



Employment

Alvediston

Labourers' Union Fete

On Saturday a fete and demonstration, organised by the members of the Alvediston Branch of the National Workers' Union was held in a field lent by Mr A G Hull. The members assembled at the Parish Room, where the roll was called. Headed by the Handley Brass Band they paraded the village and then proceeded to church for a service. A collection amounting to £1 16s was taken for the Louth Disaster Fund. Afterwards the members sat down to an excellent dinner provided by Messers Stretch & Son of Shaftesbury. A short toast list was gone through, and concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne".

A good programme of sports had been arranged for the afternoon, but on account of the steady downpour of rain this was abandoned, and the members sat in the barn listening to the band. At four o'clock a meeting was held in the barn. The Rev J Goodman, who presided, said that as the son of a working man, and also as a minister, he had entire sympathy with the Union in their efforts to uplift the agricultural labourer. They owed a lot to the Primitive Methodist connexion, because most of their pioneers were workers in that body.....

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