

SOLDIER'S FUNERAL.—At the Luton General Cemetery on Friday, the funeral took place of Driver Stanley Bell, of 27, Frederic-street, whose death occurred on the previous Saturday, after an operation consequent upon several months' illness. In September last year, at the age of 29 years, Driver Bell joined the Motor Transport Section of the Army Service Corps, and after a week at Grove Park, London, was despatched to France, where, in charge of an armoured car, he was at the battle of Loos. Becoming disabled through illness, he was drafted home. After treatment at various hospitals, he was finally discharged from the Army in January. Coming home to Luton he took a rest, and then became chauffeur to Mr. P. Allen, of "The Downs," but again his health failed and rest became imperative. Taking up work again at the Bell Hotel, he again had to relinquish it and lay up, and at the Bute Hospital an operation was successfully performed upon him about three weeks since, but despite every care and attention, death took place as stated. At the funeral the Rev. A. F. Wolton officiated. The principal mourners were: Mrs. Stanley Bell (widow), Mr. T. Bell (father), Miss L. Bell (daughter), Mrs. Brasier (sister), Mrs. Powell (mother-in-law), Mr. G. Sturgess (uncle), Mrs. G. Sturgess, Mrs. A. Sturgess, and Mrs. A. Sturgess (aunts), Mr. G. Sturgess (grandfather), Mr. Arthur Sturgess (cousin), Misses Ruth Powell, Louis Simpson, and Lilian Powell, Mrs. T. Powell, Mr. I. Powell, and Mrs. I. Powell. Wreaths were sent by the widow and little daughter Lilian; Mum, Dad, and Sisters; May and Ern; Jim and Min, Lois and Ern; Nell and family; Sam and Flo; Ethel and Willie; Uncle George, Aunt Lizzie and family; Mr. and Mrs. Millward; and "With deepest sympathy from his mates, George Hotel Yard."