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BLUNDERS IN THE WAR.

Within 24 hours of the formal declaration in the House of Commons that Peace is declared, the Leader of the Opposition intends, we are informed, to move for the appointment of a Committee to enquire into and report upon the general conduct of the war. This enquiry cannot be refused, for Mr Balfour has on two or three occasions promised it; Mr Brodrick has undertaken that a searching investigation shall be carried out; Lord Lansdowne and Lord Salisbury have agreed that as soon as hostilities were over we must probe the blunders which have been committed, from Colenso to Vlakfontein. After every war comes the reckoning. While our Army faces the enemy there can be no inquest into their faults. When enquiry has been demanded hitherto it has been refused on the ground that it would be impossible to ascertain facts from officers while fighting in the field. That reason no longer holds, and the whole nation will desire that the lessons of this war shall be thoroughly learnt.

Although this demand will come officially from the Opposition, it must not be understood that it is in any sense a Liberal policy. The keenest critics of the errors committed in South Africa have been on the Government benches. It does not lie with the members of his Majesty's Government to whip officers engaged in a life and death struggle, but we may be sure that every Minister in the Cabinet has noted the costly failures which have done so much to protract the campaign. Mr Balfour, as we have just learned, was the first to be informed of the fatal hesitation which all but led to the abandonment of the campaign in Natal. His telegram in reply, ordering General Buller to persist or to hand over his command, is a sign of the temper in which Ministers have dealt with errors. The decision to send Lord Roberts out, the appeal to the country to supply Volunteers, the preparation for another 12 months' fighting, are indications, not only of determination, but of the conviction that blunders in our present scheme are, perhaps, unavoidable. And from that determination and that conviction we are entitled to assume the grinding of teeth at the flaws in organization, the mistakes in judgment, the wastefulness as to material which mark the conduct of this war.

The Empire as well as the Opposition calls for a full and searching enquiry. This struggle has, in one sense, been a great blessing. It has not only enfranchised South Africa; it may prove to have saved the British Dominions. The Empire has been on its trial. The Army which has to defend the Empire has fortunately been put to the proof in a part of the world where war could be carried on, in a sense, with limited liability, and not in the cockpit of Europe. It now rests with the Government—and we may be perfectly certain it realises its responsibility in this matter—to ascertain in detail, not who committed an error in the face of the enemy, who showed lack of wit in time of emergency, who was outmanœuvred by De Wet, who fell into the trap carefully laid by De La Rey; but generally, why it comes to pass that the British Army has not been able to crush a militia force of Boer farmers without the enormous expenditure of life and money which this war has cost. It would be best that this enquiry should be held in public, and that the results should be published on the housetops. No good comes from secrecy; secrecy, indeed, in matters affecting the very life of the State, is a sin against the Constitution; but whether the enquiry is a Court-Martial with open doors or a Royal Commission held without the presence of reporters, it is imperative that the conclusion come to should be made known. It is possible a Committee of Experts, after full consideration of this campaign, will come to the conclusion that the Army, as at present organised, is out of date, that the Intelligence Department has not been properly equipped, that the Remount Department is not fitted for its work, that the Cavalry might be less well mounted but better educated and recruited from a different class, that the drill which makes excellent Venetian blinds of the rank and file should be dropped, that intelligence must be the primary object of discipline. Whether a smaller Army of experts—officered by experts—both officers and men entering the Army as men enter crafts and professions, with a view to advancement, as well as from love of the work—would best suit the Empire; three army corps as well equipped, as mobile, as apt at real fighting as the Corps of Guides;—whether this is the prescription for our ailments, or conscription has become a necessity, it is equally necessary that the flaws in the present system shall be analysed. This is probably the greatest task remaining to Lord Salisbury's Government. England must wake up in many departments if the country is to retain its position as mother of the Empire, the chief carrier of the world, the leader in commerce, the centre of the financial world; but in no department is reform more urgent than in that of insurance against enemies. At present we are at peace with all the world; we owe that peace to the proof we have just given to the Powers that there is practically no limit to our resources, and absolutely no limit to our resolve to so keep ourselves in balance that the quarrel shall end in our success. Graver disputes than the trouble over the Uitlanders await us in the near future. There is, we fear, in Northern China, a peril which can not only be settled by Russian withdrawal, and Russia will not withdraw unless Great Britain is in a position to insist. Germany may come a day from her Emperor's hand, and we shall find ourselves with a Prussian Fashoda to settle. If British interests in the Persian Gulf, in China, and at a dozen points where jealous Powers are in contact, are to be safeguarded, we must be in the position of the strong man armed, and that position we can only occupy if we have an Army purged of the errors that led to disasters in South Africa. The Government will see to this, without any nagging from the Opposition. They have already done as much by way of preparation for reforms as has been consistent with a refusal to worry our enemies while engaged in war. They will now continue that task and deserve the everlasting gratitude of their country, as well for declining the work of partisans as responsible for carrying it right through when the moment for enquiry and re-organization arrives.

