

# newton news

Twice Monthly Journal covering Newton Aycliffe, Aycliffe Village and Aycliffe Industrial Estate.

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## OAP's change for third time!

The Newton Aycliffe O.A.P. Association have changed their flag day in favour of the Carnival Committee. The decision was taken under protest and with the condition that they can find another date.

The meeting was heated and the "news" was invited to be present in order to hear the truth and inform the residents of Newton Aycliffe of the facts.

"Three times we have changed our date and it is most unfair to be called 'objectionable' on the third request," the secretary said.

"The Aycliffe Chronicle report was scandalous," said Mrs. Hutchinson, "and it is fortunate it only has a small circulation to get that type of reporting about."

"Many of the people who read the slanderous remarks are telling us it was disgusting and we want an apology," said Mrs. Roach.

The chairman Mr. Sermon said: "I want it stated in the paper that we are not an objectionable association and that we have got a heart—we have changed our date before and we will change it again to

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### ● MONARCHS WILL NOT APPEAR IN CARNIVAL

The town's second Band the Monarchs are not to take part in the Town Carnival.

There has been lots of comings and goings and ifs and buts in this saga and eventually the committee have decided not to enter and have taken another engagement.

It seems to be eligible the Monarchs must change the formation of their band and this they are not prepared to do.

The two bands of Newton Aycliffe belong to different Associations and have different rules for competitions. The Carnival Committee asked the bands of the Association to which the Grenadiers belong to hence the difficulties with the Monarchs.

Mrs. Shotton told the 'news': "We are very sorry that the Monarchs cannot appear, but we had to be fair as last year we had the Monarchs' Association and we thought we should change in order to show the townspeople other bands."

By LYNN CARTER

## Mary had . . .

"Mary had a little lamb"— lambs but they must have tried everyone's and there is not much left for our children to find out about lambs. We counted toes, felt the knobbles which would later sprout into

horns, notice the difference between the fleece on the body and on the legs and watched a lamb being bottle-fed.

The children were very good about approaching the animals slowly and quietly and the lambs were on their best behaviour too—not a pool in sight, and they're only one and two weeks old respectively.

This visit was the climax to a morning of sheep talk. We modelled Little Bo Peep complete with sheep and produced lots of little skipping lambs with curled crepe paper coats. We sang all the nursery rhymes to do with sheep—and its surprising how many there are!

In fact this has been Nursery Rhyme week as we have made enormous Humpty Dumptys, Rock a Bye Babies in precariously swinging egg box cradles suspended from wax crayonned trees and magically disappearing Peter and Paul Blackbirds, sitting on the most imaginatively coloured walls you ever did see. This last included a lesson on bricklaying!

We still have a few Monday vacancies for pre-school Boy Blues and Bo Peeps. Telephone Aycliffe 2851 or come and see us at the Methodist Hall on Monday, Wednesday or Friday mornings—but please leave your crook at home!

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Newton Aycliffe saw its first psychedelic wedding this month when Miss Brenda Graham of 7 Harper Road married Michael Wilson of Lowery Road at the Methodist Church. Our photograph shows the "gear" that was worn and it seems the "Iron Horse" was suitably decorated for the reception afterwards.





Married at the Methodist Church on May 2nd were Susan Elkins of 24 Armstrong Close and Alan Waugh of West Cornforth. Both work in the National Savings Dept. at Durham.

Their new home will be at Gilesgate Moor, where they have a bungalow.

Photo by Philips. Studio incorporating John Boulton of Darlington.

## The street where you live

Continuing our feature on the history of the persons whose names are used in Newton Aycliffe Streets.

### ALLAN WALK

(George Allan, Born 1736, Died 1800)

To the south west of Darlington lies the pleasant residential suburb of "Blackwell", the birthplace of George Allan. As I had decided to visit the place before writing this series, I took the opportunity on my Wednesday off and set out for "Blackwell" but as I approached the main entrance I found it blocked completely. My enquiry at the Grange gardens took me on the route of Blackwell Lane and eventually to the rear entrance.

