellent singng. Miss Nellie Hamer, contralto, established berself a favourite and had to repond to an encore for each song. Mr. H. Cookson, was the tenor, and Mr. A. Hacking the baritone, with Mr. Broughton as accompanist. The elocutionist was Mr. Whipp of Accrington, who gave some most enjoyable recitals.

AFTER A SEPARATION.

At the Accrington Police Court on Tuesday, before Mr. E. Chadwick and Counciller A. Langham, Robert Barnes, arrears of wife maintenance.

not paid her anything and with the costs found favour with those present, and after non owed £3 16s. 1d. Prisoner, who was well-dressed, denied that he was a moulder's labourer as stated the placing in the church of a memorial to the Manchester Royal Eye Hospital and Tattersall, the Medical Officer of Health for by his wife and said he was only an ordinary labourer earning £1 a week, He paid 14s, a week for lodgings. He agreed he could have paid something, but knowing he could be "done in" for part of the amount as well as for the whole amount, he

did not pay anything.

month, with liberty to settle.

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FINEST SELECTION IN THE DISTRICT.

SEE WINDOWS. J. G. BARNES.

Pawnbroker, Jeweller, etc.,

Health Committee of Oswaldtwistle District and Mrs. S. Sweetman, Mrs. Fraser, Mr. and Council at their meeting on Thursday. For In recording the result of the voting at some time the Medical Officer of Health, lowing: Harp "From her sorrowing Monday's Town Council meeting on the Dr. Townley, has repeatedly advocated, on husband and daughter Maud"; wreath, "To question of the display of whisky advertise- sanitary grounds, the erection of a destructor our dear mother," from Jennie and Tom, ago the Medical Officer presented a special and Jim, Clayton-le-Moors; anchor, a few minutes before six on Wednesday mending the Council to proceed with a Harry and Bertha, Clayton-le-Moors; sprays

blackburn-road and Union-street. She was In these days the advisability and advan- Thomas Love and family, (Liverpool); Harp. picked up by P.C.'s Palmer and Dewhurst tages of destroying domestic refuse is established into the police office, where it transfer and destroying domestic refuse is established into the police office, where it transfer and Dewhurst tages of destroying domestic refuse is established into the police office, where it transfer and Dewhurst tages of destroying domestic refuse is established. was found she had sprained her left ankle lished beyond dispute. Every member of the George Love and family, (Liverpool); very badly. First aid was rendered and she Council is doubtless convinced of the desir- wreath from brother, Mr. John Love and J. McKENZIE PORTER-" A Brilliant Elocu- as to whether the time is opportune. That, from niece and nephew, Sam and Maggie, tionist." 'Seldom indeed does one hear such magnificent reciting" (vide Press).—68, Arden-by those who wish to block any scheme, but Tom; wreath, "From her loving friends," in this particular instance it is one which Mr and Mrs. Smith, U.S.A.; wreath, "From needs serious consideration, for it will mean one who loved her," Miss Sarah Bracewell, At the monthly meeting of Accrington an addition to the rates of, at the very least, Clayton-le-Moors. District Gas and Water Board on Thursday, twopence in the pound. Another point which there were present Aldermen Dewhurst, has always raised keen interest and many (Chairman), Duckworth, Sprake, Lupton and objections wherever a destructor works has Rawson, Councillors Barlow, Dixon, Cooper, had to be erected is the selection of a site. Parker, Noble, Smith and Pickup. The seal The Health Committee have selected land was affixed to a number of loans. It was at Heys which is already the property of the decided to stock the reservoirs with a quan- Council. The fact that this will reduce the cost of the scheme will doubtless have been duly considered, but accessibility must be taken into account.

We understand that the Spread Eagle Town Council, on which body they have a Council School, situate midway between working majority, met on Tuesday Stanhill and Spread Eagle, is to be opened on March 2nd. This will be the first Council candidature of Dr. Pullen, J.P., who has school in Oswaldtwistle, but there are indicapractised in Burnley for about 27 years and tions that another will be provided in the has acted as hon. medical officer of the Vic- not distant future. Anyhow, a site has been United Methodist school was commenced on toria Hospital. For the position there are provisionally secured for the erection of a Sunday morning, Mr. J. Leyland addressing 26 candidates, including solicitors, doctors, school to supersede Holy Trinity, but the a large attendance in the Mary-street school. a stock and share broker, and joinery fore. Council are doing what they can to delay its progress for financial reasons. The new United Methodist school were given their previous night. school at Spread Eagle will be for infants annual treat on Saturday afternoon. They only, and its institution will, of course, add had the use of the school for games etc. to the local rates.

Amongst the cases dealt with by the magistrates at Church on Thursday were a number Rishton is now feeling to some extent the hodd gave a much appreciated address on of summonses for non-payment of water and gas rentals by householders. A striking tania Mill have been stopped until further vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Dodd, on feature of these was that in a few cases Mr. notice owing, it is stated, to lack of orders. the motion of Bro. J. E. Cunliffe, seconded Stubbins, the collector, stated that the defenby Bro. Councillor Pilkington, and sup-dants did not think they ought to pay until they were compelled by an order from the occasion being a recognition service of and choruses, etc. In addition Miss Simpmagistrates. He pointed out in at least three fourteen new members of the church. Mr. son gave recitations, and Miss Ashworth cases he had to take similar proceedings to Hasler welcomed the new members and officiated as accompanist. recover the previous rentals, and as this delivered an address appropriate to the means the addition of five or six shillings occasion.-The service was followed by the On Sunday afternoon the prizes were each time, it would appear that the saying, distributed at the United Methodist Sunday "Experience makes fools wise," is not always

present. Mr. J. T. Foulds, one of the has been spending the past few days at More. Class held in Mary street school on Wednes- Tuesday's "Observer and Times," was cambe, to recuperate after illness, Mr. J. J. Grimshaw has this week been paper on Mrs. Pember Reeve's book "Round Manchester Royal Eye Hospital, £3 3s; Great Harwood Nursing Association appointed organist at St. Paul's Church, about a pound a week." The subsequent Blackburn and East Lancashire Infirmary, held on Wednesday evening. The treasurer tales." Mr. Thomas Cunliffe, the other Oswaldtwistle, in place of Mr. W. Preston.

