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Opening of Museum

We expect to open our Museum, in the grounds of Schwerkolt Cottage, on November 20.

The building will have an interior display area more than 30 feet by 20 feet, and outdoor area, devoted to agricultural and similar implements, about 50 feet by 20 feet. It has been built in a style to harmonise with the Cottage, with exterior wall of rough stone and a high gable roof. The interior will be floored with tiles. Beside the display area there will be a section for storage and preparation of displays, with facilities for light refreshments.

We have been given on permanent loan three upright show-cases by the Science Museum, and have bought three others from a shop which is ceasing business. Mr. Bakes, one of our members, is giving us a flat show-case and we are investigating the possibility of making up other cases ourselves.

All this is costly and our funds have been exhausted by buying three cases. We are therefore asking interested people for donations towards the expenses of setting up the museum. They should not be great, and we are keeping them as low as possible, but it will be impossible to produce a reasonable display for less than a few hundred dollars.

Anything, from a dollar to fifty or more, will be very welcome. We want this to be worth visiting. We do not intend to skimp on anything that will set a high standard. A lot of effort will be put into the project by several who have the responsibility for setting up the exhibits. They deserve the support of all our members and former members.

Contributions can be sent to our treasurer, Mr. I. Barker, 14 Tortice Avenue, Nunawading.

Film of Old Buildings

Our September meeting, on Wednesday 14, in the Coffee Shop, will be a most interesting one. Mr. Laurie Dunn will be showing films of many of the old buildings of Melbourne. Mr. Dunn is a very successful amateur film-maker, and has won a number of awards for films he has made. He deserves a good audience, and his programme will be well worth seeing.