

In 1856 Hardwood for building purposes, cut on Soldiers Hill was £1/13/- per 100 feet but the measurement then was 4 X 3 instead of as now 2 X 3. 100 feet of flooring boards cost £1/18/- A wooden lamp post, a very primitive affair, cost Mr. Bath £2 and the total "bill" for a rather small lot to timber ~~wide~~^{was} £20/6/-.

Mr. Bath holds a receipt for pew rent in a church in Armstrong Street South in 1856 £1 being paid for two sittings from 1st. Janry. to 31st. March in that year. Mr. Dixie was the Secretary and the church was (Mr. Bath thinks) the Church of England.

Mr. Bath served on a jury in Ballarat in June 1856. Previous to this the Court was held at Buninyong. The sub-paeone he received stated that Ballarat was included in the district of Buninyong and Ballan. Mr. W. Rogers was the Deputy Sheriff.

In quitting his hotel in Ballarat, Mr. Bath settled at Learmonth where he has been engaged in farming and pastoral pursuits ever since. His homestead "Ceres" being widely known.

Mr. Bath is a large land and property owner. Some years ago he offered his land known as the "Saxon Paddock" consisting of about 14 acres in Pleasant Street Nth. to the City Council at their valuation via £3400. This they did not accept. The Council raised the rates since then in 1897 the land was again offered them and accepted at the ratable valuation of £4300 with certain conditions. The