HONI SOIT QUI MAL Y PENSE.

We commend the Royal motto to the especial attention of the residents of Mid Norfolk. They are to lose their Coronation festivity, to which all classes looked forward with great pleasure, by reason solely of the unworthy suspicions and unfair complaints of the Liberal leaders in the constituency. A gift conceived in the truest spirit of frank generosity has been wilfully misconstrued by Sir Billiams of the division; the jaundiced view has been adopted by one whose position as judge should have convinced him of the sin of presuming a fault where none but good intents are obvious; and so it comes to pass that the dinner which Mr and Mrs Boyle, of Elsing-hall, had proposed giving in honour of the King's Coronation has been cancelled.

The history of this proposal deserves to be studied whenever honest politicians meet. It originated in the evident preference of many of the villagers of Norfolk for a public dinner as the best way of rejoicing on June 25th. Other plans of various sorts have been propounded in this, as in neighbouring counties, plans that run from refurbishing the village pump to the buying of a recreation-ground or the erection of a monolith; but it has been universally felt that, whatever else was done, opportunities should be made for giving dinners to the poor,—where possible, in the company of the whole parish,—so that the lowly as well as their betters may drink the King's health and toast the Queen's Majesty on the day of their crowning. In many hamlets the idea lags for want of funds; but it everywhere finds favour. It is the traditional British way of rejoicing. And, let us add, it is the tradition of our gentry to assist in providing that form of rejoicing. What the state banquet is to the Peers, the long ranges of tables, on the village green and the "old English fare" of roast beef, plum pudding, and nut-brown ale is to the man who rarely has a high day or holiday, and whose main idea of a festival is to sit pleasantly with his neighbours at a groaning board.

It was a kindly thought on the part of Mr and Mrs Boyle, therefore, to express to Mr Thomas Cranmer their desire to contribute £500, to be shared throughout the division in such a way and in such proportion as Mr Cranmer should see fit, in order that every village should be ready to entertain the poor on Coronation-day. Mr Cranmer drew up a well-thought-out scheme, by which the main portion of the money should be devoted to dinners for 3,000 widows, people on poor relief, and the aged, and the balance to providing the wherewithal for drinking the health of King and Queen, the arranging of rural sports, and the supply of music and fireworks.

Now mark how the disingenuous Radical mars the kindest scheme. Eighteen months ago there was a General Election in Mid Norfolk, and Mr Boyle was the Unionist candidate. It has seemed right to the men who defeated him to set abroad the insinuation that Mr Boyle's gift was nothing more nor less than a bribe in advance, that the offer was really a mercenary one, and no more than a bid for votes. There was a Radical meeting at East Dereham on the 16th May; the chief speakers were Sir W. Brampton Gurdon, M.P., Mr Fred Wilson, the M.P. for Mid Norfolk, and his Honour Judge Willis, of the County Court. Judge Willis made occasion to remark that those who protested against the Education Bill "were glad to have the sympathy of Free Churchmen, but were not going to buy them by enormous gifts." On Thursday, May 22nd, there was a Liberal demonstration at Cromer, and the chairman, in introducing Mr Fred Wilson to the gathering, remarked that that gentleman's late opponent in Mid Norfolk was endeavouring to make an unfair use of the Coronation festivities, to his own advantage and the disadvantage of Mr Wilson. So far as we can learn, Mr Wilson did not in any way repudiate this utterly unworthy and unfounded suggestion.