After a short drive I came upon a fine manor house called "Blackwell Grange", but disappointed to find the place empty, and the ground floor heavily shuttered, ah well, at least I could have a stroll round.

Standing at the front door with the ivy covered walls behind me I took in the beautiful view of the grounds which were in excellent condition. A double row of magnificent lime trees lead me to suspect that a driveway through them to the main road had been the original intention, and not the blocked driveway that I had first tried to enter.

Turning round to face the house again I noticed a grey waterspout culminated at the roof with the letters G.A.T.(?) dated 1722.

A slow walk round the side of the manor found me peering down a dark stone stairway which lead to the boiler, which heats the house. On impulse I turned and nearly fell down the steps when I was confronted by a man with a "I've got ya this time!" look in his eye.

After explaining my intent he became very friendly and showed me round. He was in fact the caretaker and although he knew little of the manor's history he did show me an ancient water pump at the entrance of the kitchens with the letters G.A. and W.A. and dated 1796 and 1817.

So much then, of Blackwell Grange in 1970. But, if we now cast our minds back to the year 1736, the year which George Allan was born. This lovely house must have been a hive of activity.

After various studies George Allan entered into partnership with his solicitor father, but was able though his marriage to a wealthy Yorkshire heiress to devote much of his time to Genealogy, Heraldry, and natural history.

In this house he set up a printing press and established a remarkable museum and library which he generously made available to other scholars and indeed the general public. In three and a half years it was visited by over seven thousand people.

George Allan died in 1800 and some years later his valuable collection was bought by the Newcastle Philosophical society and formed the nucleus of the famous Hancock Museum in that city. Incidentally visitors are not welcome at "Blackwell Grange" I got away with it, and it could be I was lucky.

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But the beauty is marred by the litter around,  
Broken glass in abundance and rubbish abound.

Do we hide our eyes from this unpleasant sight,  
Or do we take action to lessen the blight?  
For the rate of disorder is growing apace,  
So let's make an effort before it's too late.

And instead of creating dirt, filth and scum,  
Brighten the outlook for others to come.

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## DON'T READ THIS IF FOUR LETTER WORDS OFFEND

Dear Sir,

Mr. K. M. Scott's letter, published in your last issue, in answer to your editorial on the unrestrained activities of dogs in the town has become quite a talking point.

As a friend of Mr. Scott it prompted me to write the enclosed letter to Mr. Scott. He found it amusing and suggested that it be forwarded to you. Whilst we do not expect it to be published, you may find it of interest.

Yours faithfully,

D. E. JACKSON

18 Defoe Crescent.

Editor: We do find it interesting and will publish, but deleting what might be an offending word, and leaving it to the imagination of the reader.

The Kennel, Newton Aycliffe.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the letter, printed in your last issue, in which Mr. K. M. Scott defends our manners and habits.

With due apologies to the writer of the well-known hymn, we shall now sing:—

"What a friend we have in Kenneth,  
All our sins and griefs to bear.  
What a privilege to know that  
We can ? ? ? without a care!"

Yours faithfully,

Rover, Fido, Bruce and Friends.

## CHRISTIAN AID RAISES £200

If anyone imagines that Churches are still behaving as if they were self-contained units, he ought to come along and see local people of all denominations working hard—and amicably—together for Christian Aid. He would change his mind.

Have you ever thought, when somebody knocks and asks for your envelope, how many people are involved in this effort each year? There are those who count the leaflets etc., and make them up into bundles: a tedious but necessary task. There are others who go round asking for volunteers, and later supplying them with their "gear". There are many, especially young folks, who go out in all weathers distributing and collecting the envelopes. Often out night after night, sometimes having to wait patiently while the family hunts for the forgotten donation. The week after, thousands of envelopes have to be brought in to the depots in turn, and the money counted. And every bit of this is done voluntarily.

So think of this next year. You might even join the volunteers?

The total contributed this year was: £200 from the two Parishes of Newton Aycliffe and Aycliffe Village.

