

Mr T. J. Batey, Traveller's Rest Hotel, Grasmere, Westmorland, aged 73.

A casual conversation in the Hotel, where I stopped for coffee.

Mr Batey attended old Jos. Robinson's classes at Grasmere, and learnt step-dancing but says he can't remember it now.

The most important information I obtained from him is that, when he was between 20 and 30 (i.e. ca 1907-1917), the 3-Reel was done as an ordinary social dance at the dances in Grasmere - these were held in the Drill Hall there. It wasn't popular, and you might only have had 2 sets of 3 on the floor - out of a company of 100 - but it was by no means only an exhibition dance.