During December the nurses of the Os waldtwistle District Nursing Association have made 483 visits and the new cases number 26.

Wilkinson was the winner, with Mr. E. Sunday afternoon. In place of the cus-

Mr. Harrison was the speaker at the Mount Pleasant P.S.A. on Sunday. Mr. J. J. Clarke presided. Miss Leitherd, of Hun-elocutionist, and she recited "The first coat rendered solos. The magistrates on the Bench at Church manner, her enunciation and expression Police Court on Thursday were Messrs. J. alike being excellent. Miss N. Ridehough one of our Lyceumists, Mrs. Hindle, best Hacking (presiding), J. Cunliffe, J. W. renderd two solos.

The directors of the Vine Spinning Co., have decided to recommend a dividend for was largely attended on Sunday morning. interment took place at the Accrington the half-year after the rate of ten per cent. Mr. W. Parkinson, of Great Harwood, gave A similar dividend has also been fixed by the an instructive lecture on "The pleasures of directors of Hippings Vale Spinning Co.

Sutcliffe, of Accrington, gave an address at A breakdown occurred at Spring Hill Mill on Tuesday afternoon, but work was resumed teresting discussion. In place of the cuslowed by a watchnight service, conducted by on Wednesday morning. The New Year's tomary Bible lesson, Mr. F. Holland secrelocal friends." On New Year's Day the holiday was extended to Monday morning at tary, read the annual New Year's letter from the following mills: Union, Indian, Prim- the National Council dealing with the

> The annual distribution of Sunday school prizes for regular attendance took place at the Primitive Methodist School, Melbournestreet, Oswaldtwistle, on Sunday, Mrs. Chamberlain officiating. About 50 scholars were entitled to prizes. Miss F. Thorpe rendered solos.

arranged in drawing room style. Mr. E. scholars' treat at Spread Eagle Wesleyan Holden. The Rev. J. E. Hodge presided Mr. Rawcliffe, of Accrington, proposed the Blackledge was the opener on the first night Sunday School was given on Saturday, about over the concert, the first part of the pro- health of the host and hostess, and wished is £2,619. The membership shows an in- and a fine programme was given by Mr. 200 being regaled with coffee, buns and gramme was contributed to by Mrs. Wood- the newly-married couple much happiness crease of 23 over last quarter. Messrs R. William Foulds, baritone, of Accrington, oranges. Afterwards the time was spent in house, Mr. Tomlinson, and the Misses and success in their new sphere of life in Blakey, J. Melling and W. Sefton were reand Mrs. Foulds elected directors, and Messrs. John T. Halshowed rare ability and her recitals were for which prizes were offered, being pro- second part consisted of the rendition of have gone to reside in Scotland, where the stead and John Parker were re-appointed

was the accompanist. Mr. T. Lofthouse, of Mount Pleasant Young Men's Class contains as accompanist.

Accrington, in the absence of Mr. W. Mount Pleasant Young Men's Class contains as accompanist. the names of Messrs. P. Longton, J. as accompanist. Webster, of Burnley, opened the proceedings Metcalfe, J. Butterworth, W. Wolstenholme, on the Thursday, and Mr. Fred Clegg's con- F. Cocker Rev. J. Bennetts, A. Naesmith, E. cert party of Accrington, provided the enter-tainment which was an excellent one. Mr. Clegg, baritone, was very well received.

F. Cocker Rev. J. Bennetts, A. Naesmith, E. Morris, F. Heys, Councillor A. Hargreaves, tainment which was an excellent one. Mr. J. Dowling, W. Pearson, J. Brierley, A. E. Was held on Saturday, and was largely at
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FUNERAL OF MRS. FLETCHER.

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Harold Pilling was the elecutionist, and Richard Baxter, of Collier-street, Oswald- Hasler, During the evening, Mrs. Hasler auspices. From the point of view of enter-Master A. Mather the accompanist. Mr. M. twistle, was ordered to pay costs at Church presented a large number of prizes to tainment for the New Year the proceedings tant of the district. She was a native of L Stanesby was the opener on Friday, and on Thursday for being drunk and creating a scholars for regular attendance during last were highly appreciated, and the promoters Hurst Green, but for sixty years she resided the Huncoat Wesleyan choir were the disturbance, in Blackburn-road, Church on year. Mr. Whalley the secretary, submitted of the concerts, Miss M. Dearden and Mr. at Brick House, near Clitheroe. Her husartistes. Songs, etc., were much appreciated Boxing Day.—At the same court William a satisfactory report on the work of the T. Gillett, have every reason to be satisfied band, Mr. Richard Fletcher, died about 20 from Miss Leitherd, soprano; Miss M. Kitchen, Henry-street, Church, was fined school for last year. The concert was given at the success achieved and well deserved years ago at the age of 74. Mrs. Fletcher Armstrong contralto; and Mr. J. Lord, 5s, and costs for being drunk and disorderly by a double quartette party comprising the thanks were accorded them at the close. The came to Great Harwood thirteen years ago tenor. Mr. W. Ormerod was an efficient accompanist. Saturday was the last night, Day. Supt. Palmer stated that defendant Landon, sopranos; Misses C. Hothersall converted into drawing rooms, etc., for the possession of all her faculties up to the last, and Mr. J. W. Barlow was the opener, Mr. was fined twice last year and had not paid and M. Earnshaw, contractos; Messrs. G. occasion. On Saturday the concert was pro-

MUSICAL SUCCESSES

of Music the following pupils were successful: Frank Robinson, Church-street, Church, Intermediate Honours. Hetty Rigby, Stanley Terrace, Church, Junior First Class, Annie Haworth, Nelson-street, Accrington, Junior First Class. The above were prepared by J. J. Addison A.R.C.M., Persia-street, Acc-

A SUGGESTED MEMORIAL.