Mr Boyle has met this most unfair assumption—this gratuitous insult—in the only way possible. He would have been pleased to know that by his means aged widows and young children were enabled to cry "Health to the King" and "God bless her Majesty" after a Coronation dinner, but the insinuation of bad faith left him no alternative but to withdraw his promised gift. Let us hope that those who have affected to see a bid for votes in a charitable subscription will at least make sure that no loss of pleasure follows to those who cannot hope to afford it from their own purses. But is not this spirit of suspicion, which would make it a penal matter for a man possessed of political enthusiasm to do an act of kindness to his poorer neighbours, contemptible? Mr and Mrs Boyle have devoted their gift to another worthy object, designed to benefit the dwellers in rural districts. To that, surely, the conscientious gentlemen—sitting Liberal members and prospective Liberal candidates—who, on the very eve of the last General Election formed in the divisions some of them were contesting an association for providing labourers with small holdings, is scarcely object. At the present moment Mr Boyle is not even a candidate for Mid Norfolk. The misconstruction of the generous instinct which led to the offer of the dinner will, in the long run, hurt only those who stooped to think ill of Mr and Mrs Boyle.

PEACE.

Proposed Celebration in Norwich.

We understand that the Mayor has arranged for a torch-light procession to take place on the evening of the day on which peace is proclaimed. The procession will leave the Artillery Barracks at 8.30, and will proceed by the under-mentioned route:—

Artillery Barracks,
Queen's-road,
Chapel-field-road,
St. Giles-street,
The Walk,
Bridge-street,
Bishopgate, Horse-street,
Red Lion-street,
Orford-place,
Walk,
London-street,
Queen-street,
Tombland,
Round Lavatory, Tombland,
Upper King-street,
Prince of Wales-road,
Round the Triangle, Prince of Wales-road,
Prince of Wales-road,
London-street,
Market-place.

The procession will terminate in the Market-place, when the assembled military bands will play the National Anthem.

Colonel Shepherd has kindly consented to the military taking part in the procession, and members of the various Volunteer corps are requested to assemble at the Artillery Barracks, Upper Surrey-street, at 8 o'clock.

"The Mayor will be pleased for as many members of the Corporation as can to join in the procession as possible, and he has arranged for wagonettes to be at the Barracks at 8 o'clock for such members of the Corporation as may wish to accompany him.

The Mayor hopes that citizens on the line of route will decorate their premises with bunting.

Pending new marks Norwich bows 5 p.m., the above programme will be adhered to the same night, otherwise on the following night.

ORDERS BY COLONEL SHEPHERD.

The following orders, dated May 28th have been issued by Colonel Shepherd, commander of the regimental district:—

The troops, one Depot, Norfolk Volunteer Artillery, and the 1st V.B.N.R., with bands, to assemble at the Artillery Barracks, Surrey-street, at 8 p.m., where the Norfolk Artillery will also assemble, to march off at 8.30. Those men who have served in South Africa to be formed separately, and to act as a guard (under Captain Athill) to the Mayor and Corporation.

ORDER OF PROCESSION.

The following will be the order of procession:—

Torch-bearers,
Band, Norfolk Volunteer Artillery,
Norfolk Volunteer Artillery,
Torch-bearers,
Band, 4th Norfolk Regiment,
Depot, Norfolk Regiment,
Torch-bearers,
South African heroes,
The Mayor,
Corporation,
Torch-bearers,
Band, 1st V.B. Norfolk Regiment,
1st V.B. Norfolk Regiment,
Torch-bearers.

IN THE DIVORCE COURT.

Local Cases.

Two suits of local interest were tried in the Divorce Court on Wednesday, before sir Francis Jeune, President.

GIBBARD v. GIBBARD AND MITCHELL.