This will be used in a constructive way—not just to dole out soup to starving folk overseas, but to give them the means to earn their own livelihood.

So thank you all, you valiant helpers.

Great Aycliffe Council of Churches

## READERS— PLEASE REMEMBER

The "news" is issued twice monthly, mid month and end of month. Not every fortnight. Our distribution points tell us of many disappointed readers expecting to see a "Newton News" a fortnight after our last one, but it is not always possible.

If readers can look out for the "news" around the 15th of the month and at the end of the month then they should be there.

## A COMPLIMENT INDEED

Mrs. Carey of Jacques, Hairdressers, wanted more staff. She advertised in various newspapers and got no response, so she took an advertisement in the "news" and almost immediately she had replies, and the position filled. Mrs. Carey thanked the "news"—and we thanked her for the testimonial.

St. Clares Womens Fellowship

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## Pretty Newtonian



LESLEY BUCKLE

Our pretty Newtonian this issue is sweet sixteen and lives at Gilpin Road. A pupil at Milton Hall her favourite subjects are cooking and art. A member of St. Clares Church choir she also helps at the film show for children on Saturday mornings in the Church Hall.

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# Food for thought

In this modern, fast moving world of the 70's everything is geared up to top production—quantity is what counts and often quality is not given as much thought as it should. Regretably, even in the food we eat, greater production, slick presentation and packaging are taking over, and eating is something in which we are all intensively interested.

There is no doubt that chemicals do mean greater production of food from a given area, but—and their is quite a but—what effect do these chemicals have on the human body. Some of them we know have an accumulative effect and who knows what side-effects they may have on the human body over a period of years.

Certainly in any quantity some are killers—it is more than possible that with a build-up in the body over years they will have a bad influence on health.

The Health Food Manufacturers Association says there are now over 2,000 chemicals used in the manufacture of modern foods, they are added to artificially change the appearance, flavour and texture of the original, to look and taste better. However many of these chemicals destroy vitamins.

Chemicals first made their appearance almost 100 years ago when two profound changes occurred in our eating habits. Roller ground bleached flour began to replace the stone ground wholemeal flour. Our well being in the future may very well rest on the type and quality of food we eat today.

One of the things which has contributed largely to the greater production of food is chemicals. Chemicals to fertilise the earth, chemicals to kill insects which attack the plants, chemicals to attack diseases in plants.

The chemically doctored white loaf, deprived of natural salts became our staple diet.

At the same time there was an enormous increase in the consumption of the other main source of carbohydrates, namely refined white sugar—a consumption which has risen 800% in that 100 years.

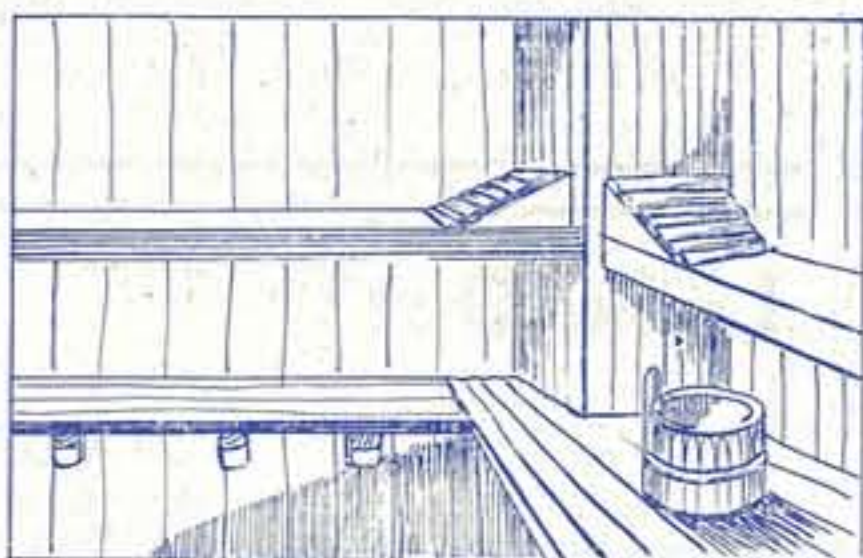
Health foods are now in quite wide use in this country and most areas have a store which specialises in the sale of these products made from grain grown in earth free from chemicals and cooked so that the vital vitamins are not lost.