A meeting of parishioners of Immanuel Church, Oswaldtwistle, was held in a the school on Monday evening, the Rev. F. labourer, living at Bury, was charged with G. Harris presiding. The object was to consider the advisability of erecting some form report of the C.W.S. meeting. A recom- Hallworth, W. Walmeley, F. Horrocks and Sarah Ann Barnes, the wife, stated that of a memorial to the late Councillor John she obtained a separation order against her Beckett, a warden of the church, and for a husband on the 19th November, when he long period teacher, etc., at the Mission was ordered to pay her 5s. a week. He had Church of St. Michael's. The proposal decided that the following donations be some discussion and suggestions, it was Blackburn and East Lancashire Infirmary; finally decided to invite subscriptions for £5 to the Coop. Women's Guild: £2 2s. each

> window. HEALTHY CHURCH.

quarter ended December 31st, 44 births (30 tion at the next meeting: "That the Society death-rate of 17.2 per thousand. No fewer it is evident that everything depends on what boys, 14 girls) were registered during that consider the question of paying reduced than six deaths were due to cancer, five has still to be done, and that the team will The magistrates committee prisoner for a period equal to a birth-rate of 24.8, as com- dividends and selling goods at a figure, to diarrhosa, four to bronchitis, and three have to perform consistently well to gain pared with 35 births and a birth-rate of 20.1 nearer the cost price.

or the corresponding term, 1912. The deaths numbered 18, equal to a death-rate of 10.2, which, says the Medical Officer "is the lowest on record for any similar winter quarter." Of the deaths, five occurred in October, six in November, and seven in December. Only two deaths occurred in infants under one year of age, giving the low infantile mortality rate of 45 per thousand births. Eight cases of infectious disease were notified during the three months, and with the exception of tuberculosis the township was entirely free from notifiable disease at the end of December.

THE LATE MRS. SWEETMAN. The funeral took piace on Tuesday afternoon, at Church Kirk graveyard, of the late Mrs. Catherine Sweetman wife of Mr. H. H. Sweetman, Market-street, Church, whose death occurred on Saturday at the age of 71 years. The Rev. A. J. Morris conducted a CLIPPERS for LADIES and GENTS, short service at the house, and also rendered the last rites at the graveside. The remains were conveyed in a hearse, the mourners walking in procession in the following order: Mr. H. H. Sweetman, Mr. John Sweetman, Mr. Richard Sweetman, Miss Sweetman, Mr. and Mrs Sill, Mr. and Harrison, Mrs. John Sweetman, Mrs. R Sweetman Mr. and Mrs. Banks, H. and B. Harrison and two children, Mr. T. Love, OSWALDTWISTLE. Mr. and Mrs. R. Love, Mr. W. Love, Mr. 261, 263, 265, 267, Whalley-Rd., An important decision was arrived at by the Sweetman, Clitheroe, Mrs. Brennan, Mr. Mrs. Smith, U.S.A.

works, without which Oswaldtwistle has thus Elmfield-street; harp, "In affectionate refar managed to muddle along. Only a month | membrance of our dear mother," from Kitty loving memory of our dear mother," from report on the subject, the Health Committee Dick and Maggie, Dill Hall-lane; heart, "In appointed a collector. having shown an inclination to postpone the memory of cur dear mother," from Gerty matter. After a full discussion on Thursday, and Jack, Spring Hill; cross, "From her the Committee passed a resolution recom- ever loving grandson and granddaughter," "From her granddaughter," Ethel and Mabel; wreath, from her brother Mr. ability, but there are differences of opinion the Misses Sweetman, (Clitheroe); spray,

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RISHTON.

uneral arrangements.

A sum of £10 6s, was collected in the local mills and workshops last week-end by the local Trades Council on behalf of the Dublin lock-out relief fund. Charles Masterman 27, Burton-street,

Rishton, was at Church Police Court on Thursday ordered to pay costs for being drunk and disorderly in Church-street Church on a Saturday in December. The Young Worshippers League which has been prompted in connection with the

and were regaled with coffee, buns and

Like most other East Lancashire towns decline in the prosperity of the cotton trade. This week the sheeting weavers at Britannual Covenant service, also conducted by Mr. Hasler.

CULTURE CLASS.

day evening, was presided over by the adopted. The following donations, recom- NURSING ASSOCIATION, pastor, Rev. F. H. J. Thornton, who gave a mended by the directors were agreed to:discussion was taken part in by Messrs. H. £2 2s; Accrington Victoria Hospital, £3 3s; (Mr. Pollitt), submitted his report which was Guest Woodhouse, Sleigh and E. H. Blackburn and District Orphanage, £2 2s; adopted as satisfactory. The report of

P.S.A. MEETING.