In this case Arthur Gibbard, a carpenter, of Gorleston, claimed a dissolution of his marriage with the respondent, Mary Ann Gibbard, on the ground of her misconduct with John Robert Mitchell. The suit was undefended. The petitioner, in his evidence, said that he was married to the respondent on March 22nd, 1898, at Gorleston. In December, 1899, she left him, and he had seen her only twice since then. Five or six years ago he heard that she had been married again. He had not the means then to bring a suit for a divorce. In April last he saw her at a place near Lowestoft, where she was living, and she then told him that she had married again, and had had five children. She said she had believed he was dead. A certificate of the birth of a child in 1895, John Robert Mitchell being the father, was put in, and other evidence was given to prove that respondent and co-respondent had been living together. A decree nisi was granted.

HUGHES v. HUGHES.

This suit was brought by Mr. Walter Gordon Hughes, living at Valley-field, King's Lynn, for a divorce from his wife, Mary Louise Hughes, nee Harvey, on the ground of her misconduct with Mr. W. Clinch. There was no defence. Mr. Le-Bas appeared for the petitioner, and explained that the marriage took place on January 15th, 1892, at the Registry Office, St. George's, Hanover-square. The parties afterwards lived together at various places in London, and eventually at a boarding-house in Colville-square, Bayswater. There were two children of the marriage. The petitioner and his wife lived happily together for about three years. The wife gave way to intemperance and this led to quarrels. In July, 1901, the petitioner went to Norfolk, and on his return on July 7th he was surprised to find his wife was away. He received a telegram from her on the 8th, which ran, "Home this evening. Perfectly safe." She returned home at eleven o'clock, and said she had stayed at the house of a Miss Barrett, a friend of hers. He accepted that explanation. Two days afterwards she went away ostensibly to visit her mother at Beckhampstead, and he received a telegram from her stating, "Staying here to-night." The next day a telegram came from the mother, "Impossible to keep baby, up all night." His suspicions being aroused, petitioner went to see Miss Barrett, who informed him that Mrs. Hughes had never been near her. He received another telegram from his wife, which ran, "With May (her sister) if you want to see me." She subsequently returned home, and said that she had stayed at a hotel at Willesden Junction. He said he would forgive her if she would point out the hotel. She made various excuses for not doing so, and petitioner declined to live with her any longer. Hearing rumours as to her conduct he made inquiries and traced his wife to Pope's-lane, Ealing, where he found she was living with the co-respondent. Evidence having been given in support of counsel's statement a decree nisi was granted, with costs.

THE FUNERAL OF MR LISLE SMITH.

At the funeral of Mr. Lisle Smith, son of the late Mr. George Selfe Smith and Mrs. Selfe Smith, The Terrace, Driffield, Yorkshire, which took place in the cemetery of that town on Wednesday afternoon, the mourners included Mrs. Selfe Smith (mother), Mrs. Baxstone and Miss Smith (sisters of the deceased); Messrs Tonge (cousins), Messrs. D. Holtby, Robert Tonge Holtby, and Mr. Hugh Campbell, late manager London and Yorkshire Bank, Limited, Driffield. In addition to beautiful wreaths from the relatives, there was one from the managers and staff of the National Provincial Bank, at Norwich, and one from Mr. J. J. Wycliffe Goodbun, Bournemouth, and the servants of Mrs. Selfe Smith, Driffield. The coffin was one of massive oak with brass mountings, and the plate thereon bore the inscription—"William Lisle Smith, died 24th May, 1902, aged 39 years." The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs George Shepherdson and Son, Ltd., Driffield.

DEATH OF AN OLD NORWICH DRUMMER.

Many in Norwich will learn with regret of the death of Mr William Tyrrell, which took place a couple of days since at Blackburn at the age of 75. Deceased in his day was one of the best drummers in the country and as a tutor was unsurpassed. He was formerly a member of Carrow Band, and he also belonged to the local rifle and militia bands, the old Norwich Mus al Union, and the Theatre orchestra. He had been residing with his eldest son at Blackburn for the last three years. He formerly worked at Carrow, and upon his retirement was granted a pension.