Betty Allan has two such stores in Darlington, one in Coniscliffe Road the other in Duke Street, both may be used as "self-service" stores or there are assistants available who can give advice if required.

Expensive? obviously with the extra trouble taken with Health Foods they are a little more expensive—but isn't the health of your family and yourself worth it?

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Admission is 1/6 and pop and crisps are available at the interval.

The films are made up of comedies mainly with Laurel and Hardy, Bud Abbott and Lou Costella and Cartoons, but now and again a thriller like Stingray or a cowboy film go in to make a varied and enjoyable programme.

## THANK YOU FOR THE FLOWERS

Mrs. Hall, mother of the Vicar of St. Clares wishes to thank all who have donated flowers for festivals and Sunday worship.

These floral gifts to the Church are greatly appreciated and we would like to express our gratitude through the "news".

Any person wishing to mark an anniversary or remembrance with the donation of flowers should contact Mrs. Hall at the Vicarage or leave the flowers in Church on Saturday mornings.

## ROAD SAFETY —SHOW AN EXAMPLE

Cycling Proficiency Classes are to be held on Friday evenings May 29th - July 3rd inclusive at 6.30 p.m. in Stephenson Way, Sugar Hill and Vane Road Schools for children between the ages of 7 and 16.

Applications Forms will be distributed to each school in Newton Aycliffe, but parents are asked to note the dates now.

After considering the number of accidents to children, in Stephenson Way especially, the Road Safety Committee deliberated and came to the conclusion the only effort is to supplement any training which is given by the parents themselves.

People in general should show an example to children. Road Safety Committee

## MONARCHS JOTTINGS

The Monarchs will hold their first Jazz Band Carnival on 30th May, 1970.

Permission was granted by the Northern Area Jazz Band Association to invite friendly rivals and fellow townies the Grenadiers to parade and compete.

This invitation has been accepted and the Monarchs look forward to marching with the band wish them luck.

The bands taking part are: "Newton Aycliffe Monarchs", "Newton Aycliffe Grenadiers", "Trimdon Happy Wanderers", "Westlea Highlanders", "Elmore Sunbeams", "South Hylton Supremes", "Blackhall Juveniles", "Fishburn New World Satellites".

As the Monarchs are the host band they will not be able to compete for the Parade Cups or Display Cup but will take part in other events.

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# Bank Holiday event - unique



## THE NORTH-EAST VERSUS SHOWBIZ

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The proceeds are in aid of the Aycliffe Hospital Swimming Pool project.

The showbiz team will be picked from personalities like Tommy Steele, John Alderton, Anthony Booth, Toni Dalli. Stars who give up their Sunday afternoons to play in these fund raising matches.

The match is on Sunday, May 17, at South Bank A.F.C. Ground, Middlesbrough. The North East team will be picked from names like Jackie Milburn, Alf McMichael, Stan Anderson, David Macbeth.

May 10th saw the debut of two brand new stars of the Stock Car Circuits on your own local tracks here at Aycliffe, and although they were both successful the top points winner of the day was Irishman Pat Byrne who swept through the field to win the Avenger trophy.

Unfortunately popular local driver Tony Neal having blown up his fourth engine of the year at a previous meeting at Coventry was unable to compete, but hopes to be fit for our Bank Holiday meeting and Pat Byrne has promised to come and to try and repeat his last meeting success.

Of course many of you who are regular fans of Stock Car Racing will know that on Bank Holidays we hold a unique event here at Aycliffe, a Destruction Derby, and I do mean Destruction! The object

of it being to destroy all the opposition—grind it to a halt whilst staying mobile yourself. Anyone who has ever been involved in a car smash however slight must know what courage is needed to drive a car on a deliberate collision course.