In the Christmas consolation handicap at the Messant P.S.A. Institute, Mr. J. Mary-street United Methodist school on and F. Dunkley. As usual chief interest tomary address Miss Gladys Lovell, of Rishton, gave a recital, which members appreciated very highly. Miss Lovell has after special tuition, developed into an able settler's story" in a most accomplished (78), and T. Bulcock (73). Two of the retiring members the last named thus

ADULT SCHOOL An open meeting of the Adult School the country," and illustrated his remarks by a display of wild flowers and geological specimens. The lecture provoked an insweets. The evening was spent in singing, rose, Church Bridge, and Hippings Vale work done during the past year and stating work it is hoped to accomplish in the bridegroom. After the ceremony a reception

CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOL

tea party at the Congregational school on in the Liberal Club. The social was pre- (President) occupying the chair. The half-Saturday. A fair number attended and the sided over by Mr. J. Wilson, and an enjoy- yearly report and balance sheet showed that Watkins, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Duckworth, Miss tertainment, and Mr. J. W. Sumner officia- corresponding half-year (27 half weeks), The room was tastefully decorated and Instead of on New Year's Day, the Duckworth Miss L. ling as accompanist. During the evening twelve months ago. After making allowthe eantata "Santa Claus is coming" by the Bridegroom is engaged in a motor works, members of the Educational Committee. It The syllabus from January to June of the children of the school. Mr. D. Pate was were the recipients of many valuable pre- was decided to subscribe £2 2s. each to the

WESLEYAN SCHOOL Misses Hanson, Hothersall and Earnshaw, whilst Mr. P. Elton and Mr. W. Rowe gave Festival, of Goole, soprago;

CO-OP MEETING. mendation from the committee that no G. Codd were M.C's. action should at present be taken with regard to securing representation upon the local governing bodies was agreed to. It was granted out of the profits:-£10 to the

the accompanist.

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CLAYTON-LE-MOORS.

Madder Clough Mill was re-started on Monday morning after a week's stoppage through slackness in trade. The operatives affected have received stoppage pay from the local Weavers' Association.

A WARM BED Three young men J R. Cornthwaite, Richard Simpson and S Bridge, were charged with sleeping out. P.C. Lawson said that at 11-30 the previous night he found the three men on a boiler at Stephen son's wipe works, Huncoat. The three had to vis ble means of subsistence. Prisoners were fined 5s. and costs or seven days. CONSERVATIVE CLUB.

The annual meeting of members of the Conservative Club was held on Thursday evening. Mr. A. E. Britcliffe presiding. Mr. Mr. W. Livesey, Church, carried out the W. T. Sumner presented a satisfactory buns being provided. Games, etc., were balance sheet and reported that the membership was about the same as last year. Britcliffe was re-elected president; the vicepresidents were re-elected; Mr. Sumner was re-appointed secretary, and Mr. W. H. Pickup, treasurer; and the following were elected on the committee: Messrs. J. (Rev. A. F. Johnson). M. Rawcliffe, Asquith, J. Pickup, G. Jackson, W. Eccles, and A. Wolstencroft.

> FOR BEING DRUNK. drunk and disorderly. It was stated that election of officers took place. defendant on Saturday, the 3rd, was so drunk | BAPTIST CHURCH. that he was unable to stand without assistance. The constable took him to the home Baptist Church this week. of his daughter, with whom he lodged, but evening the preacher was the Rev. J. Farthey refused to have him in. He was quhar, of Blackburn, and on Tuesday even ordered to pay costs.-Irving Hartley, a ing the Rev. I. Jones, of Clayton-le-Moors. drawer in Pickup-street, was fined 5s. and occupied the pulpit. At the service on Wed

BAPTIST SCHOOL.

The annual New Year's conversazione at the Baptist school was concluded on Commercial Mill Company, and Saturday evening, Mr. M. Stanesby, of Hun- Premier Mill Co., resumed work on Monday coat, presiding over a large attendance. The entertainment proceedings took the form of Bank mills, which closed on New Year's a concert given by the "Children's Coons." a troupe of scholars from Cannon-street Baptist School, Accorngion. They were under the conductorship of Mrs. Stanesby A special service was held in the Wes- and Miss Broughton, and rendered an ap- by the stoppages, leyan Church on Sunday evening, the preciated programme of songs, action songs

CO-OP. MEETING. Mr. T. Watson presided over a meet- elected scrutineers for twelve months: cases remaining on the books on December and F. Dunkley. As usual chief interest centred in the election of three directors. The retiring members were Messrs. T. Bulcock, J. Hardy and J. Wolstenholme, and the voting resulted as follows, the first three named being elected; R. T. Howson (85), B. Swales (85), J. Wolstenholme (81), J. Hardy

> failed to secure re-election. A CLAYTON WEDDING.

A wedding of considerable local interest was solemnised at the New Jerusalem Church, Clayton-le-Moors, on Wednesday afternoon, the contracting parties being Miss Eliza Nowell, daughter of Mr. Nowell, ring overlooker at Canal Mill, of Barnesstreet, and Mr. Walter Craven Wilson, son of Mr. C. Wilson, of Willows-lane, Accrington. The Rev. C. Newall, of Haslingden was the officiating minister, and the bride was attended by Miss P. Allen, cousin, whilst the duties of best man were discharged by Mr. W. Wilson, cousin of the was held at the home of the bride's parents, the Great Harwood Industrial Co-operative and later in the day a party of about 140 Society Ltd., was held in the British school The mothers' class held their annual guests were entertained to a tea and social on Monday evening, Mr. John Hodgson following ladies served at the tables: Mrs. able time was spent, various members of the the sales of the past 26 weeks amounted to A. Greenwood. Misses Greenwood. Mrs. company contributing to the evening's en- £79,294, as compared with £79,624 for the

CONVERSAZIONE.