The funeral took place at Norwich Cemetery on Thursday. It was of a strictly private character, but the fact of his interment was not forgotten by many of his old-time friends who had been associated with him in the Carrow Works Band, the old Norwich Band, conducted by Mr. Chas. Widdows, and the band of the 1st V.B.N.R. The deceased was acknowledged to be one of the best drummers in the country. The bearers consisted of four of his old comrades of the Carrow Works Band—Messrs. Morton, Headley, Wright, and Robbins—and the service was conducted by the Rev. G. N. Herbert, vicar of St. John de Sepulchre. The chief mourners were Mr. W. Tyrrell (Blackburn, son); Mr. A. Tyrrell (Diss, son); Mr. G. Tyrrell (Norwich), son, and Mrs. Tyrrell; Mr. G. Shoulding (Diss), son-in-law, and Mrs. Shoulding; Mr. and Mrs. D. Tyrrell, Miss E. Tyrrell (Norwich) and Miss Alice Tyrrell (Norwich, daughters; Mrs. Billings, sister; Mr. H. D. Abbott, and Mr. J. Carter. There were numerous beautiful wreaths from the family, and also from members of the Carrow Band, the churchwardens of St. Peter Southgate and St. Etheldred's, and Mr. Magerison (Blackburn).

OLD NORWICH TRADESMAN DIES.

A very old Norwich tradesman has just passed away in the person of Mr W. R. Rimm. Deceased, who resided at 20 Vauxhall-street, has carried on the business of a hairdresser for upwards of 45 years. Until five years ago he pursued his business in Red Lion-street, but when the Tramway Company required the property for street widening purposes he removed to Rampant Horse-street. He was taken ill nearly three weeks ago, and died from Double pneumonia supervened on Wednesday, and his death occurred on Friday morning, at the age of 66. The deceased was well known throughout the city, and amongst the friendly societies of the district he was a familiar figure, being connected Belaile' both with the Ancient Order of Oddfellows. He had his recently returned from Cork, where he attended the annual assembly of the Royal Liver Society, as a delegate from Norwich. Among other positions, he held that of sideman at St. Andrew's Church, and a short service will be held in that church on Tuesday afternoon, just previous to the funeral.

The funeral of the late Mr. W. R. Rimm, who carried on business at 20 Vauxhall-street, Red Lion-street, and subsequently in Rampant Horse-street, took place at the cemetery on Tuesday. The preliminary period of the service was performed at St. Andrew's Church, of which the deceased was a sidesman. The service was choral, and was conducted by the vicar, the Rev. E. G. Copeman, and the coffin was carried into the church by members of various friendly societies with which the deceased had been connected, the organist played "O rest in the Lord." The mourners were the sons and daughters, and other members of the family, and there was a large footing of brethren of the societies, whose interests the deceased had long supported. Those included P.M.G. Bro. R. G. Howard, A.O.F., and Court Prospect was represented by A. G. Denham, C.R., W. W. Wilde and T. W. Cooper, trustees; E. R. Peden, secretary, G. Norman, and J. Fisher; Messrs. T. Batch (vice-president), Sipper and Yaxley (trustees), J. Williment (secretary), and Dr McCalender (surgeon), of the Medical Institute. Messrs. B. Smith (president), Cream, Abigal, and Lemmon (trustees), J. Rudling (secretary), Hastings, W. Cooper, &c., of the Norfolk and Norwich Unity of Oddfellows. The 1st Norfolk Volunteer Battalion, of which the deceased was for many years colour-sergeant, and for his long service received the V.D. medal, was represented by Private Marshall, of his old company, No. 4, and Sergeant Howes, of the 3rd Company. Other persons present included churchwardens (Messrs. J. A. Colman and W. R. Gurley), Sadd, A. A. Palmer, H. P. Colman, &c. The coffin was met at the door of the church by the vicar and choir, and was carried to the chancel steps, where it was deposited. The Psalm was sung by the choir, and the lessons read by Mr. W. R. Gurley. The hymn "Now the labourer's task is o'er" was then sung, and the coffin was borne from the church to the hearse in readiness to carry it to the cemetery. As the mourning party left, the organist played Chopin's "Funeral march." At the cemetery the committal service was performed by the Rev. A. G. Copeman.

DEATH OF ANOTHER OLD CITY TRADESMAN.

Mr H. R. Brazell.