When these wheeled gladiators take to the area no quarter is asked for or given; only the strong, the Iron nerved survive. And just to make sure, we light a bonfire in the centre of the track, and the first man through the flames is the winner.

So if any of you own an old car that is looking for a new home fetch it to the Stadium; it doesn't matter about condition as long as it is a runner. We will be happy to see you and will pay between £2 and £10 for cars to destroy, so come on turn your old banger into a Bank Holiday bonus.

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"What annoys me, said Mrs. Hill, we are all affiliated to the C.S.S. and we pay them and we expect them to see that these things do not happen."

The decision to change was made with 2 members against.

The "news" reporter found these people very fair and find they had good reason for objecting in the first instance to changing their date, and the fact that they have changed their minds now does them great credit, because they reversed their decision to show the town they are not "stubborn old people".

## PLEASE NOTE

Due to pressure on space some items have been held over until the next issue at the end of the month.

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## Schoolchildren visit the 'news' office

Teacher, Mr. L. G. Dobson and Class 1 at Elmfield Junior School made a visit to the Newton News Office this month. We have pleasure in printing Mr. Dobson's article on the reasons for this particular method in teaching. Also printed are some of the pieces of work written by the children.

A great deal has been written and said about the place of active learning in modern education. Television programmes such as "The Expanding Classroom" have shown some of the changes which have taken place in our schools. The rigidity of the past with its strict timetabling and its rows of desk-bound pupils has gone. Informality is the keynote, but it is an informality behind which there is a great deal of careful planning and effort.

Children today find that learning is something which can be done in an interesting way.

One way in which an interest may be stimulated is by means of an educational visit. The visit may provide a stimulus for a new piece of work or may be used to supplement work which is already in progress.

Our class had been studying all forms of communication and, as a natural outcome of work on printing, a visit to our local printing press was arranged.

them and make contacts with people from all walks of life.

The written work such a visit stimulates is both lively and prolific.

I am sure the following examples of children's work well justify the time spent at Newton Press, and show that the efforts of Mr. Howarth and his colleagues have helped the children to a better understanding of what lies behind the "News".

L. G. DOBSON

Clitter, clatter,  
Noisy chatter,  
The sound is deafening, so it seems,

As the Wharfedale churns  
out paper, in reams and  
reams and reams.

Clitter, clatter,  
Clank and splatter,  
In old clothes you'd have to dress,

If you want to be a printer  
working for the Newton  
Press.

Sharon Staples (Aged 11)

\* \* \*

.....Altogether there were four machines but only three were working. There were only five people working there making the Newton News.

They make a profit by advertising in their paper as they give the paper free.....

Harry Dawson (Aged 11)

\* \* \*

The machines print the paper,  
The paper comes to us.  
The print gets very dirty,  
But it doesn't make much dust.  
The noise is not so noisy,  
As you would really think,  
For it works very quietly,  
As it uses up the ink.

Karen Brown (Aged 11)

Class 1 with their teacher, Mr. Dobson watching the linotype operator Mr. Len Morris. Left to right: Julie Wells, Valerie Joyns, Harry Dawson, Kim Harrison, Richard Sims, Malcolm Roberts.

.....We walked round and we could see the machine swishing up and down. We all crowded round and Brian held the paper while the cameraman took two photographs of us. The second was one of the head printer, Mr. Howarth, pointing to something in the newspaper.....

Len Roberts (Aged 11)

In modern presses ink is put on rollers and paper is put automatically into the machine. The largest and fastest machine is called a rotary press. The illustrations and writing are transferred onto metal plates. These are curved round printing cylinders which print both sides of a piece of paper at great speed.

Kim Harrison (Aged 11)

Regular rhythm,  
Quick and neat,  
The flat-bed press,  
Prints another sheet.

Regular rhythm,  
Busy hum,  
The flat-bed's started  
Another run.

Regular rhythm,  
Smooth and sweet,  
The press has got  
Dead-lines to meet.