The annual conversazione gatherings The annual tea party under the in connection with the Parish Church pianoforte duetts. Miss L. Thompson was Bardsley, tenor; and Mr. Hooper, bass. The Misses Rebinson and Samson and Messrs. power-looms at a mill in Clitheroe. Bardsley and Hooper sang duetts, and together they rendered in an effective manner The half-yearly meeting of members of the quartette "O Hush thee." Mr. E. Whitthe local Co-operative Society was held in taker was accompanist. At intervals durthe Co-op, assembly room on Monday even- ing the latter part of the evening the reing, Mr J. H. Hothersall presiding. The spective artistes rendered items in the report, particulars of which were given in lounge and smoke room. After the concert last Saturday's issue, was adopted. Messrs. dancing was indulged in in the assembly-Waterworth, Rudd and Hare, were re- room. Messrs, Wilson's band provided the elected auditors. Mr. H. Purcell gave a music, and Messrs. C. Smith. D. Smalley, R.

CLAYTON'S HEALTH REPORT.

A DECLINING BIRTH RATE. In his report to the District Council for the quarter ending December 31st, Dr. L. the Blackburn Orphanage; and £1 is. each Clayton-le-Moors, states that during the to the East Lancashire Deaf and Dumb whole of last year there was a decline in the Society, the Manchester Royal Infirmary and birth-rate as compared with 1912. During the Dr. James Craig Medical Officer of the local Old Folks' Treat Fund. A number past three months 39 deaths occurred-16 Health for Church, reports that during the gave notice to move the following resolu- males and 23 females equal to an annual each to pulmonary tuberculosis and honcurs.

pnuemonia. The number of births registered were 501-128 males and 22 femalesequal to an annual birth-rate of 22 per thousand. During the quarter there were 19 cases of infectious diseases notified, viz: Church on Sunday, the Rev. T. Naylor, St. Mary Magdalen's Boy Secuts Social, 7-30. of scarlet fever and diphtheria; three of tuberculosis other than pulmonary; and one each of enteric fever and erysipelas. For electro-plated and oak trays, each contain. Grand Theatre, Suffrage Demonstration, 7-30. the year 1913 the provisional estimate of births and deaths was as follows: Deaths 140 by Miss Mercy Taylor, in memory of her (in the district 130, and institutions outside sister, Anne Taylor; Mrs. William Pickup, 101 death-rate 15.3; births 206, birth-rate in memory of her mother, Annie Smith; Mr. 22.1, compared with the previous year the Ezekiah Sutton, in memory of his wife, birth-rate showed a decrease of 3.2 per Sarah Sutton; and by Mr. William Robert thousand. During the year illnesses arising Hartley, in memory of his father and from infectious diseases notified numbered mother, John and Ellen E. Hartley. Two from infectious diseases notified numbered mother, John and Ellen E. Hartley. Two Palace Theatre, Burnley, 7-9 27, and there were also 37 cases of tuber. electro-plated Communion plates were pre- Queen's Hall, Church, 7-9.

A CLAYTON HOUSEBREAKER. UNAVAILING DENIAL AT THE SESSIONS.

William Sharples, 6, Hygiene-terrace, Ciayton-le-Moors, and stealing a gold watch chain with two pendants attached. On the 25th of November the house was and his son returned at dinner-time it was found that all the drawers had been ransacked and the furniture turned upside which would fit the door of Sharples's Fulton. house was found in prisoner's possession. Reuben and Jane Cook, with whom prisoner lodged, could not swear to any of the keys. When prisoner was arrested the gold chain The weavers at Albion Mill have appointed was found in the tool-bag of his bicycle. Mr N. Rogers to represent them on the com- Prisoner said that on the day in question mittee of the Weavers' Association, in suc- he was looking for work, and it was sugges. Wednesday, George Law, electrician, 15, cession to Mr. E. Pounder, who has been ted that someone else had committed the offence and put the chain in prisoner's tool-

> mended him to leniency on account of his The Chairman in passing a sentence of Complainant said that about six o'clock on would be put through the modified Borstal

Mr. H. Walsh presided over a good attend-

afternoon in the Boys' school, coffee and the yard, afterwards locking the door. afterwards indulged in.

A special service of the members of the CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOL.

The annual meeting of the Congregational Young Men's Class and Institute took differences he had intended leaving his wife. Andrew Monk, an elderly man, place on Monday evening. Mr. T. Allcott On the day in question he was ascending the described as a spinner, was summoned at occupied the chair. Satisfactory reports of stairs for the purpose of packing his bag, Church Police Court on Thursday for being the year's working were presented and the when he was met by his wife, who struck

Special services have been held at the pay the advocate's fee. The scholars connected with Mary-street costs for being drunk and disorderly the nesday evening the pastor (Rev. E. G. Coles, gave the address.

WEAVERS' STOPPAGES. The employes of the Great Harwood morning. Messrs W. and J. Thompson's Eve, did not re-start until Tuesday morning owing to repairs being carried out. The sum of £859 15s, was paid out by the local Weavers' Association to members affected

Great Harwood Liberal Club was held on

LIBERAL CLUB. The annual meeting of members of the

Tuesday evening in the billiard room, Mr. J. R. Pollard presiding over a good attend-The quarterly meeting of members of lance. The President, (Mr. M. Haydock, the local Co-operative Society was held on J.P.), was re-elected, and Messrs. R. Monday evening in the Mechanics' In Shackleton and G. C. Bentley were restitute, Mr. J. C. Parker presiding over a appointed secretary and treasurer respec-The first meeting of the session in good attendance. The directors' quarterly tively. Messrs, A. Taylor and A. Boardman A meeting of the committee of and the N.S.P.C.C. £1 1s. The meeting also Nurse Stopkins for December showed that sanctioned a grant of £5 to the recent Old there were seventeen cases during the month Folks' treat fund. The following were and that 259 visits had been paid. The

