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The "Riponshire Advocate," PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY.

Contains a complete summary of local and general news for the week.

Subscribers who do not receive their papers regularly or at an early hour of the morning would much oblige us by immediately forwarding their names to the office of this paper, in order that such errors may be rectified. We are most desirous of securing for our subscribers a regular and early delivery, but it will be impossible for our measures to prove effectual, unless we are warned by them when neglect takes place.

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Advertisements for this paper cannot be received after 7 o'clock on the evening previous to publication. New subscribers are only charged from the time of entering the paper.

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Communications of a literary nature must be addressed to the Editor; and must bear the signature and address of the writer—not necessarily for publication, but as a pledge of good faith. An observance of this rule will be the means of preventing disappointment to contributors.

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VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

TIME TABLE.
From Ballarat to Melbourne.

LEAVE	ARRIVE
Ballarat 6.25 a.m., 11.45 a.m., 8.45 p.m., 7.10 p.m.	Geelong 8.31 a.m., 1.31 p.m., 7 p.m., 9.1 p.m.
Warrenheip 6.44 a.m., 12.4 p.m., 7.29 p.m.	Buninyong 6.65 a.m., 12.15 p.m., 7.40 p.m.
Lal Lal 7.2 a.m., 12.22 p.m., 7.47 p.m.	Blaine 12.37 p.m., 8.2 p.m.
Meredith & Co. 7.31 a.m., 12.51 p.m., 8.16 p.m.	Leigh Road 8.2 a.m., 1.22 p.m., 8.47 p.m.

From Melbourne to Ballarat.

LEAVE	ARRIVE
Melbourne 6.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 4.16 p.m., 7 p.m.	Geelong 8.31 a.m., 1.31 p.m., 7 p.m., 9.1 p.m.
Meredith & Co. 6.44 a.m., 11.44 a.m., 4.30 p.m., 7.10 p.m.	Blaine 12.37 p.m., 8.2 p.m.
Buninyong 6.65 a.m., 12.15 p.m., 7.40 p.m.	Lal Lal 7.2 a.m., 12.22 p.m., 7.47 p.m.
Warrenheip 6.44 a.m., 12.4 p.m., 7.29 p.m.	Ballarat 6.25 a.m., 11.45 a.m., 8.45 p.m., 7.10 p.m.

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Meredith and Stiglitz 4s. 6d. do	4s. 6d. do
Geelong 6s. 6d. do	6s. 6d. do
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To Beaufort do
To Bunyong do
To Ararat do
To Great Western do
To Pleasant Creek do
To Glenorchy do
To Ashburton do
To Longnong po
To Horsham do

DAY COACH

To Burra on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, at 12 night, and Sundays at 7 a.m.

To Bunyong do
To Ararat do
To Great Western do
To Pleasant Creek do
To Glenorchy do
To Ashburton do
To Longnong po
To Horsham do

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Ballarat to Coomoora do
Ballarat to Dyers do
Ballarat to Giverny do
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Ballarat to Kyneton road do
Ballarat to Malmesbury do

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Ballarat to Talbot (Back Creek) 12 night
Do 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Amherst (Daisy Hill) 12 night
Ballarat to Maryborough do
Ballarat to Dunolly do
Ballarat to Sandy Creek (Tarnungulla) do
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Ballarat to Strathvan do
Ballarat to Lake Nole do
Ballarat to Wickham do
Ballarat to Mail Tent do
Ballarat to Dunseld do
Ballarat to Hamilton do

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POST OFFICE, BEAUFORT.

TIME TABLE, 1874.

Post Town.	Mails arrive at Beaufort.	Mails close at Beaufort.
Melbourne...	4.15 a.m.	7.30 p.m.
Geelong...	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat...	Ditto	Ditto
Trawalla...	Ditto	Ditto
Raglan...	6.30 p.m.	8 a.m.
Charlton...	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo...	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead...	Ditto	Ditto
Sailor's Gully...	6.30 p.m.	Ditto
Stockyard Hill...	Ditto	Ditto
Ararat...	12.30 a.m.	7.30 p.m.
Buangor...	Ditto	Ditto
Eurambee...	Ditto	Ditto
Shirley...	Ditto	Ditto

Facts and Scraps.

The Highland piper who accompanied the mission to Yarkand seems to have been an object of great admiration to the people at large. On one occasion, when Mr. Forsyth invited the Prime Minister to be present at a performance by the kilted musician, the worthy dignitary, who appears to have been greatly pleased with the music, persistently kept his face turned from the performer. Mr. Forsyth was at first afraid that something had offended him, but on mentioning his fear, was assured by the Minister that he only turned away lest the Highlander should be disconcerted at the thought that it might be observed that he had forgotten his trousers.

One of our citizens who has been troubled with a severe cold on the lungs, effected his recovery in the following manner.—He boiled a little boneseed and horehound together, and drank freely of the tea before going to bed. The next day he took five pills, put one kind of plaster on his breast, another kind under his arms, and still another on his back. Under advice from an experienced old lady, he took all these off with an oyster knife in the afternoon, and slipped on a mustard plaster on his feet, and gave him a lump of tar to swallow. Then he put some hot bricks to his feet and went to bed. Next morning another old lady came in with a bottle of goose-oil and gave him a dose of it in a quill, and an arm annived about the same time with a bundle of sweat fern, which she made into tea and gave him every half hour until noon, when he took a big dose of salts. After dinner his wife, who had seen a fine old lady of great experience in doctoring, gave him two pills of her own make, about the size of an old English walnut and of a similar shape, and two table-spoonful of home made balsam to keep them down. Then he took half a pint of rum at the suggestion of an old sea captain in the next house, and stomped his legs with an alcoholic bath. At this crisis two neighbours arrived who saw at once that his blood was out of order, and gave him a half-gallon of spermacet tea, and a big dose of castor-oil. Before going to bed he took eight of a new kind of pills, wrapped about his neck a flannel soaked in hot vinegar and salt, and had feathers burnt on a shovel in his room. He is now thoroughly cured, and full of gratitude. We advise our readers to cut this out, and keep it where it can be readily found when danger threatens!

At a school examination an eloquent clergyman made a brief address to the pupils on the necessity of obeying their teachers and growing up loyal and useful citizens. To emphasize his remarks, he pointed to a large national flag spread on one side of the room, and inquired, "Boys, what is that flag for?" A little urchin who understood the condition of the house better than the speaker, promptly answered "To hold the dirt, sir."

The "Riponshire Advocate,"

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BALLARAT WHOLESALE MARKET.

Messrs. Gray and Osborne Report.—During the past few days there has been a good demand for all produce sent in. In the article of wheat there is no change to report, prices remain firm at 6s. 2d. to 6s. 4d. Oats are rather scarce and prices are rising a little, as much as 5s. 8d. being obtained for good samples—price, 5s. 5d. to 5s. 8d. Cape and English barley remain unchanged—price, Cape, 4s. 10d. to 5s. 1d.; English, 6s. 6d. to 6s. Rye-grass seed is not in much demand, and prices remain unchanged—price, 6s. 6d. Peas, none offering, 5s. 9d. Potatoes equal to the demand at 2s. 2d. to 2s. 5s. Carrots—A few loads passed through the market at 2s. Prime mangier hay, 24 10s. to 15 5s.; inferior, 23 10s. to 24 5s.; sheaves and chaffing sorts, 23 10s. to 24 5s. Straw—wheat, 2s.; caten, 2s. 10s. to 2s. 12s. 6d.—June 4th.

Messrs. Everingham, Greenfield, and Co Report.—

A fair amount of business has been done in the market during the week, and buyers are anxious through the want of sufficient supplies to keep them going. Wheat, though rather dull early in the week has become firmer, and the price obtained when the market closed on Saturday has been maintained, while we have to report the sale of a few lines out of store at top rates; quotations, 6s. 2d. to 6s. 3d. Oats are scarce, and wanted at 5s. 4d. to 5s. 6d. Cape barley selling at 5s. and English do at 5s. 6d. to 5s. 9d. Hay, especially sheaves, has been much wanted at 23 10s. to 24 2s. 6d.; mangier, 24 10s. to 25 5s. Straw has been scarce—wheat, 40s. to 42s. 6d.; caten, 50s. to 55s. Potatoes have had an active demand at prices ranging from 2s. 2d. to 2s. 7d.; Carrots, 2s.—June 4th.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

The markets generally present a healthy aspect and a fair amount of trade was done last week. Wheat is still regarded with caution by buyers, and confidently held by the producers. At present quotations it may be regarded as firm. Oats are scarce still, and if anything upwards. Pollard and bran show no symptoms of change at present. In dairy produce, both fresh and potted butter and cheese are coming in more plentifully, and we shall likely record a reduction in price before long. Eggs still scarce. We quote as follows:—Wheat, 5s. 6d. to 5s. 8d. per bushel; oats, 5s. 8d. per bushel; pollard, 1s. 10d. per bushel; bran, 1s. 9d. per bushel; barley, 1s. 9d. per bushel; flour, 21s. 10s. per ton; potatoes, 25s. to 25 5s. per ton; fresh butter, 1s. per lb; potted do., 10d. per lb; cheese, 7d. to 8d. per lb; hams, 1s. per lb; bacon, 10d. per lb; eggs, 1s. 9d. per dozen; hay, 25 5s. per ton; chaff, 5s. to 7s. per cwt.—Advertiser.

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Messrs. Hepburn and Leonard Report.—

Fat Cattle—55 bullocks for Mr. Robert Whitehead, Goodwood, station-breds from 29 2s. 6d. to 21 12s. 6d., stores from 17 12s. 6d. to 19 15s. Fat Sheep—608 merino wethers and ewes, for Mr. James Robertson, Mount Mitchell, at 10s. and 8s. respectively; 653 wethers, for Mr. J. Murray, Smeaton, at 9s.; 511 merino ewes, for Messrs. Tucker, Cardigan, at 6s. 6d.; 1261 merino wethers and ewes, for graziers, at market rates. Store Stock—100 head of cattle and 1200 sheep, at satisfactory prices; and we have other lots of cattle and sheep under offer and inspection. Horses—We yarded a small number of good draught colts and fillies on Saturday, which realised prices very satisfactory to the vendors, viz., from 219 to 231. Our sales were on account of Messrs W. and J. McDonald, Porcupine Ridge; J. Penhan, Smeaton; and others. All useful fresh horses in condition are likely to sell well throughout the winter. Country Sale—We held our usual quarterly sale of all descriptions of live stock at Glenogier, on Friday last. About 400 cattle and 500 sheep come forward, mostly superior stock, which would prove a credit to any district. Our sales were on account of Messrs S. and M. H. Baird, Glenogier; Maloney and Bunyan, Smeaton; G. B. Piskin, Buninyong; J. Sewell, Hit or Miss; and a large number of others. Glenogier is in the centre of a very important grazing, agricultural, and farming district, and admirably adapted for periodical sales of stock.—June 4th.

Messrs. Fay and Brennan, partners in hotel-keeping at Kyneton, quarrelled and fought, and the Observer reports that Fay is likely to die. Brennan was arrested pending further results.

A fortune of 130,000 (so the Courier is informed) has fallen to the lot of one of the workmen in a Ballarat foundry. He received the news by the mail, and immediately got on the spree, was found in the gutter, and finished the night in the lock-up.

There has been a cricket match (remarks the Telegraph) at Bathurst, between the young ladies of Wyagen and the young gentlemen of the principal school. The Times reports the game, and gives the following account of the grand finale:—"In their first innings the fair ones battled shily, and soon had their 'exists' for 26. This was just enough to bring out their mettle, and by the laws of cricket they claimed the next innings. They rushed to the front, most eager for the fight; weapon in hand, they whirled far and wide the whizzing balls from the bowling 'great guns.' Two hours more elapsed before they had all their 'entrances,' during which they had acquired, with unflagging persistence and spirit, the splendid number of 113 runs, making a total of 139. Great interest was evinced throughout by the spectators, and great was their oft-repeated applause."

The Sydney people are evidently getting alarmed through the garrotting that has recently taken place in the public streets there. The Herald says that "the last next thing in the way of collars is a steel collar with spikes, a sample of which, made for his own use, has been sent us by Mr. John Russell. If it is comfortable to the wearer, it would certainly be a caution to the night prowlers who are so fond of putting their arms round gentlemen's necks. If these collars become gentlemen's wear, garotters will look twice before hugging one."

Courts.

County Court, Beaufort June 24
Court of Mines, Beaufort June 24
General Sessions, Ararat June 19

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SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1874.

We are compelled to hold over our Waterloo correspondent's letter, also a portion of "Ripon's" letter, and several other items.

We wish to contradict a statement made by Cr. Hamblin at the meeting of the Riponshire Council on Thursday last. He (Cr. Hamblin) stated that we had advertised in our first issue that we had been appointed the official journal of the Riponshire Council. Had Cr. Hamblin read the paragraph in that issue he would have seen that it related to Government not to Shire advertisements.

The following list of unclaimed letters and newspapers are lying at the Beaufort post-office—Mrs. Alhson, P. Antonio, C. Adamthwaite, John Adamthwaite, Jun., Mr. E. Adamthwaite, Thos. Baynes, Jun., P. Blackmore (registered letter), Wm. Boyd, S. Brentnall, Jas. Bygraves, E. Callaway, W.S. Cottor, Mrs. Cottingham, Mrs. C. Close, John Cameron, D. Esplin, Mr. Eastwood, M. Fogarty (registered letter), S. Giddens, Dr. E. Govett, Wm. Golding, M. Goulard, E. T. Gutch, John Hehir, G. Hulpin, Mrs. Kilbeg, J. Kirkham, S. Lytle, Mr. J. Millen, R. Mather, J. McMillan, John McCallum, R. M. Miller, H. Miller, M. O'Rourke, M. O'Callaghan, P. Puryer, Miss J. Pearson, M. A. Parkinson, W. Pearson, James Rauppling, Miss S. Riley, E. Roycroft, R. Stephenson, P. Less, N. Tretlowen, J. Webster, Henry Wilson, Mrs. Weibel, James White.

We regret to have to record a serious accident which happened to Mr. Stephen Chapman on Tuesday last. From what information we could glean it appears that Mr. Chapman in company with two men in his employ, was engaged in driving some cattle through the bush and whilst riding after one, his horse swerved and ran him under the limb of a tree, his head striking a bough which threw him heavily to the ground, dislocating his arm. Dr. Johnston was soon in attendance, and up to last accounts his patient is progressing favorably.

We are informed that a foot race for a quarter of a mile is likely to take place shortly, between Mr. Tait, the winner of the members cup at the late athletic sports, and another gentleman who was also a competitor in that event, should it come off, no doubt it will be an interesting affair.

The next County Court will be held in Beaufort on the 24th inst., the last day for serving summonses the 8th inst.

We have been requested by the secretary of railways to give publicity to the following notification—Great difficulty being at present experienced, owing to the scarcity of small silver and copper coin, in giving change to the public travelling at the reduced fares set forth in the new table, it is particularly requested that passengers will observe the rule of the railway department requiring the exact amount of fare to be tendered. If this precaution is neglected, the department will in many cases have no alternative but either to give change in postage stamps in lieu of coin or to decline to issue tickets.

Those who travelled by coach from Ballarat to Ararat on Sunday last, met with a series of adventures which should go far towards increasing their longing for railway extension. When the first coach was packed at the Ballarat office with the luggage, and the passengers were about to take their places, it was found to be too small. Another was procured sufficiently large to meet the requirements; but six miles had not been accomplished before the bar supporting the leather straps broke, letting the body of the conveyance down upon the axle. Here the passengers had to get down and walk through the mud and slush to an hotel at Windermere, where they waited some two hours before the fresh coach arrived. This was almost a levitating affair, and the journey was recommenced. Unfortunately, however, the roads were very heavy, and so was the coach; the horses were weak and unfit for the constant drag, which was necessary, so that all the passengers had to get out and walk along those parts of the road which were not metalled. Whether it is that the description of feed with which Cobb and Co.'s horses are supplied at the present time is not sufficiently good, or whether the horses themselves are worn out and unfit for further duty, it is hard to say. It is certain that teams which are now being driven along the lines, do not appear to be fit for their work. The Ballarat coach did not reach Ararat till about eight o'clock on Sunday night, and it was somewhere about half-past eleven before it arrived at Stawell. In the vicinity of the Western we believe one of the passengers, who had been freely fortifying himself against the manifold vexations of the trip, rolled off his seat into the mud. He was, however, picked up and placed inside, where he slept the sleep of the just till Stawell was gained.—Advertiser.