It is our painful duty to record the death of another old Norwich tradesman. The deceased gentleman is Mr Henry Robert Brazell, who for the last ten or twelve years has traded on the Walk as a china and glass merchant under the style of Spratt and Brazell. Previous to taking up the partnership, Mr Brazell fulfilled the duties of manager to the late firm of Messrs Lovell and Co., St. Andrew's, and this position he held for 38 years, giving the greatest satisfaction to his employers. He was of a retiring disposition, and took no part in public affairs. By a large circle of friends he was held in the highest esteem, and his death, which occurred at the residence of his daughter, at Rotherwood, in the age of 72, will be greatly deplored by them. The funeral takes place at the Rosary on Thursday.

The affecting incidents witnessed at the graveside of the late Mr. Henry Robert Brazell at the Rosary Cemetery on Thursday, spoke eloquently of the esteem and regard in which the deceased gentleman was held, not only by his more intimate friends, but by his tenants and others associated with him. The funeral procession was met at the little chapel by the Rev. J. Holden, M.A., who conducted the service. The mourners included Miss Brazell (daughter), Mrs. F. Bailey (daughter), Mr. H. Brazell (son), Mr. A. Brazell (son), Mrs. Worts, Mrs. Brazell (daughter-in-law), Mr. E. Brazell (grandson), Mr. F. Bailey (son-in-law), Mrs. Hindry, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reeve, Miss Saul, Mr. Lynn, Mr. Searles, Mr. Bailey, jun., and Mr. Brown. There were a number of the deceased's old friends present to pay a last tribute of respect to one who had led a most quiet and unostentatious life, and included amongst these were Mr. W. Saul, Mr. W. Bennet, Mr. J. Nicholls, Mr. J. Loose, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bock, Mr. W. Avey, Mr. J. H. Knights, Mr. H. J. Kahler, Mr. and Mrs. W. Oliver, Mr. H. Mallett, Mr. Burt, and many of Mr. Brazell's tenants. The plain oak coffin had a plate with the inscription:—"Henry Robert Brazell. Died May 25th, 1902; aged 72 years." In addition to some beautiful floral tokens sent by members of the family, wreaths came from Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reeve, Mrs. H. Stoughton, Mr. H. R. Mallett, Mr. and Mrs. Waghorn, Mr. and Mrs. Littleboy, and "One of his tenants."

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

The Prince of Wales's Norfolk Royal Garrison Artillery Militia.—Capt. and Hon. Major (Honorary Lieut.-Colonel in the Army) Sir S. B. Cromley, Bart., to be Major and to be granted the Honorary rank of Lieut.-Colonel. Lieut. J. M. Wilson to be Captain.

3rd Norfolk Regiment (Militia).—Lieut.-C. M. Jickling to be Captain.

The wife of a Middlesbrough blast-furnaceman, who has lately become the mother of triplets, has received the King's bounty, together with a letter from Sir Dighton Probyn.

Sergeant Press, of the Royal Marines, was riding on the step of a tramcar at Gosport when the car turned a sharp corner, and Press was flung into the road. He has since died.

Mrs. Sophia Goodwell, a lady 100 years old, died on Tuesday at her residence in Norwood-road, London.

The Local Government elections in Cootle-Dublin have resulted in a victory for the Nationalists. The Unionists can exert but little influence in local affairs.

THE FUNERAL OF MRS PATTESON

The remains of Mrs John Patteson, wife of the Rev. Canon Patteson, who died at Heigham Grove House, on Sunday morning, after a brief illness, were interred on Wednesday at Cringleford Church, where rest in the family vault many members of the Patteson family.

The deceased lady, who was born on January 27th, 1830, was the eldest daughter of Samuel Hoare, the Lombard-street banker, and his wife, formerly Miss Louisa Gurney, of Earlham. She was married to the Rev. (now Canon) Patteson at the parish church of Hampstead, on June 23rd, 1856, when he was resident in Chelsea, and it will be fresh in the minds of our readers that they celebrated their golden wedding at Thorpe in 1895. They had three daughters and two sons. The eldest son married Almeria, daughter of Captain Hamond, and the other son, Frank Eugene, holds an appointment in India. The eldest daughter, Alice Juliana, was married at Thorpe Church, on December 14th, 1882, to the Rev. Joseph Charles Hoare, C.M.S. missionary, Ningpo, China, fourth son of the Rev. E. Hoare, Vicar of Holy Trinity, Tunbridge Wells, and she died at Ningpo in the following year, on November 15th, 1883, aged 28. Another daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, married on June 3rd, 1897, at Holy Trinity Church, Heigham, Canon (now Archdeacon) Sidney Pelham, third son of the late Bishop of Norwich. The late Mrs Patteson took an active part in all movements that tended to the spiritual and temporal welfare of her fellow-creatures, and her interest in missionary enterprise was very marked.