> ST. JOHN'S. The four days' conversazione in connection with St. John's school which concluded on Saturday, were among the most There was a large successful vet held. gathering and Mr. L. Bentley's orchestra played for dancing. Songs were given at intervals by Mr. J. R. Wilcock (Ribchester). and Mr. Walter Greenhalgh, humorist, of Accrington. The duties of accompanist were

undertaken by Mr. L. Hodgson. WESLEYAN SCHOOL. worship, a deeper regard for the Scriptures and a definiteness in aim and conduct.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY. The quarterly meeting of members of ance for an extra week's trade the increase National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and the Blackburn and District Orphanage,

FUNERAL OF MRS. FLETCHER.

soprano; Miss L. Fell, con- Miss through indisposition, of the Rev. W. many that have been held under the same Deceased, who had reached the advanced Sanderson and R. Godley, tenors; and vided by the following artistes:-Mrs. W. sewing. She enjoyed splendid health and Messrs, R. H. Place and R. Holden, basses. Foulds, elecutionist; Miss Samson, of she was about as usual until a few days be-Duets were sung by Misses Earnshaw and R. Bolton, contralto; Miss Robinson, winner fore her death, which occurred on New In connection with the London College Banks, and solos were contributed by of a gold medal at Mexboro Festival, Year's Day. She was formerly a handloom and special first prize at Blackpool weaver and had to carry the cloth she had woven from Clitheroe to Ribchester. She subsequently worked for a short period on HARWOOD F.C.

> Much to the regret of the officials of the club. Great Harwood are without a match for a second Saturday in succession to-day. Originally they were booked to play Macclesfield, but that club have sent notice stating that they are unable to visit Harwood owing to their having to play a Cheshire Cup tie. Harwood have thus to keep their affairs at a standstill at a most interesting stage of the tournament, and it means that they will have Powdrill. Mary Louisa, 231, Union-road, Osa lot of hard work at the end of the season. At the end of the half-way mark Great Har- INTERRED AT CHURCH AND CLAYTON-LEwood may be said to have done fairly well, and they occupy a prominent place in the League chart. Much remains to be done, Mason, Florence Emma, 53, Maden-street however, before they can be assured of the promotion the officials so greatly desire. As a matter of fact at this stage last season Har- Rateliffe, Walter, 24, Grimshaw-street, Church, wood had a slightly better record than now, 18 games having yielded 24 points, as against 22 points from 19 games this season. Thus Holgate, Alice Ann. 9, Chapel-street, Church, has still to be done, and that the team will Franks, Elizabeth, 37, Wesley-street, Accring-

NEW COMMUNION CUPS. DEDICATED AT MOUNT ZION.

At the evening service at Mount Zion pastor, dedicated a new individual Holy | westey Circuit Guild Rally, 7-0. Communion service which consisted of four sented by Messas. James and Ezra and the Theatre Royal, Manchester, Pantomime, 7. Misses Margaret and Alice Ann Calvert, in memory of their mother, Alice Calvert, An electro-plated Filler has also been given by Mrs. Ellen Ann Calvert and Mrs. Mary Eliza-At Preston Sessions on Wednesday, mother, Nathan and Margaret Hindle, Mr. beth Baron in memory of their father and Thomas Wilfred Meyrick (21), labourer, was Naylor, in his address prior to the dedicacharged with breaking into the house of tion, said that for some time they had been considering the question of introducing an individual Communion service and when it was decided to do so, the persons abovenamed generously came forward and met left safely locked up, and when Sharples A linen cloth had also been given by rethe needs of the church in that direction. presentatives of a family which had done down. Some salmon had been eaten, and John Snape also spoke in terms of appre-3s. 4d. taken from the gas-meter. Three ciation of the donors of the service.—The keys were found in a field, and one key solo "Abide with me," was sung by Miss J.

A HUSBAND'S ASSAULT. MAN WHO WANTED A VOTE.

At the Blackburn County Police Court, on Beaconsfield-street, Great Harwood, was summoned by his wife for an assault. Mr. The jury found Meyrick guilty, and recom- A. Read appeared for the complainant, and Mr. Harry Backhouse for the defendant

four months, said in that period prisoner December 29th she left the shop of which she was the tenant, and returned home, where she found her husband in a drunken condition. He forced open with a penknife drawer in which she kept the money with which she paid her accounts, and he took £7 and also the key of the shop, thus preance at a concert held in the Band Club on venting her from returning to business, as Saturday evening when the programme was she had intended. They went out, although given by Mr. J. H. Croysdale's concert not together, and returned later, her husband falling asleep on the couch. In the early The scholars attending the Parish Church hours of the morning he dragged her out of Sunday school were entertained on Saturday bed, struck her twice, and turned her into

Cross-examined by Mr. Backhouse, com plainant said she had been separated from her husband, but had lived with him since young men's and young women's classes was August. The trouble had arisen not over the held in the Parish Church on Sunday after- money, but through defendant wanting her noon, an address being given by the vicar, to transfer the shop from her name to his, so that he could have a vote. An adopted daughter corroborated.

him, and he retaliated.

He was fined 40s, and costs, and ordered to

HASLINGDEN.

A paper in defence of women's suffrage was read by Mr. J. Ireson at the meeting of the young people's union in the Ebenezer Baptist Sunday school on Wednesday even- effective. Recalled, he gave "The Twelve The nineteenth annual report of the Hasingden Tradesmen's Mutual Plate Glass Association reports continued progress, Items of expenditure include the sum of £62 4s. 6d. paid for breakages. A dividend of 75 per cent, to members of the Plate Glass and Tradesmen's Association and of 50 per cent, to non-members is recommen- played brilliantly, and the rendition stamped ded, leaving a balance of £120 7s. 1d. MOTHERS' SOCIAL

A social gathering of members of the Mothers' Union at St. Andrew's Mission took place on Wednesday evening and was attended by about fifty persons. Mrs. McAlden presided and a miscellaneous programme was contributed by Mesdames Leach, Holt, McAlden and Harrison. Mrs. Harrison also accompanied the soloists. OBITUARY.