An important and unreserved sale of fire brigade as a standing institution in the town. To dilate here upon the merits and benefits of a fire brigade would be something approaching an affront to the common sense and understanding of my neighbors, as such of course are patent to every one of the most ordinary capacity; my remarks on this subject will therefore not be pointed in that direction. Elevated in position as the reservoir for our water supply will be, facilities will exist for forming an efficient fire brigade that many other towns are not possessed of; as a jet of water of sufficient force for almost any purpose, will be obtainable without the aid of a fire engine. This is an immense advantage, not only as lessening the expense of apparatus necessary, but simplifying the drill of the brigade. It cannot be supposed for a single minute that an appeal to the eligible men in this town for forming a fire brigade will be met in any other manner than with the highest enthusiasm. To think otherwise would be an insult as presupposing the existence of less public spirit and humanity amongst that class of men in this town, than is to be found amongst them in other communities. The sooner therefore some effective steps are taken to start the matter the better for everyone. Such a measure as the formation of a fire brigade will of course meet with the support of the Shire Council; and I would suggest as a preliminary step that the president be requested to call a public meeting of all those willing to volunteer in the matter. The united fire brigades of the colony to the number of nearly nine hundred men, have just held their annual meeting for competitive practice in Melbourne. It would surely be gratifying for all residents here that their numbers next year should be augmented by a Beaufort contingent. This letter is not the first appeal that has appeared in your columns on the subject; and it is to be hoped that it will not now be allowed to drop. Let it be remembered that those who have the means of preservation and safety at command and neglect to avail themselves of them, fail in their duty to society and are unjust to themselves; and when misfortunes arising from this neglect overtake them, their very calamities only render them ridiculous.

Correspondence.

RAMBLING REMARKS.

By "Ripox."

Last Saturday I proposed that we should get up a ladies' cricket match of a kind that would outshine all the late novelties, but I hasten to inform the ladies who, after reading the paragraph, may have begun practice, that I have changed my mind. I am afraid that the amount realized for the benefit of the promoter would be of a minus quality. The great All-England match at Warrambool was rather a failure, and I am afraid that our venture would be "just as worse." It appears that the little luxury at Warrambool cost £750; so that, after receiving £263 at the gates and £112 for the right to erect booths, etc., there remained £375 to be made up by subscription. Rather pleasant after the white elephant had gone away and all the excitement was over to have such a dead horse to work out. A luncheon and hotel bill of £93 was hard to pay after the delightful "scrapping matches" and delirium tremens had become things of the past.

Although the cricket match idea is a failure, there are other ways of raising money, "Music hath charms" and it is a paying thing too. If you are anxious to present me with a little token of regard, I would suggest a concert like the one we had on Monday evening, as a means of raising funds. Have just such another concert, with just the same chairman, and an interval of five minutes for just the same purpose. I believe the thing would pay well. If you carry out the idea, "Sentinel," who by that time will no doubt have discovered a quartz reef, can bring some of the stone and have it crushed by the "stampers," who will probably be in attendance to do the heavy part of the applause, as on Monday evening.

How pretty H.R.H. the Duchess of Edinburgh must look! with her jewels and sundry pairs of boots, she must be worth about one million sterling. This sum may look small when compared with the fortunes of some of our equators, but still it is a nice bit of money. It would give a sovereign to every man, woman, and child in the colony, £1000 to each of the 108 members of Parliament, £15 to every inhabitant of Riponshire, and then leave £2,000 for me. In addition to this the Grand Duchess has spin money allowance of £11,000 per annum. The Duke's fortune will look quite small beside this, and he will feel himself quite a poor man. He will now rue the open-handed liberality of his youth, but even in his desponding moments he will not regret having given a scarf-pin to his friend in Victoria.

Money often brings sorrow with it. This week a working man in Ballarat received the sad news that a relative had died leaving him £30,000. The sorrowing man could not bear up under the stroke, but after trying to drown his grief in liquor, he moaned all night in the lock-up. It is to be feared that the grief of this unfortunate man will not be assuaged as long as a penny remains to remind him of his sad loss.

What a happy man Mr. Francis must have been during the last fortnight! How he must have laughed in his sleeve last week to see the members of the Opposition in discussion of Mr. Grant's amendment, forget their main object and engage in a beautiful warring of each other. He must have felt very benevolent when he saw the enemy, which advanced with some pretensions, begin a free fight among themselves, and then retire without striking a blow at him. That would have been the time to apply for a billet in the post-office. And this week, the delightful variety of opinion existing in the Opposition must have been very enjoyable. Upon the question of Constitutional Reform the views of the Opposition are most charmingly diversified, and the Ministry are happy. Mr. Grant raised the cry that the proposed reform was "un-English" and waxed eloquent upon the extinction of the Council. He had no sooner weighed down that end of the plank, than Mr. Wrixon, with a burden of figures, got on the other end and brought it down by showing that the proposed scheme would make the council too powerful. While the Opposition are having their see-saw perhaps the Ministry may do some work.

FIRE.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate. Sir.—The time is now not far distant when this town will be possessed of as perfect and copious a water supply as the most exacting could wish for; and it behoves the inhabitants not to let one single opportunity pass by of utilizing such a blessing to the greatest extent possible. The inhabitants of Beaufort are not unacquainted with the dreadful calamities attendant upon fires; neither do their understandings require enlightening with respect to the extent that these calamities may be mitigated by having a thoroughly organized and drilled

fire brigade as a standing institution in the town. To dilate here upon the merits and benefits of a fire brigade would be something approaching an affront to the common sense and understanding of my neighbors, as such of course are patent to every one of the most ordinary capacity; my remarks on this subject will therefore not be pointed in that direction. Elevated in position as the reservoir for our water supply will be, facilities will exist for forming an efficient fire brigade that many other towns are not possessed of; as a jet of water of sufficient force for almost any purpose, will be obtainable without the aid of a fire engine. This is an immense advantage, not only as lessening the expense of apparatus necessary, but simplifying the drill of the brigade. It cannot be supposed for a single minute that an appeal to the eligible men in this town for forming a fire brigade will be met in any other manner than with the highest enthusiasm. To think otherwise would be an insult as presupposing the existence of less public spirit and humanity amongst that class of men in this town, than is to be found amongst them in other communities. The sooner therefore some effective steps are taken to start the matter the better for everyone. Such a measure as the formation of a fire brigade will of course meet with the support of the Shire Council; and I would suggest as a preliminary step that the president be requested to call a public meeting of all those willing to volunteer in the matter. The united fire brigades of the colony to the number of nearly nine hundred men, have just held their annual meeting for competitive practice in Melbourne. It would surely be gratifying for all residents here that their numbers next year should be augmented by a Beaufort contingent. This letter is not the first appeal that has appeared in your columns on the subject; and it is to be hoped that it will not now be allowed to drop. Let it be remembered that those who have the means of preservation and safety at command and neglect to avail themselves of them, fail in their duty to society and are unjust to themselves; and when misfortunes arising from this neglect overtake them, their very calamities only render them ridiculous.

SENTINEL.

Beaufort, June 5th, 1874.

FAREWELL TO MR. STODDART.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate. Sir.—As it does not fall to the lot of every one, to visit the land of their birth and early associations, but to those who have the good fortune to go so, it must be a pleasing reflection to know that they leave their friends in Victoria, with credit, also coupled with their good wishes, which was exemplified on Friday evening last, in the case of Mr. James Stoddart, one of our oldest residents on Waterloo, on his taking leave for old England per the Northumberland. Being only a late arrival on Waterloo, I must say I felt great pleasure in witnessing the manner in which his friends met, at the "Albion Hotel" to discuss a farewell supper, provided by host "Wetherden" when the greatest good-fellowship reigned. By what I learnt from a speech, suitable to the occasion, delivered by Mr. Barwick, it appears Mr. Stoddart, who has spent a number of years in the locality, "and with credit to himself" as well as being known to be a genial good fellow, therefore it was not to be wondered, that his health and a prosperous voyage, was drank so enthusiastically, with many a wish that he will return. By what fell from the speaker, it appears, the only fault (if one) that could be laid to the charge of Mr. Stoddart, is that he has persistently remained a bachelor. I presume he has remained staunch to his early vows, which we have no doubt he has now gone to fulfil. Being, as is well known, a lover of the light fantastic, it is not to be wondered that dancing was kept up till a late hour in the morning, to the strains of music rendered by Messrs Mischel and Manners of Beaufort. In conclusion I have great pleasure in testifying that the catering by host and hostess Wetherden reflected great credit to them, the wines supplied being of the best quality. A more enjoyable party could not be desired, by the guest of the evening and his friends, also.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

Riponshire Council.

THURSDAY—JUNE 4, 1874.

Present—Cr. Cushing (president), Crs. Watherspoon, Beggs, Kirkpatrick, Hamblin, Arthur, Oldie, and Forrest.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From John Hosking, applying for remission of rates of the Duke of Edinburgh Co., as it had stopped working, and was not likely to start again.—Rates remitted.

From Jeremiah Smith, calling the Council's attention to the bad state of the Main Lead road beyond Harris' store.—The Engineer was instructed to have the road repaired, at a cost not to exceed £10.

From W. J. Gilchrist, 141 Temple Court, Melbourne, acknowledging receipt of £5.—Received.

From George Wilson, secretary of the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute, applying for remission of rates, as the institution is open to the public, free.—Rates remitted.

Railways and Roads Department, returning special order for the establishment of a toll-gate on the Ballarat and Hamilton road.—Received.

From Robert Simson, forwarding £74 11s., under protest, for rates.—Received.

From John Wilson, forwarding cheque for rates due for the current year, and requesting the Council to close the sluice gate on the cutting to Lake Goldsmith.

From Denis Griffin, Inspector of Slaughter yards, stating that he could not approve of a license being granted to Mr. Tucker, as his yards were not erected.

From Roads Department, with reference to the inconvenience caused them by inordi-

nate dimensions of plans sent by local bodies for roads and bridges, and forwarding necessary instructions.

From McEwan and Co., acknowledging receipt of £100 for weighbridge.—Received.

From George Young, Green-hill, Amphitheatre, calling attention to the bad road between Watkins and Tucker's fences on the road between Charlton and Raglan, stating that he had a valuable cow killed by falling into one of the holes on that road, and applying for £5, which sum he valued his loss.

From Henry Parker, Snake Valley, applying to the Council to allow A. Taylor and himself, to withdraw their bond which they had entered into for John Hill, who had discontinued mining under the Snake Valley Road.—Granted.

From B. Dowd, applying for remission of rates on his property which had been destroyed by fire.—Rates remitted.

From John Cameron, forwarding 10s. under protest, for the burying of a horse.

From the Hampden Council, applying for a share of the cost in the erection of a bridge at Skipton.—No action taken.

From the Ballaratshire Council, asking this Council to co-operate in petition Government to effect repairs to Lake Burrambeet. Cr. Forrest was appointed to represent the Council.

From Henry Parker, applying for remission of rates on the Mechanics' Institute, Camargham.—Rates remitted.

Alexander Wilson, Mount Egan, applying for an exchange of roads.—West Riding members and the Engineer to report.

From J. W. Brown, notifying his intention to apply for a publican's license for a house situated at the Main Lead.

From J. W. Brown, applying for compensation for damage done to his land by a race being cut through it, and estimating the damage at £20.—Referred to the Water Supply Committee.

From Rupert Smith, calling the attention of the Council to the state of the road between the Cross Roads and Stony Rises.—Referred to the Engineer.

From C. Rankin, Waterloo, calling attention to the state of the pathway leading to the church at Waterloo.—Engineer was instructed to have the work done at a cost not to exceed £5.

Rates were remitted in the following cases—McCue, Galvin, Walker, Ormiston, Gorman, and Copp.

Slaughtering licenses were granted to Messrs. Hutton and Smith, subject to the usual conditions.

DEPUTATIONS.

Mr. Cochran waited on the Council to complain of the bad state of the road, beyond Moore's store.—Engineer was instructed to have the work done at a cost not to exceed £5.

George Murray applied to the Council for balance due on his contract.—Referred to West Riding members to report upon.

REPORTS.

The Engineer reported as follows:—I have the honor to report that the various contracts in the shire are being proceeded with, and tenders are invited for the works determined on at the last meeting of the council.

In accordance with instructions I received from the council, I requested the surveyor to keep an account of the traffic on the Skipton and Strathmain main road, which he did for 56 days, commencing on the 24th of March last, and from his returns I have calculated that the total amount that would have been received for tolls during the period is £35 3s. 10d., or at the rate of 12s. 6d. per day. Out of the sum £14 is allowed to coaches which is the full amount they would be charged, leaving £21 3s. 10d. for ordinary traffic.

Contractor Booth's contract at Cheststone has been delayed beyond the contract time, through the dilatoriness of the contractor in getting timber, and the public have been put to considerable inconvenience in consequence. Contractor Hehir has delivered about 200 yards of maintenance metal in excess of the specified quantity on main Ararat road, and it remains with the council to say if they will accept it.

The Collector reported as follows:—I have the honor to report that since your last meeting, rates have been collected to the amount of £1382 17s. 2d. and paid to the treasurer, and that a balance yet stands of £753 17s. 4d. to complete this year's collection.

I shall require plain notes and an advance, of say, £10 for preliminary expenses, to enable me to recover from those parties who have not yet paid.

FINANCE.

Shire Engineer..... £29 3 4
Secretary..... 19 3 4
Valuer and Inspector..... 28 0 0
W. E. Nickols, commission..... 1 5 0
J. Wilcox, attendant..... 2 10 0
Lextonshire Council, toll fund..... 42 0 0
Penny cash..... 5 0 0
Luney Statute, re Hickey..... 2 12 6
John Whitfield, surveyor, N.R..... 8 0 0
Joe Whitfield, surveyor, N.R..... 6 0 0
Henry Burton, 6 days..... 2 0 0
M'Intosh, horse and dray, N.R..... 0 14 0
John Whitfield, horse and dray..... 1 0 0
John Whitfield, carting timber..... 1 0 0
C. Cushing, surveyor, E.R..... 8 0 0
M. Muir, surveyor, E.R..... 8 0 0
M. Corrigan, surveyor, W.R..... 8 0 0
P. Corrigan, surveyor, W.R..... 8 0 0
David Turpie, timber, E.R..... 1 2 2
W. A. Booth, contract 3, water supply..... 120 0 0
W. A. Booth, contract 21, water supply..... 50 0 0
W. A. Booth, contract 22, water supply..... 50 0 0
J. F. Watkin, contract 1, water supply..... 25 0 0
J. F. Watkin, contract 19, water supply..... 35 0 0
J. F. Watkin, contract 23, water supply..... 30 0 0
Stevens and McDonald..... 20 0 0
De Gibson..... 36 0 0
Evening Post, advertising..... 3 10 0
Treasurer, refund contract 92, East Riding..... 10 0 0
Wm. Barlane, contract 185, N.R..... 55 0 0
Condit and Hoskins, contract 178, North Riding..... 3 0 0
Condit and Hoskins, contract 179, North Riding..... 5 14 0
Condit and Hoskins, contract 181, North Riding..... 60 4 0
George Douglas, contract 126, East Riding..... 5 12 6
George Douglas, contract 127, East Riding..... 11 14 0

George Douglas, contract 132, East Riding..... 68 14 0
Robert Duchmann, contract 95, West Riding..... 46 0 0
W. Stevens, contract 186, N.R..... 30 0 0
S. Walker, contract 138, E.R..... 35 0 0
P. Lennon, contract 187, N.R..... 6 0 0
P. Lennon, contract 188, N.R..... 9 0 0
W. A. Booth, contract 125, E.R..... 21 14 0
W. A. Booth, contract 129, E.R..... 70 0 0
W. A. Booth, contract 131, E.R..... 150 0 0
John Hehir, contract 173, North Riding toll fund account..... 11 0 0
M. Cradock, contract 172, N.R..... 148 0 0
W. C. Pimblett, contract 177, North Riding..... 56 0 0
Fraser and Hammond, contract 177, West Riding..... 370 0 0
James Kincaid, contract 176, North Riding..... 45 0 0
James McLeod, contract 9..... 37 16 0
Roberts, contract 10..... 4 6 0
Roberts, contract 11..... 26 5 0
Roberts, contract 12..... 10 0 0
Z. Williams, contract 20..... 35 0 0
Extras, contract 181, N.R..... 1 0 0

TENDERS.

Contract No. 189—Making a small piece of gravelled road, and a flat crossing on the south side of Willox's selection going to Dal's farm.

Stevens and McDonald..... £23 0 0
J. Adamthwaite..... 13 12 0
W. Iredale..... 25 13 0
W. C. Pimblett..... 28 3 0
Buchanan and Bruce..... 20 0 0
W. M'Farlane..... 19 12 0
Z. Williams..... 35 3 6
M. Keating..... 19 4 0
Condit and Hoskins..... 16 18 0

Contract No. 190—Making a Flat Crossing and Approaches through the Trawalla Creek, on the Lexton road, at Charlton.

M. Keating..... £50 5 0
Stevens and McDonald..... 48 10 0
M. Green..... 39 10 0
P. Hehir..... 33 7 6
Buchanan and Bruce..... 72 0 0
W. C. Pimblett..... 39 10 0
W. Iredale..... 55 9 9
W. M'Farlane..... 57 12 6
Z. Williams..... 93 5 0
Condit and Hosking..... 48 15 0
Fraser and Hammond..... 74 10 9

Contract No. 191—Cutting twenty-five chains of Large Drain in the Middle Creek, near Jess's Farm.