.....When we arrived there was a caravan and a big wooden hut. It didn't look much from the outside, but inside, the printing press was printing hundreds of papers, ready to be sent off.....

Paul Clark (Aged 10)

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## Class 1 get in the news

By John Brett (Aged 11)  
We left school on Thursday, April 9th, on the coach which was taking the first class to the baths. We got off the coach at the Town Centre and made for the printer's in Greenwell Road.

When we arrived we waited outside for a few minutes then we were invited to walk in. It was quite small, and when we all crunched in it was crowded inside.

There were lots of unusual looking machines. One of them was a printing press. It seemed like something out of the Industrial Revolution. It was covered with springs, wheels and suction pumps. This was the flat-bed press. I had a talk with the operator of the machine. He said that they printed 16,000 copies of the Newton News each month. The press printed the pages in blocks of four on a sheet. The man also told us that 500 sheets made a ream.

We then went to see the guillotine. This is used for trimming and cutting the paper. If your hands were near they would be pushed away by a safety device.

As I looked around I saw a crowd gathered around another machine. I had a look but I was crowded out so I had a talk with a woman. She said that she was collating the Darlington Youth Handbook. collating means putting together in the right order. she also said that it would have been better if we had come on the following day.

On April 10th we would have been able to see the folding machine in action as well. Then I remembered the colossal, queer looking machine. I made my way past the press towards the linotype machine. They were printing their names on a slug. A slug is a piece of lead which has the print on it. The linotype machine makes the letters needed for printing. It sets the print on the slugs ready for the galleys.

I had seen all the machines in action and it was nearly time to go when Mr. Dobson wrote something in my notebook. It read "72 points to one inch". I found out later that print sizes are measured in "points".

As I walked round I saw some strips of bendable plastic. I asked what they were used for. The printer said that it was for spacing between lines. Now it was time to leave. It was great fun looking around and we all enjoyed the visit.

Clatter, clatter goes the machine.  
Press the papers fast and clean;  
Stamp, stamp, they will do,  
Print on papers just for you.

Julie Wells (Aged 10)

Rickity rack,  
Clank and jerk,  
The flat-bed press,  
Begins to work.

Paper flying,  
Through the machine,  
Out comes the paper,  
By the ream.

Up and in,  
It goes with speed;  
Then out it comes,  
All ready to read.

John Brett (Aged 11)

The small machine is called a Platen Press. This prints a decoration on sheets of white cardboard which are later printed with words. It prints 2,000 of these an hour.

The other machine was called a Wharfedale Flat-bed Press. This printed a big sheet of newspaper.....

Andrea Gibson (Aged 11)

## NEWTON PLAYERS PRESENT COMEDY

"And This Was Odd" is the title of the play which the Newton Players are presenting in the Beveridge Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the 3rd, 4th and 5th of June, 1970. It is a comedy in 3 acts by Kenneth Horne and is extremely good family entertainment.

Why not come along and laugh with us (or at us), see how pleasant a few hours away from television, stamp collecting, knitting, home brewing or whatever your usual evening pastime may be.

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JANE BROWN

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Tickets will be one shilling each and the First Prize in the first draw will be £50. There will be other prizes made up of £5 and £1 up to maximum allowed by law.

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(LEFT) UMM/ABEX Angling Awards were presented by Mr. P. Cheesbrough (far right) manager of Abex, to the Jordan brothers, holding trophies. Also in the picture are the donors of the trophies. Left to right Mr. Hargreaves, Mr. Ruder and Mr. Keers. Second from right is Mr. Graham who received a retirement gift.

## GREAT AYCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Playing Fields 1970

### TENNIS TOURNAMENT

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### CRICKET 'KNOCK OUT' COMPETITION 1970

The Cricket 'Knock-Out' Competition on Simpature Playing Field, Newton Aycliffe will take place again during the summer.

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Mr. Edwin Taylor Hutchinson wishes to thank all who supported him in the recent Parish Council Election, Ward 4, Newton Aycliffe.

Mr. M. Lightfoot expresses appreciation for the support given to him in the recent elections.

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