The interment took place at the Hasmillinery department of the Co-operative last item of a highly successful concert. Society, where deceased had been em-

ployed. AN ABUSIVE PERSON. At the Haslingden Police Court yesterday, Bridget Regan, an old woman of no fixed abode was charged before Alderman

Hamilton and Alderman Warburton with using very bad language at about 10-30 on short discussion it was decided to refer the refused to go away when spoken to, and had consisting of the Mayor (Councillor J. Harto be locked up. Prisoner told the magis- wood), Altherman Higham, Dewhurst, trates that a number of men were abusing Sprake, and Rawson, and Councillors Crawher, but Inspector Roddick gave her a bad, ford and Parsons. A meeting of the subname, and Sergeant Waiker stated that committee has not yet been held A meeting of the Wesley Guild was when brought to the police office prisoner held on Saturday evening. Mr. T. Edmond- used some the vilest language he had ever son presiding. A paper on "Love on Low- heard. She was a nuisance in the town. liness," was given by Mr. Herbert Tomlin- The night before she was drunk and was son and a short discussion followed .- taken to the lodging-house. Inspector Pastor E. E. Attwood gave an address to the Roddick said prisoner was not a Haslingden Men's class on Sunday afternoon when he woman though she had previously been be- William Day (20, labourer, was charged spoke on the need for a high value of public fore the magistrates there and discharged on promising to leave the town. A fine of 7s. 6d. and costs was imposed; in default

Deaths.

fourteen days' imprisonment.

SWEETMAN, - On the 3rd inst., at 7, Marketstreet, Church, Catherine, the beloved wife of Henry Hurst Sweetman; aged 71 years. JOHNSON (nee Hilda Logan) .- On January 3rd at Tantallon Lodge. Rhine-road. Seapoint. It was South Africa, Hilds. younger daughter of the Rev. J. Moffat and Mrs. Logan, and wife months. of Mr. Chas. Johnson; aged 30 years. POWDEILL. - On 6th inst., at 231, Union-road Oswaldtwistle, Mary Louisa (Minnie), beloved wife of Wallace Powdrill (daughter of the late Mr. R. Smith, 6, Christ Church-street, Accrington); age 34 years. Interment Acc- an inquest at Blackburn Infirmary on rington Cemetery, to-day (Saturday), RUSSELL.-On the 3rd January, at Grey Friars Cottage, Chester, the residence of her son-inlaw, Frances, widow of the late Dr. W. S. Russell, of Accrington and London, third | Tuesday, daughter of the late Edward Lee-Bellasyse. of Cefn-y-Wern, Chirk, aged 73 years. (No flowers by special request.)

their best thanks for floral tributes, and expressions of sympathy during their sad bereavement.-7, Market-street, Church. PILLING.-Mrs. A. Pilling and Family, 51, Wil. violently on the kitchen lows-lane. Accrington, desire to sincerely fractured her leg. She was medically attenthank all friends for their many expressions ded at home, and the same day was reof sympathy and floral tributes during their moved to the Blackburn Infirmary. Death recent bereavement. for the sympathy shown during her sad bereavement of her daughter Ada.-58, Elizabeth-street, Spring Hill, Accrington.

IN MEMORIAM. WALKDEN. - In loving memory of Frederick George Walkden, of 11, Clayton-street, who passed away Jan. 12th, 1909. From his Mother, Sister, and Brother Harold. 'To memory ever dear."

'To memcry ever dear." ley-road, Accrington INTERRED AT ACCRINGTON CEMETERY.

street, 49 years. Wilding, Ruth Alice, 21, Plantation-street, 11 years. Hindle, Ada, 58, Elizabeth-street, 29 years. Connelly, Eliza, 25. Cedar-street, 54 years. waldtwistle, 33 years.

Worthington, Francis Joseph, 78, Haywood-

MOORS CEMETERY. Marsden, Mary Ann, 4, Princess-street, Church. 67 years. Church, 28 years Hartley, Raymond, 49, Ernest-street, Church,

infant.

ton, 83 years.

COMING EVENTS.

TO-MORROW (Sunday). Free Church Council: Pulpit Interchange, 6-6.

MONDAY. Grand Theatre, 7-30. Empire Pictures, 7-9 Downy Pictures, 7-9. dippodrome, Accrington, 7-9 heatre Royal, Blackburn, 7-30. Palace Theatre, Blackburn, 7-9.

TUESDAY. Co-op. Society, Lecture, Oak-street, 7-30. WEDNESDAY. Young Liberals' Meeting, 7-30. SATURDAY

Barnes Square Wesleyans Re-opening, 3-0; also COMING SALES.

Jan. 12. Laucaster Horse Sale.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION and was still doing good service for the LIIGHER ANTLEY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Accrington.

Jan. 13, 57, Church-street, Church, Purniture

LECTURE, MONDAY EVENING, CHARLES DICKENS." by Rev. A. OATES, at 7-30.

TO-DAY'S SPECIALS.

Ladies' Chain: "Stella" Accrington Town Council Echoes: "An "Observer' Man" The Church and Social Questions-Health and Home: Dr. Robt. Watson ... Liberal Land Policy and the Shopkeeper -Liberal Correspondent Sports and Pastime: "The Odd Man" ... 10 Politics and Politicians
North of England Motor Exhibition J. P. Holland New Story, "The Shot in the Dark" The Exodus from the Land-Free Trade

TO-DAY'S ISSUE, 16 PACES, IS IN TWO SECTIONS.

Some Famous Restaurants

NIGHT'S CHAMBER CONCERT.