John Thomson..... £10 0 0
John Adamthwaite..... 27 17 9
Condit and Hosking..... 15 1 3
Buchanan and Bruce..... 23 4 6
W. M'Farlane..... 26 0 0
Michael Kain..... 24 0 0
Stevens and McDonald..... 34 14 0
W. Iredale..... 76 12 4

The lowest tender was in each case accepted. Cr. Watherspoon moved and Cr. Beggs seconded—that all previous resolutions relating to advertising be rescinded, and that the Riponshire Advocate be the official paper of the shire.

Cr. Oldie moved as an amendment—that the Evening Post remain the official paper of the shire.

Cr. Hamblin supported the amendment, stating that as soon as the Beaufort Chronicle had ceased to exist, the Riponshire Advocate was started by two or three persons to serve their own ends. In the very first issue of the Riponshire Advocate a notice appeared in which was stated, that they had been appointed the official organ of the Riponshire Council, which was untrue. He would further remark that the Riponshire Advocate was a one-sided journal, and on these grounds he would support the Ballarat paper.

Cr. Watherspoon in defending the action he had taken, stated that as the Riponshire Advocate was the only newspaper published within the shire, it should be appointed the official organ.

For the motion—Crs. Watherspoon, Beggs, Forrest and Cushing.

For the amendment—Crs. Hamblin, Oldie, Kirkpatrick and Arthur.

As it was necessary that there should be a majority of two-thirds, the motion was declared lost.

Cr. Beggs moved and Cr. Kirkpatrick seconded—that the Secretary write to the Railway Department, requesting them to make the road passable to the approaches to the railway gates at Erambroom.

Cr. Hamblin again brought under the notice of the Council, the conduct of the Engineer in employing the surveyor to perform his duties, and insisted on the Engineer informing him whether the surveyor or himself surveyed the road from Waterloo to Trawalla.

The Engineer stated that Mr. Poeppel had surveyed the road.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Cr. Watherspoon to move—that all previous resolutions referring to advertising be rescinded, and that the Riponshire Advocate be appointed the official journal of the shire. The Council then adjourned.

"How old is your mama?" asked a love smitten old bachelor, of the daughter of the widow who evicted him. "I don't know, sir; my agoravans from forty-three to twenty-five," was the artless reply, and the bachelor swindled contented.

A Cooltoun Courier of recent date says:—"We estimate that there are at least 500 men in Cooltoun who, if assisted

Lake Boloko.

(From a Correspondent.)

I understand that your enterprising townsman, Mr. Rupert Smith, has made arrangements with Messrs. McDonald and Sons for their Lake Boloko Salt Works and farm of 300 acres, and that he is going into the manufacture of salt on a much larger scale than the former proprietors have hitherto done, in order to meet the increasing demand for salt in all its forms for the use of stock and flock masters. As it is quite patent to all that fluke is making fearful ravages in our flocks, and its spread over such a large extent of country, it will be found necessary by those who have sheep in their possession either sound or unsound, to use salt, both as a cure and also as a preventative against this fearful disease. I congratulate Mr. Smith on his venture in securing such a valuable plant, and a never ending supply of salt brine of such wonderful strength as the Lake Boloko springs are. I understand that he intends at once putting up sheep yards and a dip in order to accommodate persons who may wish to dip their sheep, and will supply the hot brine from the boilers at any heat the owners may wish, and at such a charge that persons will find it a much less cost than could be supplied at their own dips. Mr. Smith informs me that the oxides of iron which has hitherto been thrown away and of which the brine in its raw state is so impregnated with, will be carefully saved from the pans and can be used in the dips. I therefore think that it will be a great boon to those especially who are within an easy distance, and also to those who may have sheep passing from the westward, not to lose the opportunity of not only keeping their sheep in good health, but to prevent any further ravages of fluke if it does not already exist. I have no doubt but the sheep owners and farmers in our district will appreciate the boon which will thereby be conferred upon them, for Mr. Smith informs me that it is his intention to make no charge to anyone who may avail themselves of the opportunity, until its effects are thoroughly tested and made known, except the nominal cost of firewood, and the labor can be supplied by the parties themselves. I therefore hope and have no doubt but the enterprising proprietor will be amply rewarded by the increased demand for salt in all its forms.—June 2nd.

Primitive Methodist Tea Meeting and Concert.

The tea meeting and concert in aid of the organ fund of the above church took place last Monday evening. The tables were twice laden with all the delicacies of the season which were done ample justice to by the visitors. After the concert took place, the church being filled with people anxious to hear the singing, etc. Mr. Thomas was voted to the chair. Rev. J. Long opened the meeting with a prayer, after which the chairman made some humorous and suitable remarks with reference to the advisability of having an organ in the church. The following programme was carried out:—Anthem—"Comfort ye," Choir; duet—"Weep not for me," Miss Gordon and Mr. Mason; song and chorus—"Who is a brave man," Choir; reading—"Mr. Dow; duet—"piano," Mr. F. H. Long and Miss Long; song—"Too late," Miss Nettleton; song—"Rocked in the cradle of the deep," Mr. Prentice; recitation—"The Leper," Mr. Lorr; song—"The Pilgrim Fathers," Mr. F. H. Long; recitation—"Hortations," Mr. Paull; duet—"Sweet home," Mr. Mason and Miss Long; song—"The little church," Mr. Mason; song—"Not lost but gone before," Miss Long; anthem—"Rejoice in the Lord," Choir. After the doxology was sung and the usual votes of thanks passed to the choir, chairman, and the bachelor members of the church for supplying some of the tables, a most enjoyable meeting was brought to a close.

Parliamentary.

In the Legislative Council, on Tuesday, Mr. Stinson moved for a number of returns relating to the Lands Department. He said he should be able to show that great abuses had taken place; he also intimated that if the returns were not satisfactory he should move that information should be got by means of an examination of witnesses at the bar of the House. Mr. Anderson, in reply, read a statement which showed that all the regulations made since 1869 had been published; that the Board of Land and Works alone had power to make regulations; also, that some of the returns asked for could be furnished, and to furnish others would involve much trouble and delay to the business of the department. The hon. member then laid upon the table some of the returns asked for. Mr. W. A. C. A'Beckett hoped that the hon. Mr. Stinson would not push his motion for an enquiry. After some discussion, Mr. Stinson withdrew the motion, reserving to himself the right of bringing a kindred one forward on a future time. In the Legislative Assembly, on Tuesday, Mr. Francis rose to mention the fact that the Governor of Tasmania was present, and moved—"That his Excellency be accommodated with a chair in the body of the House. The motion being unanimously agreed to, and his Excellency took his seat accordingly. In reply to Mr. Duffy. Mr. Gillies declined to promise to resume the issue of return tickets on the railways, on the ground of having reduced the single fares 33 per cent. By this reduction, those persons who had previously been in the habit

of travelling with return tickets, now paid 16 per cent less than they did before the reductions.

In reply to Mr. Lalor, who asked the question amidst some laughter. Mr. Francis said that no communication had been received from the Agent-General by this mail on the subject of the proposed scheme of Constitutional Reform.

Mr. Francis then rose to move the second reading of the Constitution Act Amendment Bill. In doing so, he said that late political events had clearly shown that an alteration of the Constitution was much required. This Ministry had undertaken, like previous Ministries, to bring about Parliamentary reform; and last session, in particular, a measure with that end in view had received a great deal of attention in the Assembly, and was carried by the large majority of fifty-eight through its second reading, and through its third reading without any division at all. There was no desire to reduce the importance of the other House, but it was believed that unless the proposed reform was carried out, legislation would become more and more difficult and disastrous. When the Government appealed to the country they submitted a proposal which, it is believed, would remedy the existing evil, and he now proposed to submit three questions to the House, namely—First, "Is reform necessary?" Second, "Is this a proper time for it?" And third, "Are the means devised by the Government the best means?" The hon. member then went on to quote from the speeches of Sir John O'Shanassy and other leading Victorian politicians, to show that the proposed reform was really required. He referred to the provisions of the bills by which it had previously been attempted to reform the Upper House, but without success; and also to the speeches of Sir C. G. Duffy, Mr. Graham Berry, Major Smith, and other hon. members of the Assembly, in favor of a reform of the Upper House. The bill now presented was in exact accord with the promises of the Government to the country. It substituted for the power of dissolution, proposed to be applied to the Upper House in the bill of last session, the meeting of the two Houses as one body. It was certainly the duty of the Government to submit a definite proposal, and it would be for the House to say whether the one which they had actually brought forward was one of the least aggressive, and of the most effectual. The hon. member then went on to defend the provisions of the present bill. Mr. Grant, in replying, submitted that the question was virtually whether there should be one House or not. He was surprised to find the Government going to a foreign country for a model, and referred to Mr. John Bright's expression—that England was not only the home of freedom, but also the mother of Parliaments. He strongly condemned any scientific manufacture of the constitution. The hon. gentleman, in a good speech, opposed the Ministerial project. Mr. Hanna supported the bill. Mr. Jones moved the adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to after some discussion.

A lady while engaged in the pursuit of her domestic duties encountered a mouse in the flour barrel. Now most ladies under similar circumstances would have uttered a few feminine shrieks, and then sought safety in the garret. But this one possessed more than ordinary degree of feminine courage. She summoned the man-servant, and told him to get the shot gun, call the bulldog, and station himself at a convenient distance. Then she climbed halfway up stairs and commenced to punch the flour barrel with a pole. Presently the mouse made its appearance and started across the floor. The dog at once went in pursuit, the man fired, and the dog dropped dead. The lady fainted and fell down stairs, and the hired man, thinking that she was killed, and fearing that he would be arrested for murder, disappeared, and had not been seen since. The mouse escaped.

The Hamilton Spectator waxes facetious over the new form of declaration issued by Mr. Casey for the taking-up of land. Our contemporary suggests that the following questions should be added:—"Have you a mole on your left arm? and if so, state its exact position." "Have you had whooping-cough, measles, or scarlatina? and if so, give the names of the doctor and nurse, if any, with categorical list of the prescriptions taken." "Have you a grandmother living? and if so, where does she reside, and who contributes to her support?" It is to be hoped (our contemporary adds) that these, and other important queries that may suggest themselves, will be embodied in the next batch of regulations.

At Boulogne during a Royal reception some years ago, a number of English ladies, in their anxiety to see everything, pressed with such force against the soldiers who were keeping the line that the latter were forced to give way, and generally were—to use the expression of policemen—"hindered in the execution of their duty." The officer in command, observing the state of affairs, called out, "One roll of the drum—if they don't keep back, kiss them all!" After the first sound of the drum the ladies took to flight. "If they had been French," says a Parisian journal, "they would have remained to a woman."

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Sudden changes of temperature rarely try all persons subject to rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, and many maladies scarcely less painful, though of shorter duration. On the first attack of stiffness or suffering in any muscle, joint, or nerve, recourse should immediately be had to fomentations of the seat of the disease with hot brine and by subsequent rubbing in this remarkable Ointment, the uneasiness of the part will be removed, inflammation subdued, and swelling reduced. The Pills, simultaneously taken, will gently constitutional disturbances and renew the strength. No remedies heretofore discovered have proved so effective as the Ointment and Pills for removing gouty, rheumatic, and scrofulous attacks, which afflict a large, and are commonly hereditary.

The cure which this Ointment effects in healing piles and fistulas of long standing, after they have resisted all other applications, have been so countless and notorious throughout the world that any effort to give an adequately detailed statement of their number or character would be vain. It is sufficient to know that the Ointment has never proved inefficient. Relaxed and congested throats, clogged with ulcerated or torpid tonsils, whooping cough, croup, wheezing from accumulated mucus, and other difficult cases of respiration, also palpitation, stitches and shortness of breath, may, with certainty, be cured by rubbing this healing Ointment over the chest and back for at least half an hour twice a day, assisted by appropriate doses of Holloway's Pills.

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A HOUSE TO LET. Apply, H. P. HENNINGSEN, Stationer, Beaufort.

To Let for Building Purposes, AN ALLOTMENT of LAND in Neill-street. Apply P. DE BARRÉ, Neill-street.

To Let, TWO FOUR-ROOMED COTTAGES. Apply to BENJAMIN MOORE, Trout Store, Beaufort.

£1 Reward. STRAYED from the Beaufort Common, Dark Bay Strawberry STEER, branded C off rump. The above reward will be paid on delivery to GEORGE CARVER, Beaufort.

For Sale, FOUR-ROOMED COTTAGE and ALLOTMENT in Lawrence-street, opposite Shire Hall, at present occupied by Mr. John Robertson. Apply to W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Commission Agent.

Title—Crown Grant. Firewood. WANTED, CUTTERS AND CARTERS, Apply to JOHN RIEDY, Post-office, Main Lead. May 27th, 1874.

Beaufort Societies' Hall, Company. IT is hereby notified that the SEVENTH CALL of £2 Two shillings and sixpence per share will be due and payable on the 12th June, 1874.

STEPHEN CHAPMAN, Chairman of Directors. Beaufort, 29th May, 1874.

Wanted, HORSES AND DRAYS. Apply to TOMPKINS AND CAMERON, Beaufort.

Wanted, AN ACTIVE BOY, about 16 years of age accustomed to horses, apply, DR. JOHNSTON.

Wanted, SMART ACTIVE YOUTH, 14 or 15 years of age, as Apprentice to the Saddlery business, apply, J CHADWICK Saddler, Neill-street Beaufort.

Tenders, ARE invited, till SATURDAY, 13th inst. for LINING WATERLOO CHURCH. Plans at this office. W. H. SIBLEY, Hon. Sec.

Found, ON the 16th of May, a Flour Bag containing different articles of Clothing, between Burrumbidgee and Beaufort. The owner can have them by applying to WILLIAM BRIERLEY, Burrumbidgee.

Notice, ALL PERSONS TRESPASSING on the LANG-KAL-KAL ESTATE with Dogs or Guns after this notice, will be PROSECUTED. Poison laid in paddocks. THOS. TINDALE, Manager. May 20th, 1874.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY. Instituted 1821.—Lowest Rates.—Losses promptly settled in Melbourne. Victorian Branch. Chief Office: Queen-street. E. F. YENCHEN, Agent. Agents wanted in localities where the Society is not represented. Applications to be addressed as above.

Golden Gate Alluvial Gold Mining Co., (No Liability), Waterloo.

A CALL (the fifth of One Shilling per share has been made on the capital of the company, due and payable to the manager at the office of the company, Fraser-street, Clunes, on Wednesday, June 10th, 1874. T. DREWETT, Manager.

Wellington Gold Mining Company, (No Liability), Waterloo.

A CALL (the eighth of One Shilling per share has been made on the capital of the company, due and payable to the manager at the office of the company, Fraser-street, Clunes, on Wednesday, June 10th, 1874. T. DREWETT, Manager.

Richmond Q. M. Company, Waterloo, No Liability.

A CALL (the eleventh of ONE SHILLING per share on the capital of the Company, has been made due and payable at the Company's office, at Beaufort, on WEDNESDAY the 10th day of June, 1874. D. G. STEWART, Manager. Beaufort, 30th May, 1874.

Notice of Dissolution of the Raglan Tent Independent Order of Rechabites, Raglan.

A The Quarterly Council Meeting of the Victoria District Independent Order of Rechabites Friendly Society held in the Temperance Hall, Russell-street, Melbourne, on Friday, April 24th, 1874. The following resolution was carried.

"That the Tent or Branch of the Victoria District Independent Order of Rechabites Friendly Society, called the Raglan Tent, No. 105, Raglan, having been established 12 months, and not being in a position to fulfil all the requirements of the dispensation granted at the opening thereof, and of the General Laws of the Order, shall be and the same is hereby dissolved." Signed, WILLIAM CLARKE, D.C.R. JOHN TOON, D.D.R. Counter-signed, WILLIAM BELL, District Secretary.

Beaufort and Maryborough Railways. WE beg to inform the Squatters, Merchants, Storekeepers, and the public generally, that on the opening of the Railway to Beaufort and Maryborough we will have a staff of EFFICIENT CLERKS, &c., at each place for receiving and Forwarding Wool, Stores, Merchandise, &c.

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Saturday Next, June 13. IMPORTANT TO EVERYBODY

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Is instructed to sell by Public Auction without reserve, commencing on SATURDAY, JUNE 13th, as above, stock of

Drapery, Clothing, Boots, Tweeds, Cloths, Dress Goods, Wines, Flannels, Blankets, Sheetings, Towels, Calicoes, Mantles, Jackets, Stays, Hosiers, Fancy Goods, A splendid lot of Men's and Youths' Clothing, Trousers and Vests, Suits, Trousers, Coats, Overcoats, Shirts, &c., &c.—Also a prime stock of Boots in Men's, Women's, and Children's.

The Auctioneer would particularly impress upon the public the fact of such a chance of securing goods of really good quality seldom occurring in this district, and to remember that the above is for positive sale on Saturday June 13, 1874.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL. RUPERT SMITH, Butcher and Produce Merchant,

BEGS to intimate to the public that he has REMOVED to his NEW PREMISES, OPPOSITE THE METHODIST CHAPEL, BEAUFORT, where he hopes to receive a continuance of the patronage with which he has hitherto been favored.

