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News from the Front

June July, August 1918

## THORNABY WORKS OFFENCE

How a Stockton Millwright robbed his employers

For what the Mayor of Thornaby (Alderman W. Whitwell) described as a most contemptible offence on Monday at Thornaby, J. Murgatroyd, millwright of 5 Middleton Street Stockton was fined £2 2s for obtaining 1s½d by false pretences, whilst John Gill apprentice fitter, 69 Queen Street, Thornaby was fined 10s 6d for aiding and abetting in the offence. The defendants were employed at Messrs Head Wrightson and Co., Works and on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> inst, Murgatroyd left the works at 3.50pm. He did not punch his number on the time clock, and at five 'o' clock when Gill was leaving he punched his own number and that of Murgatroyd's. In that way Murgatroyd sought to obtain pay for an hour and ten minutes which he had not worked. Mr A.H. Parkin who prosecuted said he had no desire to unduly press the case but his clients were obliged to take the proceedings as they believed the mean practice was carried on to some extent.

*Stockton & Thornaby Herald*

1<sup>st</sup> June 1918



## FISH AND CHIPS AFTER HOURS

Offenders fined at Stockton

Ernest Preston was charged with selling chips and hot cooked potatoes for consumption after 9.30pm on his premises, at Villiers Street on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May. It was pointed out that under the new lighting and heating order no hot meal could be served or cooked in such premises between the hours of 9.30pm and 5 am the defendant was fined 40s.

1<sup>st</sup> June 1918 *S and T Herald.*

## LOCAL ROLL OF HONOUR

### WOUNDED AND PRISONER

Pte J Dalrymple, York's Regiment, 14 Wilson Street, Thornaby.

### GASSED

Pte T.W Evans, Kings Liverpool's, 68a Parliament Street.

### PRISONER OF WAR

Pte James Mollard 95, Thornaby Road, Thornaby.

Lance-Corporal Charles Warring 30, Hume Street, Stockton.

Sig A Leck, 22 Swarthmore-Terrace, Thornaby.  
June 17<sup>th</sup> 1918 E.G

## CO-OPERATIVE ENTERPRISE

Manufacturer of jam started at Stockton

Every housewife knows difficulties have been experienced in obtaining her supplies of jam, the demand for which has been stimulated by the fact that owing to sugar restrictions many persons who formerly made their own preserves are unable now to do so, and are in consequence buyers of this commodity, besides which the restrictions in the supplies of other articles of food increases the demand for other commodities which are available. With commendable enterprise the Co-operative

Societies in the district, determined to take steps to relieve this for their members have acquired the well-known premises of Messrs Mandal and Co., in Tower Street Stockton, where they have already commenced Jam manufacture.

7<sup>th</sup> July 1918 E.G

## STOCKTON MAN'S DECISION

A charge of failing to join the army when called upon was proffered at Stockton today against William Hamilton aged 21, 49 Sheraton Street. Supt James stated that a notice to join up was served on Hamilton on the 17<sup>th</sup> July, and since then he failed to report himself. The prisoner who said he had decided that God should have all the services he could render, was fined 40s and ordered to be handed over to the military.

13<sup>th</sup> August 1918 E.G



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## LADY LONDONDERRY'S ESCAPE

Lady Londonderry had a narrow escape from death, or at least serious injury while travelling to Kingston Hill on a visit to Lady Titchfield last week.

She fell in front of a train which fortunately, was brought to a standstill in time. Although Lady Londonderry is still suffering from shock, she will resume her duties as a war worker in the course of a few days.

E.g. 15<sup>th</sup> July 1918

## THE STOCKTON MURDER

A reprieve for the condemned woman

Charlotte Swift (42) hawker, Stockton was sentenced to death at Durham Assizes for the wilful murder of her husband, has been reprieved. The accused was alleged to have stabbed her husband with a knife and she put in her plea that her husband had committed suicide. The juror added to a verdict of guilty a strong recommendation to mercy. The execution had been provisionally fixed for Tuesday.

20<sup>th</sup> July 1918.E.G.

## Stockton Sportsmen

Excellent results of their war weapons effort. At a meeting of the Stockton sports men's committee last evening the hon secretary Mr W. M Worth, reported that the results of last Saturdays efforts in conjunction with the war weapons week on behalf of the local war heroes fund, was that over £200 had been raised. The cost of the prizes and other expenses amounted to £67, the whole of which had been borne by private donations.

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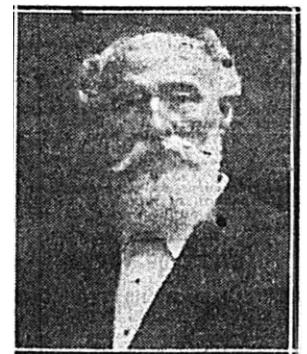
## BRIDEGROOMS CONFESSION

A south Wales's collier named Henry Williams who has been lodging in Middlesbrough, and later at Norton was at Stockton on Thursday committed for trial on a charge of bigamy. According to the evidence he married his wife Ellen Williams, on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 1908, and lived with her until he joined the army. He was discharged from the army and came to M/bro for work. His wife followed him, after staying with her a short time prisoner said to her you better go back as there is a possibility of me being recalled, and I would not like to see you destitute in M/bro. He then it alleged, went to Norton and made the acquaintance of Eliza Rodham. He walked out with her for 7 weeks then asked her to marry him. They went through a form of marriage. After a while Williams told her he was a married man. On the 26<sup>th</sup> June prisoner handed himself in at the police station. He was charged with bigamy.

24<sup>th</sup> August 1918-The Herald

## STOCKTON GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr and Mrs J Howcroft Riley of Mountroyd, Richmond Road, Stockton are celebrating , having been married at the Paradise-row Primitive Methodist Church Stockton on August 18<sup>th</sup>1868 .Mr Riley is one of the chief partners of the firm of Messrs Riley Bros, which he has been connected since 1872.



Mrs Riley is a descendant of the late Mr George Andrews, who was a friend of George Stephenson, under whom he was the contractor of the first railway. There have been a son and four daughters of the marriage. Many messages of congratulations are being received upon having reached the golden milestone of their married life.

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