There was quite a local touch about the Chamber Concert held last evening in the Town Hall, Accrington. The vocalist, Mr. Campbell McInnes, now of London, is a native of Holcombe, who has established a high reputation; the solo pianist, Mr. F. Anderson Defendant said that in consequence of Tyrer, is an Accrington instrumentalist; and the violin soloist, Miss Elsa Kenyon, is a granddaughter of Mr. James Kenyon, of Marthness," and niece of Mr. R. W. Kenyon. Miss Kenyon studied for 21 years in Dresden under Petri, and is now under Mr. Brodsky at the Manchester College of Music. Each had a most encouraging reception, and quickly found favour. Mr. Campbell gave a magnificent interpretation of a trio of songs, "Die Ehre Gottes" (Beethoven), "Dort in den Weiden" (Brahms), and "Le Joli Tambour" (Graham Peel), each differing widely in temperament. He is the possessor of a bass voice of fine timbre. His vocalisation was remarkably good, Days of Christmas." Mr. McInnes' second suite consisted of "In Summer Time on Bredon" (Graham Peel), "Molly Brannagan" and "Jenny Nettles," the two latter being typically Irish and Scotch respectively.

Mr. Anderson Tyrer's contributions were Reflets dans l'eau " (Debussy), and "Scherzo in B. Flat Minor" (Chopin). Both were Mr. Tyrer as an exceptionally fine pianist, who should attain a prominent position in musical circles. He also was recalled. Miss Kenyon's selections were "Chanson Louis XIII. and Pavane" (Couperin-Kreisler).

"Andantino" (Martini-Kreisler), and "Mennet " (Porpora-Kreisler). Miss Kenyon surmounted the difficulties of technique with comfort, and gave an intelligent and sympathetic interpretation of the three numbers. She also maintained a fine tone throughout, even in the fortissimo passages. She was recalled. Mr. Seth Lancaster, the violoncellist, gave an lingden Parish Church on Monday of Miss acceptable rendition of "A Sonata" (P. Boni), Florence Woods Leigh, only child of Mr. an old but admirable composition. The three and Mrs. Leigh, of Paghouse-lane, whose instrumentalists united in a trie in B Flat of death at the age of 18 years has removed a Beethoven's, but there was a lack of cobesion highly esteemed member of the King-street which marred the rendition. Mr. Seth Lan-Wesleyan Chapel and Sunday school. Re- caster, in concert with Mr. Tyrer, also gave presentatives were present from the Cesar Franck's Sonata in A. This was the

THE ALDERMANIC QUESTION.

SUB-COMMITTEE TO PREPARE SCHEME. The Accrington Town Council after the monthly meeting on Monday considered the having been drunk and disorderly. P.C. question of a proposed alteration in the Webster said prisoner, who was drunk, was method of electing Aldermen and after a Thursday morning in Blackburn-road. She preparation of a scheme to a sub-committee

A SESSIONS CASE.

MAN WITH "CHRONIC LAZINESS." At Preston Sessions on Wednesday, John with stealing a jacket and a pair of overalls at Accrington, the property of Walter Greenhalgh, of Whalley-road, Accrington. Chief Constable Sinclair said that in 1902 Day was whipped for stealing eggs, and in 1904 he was sent to an industrial school There had since been other convictions and work had been found for him but he would not stick to it. He was apparently suffering from chronic laziness and perhaps

He was sent to hard labour for four

it was hereditary laziness.

OLD LADY'S FATAL FALL. Mr. D. N. Haslewood, acting coroner, held Thursday, on the body of Elizabeth Franks, aged 83, 37, Wesley-street, Accrington. widow, who died in that institution on

It appears that the deceased was very feeble, and almost blind. She was an oldage pensioner, and lived with her married sister, who was also an out-age pensioner, The interment took place in the SWEETMAN .- Mr. Sweetman and Family tender at the address given. On December 16th she was coming downstairs, and when a few steps from the bottom she slipped, and fell was due to exhaustion following on the

> The jury returned a verdict of "Accidental ACCRINGTONIANS' MARRIAGE

TAYLOR -HARRISON The marriage of the Rev. Vincent Taylor, FRANKLAND. - In loving memory of Thomas B.D. resident Wesleyan minister at Kirkby-Frankland, who passed to his eternal home, in Ashfield, and formerly of Accrington, and Miss Elizabeth Alice (Lizzie) Harrison,

-From his Wife, Daughter, Son, and Grand- daughter of Mr. J. E. Harrison, of Avenue son Norman, 129, St. John's-terrace, Burn- parade, Accrington, took place at Kirkby on Saturday, Service took place 'a the Wesleyan Chapel and was attended by Parker, William, 40, Oak-street, Accrington, 32 a large company of friends from all parts of the circuit. The officiating ministers were the Callaghan, Anthony, 18, Walter-street, 4 years. Revs. W. Wallace and H. W. Fuller The Greenwood, John. 5, Marlborough-street, 63 bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Emily Harrison, sister Miss Marion Taylor and Miss Elsie Taylor sisters of the bridegroom, and Miss Mary Hacking. The Rev. G. S. Smith was the best man. Amongst those present were Mrs. Taylor, of Accrington, and Miss Rigby of Seed Lee, Bamber Bridge.

Manchester Insurance Committee has asked panel doctors to agree to a scheme whereby no individuel practitioner shall receive more then an aggregate sum of £800 a year. The doctors in the crowded industrial areas are not favourable to the scheme. A new system of payment for Government life insurance has been introduced at the Post

Office. Persons between the ages of fourteen Connor, John, 22, High-st., Clayton-le-Moors, and fifty are eligible for insurance, the premiums ranging from 2d. to 6d a week until the age of sixty is attained. Applications for those who desire to set aside more than 6d. a week are specially dealt with. Insurances not Foster. Thomas, 25, Barnes-street, Church, exceeding £25 can be effected with or without medical examination.