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FIRE ASSURANCE, ANNUITIES, ENDOWMENTS. This Society is a strictly Mutual one. The Profits are divisible amongst the Policy holders only. There are no shareholders.

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Solicitor—Hugh J. Chambers. CONSULTING ACTUARY: Professor Wilson, University of Melbourne. MEDICAL REFEREES: Cornelius Gaven Casey, Edwin M. James. Rates of Premium very moderate. DURHAM NICHOLSON, Secretary.

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BEGS to inform the public of Beaufort, and surrounding district, that he proposes holding Monthly Sales

Of Live Stock, Farm Produce, Agricultural Implements, and all descriptions of merchandise, at his AUCTION MART and SALE ROOM, Lawrence-st., Beaufort.

The opening sale will be held on Saturday, 20th June at One o'clock sharp, and continued regularly on the third Saturday in every month. Sales effected in any part of the colony. Account sales promptly rendered. Agent for Daniel's chaffcutters and corn crushers, Willing's wool presses, and all classes of farm implements.

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WOTHERSPOON BROS. & CO. WILL SHOW THEIR NEW AND SUPERB STOCK OF SEASONABLE GOODS

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Black Silks, Colored Silk Reys, Fancy Silk Poplins, Colored Figured Crapes, Fancy Striped Diagonals, Branch Twills, Fancy Striped Balanores, Wool Ties & Satin Cloths, all colors, Italian Cloths, Persian and Russel Cordis, Arabian Laces, French Merinos, all the new colors, French Twills, Bartheles, Australian Crapes, Paracetans, Mixed Linens, Aberdeen do, Check do., Clambrery do, Knickerbocker do.

Millinery.—Ladies' Hats and Bonnets for the Season, just arrived—an elegant assortment in all sizes and materials. Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing in great variety. Colonial material and workmanship. Extensive Stock to select from. GEELONG TWEEDS from the Victorian and Albion Mills. BALLARAT FLANNELS.

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W. B. and Co. have no hesitation in stating that they can supply a good article at as low a price as any house in the Colony, all purchases being made for cash only.

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B. MOORE, Timber Merchant, Neill-street, Beaufort, Has on hand, at lowest prices.

American Clear Pine, Shelving and Lumber, and Baltic Deals, all sizes; T and G Scotch Flooring and Lining Pine Weatherboards, various lengths, Sashes, Doors, Skirting Boards, Mouldings, etc. in great variety; Hardwood, large and varied assortment, including all the most useful sizes. Cedar Boards, various sizes; Table Legs, Mantelpieces, Pillars, etc. Geelong Lime, etc., etc.

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Discontinue subscriptions to the paper must be notified, delivered at the office and for the current week.

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To Ararat do

To Great Western do

To Pleasant Creek do

To Glenorchy do

To Ashes do

To Longmangro do

To Horsham do

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To Duangor do

To Ararat do

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To Ashes do

To Longmangro do

To Horsham do

ROBERTSON, WAGNER, and Co., Proprietors.

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On the arrival of the first train from Melbourne.

Ballarat to Creswick 10.30 a.m.

Ballarat to Mount Prospect do

Ballarat to Deep Creek (Jim Crow) do

Ballarat to Daylesford do

Ballarat to Coomera do

Ballarat to Dyers do

Ballarat to Glenelg do

Ballarat to Germans do

Ballarat to Kyneton road do

Ballarat to Malmsbury do

ROBERTSON, WAGNER, and Co., Proprietors.

Maryborough and Dunolly Road.

(Daily, Saturday excepted.)

Ballarat to Creswick, 12 night

Ballarat to Clunes 12 night

Do 1 p.m.

Ballarat to Ascot (Coghill's Creek) 1 p.m.

Ballarat to Talbot (Back Creek) 12 night

Do 1 p.m.

Ballarat to Amberst (Daisy Hill) 12 night

Ballarat to Maryborough do

Ballarat to Dunolly do

Ballarat to Sandy Creek (Tarangulla) do

Ballarat to Ingleswood do

Ballarat to St. Arnaud (New Bendigo) do

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Ballarat to Linton do

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Ballarat to Lake Bolac do

Ballarat to Wickliff do

Ballarat to Mail Tent do

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In the premises lately occupied by Mr. J. PATIENCE, and trusts by strict attention to business, and executing work in first-class style, combined with moderate charges to merit a fair share of public patronage.

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The following along with nearly all PATENT MEDICINES, DRUGS AND CHEMICALS may be obtained, Norris' Condition Spice, Phosphated Baking Powder, Kraus' Pills and Ointment, Worm Nuts, Blue's Food, Bovey's Sago, Swiss Milk, Bath Sponge, Essence of Lemon in bulk, Iodine of Iron combined with Cod Liver Oil as lately recommended for Phthisis, Alcock's Porous Plaster in sheets, Fir Wood Oil, &c. &c.

Beaufort, May, 1st, 1874.

Guthrie, Bullock & Co.,

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BALLARAT WHOLESALE MARKET.

MESSEES. EVERINGHAM, GREENFIELD, AND CO. REPORT.

The market for wheat has been active at prices lately ruling, the clearance of a large line of Northern at a penny over quotations having had a very useful effect on the market; for local-grown small lots, however, we still report prices at 6s. 2d. to 6s. 3d. Oats are scarce, with a limited demand at 5s. 1d. to 5s. 2d. Barley—Cape is wanted at 5s. 1d. to 5s. 2d., English at 5s. 6d. to 6s. We cleared a good line at the latter figure. Peas have been sold in parcels at up to 6s. out of store. Hay has been wanted, at least chaff stores, which continue scarce at £1 to £1 5s; mangel, £1 10s. to £1 5s. Straw has also been scarce, and has brought extreme rates: wheaten, £2 2s. 6d.; oaten, £2 10s. to £2 15s. Potatoes are coming forward moderately, and command fair sale at from £2 5s. to £2 7s. 6d. Carrots, £2.—June 10th.

MESSEES. GRAY AND OSBORNE REPORT.

A fair amount of business has been transacted in the produce market since our last, and on the whole the prices have been firmly maintained. The supply of wheat has been moderate, but several large lots have been cleared out from store at the highest price, viz., 6s. 4d. Oats are sent in very slowly indeed, so that the prices have had advanced to 5s. 6d. to 5s. 9d. for feed; seed do., 6s. to 6s. 2d.; seed do., 5s. 6d. to 6s.; English do., 5s. 6d. to 6s. Rye-grass seed dull of sale, price nominally 6s. to 6s. 6d.; prairie-grass, 5s. 6d. to 6s. Peas are in demand at 5s. 9d. to 5s. 11d.; potatoes are wanted at £2 5s. to £2 6s. 6d. Carrots—A few loads passed through the market daily at £2 per ton. We have a demand for hay; mangel moves off readily at £5 to £5 5s.; chaff do and sleeves, £5 to £5 5s.; straw is scarce, and in demand at £2 to £2 15s.—June 10th.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

The state of the market last week indicates, if anything, a downward tendency. Wheat is fully up to the demand, and not a few holders have been offering, in some cases successfully. Oats are still rather scarce, but are expected in more freely before very long. There is no change to report in hay or chaff. We quote—Wheat, 5s. 6d. per bushel; oats, 5s. 6d. to 5s. 8d. per bushel; pollard, 1s. 10d. per bushel; bran, 1s. 8d. per bushel; barley, none; flour, £14 per ton; potatoes, £5 to £5 10s. per ton; hay, £5 10s. to £5 per ton; chaff, 5s. to 5s. 6d. per cwt.—Advertiser.

STORY FOR GENTLEMEN.

"Poh, poh, poh!" quoth Mr. Corporal to Mrs. Ponderit, at whose house he and his family were spending a social evening. "All talk, my dear madam, mere talk; the women don't believe it themselves. Ask my wife, ask my daughters, who they are that rule in my house."

"In whose house?" said the soft voice of Mrs. Ponderit. "A mere figure of speech, ma'am—a form of convenience for tax-collectors, landlords, etc. Say their house, if you'd rather; I know I didn't dare to take it till I brought them all down from the country to look at it. Here, Betty, my duck, come over here; Julia, Annie, come here and testify that you're not the wasting victims of a tyrannical husband and father."

Mrs. C. arose with a smile; the young ladies shook their naughty curls and remained at the other end of the room. Of course they did, for we all know how profound and absorbing a thing is parlor coquet when you are playing it with Mr. Tillingshustler and young Mr. Ponderit.

"Do you hear me?" roared Mr. Corporal, swelling with triumph at this opportune disqualification. "Yes, pa, to-morrow," said Julia, smiling placidly at him over her gauze-covered shoulder. "Go it alone, papa," suggested the skittish young Annie.

"Do you hear that, ma'am? There's a specimen of slavish subservency! Now Mrs. Corporal, I want you to answer as if you were under oath; am I severe husband?" "No." "Am I a selfish husband?" "No." "Am I an ungenerous husband?" "No."

"It seems to me, Mrs. Ponderit, that you are answered." "I should like to remark," said that lady, "that when I expressed my opinion on the abstract question, I had no idea of making a personal application." "Oh! I don't like abstractions. Put your theories to the test, say I, and see if they stand or fall."

"But I haven't finished my answers," said Mrs. Corporal, looking earnestly at her husband. "It was a loving, half-troubled, yet determined look, that she gave him as she went on to say—

"Firstly, you are not severe, but you are overbearing; taking for granted that the head of the family carries the brains of the family, it seldom occurs to you to consult me in matters of mutual interest, and so your very kindness takes the form of tyranny; the very thing I may want to do or have is less acceptable to me for being imposed upon me at the decision of another."

"Really?" exclaimed Mr. Corporal, taken all "back;" "I overbearing? Well?" "Secondly," continued his wife, "you are not by nature selfish, and yet you are inconsiderate—that is to say, there are some things that you have never been taught to consider. You have been brought up to look upon women's tastes, women's plans, and women's household theories or rules as whimsies to be indulged out of kindness, but never taken into serious account in deciding your own movements."

"Well, well, well," sighed the bewildered husband; "I inconsiderate?" "Thirdly, you are not ungenerous, but you are unjust; you will buy me a silk dress that I do not need, or a set of jewellery that I would rather not have; in fact, you are continually wasting money upon me; and yet in all the years of our married life I have never had a dollar that did not come in the shape of a gift."

"Good Heavens!" cried Mr. Corporal, rising vehemently, then sinking back, overcome, into his chair. "I am an unjust husband, when she knows that I never in all my life refused to open my purse at her desire."

"Whose purse?" again insinuated the musical voice of Mrs. Ponderit. "Oh, poh, poh!—her purse, if she likes it better; the little receptacle which my wife and daughters find it convenient for me to keep—well filled—in my pocket. Besides, Elizabeth, if you have harbored this sense of wrong for so many years, why conceal it? Why cherish resentment against your husband until we have nearly reached our silver wedding?"

"Perhaps I ought not to have spoken here and now," said Mrs. Corporal, "in the presence even of our nearest friend. I have never spoken before, because I was educated to be subservient to my husband, and have labored faithfully to conquer the sense of humiliation and disposition to rebel, which I thought peculiar to myself, and coming from some fault in my own character. But very lately my eyes have been opened to the fact [To be continued in our next.]

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The case of Augustus Poeppel, late land officer and clerk of courts in this town, which is at present occupying the attention of the law officers of the Crown, presents some very strange features. This case commands not only the attention of every right-thinking man in this district, but throughout the whole colony, for here we have an instance of how a man may be subjected to a long term of imprisonment, through the gross blundering of the jurymen, who either failed to give the case their attention, or were not endowed with sufficient brains to thoroughly understand the charges made. It will be remembered by many of our readers in this district that POEPEL was put upon his trial for embezzlement and forgery. The trial took place in Ararat in June last, but owing to one jurymen dissenting from the rest, for returning a verdict of not guilty, POEPEL was remanded till the following July. On surrendering to his bail in the same court, his counsel was informed that the trial would take place at Melbourne in August. At his trial in Melbourne he was found guilty on both charges and sentenced to seven years' imprisonment. When the news reached this town great surprise was expressed at the severity of the sentence, as it was thought that the crimes if any, were committed through gross neglect, rather than with any intention on his part to defraud either Mr. Colin Campbell or the Government, and that his previous good character would have been taken into consideration, for be it here remarked that POEPEL who had been a resident of this district for a number of years had borne an unimpeachable character and was universally respected. During the last few months, however, matters have taken a turn with regard to the case, some of the jurors have come to an understanding that they were wrong in their decision, and that POEPEL did not commit the crimes for which he is at present undergoing punishment, with a fraudulent intention, and they have signed a declaration to that effect. A petition numbering about 800 names exclusive of other petitions prepared for the signatures of the district magistrates and shire councillors and the one signed by the twelve jurors who tried him at the Ararat Sessions, have been forwarded to the Government for their consideration, and we trust that should it be proved that POEPEL committed the crimes without any fraudulent intent, he will receive the consideration which he deserves. We have been shown the memorial signed by the majority of the jurymen who tried the two cases, the few remaining jurors could not be found at the time, but have since expressed their willingness to sign any document which would tend to secure POEPEL a free pardon, as they did not at the trial perfectly understand the merits of the case; which we consider ought to do a great deal towards POEPEL's liberation. Subjoined we give the opinions expressed by our Melbourne contemporaries on the case:—

One of the grossest instances of incompetence on the part of a jury that has ever occurred in this colony is now (says the Argus) under consideration of the Government. Some nine or twelve months ago Augustus Poeppel, land-officer and acting clerk of petty sessions at Beaufort, was tried in Melbourne, and convicted of forging the name of Mr. Colin Campbell to a jury receipt for 10s., and of embezzling £2 received by him as land-officer. The sentence imposed for the two offences was seven years' imprisonment. Very numerous signed memorials have been sent in to the Government on the prisoner's behalf; and what is more extraordinary, nine out of the twelve jurors who tried Poeppel on the charge have sent in a declaration to the effect that they have since met together, and having given anxious and mature consideration to the subject, have come to the conclusion that their verdict was wrong. Four of the jurors

before whom the prisoner was tried for forgery have made statutory declarations to the effect that they thought the verdict was going to be the reverse of that which the foreman delivered. One of these says that at the time the jury returned into court he believed the verdict was to be "Not Guilty," and that if he had known that he had power to contradict the foreman, he would have done so at the time. Three others assert that in the discussion in the jury-room it was determined that the prisoner signed the paper without any fraudulent intent, and that they had no idea that their decision would have the effect of sending him to prison. Seven of the jurors in the same case have signed a memorial which states that they are of opinion that the prisoner was wholly innocent of intent to defraud, and that they feel the deepest concern that he has been subjected to imprisonment. Apart from the question of whether Poeppel was guilty of the crimes laid to his charge or not, it would be a great satisfaction if these jurymen could be made to undergo the same period of imprisonment which their gross blundering has inflicted upon him. The Telegraph states that the memorial in favor of the release of Poeppel, late clerk of courts at Beaufort, has been referred by the Attorney-General to the Judge-who tried the cases. When the Judge's reply is received, the Government are determined to sift the matter to the very bottom.

The following is a copy of the memorial signed by nine of the jurors who tried the forgery case:— "That by our verdict we wished to convey to the Court that we considered the said Augustus Poeppel did sign the name of the said Colin Campbell to the said receipt, but that he did it without any intent to defraud. That we are severally of opinion that the said Augustus Poeppel is wholly innocent of any intent to defraud, and feel the deepest concern that through our verdict he has been subjected to a long term of imprisonment which we do not think he deserves." The names of the jurors who signed this memorial are—Robert Brown, J. F. Gunther, James Watson, Henry Skinner, John Macquie, H. E. Harris, Z. Armstrong, and James Brown.

Henry Skinner and John Macquie further made a statutory declaration in this case to the following effect:—"Being empanelled as jurors to try Augustus Poeppel at the criminal sittings of the Supreme Court in August last, on the charge of forging the name of one Colin Campbell to a receipt for 10s., do solemnly and sincerely declare that from the discussion that took place in the jury-room between the jurors after we had retired to consider on our verdict, we were under the impression that our verdict was to be that the prisoner had signed Mr. Campbell's name to the receipt in question, but without any intent to defraud, and we had no idea that the verdict as delivered by our foreman would have the effect of consigning the said Augustus Poeppel to prison."

Robert Brown, another juror in the same case, makes the following statutory declaration:—"That, from the discussion that took place in the jury-room, I was under the impression that our verdict was to be that the prisoner had signed Mr. Campbell's name, but without any felonious intent; and I had no idea that the verdict, as delivered by our foreman, would have the effect of consigning the said Augustus Poeppel to prison."

At the last meeting of the Riponshire Council, Cr. HAMBLEN passed some remarks respecting this journal, which if we left unnoticed, we would be wanting in our duty as journalists, and would prove ourselves unfit to watch the interests of the district we represent. At that meeting, during the discussion on Cr. WOTHERSPOON'S motion, viz:—

That all previous resolutions relating to advertising be rescinded, and that the Riponshire Advocate be appointed the official organ of the shire.

