

King or Kaiser?

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When the Rev. J. Barton Turner, pastor of the Cloughfold Baptist Church, appeared at the Lancashire Appeal Tribunal on Wednesday to support the claim of several conscientious objectors, he denied he had made a statement to the effect that it did not matter whether we were governed by the King or the Kaiser.

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MINISTER'S DISCLAIMER

The County Appeal Tribunal at its resumed sitting at Preston, on Wednesday, rejected a number of claims put forward on conscientious grounds. Three of these were supported by the Rev. J. Barton Turner, pastor of the Cloughfold Baptist Church, Rawtenstall.

Col. Craven Hoyle asked a rev. (sic) gentleman if it was not a fact he made a statement, and that it appeared in a local paper, that it did not matter whether they were governed at Waterfoot by the King or Kaiser.

Mr Turner: If it appeared in any paper it is a deliberate lie (Applause)