The funeral was of a private character by the expressed wish of the family, but this fact did not prevent a considerable number of persons assembling in the rustic churchyard with its early summer flowers bedecking the graves of the departed with their full and attractive bloom. Among those who journeyed to the place of sepulchre and who were to be seen in the beautifully restored church or at the graveside were the Sheriff of Norwich (Col. Patteson), the Mayor (Mr Russell J. Colman), Sir S. Hoare, M.P., Mr Brodie Hoare, Mr W. D. Hoare, Mrs Hoare, Miss Barclay, Mr Francis Hoare, Mr J. H. Buxton, Mr M. Birkbeck, Miss Birkbeck, Miss Burroughes, Mrs Hammond (Weke), Miss Pelham, Miss Helen Hoare, Canon Hoare, Mr C. Foster, Mr E. G. Buxton, Mr H. G. Barclay, Mr G. H. Morse, Mr G. F. Burton, Mr J. H. Gurney, Col. Herring, Mr T. C. Blofeld, Mr W. E. Hansell, Major Cubitt, Mr C. L. Buxton, Mr J. Favor Barnes, Rev. F. R. Phelps, Rev. C. W. Claridge, Rev. J. and Mrs Callis, Rev. A. G. Blyth, Mr H. J. Mills, the Rev. Temple Browne, Major Morse, Mr H. R. Candler, Mr C. Clabburn, and many others, who included some of the inhabitants of the surrounding districts.

Three o'clock was the time fixed for the commencement of the obsequies in the quiet little churchyard. Nearly twelve o'clock the hearse, containing the pall-covered coffin, which bore several floral tokens of affection, was met at the church gates by the Bishop of Victoria (the Right Rev. J. C. Hoare) and Archdeacon Pelham. The chief mourners were the Rev. Canon Patteson, Mrs Pelham, Miss Patteson, and Mr Frank Patteson, and the other occupants of the mourning coaches constituted the servants of the household. The opening sentences of the Burial Service were read by Archdeacon Pelham, and he also conducted the service at the graveside, which was filled to its utmost capacity. While the congregation were assembling, the Rev. T. S. Cogwell, on the organ, played several beautiful selections of music appropriate to the solemnity of the occasion upon the pneumatic organ, which forms one of not the less noteworthy features of the church building. Following the introductory prayer the hymn "I know that my Redeemer lives" was sung. The beautiful lesson from Corinthians was effectively read by the Bishop of Victoria, and after the Benediction had been pronounced the hymn "Jesus, lover of God our Saviour" was sung. The wreath-strewn coffin was then carried from the church, where it had rested on a bier near the porch throughout the service, to the grave in that portion of the churchyard reserved for members of the Patteson family. The grave was lined with moss, and with such spring-time flowers as the daisy and the hottercup, the forget-me-not, and the white lilac. The coffin was of plain polished oak with brass furniture, and the plate bore the following inscription—

"ELIZABETH PATTESON,
Born June 27th, 1830.
Died May 25th, 1902."

The committal sentences of the service were read by the Bishop of Victoria, and the "Dismissal" had been said by these assembled, the rite concluded with the Benediction, which was pronounced by Archdeacon Pelham.

The many beautiful wreaths placed upon the coffin came by special request from the members of the household, the sons and daughters being wreaths in the capable hands of Messrs. Caley & Co.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY IN NORWICH

The Dean's Suggestion.