Cr. HAMBLEN not only voted against the motion, but endeavored, to the best of his ability to enlighten the councillors with his opinion of this journal. In the first instance, he stated that this journal was started by two or three persons for the purpose of serving their own ends, if Cr. HAMBLEN meant that this paper was started as a commercial speculation, he was perfectly correct in his imagination. That the Riponshire Advocate was started to make money in a fair and legitimate manner, is a fact, indeed most people when they commence in any business, to make money is their object, and as our intention is to make money, we trust we will not be deceived in our expectations. Starting newspapers for mere pleasure don't pay at the present time, and should any of the party over which Cr. HAMBLEN presides be possessed of a great amount of surplus cash and feel disposed to invest it in newspaper property and commence business here, just for mere amusement, we have not the slightest doubt but what they would be able to do a very good trade. But we cannot afford to be so benevolent at present, consequently we will with what business tact we possess endeavor to make this journal not only a credit to the district, but also a remunerative investment. Cr. HAMBLEN intimated at that meeting that we had advertised ourselves as the official organ of the shire, had that councillor taken the trouble and perused our first issue, his brains would not have been racked with that idea

But if Cr. HAMBLEN will stop and take note of all the nonsensical talk, that is disseminated by those who entertain a bitter feeling towards this journal, he should not be annoyed when he has made the unpleasant discovery that he has been made a tool of another error that urbane councillor made, was in stating that this was a "one-sided" journal, how he could have arrived at such a conclusion, we are at a loss to know. We have up to the present time followed an independent course, and such are our intentions for the future we do not intend to allow ourselves to be made the mouthpieces of any party or clique. Before closing this article, we would tender a word of advice to Cr. HAMBLEN, which we trust he will avail himself of—that when he takes his seat at the council table—to state only what he knows to be "facts," otherwise he will find that the line of conduct he is at present pursuing will not tend to raise him in the estimation of the ratepayers, whose interests he is supposed to advocate.

In our issue of the 30th May appeared a letter signed SEXTISEL, the writer of which recommended that a company should be formed for the purpose of developing the quartz reefs in the vicinity of the town. While believing that such a company if formed on a firm basis would prove a great benefit to the town, we differ from the writer as regards the tunnel on the Camp Hill. Where SEXTISEL made his inquiries we do not know. Specimens have been found on the surface near the tunnel, and on the top of the hill there are several quartz reefs to be seen cropping out. Where the reservoir works are now going on there is also quartz jutting up which runs in a line north and south, and seems to us to cross the Tunnel Company's claim, and we have been informed that the workmen engaged in clearing and excavating the ground for the reservoir have occasionally seen gold which, no doubt, must come from quartz reefs in the vicinity. All along the range to the east of the Main Lead several gold bearing reefs have been discovered years ago, which we have reason to believe will at some future time be taken up and found to be payable, and judging with the eye the Camp Hill seems to be in a line with these reefs. We are as anxious as SEXTISEL to see prospecting carried on, but certainly differ from his views in respect to the expense of the tunnel works, the cost of which has not been much, considering the amount of work done, and it should have been further continued. The chance of discovering a reef in the tunnel, is better now than ever it was. Should work be again resumed, and the tunnel carried further eastward every foot might be driven with the hope of striking a rich reef. What work has been done is mere preliminary work, and we hope the inhabitants of Beaufort will not leave ground so near them so unsatisfactorily prospected, when it might be of so great a benefit. Should the tradesmen take up the matter and form a prospecting association and appoint practical quartz miners to prospect, we have no doubt that SEXTISEL would come forward and point out the ground which he stated would be likely to prove rich.

The starting of the engine of the Wellington Company, Waterloo, will take place on Monday next, at two o'clock, the directors request that all the shareholders will endeavor to be present at the ceremony. The last three or four issues of the St. Arnaud Times have not reached us. Mr. W. A. Jennings, J.P. attended at the lock-up on Monday, and sentenced John Doran to seven days' imprisonment, for imbibing too freely of intoxicating liquors. The tributors of the Richmond Quartz Mining Company washed off on Monday and obtained from 46 tons of quartz, 7 oz. 6 dwt., which gives an average of 7, dwt. 12 gr. to the ton.

The works in connection with the reservoir are rapidly progressing, the contractor having about 30 men, besides a large number of horses and drays engaged. The clearing of the ground and the puddling are done. Every foot now added to the height will considerably reduce the width. Along the middle of the embankment a trench two feet wide has been cut to a depth of six feet, filled in and rammed tight with clay, which will prevent surface water soaking under the embankment. The workmen have very hard shovs to contend with. The embankment when completed will be 22 feet high, eight feet wide at the top and at the bottom we would think about 100 feet wide. The reservoir will hold sufficient water to meet the requirements of Beaufort for over two months when all other supplies have failed.

We extract the following from the Sud Australische Zeitung:—"A Japanese who has lately been travelling through Europe has made the interesting discovery that swinging constitutes part of the European boy's education, and is instituted as a means to prevent sea sickness in after years. He further says, Europeans are good business men and splendid riders, but rather deficient in the higher class of philosophical and literary abilities which his own countrymen value so much. The English people live respectable and love cleanliness as much as the Japanese themselves. Jealousy is an unknown passion, and the affection between man and wife is so great, that married couples are often seen walking arm in arm."

The chief of an aboriginal tribe, King John, has been found dead in a mitta-mitta near Preston Hill, Carnegham.—Star.

Mr. Mollison, the police magistrate, had occasion (says the Herald) to administer a reprimand at Emerald Hill, during the hearing of a case of a man who was charged with leaving his horse without control, and who stated that he had left a child in charge of the cab, the horse having his nose bag on eating, the bit being in his mouth during the time. "What!" exclaimed Mr. Mollison, "let your horse have a bit in his mouth whilst eating; I should like to see how you would look with anything in your mouth whilst you are having your dinner." It was not till the tittering which followed this sage magisterial deliverance had subsided, that the worthy P.M. saw the bail he had perpetrated.

Sandhurst, like Ballarat, and Melbourne, has not yet arrived at that flourishing happy state when it can support a second evening paper. The Bendigo Evening Star after struggling through upwards of two years and a half of journalistic vicissitudes at considerable pecuniary loss, has been obliged to succumb, and it is announced in Saturday's issue that on and after Monday, it will be incorporated with the older journal, the Bendigo Evening News.

A correspondent addresses us, rather lengthily, complaining (we presume, with truth) that a number of men are taken on at the Government Printing Office, who are not entitled to employment, as there are many who rank before them on the casual list. He states that a number of men constantly throw up temporary employment to retain their position on the list in the hopes of ultimate permanency there. He complains that in many instances those who use influence to get there are very inferior hands to those whose right it is to obtain such employment. He acknowledges that there are many good workmen employed in that office, but asserts that the recommendation of the Royal Commission is not carried out—viz., employing at all times the best that can be got. He says that were any of those interested to make complaints too publicly they would be "marked men."—Evening Tribune.

Large bills were posted all over Melbourne on Thursday, offering a reward for the discovery, dead or alive, of a young lady of seventeen, who suddenly left her home in consequence of a rebuke she had received at school. The name of the lady is said to be Peaty, and she belongs to a respectable family.—Star.

A look-out has occurred at Malmesbury, and the following telegram is published in the Sydney Guardian:—"Usual meeting of Malmesbury Council to-night. Quorum present, consisting of Councillors J. Maher, Coghlan, Davy, Hoopell, and Melvain. The town-clerk locked them out, and refused to hold the meeting."

The Donally Express has been informed that a live thistle exterminator has appeared at Woodborough. The animal is unknown, it burrows to the root of the plant and bites it, and death results to the thistle.

A letter in the Northern Territory Times of a recent date states that the population of Port Darwin had decreased within six months from 2000 to 800.

Our special reporter (writes the Geelong Advertiser) tells wonderful stories about the snakes on King's Island; judging from his account, the scrub during summer must be interlarded with these lively creatures. One 9 feet in length, of the black variety, as thick as a strong man's arm, was brought into camp while he was sojourning there, and the wonder is that the hunters do not often require Professor Halford's antidote. We are told, however, that under their boots they wear thick worsted stockings, which absorb the poison before it can make its way into their flesh. An enormous tiger cat was also killed whilst he was there, so that what with scrub, snakes and cats, King's Island certainly cannot be deemed an earthly paradise. On board the British Admiral were large quantities of calicoes, and scores of pieces of these were seen waving from the pointed and jagged rocks like so many flags, the effect thus brought about on the iron-bound coast being very novel.

The meeting of Gardiner's sympathisers in Sydney, on Tuesday night, was a decided failure. Timby and Rolam, tributors of the Beehive reef, Maldon, have crushed 13 tons of quartz for 338oz. retorted gold. J. J. R. Bignell, one of the Numawading Prophets was summoned to the Emerald Hill Police-court for not obeying an order of the court to contribute 10s. per week to the support of his wife. Before the case came on the defendant paid the amount due, namely £4 10s. with 10s. costs to court.

A West Street man says the longest funeral he ever heard of took place a week ago. His hired girl went to it and hasn't got back yet.

Correspondence.

RAMBLING REMARKS.

By "RIPON."

Is Poeppel guilty? This is a fine time of day to ask such a question, after the poor fellow has been in prison for many long months. I don't know anything about whether he is guilty or not, but it has been made very clear that he is suffering imprisonment, not for his guilt, but on account of the gross stupidity of the jurymen who sat on his trial—

Let us hope that ignorance was the worst fault of these worthy jurymen, but until we have a satisfactory explanation of the foreman's giving a different verdict from the one arrived at, the suspicion of malice on the part of the foreman will continue to exist in the public mind. We are accustomed to laugh at the jury who, failing to agree, set a poker up on end and allowed the life or death of the accused to depend upon the way the said poker might fall, but I would almost as willingly depend on the decision of the poker as on the verdict of some of the Darwinian studies which occasionally get into the jury lists. The Government intend to sift this matter thoroughly. Very good, but I used to think in my innocence that a public trial was itself a "thorough sifting." This was evidently a great mistake, and it now appears that a trial is a ceremony for condemning you, and if you be not hanged, and you have friends outside with perseverance enough to get up petitions, you may expect the sifting business to be entered into in the course of time. But in order to remedy this state of things, could not juries be composed of men who have given some proof of their fitness for such important duties. A few questions put to a jurymen would be sufficient to show whether he was fit for the position. And, perhaps something might be done in the state schools towards training future jurymen. A few lessons in the higher reading books on the duties of a juror would perhaps be a useful as "Cushla Macrae" and "The Industrial" and all other "resources of Ireland." I don't suppose we should make all the boys lawyers (which might not be desirable) but some of their time might be more profitably devoted to this subject than to the useless topography which is at present rammed into our unfortunate children, only to be forgotten. I hope we have heard the last about the beauty of the Sydney gardens and the lovely scenery of Port Jackson, for the mention of these can only serve to keep fresh in our minds the deeds of darkness which have recently been brought to light. We may forget the gnawing of bones, etc., at the Birthday Banquet, and the little matter of calling their foundlings by numbers instead of names; the release of the cowardly murderer Gardner may, in the course of time, pass from our remembrance, but when shall we be able to forget the atrocities of the Bilelea Industrial School. Of course every one has heard of the way in which girls and young women have been treated in that institution—of the "blows from the superintendent and his wife," the "black eyes," "beatings with fist, cane, and broomstick," of these unfortunate girls and young women being "kicked," "dragged by the hair, caught by the throat," having their "heads rubbed against the wall," and other disgusting cruelties which need not be mentioned. In this reformatory, the innocent orphan and the accomplished criminal are huddled together, by an enlightened Government, in the hope no doubt that the innocent will reform the guilty. How thankful the Bilelea girls must feel that they live in the 19th century!

What have we done that we should have such dreary monotonous parliamentary speeches to read. For the whole week they have been harping away most dully on the strings that were struck at the beginning of the debate. Although the arguments used both by the opposition members and the opposition press have been of the weakest and most contradictory kind, I think there must be a prospect somewhere or other of forming a strong party on the left of the Government. When we see hawks and crows about we conclude that there is some carion not far off. G. P. Smith, Dr. Madden, and Major Smith, who got into the House by pretending to be supporters of the ministry, would not have turned their coats and come out in strong opposition as they have done had they not seen some chance of a scramble. But these patriotic hon. gentlemen are likely to find their calculations wrong, and the work of oiling their constituents will be rather difficult.

"Build me a hut to die in." This was all Dr. Livingstone asked as a reward for 30 years toil and suffering for the advancement of the human race. A sad tale is suggested by the few particulars we have of his last hours. Who could read, unmoved, of the brave old veteran, far from home and friends, struggling alone with the last enemy. It was well that he "prayed much"; for, when his long cherished wish to rejoin his friends in the civilized world was denied, when all his hopes of returning to England and being able himself to explain his scientific discoveries were disappointed, religious consolation must have been a great blessing. "I'm going home" he said; and thus the life which had been devoted to solitary labour and suffering for humanity, was ended in solitude, and amid the scenes of its heroic work. Seldom have the aisles of Westminster Abbey resounded with the requiem of a worthier man.

CR. HAMBLEN V. THE LOCAL JOURNAL.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir.—It is a universally accepted principle that the public acts of men in office are public property; and as such are liable to be publicly censured or approved of according to their merits; but the commentator in such cases should be careful not to overstep the proper bounds of decorum by derogating into coarse abuse. It is useless in a public print to call certain men blockheads, and their utterances idiotic twaddle, no matter how true it may be; but in the event of it being possible to prove such to be the case, a writer renders a service to society by doing so in the best and most forcible language at his command; as communities are thereby advised with respect to the more suitable disposal of their votes at future elections. In pursuance of this line of action I propose to say a few words with re-

pect to the course adopted by Councillors Hamblin and Oddie, in reference to the very proper motion brought forward by Councillor Witherspoon at the last meeting of the Shire Council, that all previous resolutions relating to advertising be rescinded, and that the "Riponshire Advocate" be the official paper of the Shire. In consequence of the indisputable inconvenience experienced by this town when the Beaufort Chronicle ceased to exist, it would naturally be thought that when men of sufficient energy and enterprise came forward to try once more to supply the town with the vital necessity of a public journal, every possible encouragement and support would have been cheerfully accorded to them; including of course the support of all the public bodies of the district in which the journal was intended to circulate. Instead of this what do we find? A section of the Shire Council forming a portion of a miserable and petty clique, whose actions will certainly not be regarded as a creditable example worthy of imitation, endeavoring to injure the new journal and the town too (for be it remarked that it would be impossible to injure the local paper without injuring the town) by an opposition to Councillor Witherspoon's motion, that ought from its nature only to have emanated from some old ladies of the masculine gender, and of the "Little Peddington" class. Councillor Oddie's amendment to the effect that the local journal be ignored in favor of the Evening Post, was supported by Councillor Hamblin, firstly, because "the Riponshire Advocate was started by two or three persons to serve their own ends." Just so; and Councillor Hamblin may accept my word for it that anyone who is quixotic enough to start a journal for any other reason than as a commercial speculation, and for personal profit and advantage, will very soon discover to his discomfiture that he has engaged in a game that does not pay for the candle. Councillor Hamblin may, however, console himself with the expectation that some day a philanthropist may come forward to supply Beaufort with a journal from purely benevolent motives; only unfortunately it will not be likely to appear till that happy time arrives when the lion shall lie down with the lamb. Secondly, Councillor Hamblin is virtuously indignant that "in the very first issue of the Riponshire Advocate a notice appeared in which was stated that they had been appointed the official organ of the Riponshire Council, which was untrue." Here the sapient councillor either willfully falsifies facts, or commits a most contemptible blunder. He is at liberty to choose between the two positions. Third and lastly he asserts "that the Riponshire Advocate is a one sided journal." Any intelligent man who had read the only three issues of this journal when the statement was made, could come to no other conclusion than that the speaker had given vent to words having "only sound in the ear, without sense to the brain." Councillor Hamblin and his clique may rest assured that the public will require far better reasons than these to justify them in ignoring so important an institution as our local press. In this matter public opinion and feeling is dead against them, as by this time they doubtless very well know; and if they persist in setting themselves up against it they will inevitably find themselves in the same predicament as Mrs. Partington who armed with her mop and pattens tried to push back the Atlantic Ocean. If Councillor Hamblin and his friends entertain any doubts as to the results of the contest, I would refer them to the original biography of Mrs. P., and there will then find that the Atlantic Ocean beat the old lady most completely. With respect to the legality of the action of Councillors Hamblin, and Oddie, the Shires Statute enacts that all notices of contracts shall appear "in some paper circulating within the shire." I think it may be fairly questioned whether the Ballarat Evening Post answers to these conditions. But, sir, when men in the position of Shire Councillors assign reasons for certain unpopular acts the truth of which cannot be believed in; or the validity of which is not admitted; what shall we say for their integrity? Such men deviate from the straight line of their duty to their constituents, by failing in the honorable discharge of the duties of their office; and let any member of a public body thus betray the interests of those whom he represents, no matter in how trifling a degree, and that man's credit is lost to him for ever. It should never be forgotten from the mind of a public man that in the eye of his constituents his honor is like that glassy bubble, That gives philosophy so much trouble; Whose least part crack'd the school does fly, And wits are crack'd to find out why. But Councillor Hamblin is about to transfer himself and his belongings to another sphere of action. When he may have happily accomplished this purpose he will perhaps look back in memory to this town with the same sort of mischievous satisfaction as "the broken tenant who having had warning to quit the premises, destroyed the fixtures and threw everything into confusion, not caring what mischief he did the estate."

