

I allow, or sell them for what they would fetch  
 There were many thousands sold in the yards for  
 a shilling a head, and good sheep too

After I had about eighteen months experience  
 of Port Phillip, I returned to Tasmania, but  
 there I found things very little better, after  
 spending something over two years more there.  
 Things began to look up in P.P. again. ~~There~~  
~~was~~ there was a great advance in the Price of  
 wool, and the Squatters wanted Labor, they  
 chartered several small coasting vessels to  
 bring people from the Neighbouring Colonies  
 they were offering good wages and free passages  
 to any approved Applicants. I then returned to  
 Melbourne and have remained in the Colony  
 ever since and after many wanderings, some  
 of a very pleasant character others of the reverse order  
 I came to Ballarat in August 1852 - and have  
 seen it in its most prosperous days, and its  
 days of depression for Ballarat has seen more  
 than one wave of depression in my time, but  
 thanks to the Energy and Pluck of the People, she  
 has pulled through and will do so again I hope  
 and perhaps be all the better for the hard

Rebbling she is getting just now

I will not enter in to the History of Ballarat  
 Mr Withers has written sufficient on that score, and  
 and I dare say there will be others contributing to the

Record Society, I will merely relate a few occurrences  
 in which I was personally concerned - I was present  
 at the Burning of Bentleys Hotel but took no part  
 in it farther than assisting to save some of the  
 Property a welters proceeding. Seeing that it was all  
 burnt on the road after all the trouble, to save it

I was standing along side of the pile of goods  
 looking on the progress of the fire, when a Policeman  
 came and stood along side of me and after a