Speaking at the Nave Service at Norwich Cathedral on Sunday evening, Dean Lefroy said he was anxious to make his hearers practically interested in the hospital of the city. The annual collection for Hospital Sunday Fund would be made on Sunday, June 8th, and there would be three collections at the Cathedral. Its congregation gave—he might express an opinion upon a point the full conditions of which were unknown to him—fairly well. But it was time it did better, because the need was great and growing, and the work to be sustained was precious to God and to men. He suggested that they should all agree that the Norwich collection on the evening of the date he had announced, should be a silver and gold collection. He mentioned it in this early in order that opportunity for thrift might be utilised. A fortnight's frugality in the consumption of tobacco, whether in pipes, cigarettes, or cigars—or in the abstention to some extent from amusements or enjoyments, would more than double the ordinary collection. It would contribute a great blessing and moral advantage on those who made the sacrifice. It would be well pleasing to their Father in Heaven, and most helpful to the alleviation of human suffering. He trusted those good people out and out. Their prayers be answered. Their practical aid be expected. Their sympathy and, with suffering, in Christ's name, exerted name, he claimed.

THE DUKE OF YORK'S OWN LOYAL SUFFOLK HUSSARS.

The Mayor of Lowestoft has received the following communication:—

"Dear Mr. Mayor,

"As the officer commanding the Loyal Suffolk Hussars, I write to heartily thank the Corporation and public of Lowestoft for their liberality in presenting the regiment with a sum of money (£35 19s.) which provided prizes for the regimental sports held last Thursday.

"It is a kindness which, I can assure you, has been very much appreciated by all ranks of the regiment under my command.

"Let me also take this opportunity of expressing the pleasure it has given us to come to Lowestoft for our annual training, a pleasure which has been very much increased by the evident desire on the part of the town to give us so warm a welcome.

"When the time comes for the regiment to depart, I feel sure that the universal hope throughout all ranks will be that before long we may have an opportunity of paying another visit to Lowestoft.

"I am, yours very faithfully,

"E. W. BAIRD."

The committee of the prize fund and the subscribers were the following:—

Committee, Messrs. E. Tuttle, F. Spashett, E. C. Titcomb, H. J. Eastaugh, Secretary, E. J. Cann. List of donations:—The Mayor, £21; W. B. Cooper, £1 1s.; Devereux and Son, £1 1s.; H. Stebbings, 10s. 6d.; E. E. Johnson, 10s. 6d.; H. J. Eastaugh, 10s. 6d.; J. W. Brooke, 5s.; R. C. Mayhew, 10s. 6d.; B. S. Bradbeer, 10s. 6d.; A. G. Emms, 5s.; Morgan Hulett, 10s. 6d.; F. Spashett, 5s.; E. Tuttle, 5s.; A. Adams, 5s.; Everitts, Ltd., 5s.; Walter and Smith, 5s.; G. Elsey, 5s.; W. Mobbs, 5s.; H. R. Boardley, 5s.; E. A. Smith, 10s. 6d.; F. Flood, 5s.; A. Marshall, 5s.; E. F. Preston, 5s.; T. Hobson and R. B. Capps, 10s. 6d.; Chas. Y. Fry, 5s.; H. H. Copeman, 5s.; Jno. Chambers, 5s.; J. Beckett, 5s.; Paris W. Watson, jun., 5s.; C. Burton and Sons, £1 1s.; H. G. Jones, 5s.; Barber and Thain, £1 1s.; A. G. Notley, 10s. 6d.; E. E. Dennington, 10s. 6d.; A. B. Capps, 5s.; E. C. Titcomb, 5s.; W. F. Rice, 5s.; total, £35 19s.

LADIES' GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

Local Scores.

The following are the results of games of local players in the first round of the Ladies Golf Championship meeting on the links of the Cinque Ports Club, at Deal:

Miss Dodd (Moreton) beat Miss Sparrow (Great Yarmouth) by 5 and 3.

Miss A. P. Barwell (Royal Norwich) beat Mrs Gilbey (West Middlesex) by 8 and 7.

Miss Cobbald (Great Yarmouth) beat Miss Farncombe (Seaford) by 1 up.

Miss May Heskett (Royal Portrush) beat Miss Harris (Great Yarmouth) by 8 and 7.

Mr Fellows