Police.

THURSDAY.—JUNE 11TH, 1874.

(Before Messrs. Jennings and Croker, J.P.'s.) Sullivan v. Fraser.—For the sum of £5 9s. 6d., for work and labor done.—Order for £1 16s. 8d., costs 5s.

President and Councillors of the Shire of Ripon v. L. Hickey.—Summons not served. Fitzpatrick v. Halpin.—Settled out of court.

P. De Baere v. W. Sibley.—For the sum of £4 19s. 11d., balance of account for goods sold.—Dismissed.

FRIDAY.—JUNE 12TH, 1874.

(Before P. C. Crespiigny, Esq., P.M.) Crown Lands Bailiff v. Henry Davis.—For being in unauthorised occupation of Crown Lands.—Adjourned till 25th June.

William Smith v. William McLennon.—No appearance.—Struck out. Harris and Troy v. Ingram.—No appearance.—Struck out.

Rupert Smith v. Jabez Lilley.—For the sum of £12 8s. 9d., goods sold and delivered.—No appearance of defendant.—Denman Mason, a clerk in the employ of plaintiff, proved the debt.—Order for the amount, and £1 6s. costs, to be paid forthwith.

Peter Wilkinson v. Walter Johnson.—Perjury.—Adjourned till June 25th. The court then adjourned.

Athletic Sports Club.

A meeting of the above club took place at Sharp's Beaufort Hotel. Present—W. A. Jennings, Esq., (chairman), Messrs. Robertson, Loft, Male, Nolan, Wilson, Campbell, Tait, Patience, and Hemmingson.

From Mr. J. Tait, resigning the secretaryship of the club. Moved by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Patience.—That Mr. Tait's resignation be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Male, seconded by Mr. Campbell.—That the balance sheet as read, be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Loft.—That the report of the committee as read be adopted.—Carried.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Tait for his past services as secretary of the club. Moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Nolan.—That £35 be drawn from current account in the bank, and placed as a deposit for six months in the names of Messrs. Jennings, Hemmingson, and the Secretary.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Male, seconded by Mr. Nolan.—That Mr. Tait be re-appointed hon. secretary, and that the amount which he had expended in purchase of morocco case for member's cup be refunded to him.—Carried.

Mr. Tait declined to accept the amount paid by him for the case. The meeting then adjourned.

We again remind our readers of the auction sale of drapery, boots, etc., which will take place to-day, next to the Beaufort Hotel.

Mr. Patterson, in the course of his remarks in the Assembly on Wednesday, 10th inst., said that the time was not far distant when hon. members would look back with a feeling of deep humiliation at the insincerity which had characterised the whole debate. The hon. member is no doubt right (says the Argus), and, to show how heartily sick members are of the whole affair we give the following paper, which was signed by the members whose names are affixed thereto:—

"We, the undersigned, considering that the subject of Constitutional Reform has been fully ventilated, and having in view the fact that a large amount of business of vast importance to the country at large is waiting discussion, have resolved not to further impede it by repeating arguments already advanced.—James Service, William Fraser, Simon Fraser, William Witt, J. B. Crews, John Whiteman, James L. Purves, J. R. Godfrey, Robert Ramsay, William Bayles, Thomas Must."

The Daylesford Mercury understands that the miner Oliver, who was so badly wounded during the attempt at murder for which the Chinaman has been committed for trial, lies dangerously ill at the hospital. It is thought, in fact, that he will die, though rather from intemperate habits and neglect than the injuries he received at the hands of his assailant.

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SENTINEL. Beaufort, June 12th, 1874.

The Burlington (Iowa) Daily speaks of a couple "as forming themselves into a committee of two, with power to increase the number."

A number of the signatures to the petition to the Sydney Government for the release of Gumbler, the bushranger, are forgeries.

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Shire of Ripon.

Colony of Victoria

Form of Notice of Application for a Publican's License.

To the Bench of Magistrates at Beaufort. JONATHAN WATTS BROWN, of Main Road, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain and will at the next Licensing Meeting apply for a Publican's License for a house situate at Main Road, containing four rooms exclusive of those required for the use of the family. JONATHAN WATTS BROWN. The 6th day of June, 1874.

Shire of Ripon.

Colony of Victoria.

Form of Notice of Application for a Publican's License.

To the Bench of Magistrates at Beaufort. EMILY H. BICKNELL, of Beaufort, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain and will at the next Licensing Meeting apply for a Publican's License for a house situate at Lawrence-street, Beaufort, containing six rooms exclusive of those required for the use of the family. EMILY H. BICKNELL. The 8th day of June, 1874.

Shire of Ripon.

Colony of Victoria.

Form of Notice of Application for a Publican's License.

To the Bench of Magistrates at Beaufort. JAMES HOWARD, of Eurambone, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain and will at the next Licensing Meeting apply for a Publican's License for a house situate at Eurambone, containing eight rooms exclusive of those required for the use of the family. JAMES HOWARD. The 10th day of June, 1874.

Shire of Keston.

Colony of Victoria.

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To the Bench of Magistrates at Beaufort. STEPHEN PARKER, of Travalla, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain and will at the next Licensing Meeting apply for a Publican's License for a house situate at Travalla, containing seventeen rooms exclusive of those required for the use of the family. STEPHEN PARKER. The 10th day of June, 1874.

Notice of Dissolution of the Raglan Tent Independent Order of Rechabites, Raglan.

At the Quarterly Meeting of the Victoria District Independent Order of Rechabites, Friendly Society, held in the Temperance Hall, Russell-street, Melbourne, on Friday, April 24th, 1874. The following resolution was carried:—That the Tent or Branch of the Victoria District Independent Order of Rechabites, Friendly Society, called the Raglan Tent, No. 163, Raglan, having been established 12 months, and not being in a position to fulfil all the requirements of the dispensation granted at the general convention, and of the General Laws of the Order, shall be and the same is hereby dissolved. Signed, WILLIAM CLARKE, D.C.R. JOHN TOON, J.D.D.H. Counter-signature, WILLIAM BELL, District Secretary.

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VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

TIME TABLE.

From Ballarat to Melbourne.

Train	Leave Ballarat	Arrive Melbourne
Ballarat 6.25 a.m.	11.45 a.m., 3.45 p.m., 7.10 p.m.	
Ballarat East 6.27 a.m.	11.47 p.m., 7.12 p.m.	
Warrenheip 6.44 a.m.	12.4 p.m., 7.20 p.m.	
Buninyong 6.55 a.m.	12.15 p.m., 7.40 p.m.	
Lal Lal 7.2 a.m.	12.22 p.m., 7.47 p.m.	
Elaine 12.27 p.m.	8.2 p.m.	
Meredith 6.7.1 a.m.	12.51 p.m., 8.16 p.m.	
Leigh Road 8.2 a.m.	1.22 p.m., 8.47 p.m.	
In Geelong 8.34 a.m.	1.54 p.m., 6.30 p.m., 9.10 p.m.	
Werrilee 9.45 a.m.	3.5 p.m., 8.42 p.m., 10.30 p.m.	
Melbourne 10.35 a.m.	3.55 p.m., 9.42 p.m., 11.50 p.m.	

From Melbourne to Ballarat.

Train	Leave Melbourne	Arrive Ballarat
Melbourne 6.30 a.m.	11.30 a.m., 4.16 p.m., 7 p.m.	
Geelong 8.31 a.m.	1.31 p.m., 7 p.m., 9.1 p.m.	
Meredith 9.34 a.m.	2.34 p.m., 10.4 p.m.	
Elaine 2.48 p.m.	10.18 p.m.	
Lal Lal 10.30 a.m.	3.3 p.m., 10.33 p.m.	
Buninyong 10.10 a.m.	3.10 p.m., 10.40 p.m.	
Warrenheip 10.21 a.m.	3.21 p.m., 10.51 p.m.	
Ballarat East at 10.28 a.m.	3.28 p.m., 10.58 p.m.	
Ballarat at 10.30 a.m.	3.30 p.m., 10.50 p.m., 11 p.m.	

ORDINARY FARE

Class	Ballarat to Melbourne
First Class	
Buninyong	1s. 0d. single
Lal Lal	2s. 6d. do
Meredith and Steiglitz	4s. 6d. do
Geelong	8s. 0d. do
Melbourne	16s. 0d. do
Second Class	
Buninyong	1s. 0d. single
Lal Lal	1s. 6d. do
Meredith and Steiglitz	3s. 0d. do
Geelong	6s. 0d. do
Melbourne	11s. 0d. do

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For Ballarat, daily (Sundays and Sundays excepted) at 12 midnight.
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To Burraumbet on Monday, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, at 12 night, and Sundays at 7 a.m.
To Beaufort do
To Dunung do
To Ararat do
To Great Western do
To Pleasant Creek do
To Glenorchy do
To Ashens do
To Longmead do
To Horsham do

DAY COACH

To Burraumbet 6 a.m.
To Beaufort do
To Dunung do do
To Ararat do do
To Great Western do do
To Pleasant Creek do do
To Glenorchy do do
To Ashens do do
To Longmead do do
To Horsham do do

ROBERTSON, WAGNER, and Co., Proprietors.

Daylesford and Malmsbury Road.

On the arrival of the first train from Melbourne.
Ballarat to Creswick 10.30 a.m.
Ballarat to Mount Prospect do
Ballarat to Deep Creek (Jim Crow) do
Ballarat to Daylesford do
Ballarat to Coomoora do
Ballarat to Dyers do
Ballarat to Glenlyon do
Ballarat to Germans do
Ballarat to Kyneton road do
Ballarat to Malmsbury do
ROBERTSON, WAGNER, and Co., Proprietors.

Maryborough and Dunolly Road.

(Daily, Saturday excepted.)
Ballarat to Creswick, 12 night
Ballarat to Clunes 12 night
Do 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Ascot (Coghill's Creek) 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Talbot (Back Creek) 12 night
Do 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Limerick (Daisy Hill) 12 night
Ballarat to Maryborough do
Ballarat to Dunolly do
Ballarat to Sandy Creek (Trarungulla) do
Ballarat to Ingleswood do
Ballarat to St. Arnaud (New Bendigo) do
MPHEE and Co., Proprietors.

Hamilton Road Daily.

Ballarat to Smythesdale, 12 night (Sundays excepted)
Ballarat to Linton do
Ballarat to Skipton do
Ballarat to Strentham do
Ballarat to Lake Bolac do
Ballarat to Wickham do
Ballarat to Mt. Toot do
Ballarat to Dunkeld do
Ballarat to Hamilton do

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Beaufort, May, 1st, 1874.

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POST OFFICE, BEAUFORT.

TIME TABLE, 1874.

Post Town.	Mails arrive at Beaufort.	Mails close at Beaufort.
Melbourne...	4.15 a.m.	7.30 p.m.
Geelong...	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat...	Ditto	Ditto
Trarwala...	Ditto	Ditto
Raglan...	6.30 p.m.	8 a.m.
Charlton...	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo...	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead...	Ditto	Ditto
Sailor's Gully...	6.30 p.m.	Ditto
Stockyard Hill...	Ditto	Ditto
Ararat...	12.30 a.m.	7.30 p.m.
Bungar...	Ditto	Ditto
Shirley...	Ditto	Ditto
Dunedin...	Ditto	Ditto

The mails for Ararat, Shirley, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Bungar, Trarwala, and Burraumbet are despatched daily.

Mails for Main Lead, Raglan, Charlton, and Waterloo are despatched three times a week—Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

Mails for Stockyard Hill and Sailor's Gully, (a loose bag to Lake Goldsmith) are despatched three times a week—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

A mail for Main Lead is made up at Beaufort on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 8.30 a.m.—returning from Main Lead on same days, at 6 p.m.

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BALLARAT WHOLESALE MARKET

Messrs. Gray and Osborne Report—A fair amount of business has been transacted during the last few days. For wheat we have a good demand at 6s. 3d. to 6s. 4d., supplies being very light. Oats are very firm at 5s. 6d. to 5s. 9d., supplies being quite inadequate to meet requirements. Cape barley and peas are also wanted at 5s. to 5s. 3d., at 5s. 9d. to 5s. 11d. respectively. English barley is very scarce, nominally worth 5s. 8d. to 6s. Grass seeds are not in much demand, the season being nearly over. Potatoes remain at £2 5s. to £2 7s. 6d., with a fair demand. Carrots sell freely at £2 to £2 2s. 6d. Mangel hay, if good, sells well at £4 10s. to £5 5s.; chaffing sorts, £3 15s. to £4 7s. 6d., with a good demand. Oaten straw, £2 10s. to £2 15s.; wheaten do, dull, £1 10s.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

There is no change to report in the markets last week and the prospects offered were quite the same as at the time of our last report. Holders and buyers are still upon the same terms, neither being willing to operate to any important extent. We quote as follows:—Wheat, 5s. 6d. per bushel; oats, 5s. 6d. to 5s. 8d. per bushel; pollard, 1s. 10d. per bushel; bran, 1s. 10d. per bushel; barley, none; flour, £14 10s. per ton; potatoes, £5 6s. per ton; fresh butter, 1s. 2d. per lb.; poited do., 1 1d. to 1s. per lb.; cheese, 8d. to 9d. per lb.; hams, 10d. per lb.; bacon, 9d. per lb.; eggs, 1s. 6d. per dozen; hay, £5 10s. per ton; chaff, 5s. per cwt.—Advertiser.

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Messrs. Hepburn and Leonard Report—Fat Cattle—28 head for Messrs F. B. Fiskien, Buninyong, and D. Lamghan, Coghill's Creek, at market prices. Fat sheep—513 merino wethers and ewes for Messrs J. and D. Adams, St. Enock's, the former at 12s. 4d., and the latter 8s. 6d. to 9s. 9d.; 644 merino ewes for Mr. W. Sutherland, Stockyard Hill, at 8s. 5d., a few culls less, and a few cross-bred wethers at 17s. Fat Lambs—16 for Mr. Douglas McArthur, Mount Rowan. Store Stock—A few small lots of cattle, and 400 ewes, at market rates. We have one or two other sales pending. Horses—We yarded about 20 light horses on Saturday, and disposed of a fair proportion at satisfactory prices on account of Messrs G. B. Fiskien, Buninyong, and others. We have also sold privately for Mr. John Calvert, Irrewarra, his imported Clydesdale entire Lord Clyde to Mr. Samuel Allanrye, Riverdale, at a satisfactory price.

GEELONG STATION PRODUCE MARKET.

Messrs. Guthrie, Bullock, and Co. Report—The sheepskin market was extremely buoyant, buyers were numerous, and quotations show a decided advance for anything of superior quality. Wool—Small lots of greasy and part-washed fetched 3 1/2d. to 3 3/4d.; medium scoured, 15d. Sheepskins—Two lots of 1000 station skins brought 8 1/2d. and 9d. per lb.; others from 6 1/2d. to 8 1/4d. Butchers' merino wethers, 69d. to 74d. for best; a few mixed cross-breds, 72d.; other skins were well completed for between 48d. and 66d.; lambskins, 19d. to 36d. Our supply was large and all cleared out. Hides—Wet salted, 5d. to 5 1/2d.; extra heavy and in good condition, 6 1/2d. to 6 3/4d.; green hides, 4 1/2d. cut and damaged, 4d. to 4 1/2d.; second calfskins, 6 1/2d. Tallow and rough fat—Only small parcels to hand, which sold at current prices.

Odds and Ends.

Girls in treating dissipated young men as equals, do a wrong that they can scarcely realize. Such men should be made to feel that until they redeem themselves, until they walk with correctness and honor in the path of right, good people will stand aloof from them. Girls who respect themselves will not be seen with such young men, and will decline to receive them on the familiar footing of friendship. It is a mistaken kindness to politeness when caution is needed, and I am inclined to think that a little sharp decision on the part of the girls of to-day would go far to correct the general looseness of the morality among young men.

A man named Rossiter living in Nelson Street fell from the roof of the portico to his house, Friday noon, and struck square on the back of a stone dog. The animal, thinking perhaps he would never have another such opportunity, bit Mr. Rossiter on the leg, and left.

Economical wives have various ways of getting ahead in the world. One of them is in the habit of buying secondhand furniture at auction. Mrs. O'Clarence purchased a lounge for two dollars. She wanted something for Mr. O'Clarence to throw himself down on after supper. Mr. O'Clarence threw himself down on this lounge that evening, and passed immediately through it, splitting his vest through the back, busting one knee to his pants, and nearly despatching one ear with the end of a broken spring. It required the greatest exertions of two neighbours to extricate him. He hasn't spoken to his wife since.

A remarkable man, claiming to be the Messiah, has recently appeared in Arabia, where his fame has spread far and wide. He came forth from the desert, where he spent many years mortifying the flesh, and he pretends to work wonders and perform miracles and give other evidence of his divine mission. He has a melodious voice, remarkable brilliant eyes, and a fascinating appearance, and is winning followers.

A St. Louis paper publishes a letter from Chester, Illinois, stating that in Kaskaskia Bottom, a district of 12,000 acres in that State, a very fatal epidemic of trichina has been raging for several months. During the fall of last year many places were strewn with dead hogs, great and small, and but few farmers had hogs left to supply the year's demand for meat. It is estimated that not less than 10,000 to 15,000 head of hogs have died from trichina in that neighbourhood within the past nine months and though the disease has in a measure ceased its terrible ravages, it has by no means disappeared, it can scarcely be doubted that that nearly, if not quite, every hog in the region of the country spoken of is more or less affected with this loathsome disease.

Letter List.—Fortnight ending June 19.

Booth W., Bartlett G., Baker W. H., Beveridge Wm., Boyd A., Boyd Allan, Boyd John, Bygraves J., Barrett Mrs., Gallehan M., Conway Mr. W., Davis George, Dolson J., Gidden Mr. S., Govett Dr. E., Goulard Matthew, Gutel R. T., Handcock E., Hay Jane, Hyde Henry, Jope R., Kerr R., Lytle S., Lytle Joseph, Lawes Thos., McIntosh L. (registered letter), Mather R., McCallum John, O'Connell John, O'Rourke John, Payer Phillip, Provis Mr., Philpot W., Pearson W., Roycroft R., Rampling James, Stewart Wm., Smith Miss S., Sess P., Smith Mrs. John, Shirock M., Topper G., Thompson T., Wright R.

Catholic Church, Beaufort.

REV. FATHER HOGAN will celebrate Mass at the usual hour on Sunday, June 28.

Bank of Victoria.

NOTICE.

THIS Bank will be closed on WEDNESDAY, 1st July, for the half-yearly balance. W. A. JENNINGS, Manager.

Beaufort, 19th June.

Courts.

County Court, Beaufort June 24
Court of Mines, Beaufort June 24
Licensing Court, Beaufort June 25

THE Riponshire Advocate.

Published every Saturday Morning.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1874.

Just as we were going to press, we were informed that Waterloo was in a state of great excitement, the Golden Gate Company having struck good gold.

By placards posted in the town, it will be seen that the Rev. F. H. Long, of Sydney, will preach a special sermon in the Golden Age Hall, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock p.m. A collection will be made for the benefit of the Ballarat Hospital. From our knowledge of the ability of the rev. gentleman, combined with the good object for which the service is intended, we trust that there will be a good attendance.

Whilst some lads were returning from the Woodnagarak school, the other day, one of them succeeded in despatching a fine hare, with a stone thrown from his Shanghai.

The Quadrille Assembly on Tuesday night last, was well attended.

The christening and starting of the engine of the Wellington G.M. Company, Waterloo, took place on Monday last, in the presence of about 30 persons. The engine which is 25h.p. seemed to be in good working order, everything connected with it being bright and clean, which reflects credit on the engineer who superintended its erection. Mr. Blackburn, one of the directors of the company, christened it in the usual manner by breaking a bottle of champagne over the fly wheel and wishing success to the enterprise. Three cheers were then given by the manager and directors. The champagne which was supplied by Mr. Witherden was freely handed round to the guests. The ceremony finishing up about 4 p.m., all returning home wishing success to the Wellington G.M. Company.

The contractor engaged in the erection of the Beaufort Societies' Hall, which is situated at the eastern end of the town is making rapid progress, and when the building is completed it will be an ornament to that portion of the town, and a credit to those who are bearing the cost of its erection. The following are the dimensions of the building:—Hall, 30ft. x 60ft., with 18ft. walls, the porch 10ft. x 15ft. At the end of the hall a stage will be erected, 12ft. x 20ft., and 4ft. high. A large window in the porch will face Neil-street, at either side of the porch will be doors, and in the main building there will be three windows and one door on either side and a door at the back. Great credit is due to the contractor, Mr. Baker, for the energetic manner he has carried on the works. When the hall is completed we will give a detailed account of it.

It will be seen, on reference to our advertising columns, that Messrs. Broadbent Bros. and Co., the well known forwarding agents, intend opening a branch office in this township.

A deputation representing the Riponshire Council represented to the Minister of Railways on Wednesday that that body had spent £2,280 in bringing water to the Beaufort railway station from Mount Cole. This town is also supplied with water by the same means. Mr. Gillies said the money would be refunded.

In response to a deputation, the Government has promised that if the Ballaratshire Council will make good the approaches to the Burraunbet station, that the cost would be repaid them.

The next meeting of the Licensing Court, will be held on Thursday next.

The next County Court and Court of Mines, will be held on Wednesday next.

We have been informed that a fire brigade is about being organised in this town. About twenty young men having expressed their willingness to join. We have no doubt that at the next fire brigades' demonstration, held annually in Melbourne, the Beaufort Volunteer Fire Brigade will be a credit to the town they represent.

The following impounding notice appeared posted on the office of the Beaufort United Common. Impounded at Skipton on the 13th June, by the herdsman, dark strawberry cow, tip off both ears, both horns broken, no visible brand. Strawberry bull calf, progeny of above.

Mr. W. Strouge, will hold a saloby auction, to-day, of drapery goods, etc., next to the Beaufort Hotel. For further particulars we refer our readers to our advertising columns.

W. A. Jennings, Esq., J.P. attended at the lock-up on Wednesday, and dealt with a drunkard in the usual manner.

The Rev. Father Hogan will celebrate mass to-morrow week at the Catholic Church.

Mr. Hennings, the local news agent has shown us a sheet of portraits of the members of the Legislative Assembly. They are printed on toned paper and creditably got up. The sheet will be issued as a supplement to next Saturday's Australasia. These parties who have not paid their rates, had—if they wish to exercise their voting privileges at the next Shire Council election—better pay them to-day otherwise they will be disfranchised. It was our intention to have noticed this in our last, but unfortunately it passed our memory, and as the Shire Council did not think it worth their while to advertise it, our readers will see that the blame does not rest with us.

The Ballarat Coursing Club's meeting commenced on Mr. John Wilson's grounds, Trawalla station, on Wednesday last. The attendance was not by any means numerous, Ballarat contributing the greater number of visitors; amongst those present, we noticed Mr. Warwick, the English judge, and Mr. R. Banner, the Melbourne slipper. There was a very fair attendance of ladies. Mr. Johnston officiated as judge; and gave general satisfaction. In attempting to negotiate one of the fences he was thrown from his horse, but fortunately escaped unhurt. The result of the day's coursing was as follows:—Produce Stakes for Saplings—Aberlady beat Skip, Miss Lizzie beat Sally. Puppy Stakes—Bruce beat Berry Bank, Sir Roger beat Vulcan, Craiglight beat King of the Ring, Blue Light beat Sparkle, Factotum beat Starlight. Mr. Wilson, of the Trawalla station, accommodated as many gentlemen as the station would allow, during Wednesday night. The Trawalla hotel was also besieged with visitors in quest of accommodation, whilst some made their way into this township. The attendance on Thursday was much better than on the previous day. Hon. P. Russell's Blue Bonnet killed the first hare of the meeting, and it was by his orders sent to the ladies carriage. The following is the result of the day's coursing:—The Puppy Stakes—Blue Bonnet, won a bye, Fly beat Pompey, Peep beat Shelah, Topsy beat Raven, Heather beat Hannah, Bismarck beat Kemp, Hector beat Bittern, Peep o' Day beat Miss Mabel. First Tie—Roger beat Bruce, Bluebonnet beat Craiglight, Factotum and Blue Bonnet ran an undecided course, Peep beat Fly, Heather beat Topsy.

At the Kyneton Police-court on Tuesday last, a Chinaman was fined £5 and costs for slily grog selling.

M. Henri Rochefort, the Communist who escaped from New Caledonia, has reached Ireland, and has been received with hostility in Cork and in Dublin.

The Argus of Thursday, says that a meeting of the creditors of Messrs Pickersgill and Co., wine and spirit merchants, Collins street, has been called for this afternoon, at three o'clock.

With reference to the statement made by a Mr. Hollis in the *Datesford Mercury*, that the Tieborne claimant cannot be the Arthur Orton he knew in Tasmania, the *Kyneton Guardian* remarks:—It appears to us that the gentleman to whom Mr. Hollis refers is Mr. W. L. Horton. He was sub-editor to an English religious paper—we believe the *Patriot*. He was engaged on the Press in Tasmania, and was afterwards employed on the *Age*, and consequently at Bechworth. He has been dead some years, but when living there was as much resemblance between him and the claimant as there is between Mr. Langton and Sir John O'Shanassy.

Of *Maryborough Advertiser* literature the *Standard* says:—“We are informed that a room has been set apart handsomely furnished for the *Advertiser* office for the accommodation of those who have been in the habit of reading it. They will find there everything necessary for their comfort—pipes, tobacco, colonial wine,—and they are invited to make use of it.” Visitors will have an opportunity of seeing papers than otherwise they will never have to have. The *Police Gazette*, *Negative Calendar*, *Chronicle of Horrors*, *Crim. Con. Gazette*, and other publications by which the whole moral filth of the world will be revealed to view. Surely, when such aids are provided, the spread of Smithism must be great, and the moral atmosphere of Stephen-street may be expected to pervade the town.”

The *Advertiser* says:—“Great activity has prevailed on the railway works in the immediate neighborhood of the town during the past week, and the line is at length making its mark on the natural surface of the country. Some thousands of tons of ballast have been deposited on the Amrat end, for eventual removal and use along the road; and small piles of stout posts and rails are being dropped about. If the rails are procurable as the way is formed, there should be no question of opening the line for traffic before the current year is out.”

The Learmonth correspondent of the *Star* writes as follows:—“Enquiries are frequently made when the Beaufort line will be opened for traffic, as firewood from that locality would find a ready market. Hence the necessity for having a platform and siding on the road from Learmonth to Haddon, near the Ballarat Meat-preserving Company's works, as originally promised by the Commissioner of Railways. The pressure brought to bear upon Mr. Gillies by the deputation from the Ballaratshire Council, will no doubt be the means of having this necessary and important boon conceded. A depot for firewood would then remunerate any man with a small capital.”

The *Murray and Home Times*, says:—“A goodlooking female immigrant by the Woodlark sought a situation in Wanganui, and was provided with a respectable place in the country. She performed her duties with great punctuality for a week, to the satisfaction of her employers, and had just settled down to her work, when lo! one fine Sunday morning she drove up to the door and requested to see her. What took place at the interview is revealed further on. To the astonishment of her employers, the girl took her luggage and seated herself in the splendid carriage promising to repay by return of post the month's wages which had been advanced to her. Of course she could be nothing less than an heiress! But yesterday this fortunate young woman was united in the bonds of holy matrimony, and with considerable eclat to a well-to-do settler at Rangitikei, who had never set eyes on her, and whom she had never seen herself. The happy conjunction was effected in this wise—The settler wanted a wife, and the handsome young immigrant was equally desirous of obtaining a husband. Their mutual wants being known to a lady in Wanganui, who appears to possess all the qualifications for a successful matrimonial agent, she told the young man who wanted “some one to love” that she could procure him the very thing. She appears to have gone about the affair in the most businesslike way, with the happy results narrated above. The young lady has certainly drawn a prize in the matrimonial lottery.”

George Kitts, lately a clerk in the Water Supply Department, was committed for trial at the City Court, Melbourne, on Tuesday, for stealing a cash-box containing £150, the property of the Government.

A youth, named M'Hugh, a specimen of the larvkin class, was sentenced at the Melbourne Sessions, to five years' imprisonment with hard labor for getting a sailor.

The racehorse Leo, bought lately by Mr. Thomas Oldie, of Chepstow, has just had his portrait taken by Mr. Woodhouse, an artist quite celebrated in the racing world of this colony for his skill in obtaining a correct likeness of horses. Leo is intended to be a stud horse, and the district is uncommonly fortunate in having such a splendid horse for that purpose. He is a dark bay horse, magnificently formed for strength, and, up to three years old, we believe his speed was unexampled. He ran the fastest mile and a half race on record for a three-year old, when he won the Turf Club Handicap at Lanmearston in 2min. 43sec. On the day following he also won the Derby, and in doing so hurt his footlock and was disabled from running again. Leo has also been a winner both at Ballarat and Geelong, and his performances have been uniformly first-rate. Mr. Woodhouse's picture is on view at Mr. Diggins', Tattersall's hotel, where numerous admirers of art and of horses have seen it.—*Star*.

The *Government Gazette* is not, as a rule, either an exciting, poetical, or interesting publication, but that of Friday is something wonderful. Therein is published over six pages of tri-column containing the terms of a treaty between the Queen of England, the Emperor of Austria, King of Bohemia and apostolic King of Hungary, for the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals. We have had the toothache in our time, and once tried to stand on head to pronounce a German pedigree-word, but the following specimen of language is too terrific altogether:—“Elcovet-czonok, szerződésben, eszlekmény, kiszogartassan, kinevesetok, novazerin.” We want holding before we quote any more. There is the *Gazette*, number 40, and we refer to it confidently.—*Avoca Mail*.

A selector with his household goods is described by the *Geelong Advertiser* as follows:—“Three cows, two goats, followed by a dray with odds and ends of household furniture, a table, a bedstead, and a cradle being prominent; in the midst on some bedding, some healthy children, and the mother, with a baby in her lap; walking alongside a tall stocky man, in a high Yankee hat, with a stockwhip in his hand. He passed through Murchison to take possession of fresh ground in the back country. He is a type of a class who are establishing their homesteads far and wide in the country of Rodney.”

Correspondence. THE UNDEVELOPED MINERAL RESOURCES OF BEAUFORT.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,—In your last Saturday's issue there appears some comments in reference to the remarks on the Tunnel Company's operations on the Camp Hill contained in my letter of the 29th ult. The general tenor of some of these comments rather puzzle me as they raise objections to opinions not in any way advanced in my letter. For instance, you remark, “We are as anxious as Sentinel to see prospecting carried on, but certainly differ from his views in respect to the expense of the tunnel works, the cost of which has not been much considering the amount of work done.” On referring to my letter it will be seen that no remarks of any description are made with respect to the expense of the tunnel, as compared with the extent of work done. There has doubtless been a large amount of labor expended, and the money paid for it (a trifle over £200) has, I have no doubt, been well and honestly earned by those who did the work. The question raised by my remarks was, as to the advisability of whether the work should have been done at all; and that the question should be answered in the negative—even after reading your article,—with all deference, I am still willing to maintain. I have no doubt that you are very well aware that in the operation of prospecting it is not necessarily the case that because a large amount of work may be gone through, as a matter of course a large amount of knowledge of the ground operated upon is thereby obtained; and I think after due consideration it will be admitted that an illustration of this may be seen in the way that the Camp Hill has been prospected in opposition to the way it might and ought to have been. That some loose specimens of quartz have been found close to where the tunnel was commenced I believe a fact; but it does not necessarily follow that the spot on which these specimens were found, was consequently the proper one on which to commence such a piece of work, as there is every well ascertained probability that quartz found, as in this instance, at the foot of a hill, has been, perhaps ages ago, washed down from some more elevated position. I have carefully examined the whole of the ground under which the tunnel has been driven, and for some distance beyond where the work stopped, as indicated by the air shafts, and I can find no more traces of existing reefs than that trifling scattered quartz which may be found almost anywhere; and I here emphatically reiterate my opinion, and without fear of refutation, from any experienced quartz miner, that such a form as “prospeoting on blind chances,” may with every propriety be applied to such a piece of work as the tunnel on the Camp Hill; and as the author of a work on mining now in circulation, for which I hold the written acknowledgment and thanks of the head of the mining department in Melbourne, my opinion may perhaps be thought worth at least something. This cannot be construed into vanity, or even if so, it must be admitted that it is confined within narrow limits, as I believe my identity is not known nor even suspected in this town. In attempting to justify the expenditure incurred by the work you observe that “specimens have been found on the surface near the tunnel, and on the top of the hill there are several quartz reefs cropping out.” Granted; but sir, I will put it to you or any other common sense man who understands mining, whether there would not have been much greater probability of a satisfactory result by spending £200 laid out on the tunnel, in sinking shafts on the summits of these fine hills when reefs are seen to exist from the outcrops on the surface. For the amount of money laid out on this tunnel at least four shafts, each one hundred feet in depth could have been sunk down the sides of as many different reefs; and in each shaft the stone cut at half a dozen different levels to ascertain its value. With respect to the work of prospecting I may observe that the difficulties of driving tunnels shafts close by reefs, as the “country” immediately contiguous to a reef is as a general rule much softer than that at a distance from it, and particularly at great depths which of course would be the point to be encountered in a tunnel. This at least is true of the eastern mining districts; and I have little doubt but that is true of this district likewise. One more observation before I quit the subject. In carrying out prospecting operations always, when possible, either work on a reef, or immediately on a spot where a reef exists, rather than expend labor and means in burrowing about to find one. I hope now that some other, abler, and more influential, pens than mine will take up this important subject of further developing this at one time great mining district. If the past greatness of this place be compared with its present littleness, by any old resident who may be wandering over its deserted tracts of auriferous ground and viewing the forlorn aspect presented to him he may be pardoned, for exclaiming like the poet Campbell over “The Dead Eagle”

It seems like royalty in ruins.

SENTINEL.

Beaufort, June 18th, 1874.

NORTH RIDING ELECTION.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,—On the eve of an election for a member for the shire council, I consider it our duty to be up and doing. Advances being the order of the day, and now we leave the railway to Beaufort, are we to stand idle and see the traffic of the rich districts around us taken away by another route from our door? I say if we do, we are not only doing an injustice to ourselves, but to our children after us. We want a road via Raglan and Elmhurst to the traffic of the rich districts around us to get it done! Simply by returning members to our council who will pledge themselves against all opposition to carry out our wishes. Ratepayers be true to yourselves, and to the land of your adoption, “United you shall stand and have your wishes carried out—divided you shall fall.” I understand that there will be two vacancies shortly in the council; for one of them, Councillor Wotherpoon will be returned at the head of the poll, if he will pledge himself to carry out our wishes. There is another old and respected member, who has from the beginning been a staunch and tried friend in the progress and advancement of your township, and who will with renewed strength do his utmost for the prosperity of the district.

Show that your colors are nailed to the mast, stand to your old member both firm and fast; The Pink flag we have and a Beaufort man too; So vote for Joel Tompkins, he's loyal and true. The north road you'll get, and riches pour in, In days and in waggon's by Wimmera men. Your reefs will be worked, from the mount to the plain, And Beaufort will rise up with might and with main; Like Sandhurst she soon a city shall be, With her parks and her palaces spring to see. Homesteads and cottages shall wring up by the race, Of water so clear from the Mount's sunny face, Villas and mansions shall by magic arise, And churches whose steeples shall tower toward the skies.

Plenty and peace shall reign all around, Provisions be cheap and labor abundant. Ratepayers these blessings are yours, if you do what is right, Have a long pull, a strong pull, and pull with your might.

RATEPAYER.

Raglan, 18th June, 1874.

Main Lead.

(From our own Correspondent.)

The different contractors have their part of the race finished from Beaufort to Watkin's Hotel. The clearing of the old race and new works from that to the Mount are progressing rapidly. The bridges and culverts by Williams and Bell are nearly completed. The reservoir on Camp Hill and fluming over the gullies are in progress; men and drays hard at work every day. Judging from the work I have seen completed, the Engineer, Mr. Jackson, his assistant, Mr. Ledger, and the contractors deserve the greatest credit for the manner in which the works are done. As the clearing of the old race and new works are in progress; men and drays hard at work every day. Judging from the work I have seen completed, the Engineer, Mr. Jackson, his assistant, Mr. Ledger, and the contractors deserve the greatest credit for the manner in which the works are done. As the clearing of the old race and new works are in progress; men and drays hard at work every day. 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Judging from the work I have seen completed, the Engineer, Mr. Jackson, his assistant, Mr. Ledger, and the contractors deserve the greatest credit for

MR. LONGMORE AND THE REFORM BILL.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate. Sir,—As the debate upon the Constitution Amendment Bill is concluded, and the Government have a majority of twenty votes in its favor, by which the Assembly have declared that an amendment is required in our Constitution; it might not be out of place to ask how the electors of Ripon and Hampden have been represented during the debate, and in the division on the motion—"that it be now read a second time"—we find the hon. member for Ripon and Hampden strongly urging the measure for a reform in the Upper House, and giving just reasons for any change that might tend to bring the two Houses into closer union, so that the voice of the people through their representatives might be enabled to declare what laws should govern them. We are all well aware that if the present Government had lost the bill before-mentioned, they must have went out of office, and through that our Assembly would have declared, in the face of the world, that our Constitution was a model one for all other nations to follow, as the question would have been submitted to the electors whose decision in the event of a defeat would be considered final. Now the sequel—Notwithstanding the hon. member for Ripon and Hampden, made the favorable speech referred to, and I must say it was one of the leading speeches upon the question, his name is found amongst those who voted against any reform, and thereby declares that the electors of Ripon and Hampden are perfectly satisfied with our model Constitution; and the present Government deserve kicking out for attempting to alter it. The hon. F. Longmore's excuse is, I did not agree with some of the details of the bill. Now I would like to know if there were two members in the House, outside of the Government who disagreed upon all the details. But knowing the House would have the power to alter the Bill, in committee, except the principles of it, the majority have voted in accordance with the promises they made to their constituents. Comment upon the gentleman's conduct is needless, but I do trust the time will come when Mr. Longmore will learn that he cannot betray the trust we have reposed in him with impunity, either to gratify ambition or envy.

Yours, &c., REFORM.

Ballarat Sheep District.

BEAUFORT.—FRIDAY, 19TH JUNE.

The Local Board of Advice for the above district, held their meeting at the Golden Age Hotel, yesterday. Present—W. Lewis, Esq. (in the chair) Messrs. Beggs, Adams, D. Gunn, Elliot, Bath and Hannah. Moved by Mr. D. Gunn and seconded by Mr. Hannah—That after reading the letters of Mr. Inspector Elleyet dated May 19th and 27th respectively, having reference to Messrs. Powell's and Smith's application for a change of boundary betwixt this district and the Hexham district, the Board are of opinion that the present boundary line should be adhered to.—Carried.

Letters were also read from Messrs. Richardson and Millard apologising for non-attendance, and eulogising Mr. Inspector M'Crac.—It was resolved on the motion of Mr. Adams seconded by Mr. Hannah—That the letters be received, and entered in the minute book. The Inspector reported as follows:—With respect to the State of the Ballarat District I have the honor to report the district still free from disease. I continue to visit as much of the district as possible during each month, in order that no doubtful sheep may be in the district without my knowledge. I have the honor to lay before you two letters applying for land to be taken from the Ballarat District and annexed to the Hexham District, and upon which Mr. Inspector Elleyet seeks your approval.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST INSPECTOR M'CRAC.

Mr. Gunn moved, Mr. Elliot seconded—That after reading the correspondence between the Chief Inspector and Mr. Inspector M'Crac, regarding the consideration of which the meeting to-day has been specially called, and seeing that Inspector M'Crac has efficiently performed his duties while holding his appointment in this district, this Board considers that the proceedings of the Chief Inspector towards him has been exceedingly harsh and uncalled for. This Board also are of opinion that they have not been properly treated in this matter, by the Chief Inspector in neglecting to report to them any charges (if any) which had been brought against their officer, and they respectfully request that they should be consulted of the same. That a copy of this resolution and also the letter of Richardson and Millard be forwarded to the Chief Secretary.—Carried.

Mr. Gunn in speaking to the motion said that the harshness of the letters of the Chief Inspector to Mr. Inspector M'Crac could not be denied, and that they as a body should have received some notification of the charges which had been made against the Inspector. From his own opinion of the Inspector he could confidently say that he had always carried out his duties satisfactorily, and that he only wanted that fair play should have been shown to the Inspector. He would like to know whether the Board considered they had been treated fairly. It seemed to him the Chief Inspector had taken the matter completely in his own hands, and if such a state was intended to exist he would not sit on the Board for another moment. They as a body should have been considered in the matter.

Mr. M'Crac said he had been Inspector for this district for 23 years and had no complaints made against him before. Mr. Bath wished to know should a Board of Inquiry be appointed to inquire into the case, whether they should be consulted in the matter.

Mr. Beggs spoke highly of Mr. Inspector M'Crac's abilities, and coincided with the remarks of Mr. Gunn—that the Chief Inspector's conduct was harsh and overbearing. Mr. Hannah said that the Chief Inspector had acted unjust with Mr. Inspector M'Crac, and treating the Board of Advice in a manner not becoming to them, nor creditable to himself. He (the speaker) had known the Inspector for a long period, and he could confidently state it was his opinion that he had performed his duties more efficiently than any other previous officer. The Chairman also spoke of the Inspector as a man well fitted to fulfil the duties which he had to perform, and spoke against the Chief Inspector's conduct with reference to the affair.

Mechanics' Institute.

BEAUFORT.—JUNE 18TH, 1874.

Present—The President (in the chair), Messrs. H. H. Jackson, W. C. Thomas, and G. Wilson. Mr. Jackson moved, Mr. Wilson seconded—That the minutes of last meeting be confirmed.—Carried.

Letters were read from the Secretary of State Forests regretting his inability to furnish trees for reserve. Also from Secretary of Shire Council remitting rates for building.—Received.

Mr. Jackson reported that he had accepted Ballantyne's tender for fencing, subject to a reduction. Mr. Wilson moved, Mr. Jackson seconded—That the following accounts be paid—E. Close, £2 10s.; Kilberg, 10s.; H. Barnes and Co., printing 15s. Ballantyne on account, £5.—Carried.

Mr. Jackson moved, Mr. Wilson seconded—That trees be procured from Ballarat.—Carried.

A petition signed by a number of members requesting that a meeting be called for the purpose of deciding whether the Mechanics' should be opened on Sunday, was deferred until there was a better attendance of committee to deal with it.

Charlton.

(From our own Correspondent.)

I am pleased to observe that at the last meeting of the Shire Council a contract has been taken for making a crossing over that "Slough of Despond" the Trawalla Creek, on the Charlton and Lexton road. It has been a standing disgrace for the last two years. I wish that the council would order the repair of the Lexton road opposite Mr. Watson Dobie's, and also a small piece in Brook's Gully, the road would then be in a passable condition.

Mining matters are still dull here. The New Charlton Company are still driving a reef drive towards the gutter. This company deserves every success for their indomitable pluck and perseverance in the face of great difficulties.—The Band of Hope Company have ceased operations for the present, for the purpose of reorganising the company. The new company have made arrangements about the machinery, and will start work as soon as possible. They have got good prospects before them, for the old company had good payable ground, when they were obliged to succumb owing to financial difficulties.

Parliamentary.

In the Legislative Assembly on Wednesday. Mr. Sullivan supported the Constitution Bill, urging necessity for the reform of the Council.

Mr. James said he had long advocated Council reform, and considered the present bill well adapted to meet the case. Mr. Macpherson criticised the measure, and alleged that the country was perfectly indifferent to it. He opposed the bill, as doubtful in principle and dangerous in operation, and defended the Upper House as a useful check to hasty legislation.

Mr. Kerferd replied, defending the bill as an effectual remedy for a radical defect in the Constitution. Messrs. Levein, and J. T. Smith opposed the measure.

The House divided at half-past twelve, with the following result—Ayes, 48; noes, 38.

The following is the division list—Ayes—Messrs. Burrows, Cameron, Casey, Campbell, Carroll, A. T. Clark, W. Clarke, Cohen, Cope, Coppin, Crews, Curtin, Davies, Dixon, Eversard, Farrell, Francis, C. Fraser, W. Fraser, Garrett, Gillies, Hanna, Higginbotham, Inglis, James, Kerferd, Lalor, Langton, Mackay, McLellan, Moore, Munro, Must, Pope, Ramsay, Richardson, Riddell, Service, G. V. Smith, Smyth, Stewart, Sullivan, Thomas, Tucker, Walker, Whiteman, Witt, and Young.

Noes—Messrs. Bayles, Bent, Berry, Connor, Duffy, Godfrey, Grant, Hopkins, Hunt, Johnstone, Jones, Levein, Longmore, Mason, MacBain, MacDermott, Macpherson, Madden, McCulloch, O'Grady, Patterson, Purves, J. Richardson, G. P. Smith, J. T. Smith, R. M. Smith, Major Smith, Woods. Absent—Wrixon.

The Geelong Advertiser says:—"A sad tale comes to us from a resident of Maudie, which shows that a much stricter surveillance over traffic in liquor is imperatively required. Our correspondent states that he was rather surprised to find included in his butcher's bill charges for joints of meat which he could not remember having seen, much less tasted. What astonished him still more was that all the joints appeared to have been the same size, and of them there were no fewer than nine charged for in a month. Determined to find out the mystery he set a watch, and result of this was that he discovered the beef to be composed of square black bottles containing gin. For some time previous he had noticed that his wife had often been under the influence of drink, and now fears the peace of his home and her happiness have been destroyed for ever."

The seminary for the training of Roman Catholic priests at Treves was closed on Monday by the authorities, and the execution of this measure led to some rioting, which, however, was soon suppressed.

General News.

His Honor Mr. Justice Barry made some observations in the Criminal Court on Tuesday (says the Herald) with reference to the practice of tradesmen exhibiting goods for sale outside their shop doors. He said that some persons considered that shopkeepers, by so doing, held out a temptation to dishonestly disposed persons to steal. His Honor said he could never accept such a proposition. In exposing goods outside their doors tradesmen, and as it were placed them under the protection of the public. If they kept their property inside their shops it was then under their own care.

An inquest was held at the Prince Regent hotel, Buninyong road, on Tuesday afternoon, on the body of the young man named Duncan Blair, who died from injuries received in the fight at the White Horse Ranges on Sunday forenoon.—Robert Fountain, Stephen Fountain, and Frank Sally were charged with having caused the deceased's death. The following evidence was taken—Margaret Jane Blair deposed that she was a widow, woman, residing in Prince Regent Gully, Her son, the deceased, was aged 23 years. On Sunday morning, 14th inst., about eleven o'clock, she noticed a number of men coming across the Geelong road, towards her place. The last time she saw the deceased before the fight was on Saturday evening previous, about seven o'clock. He was not complaining that night, but was so during "the week" from a kick in the side, which he said he had received from Stephen Fountain, Robert Sally and Stephen Fountain were seconds to Robert Fountain. They continued to fight for a quarter of an hour after she reached the ring. Robert Fountain fell every time he delivered a blow, and whilst her son made a blow at him. The last time she saw the falls both men went down together, Robert Fountain was taken away by his brother and Frank Sally, but her son could not rise, and said so: "The deceased fainter whilst being conveyed to the house. They got home about one o'clock. The deceased was quite sensible, but could not bear to be touched; he was quiet for an hour or so, but then became very restless, and got worse at 7 p.m. and died at 3 p.m. on Sunday morning." Dr. Bartleman deposed to having made a post mortem examination of the body of the deceased. The cause of death was, collapse, ensuing upon shock to his nervous system, and internal hemorrhage with hydatid cyst, the location of cyst into the substance of the liver was quite recent. The jury brought in a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence, and added that death was brought on by a fight with Robert Fountain and their assistants, Stephen Fountain and Frank Sally, and they found these three guilty of manslaughter. The prisoners were committed accordingly, bail being allowed.—Star.

The Creswick Advertiser thus writes respecting the security of farm laborers in Victoria:—"Farmers complain of a dearth of laborers. They say a good farming man is very difficult to get. One of the reasons alleged for this state of things is that men are becoming more steady in their habits, and abandoning their old practices of drinking every shilling they earned, consequently a few years' savings enable them to go and select land and start on their own account, and 'Jack becomes as good as his master.' We heard of one who recently sailed in the Northumberland for England who had saved £500 in ten years' service with two employers, the last of whom was Mr. George Graves, of Mount Prospect. His wages were about the ordinary rate, so that it is within the range of most farm laborers to go and do likewise."

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That the Tent or Branch of the Victoria District Independent Order of Rechabites Friendly Society, called the Raglan Tent, No. 105, Raglan, having been established 12 months, and not being in a position to fulfil all the requirements of the dispensation granted at the general meeting of the General Laws of the Order, shall be and the same is hereby dissolved. Signed, WILLIAM CLARKE, D.C.R. JOHN TOON, D.D.R. Countersigned, WILLIAM BELL, District Secretary.

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That a large proportion of women in Christendom feel the same discontent, which a sense of duty or fear or a dread of ridicule has induced them to suppress; and I now begin to think that if we had all freed our minds long ago, the world would be far happier to-day.

"But I don't believe it," said Mr. Corporal, relapsing into indignation. "A woman who can get whatever she wants for the asking to be unhappy because she has to ask! It is unreasonable—more than that, it is petty—to be so anxious about one's position and personal dignity; one who has all these years been cared for and sheltered and guided, scarcely allowed to know, much less to be hurt by, the rough ways of the world. Have I not spared you all care and responsibility? Do I not bear alone every business anxiety? By the New Jerusalem, if I could only live such an easy guarded life, I'd gladly give you my lot, and my independence with it."

"Would you?" said Mrs. Corporal. "I would."

"Very well, we'll try it: you shall be tenderly guided and guarded for a week, and if at the end you plead for another, well."

"Agreed," said Mr. Corporal. "I say Betty in regard to the outside business, how could you, you know?"

"I will allow you to manage the business, and to handle money in strictly business operations; but out of the office you spend not a cent save what I give you, and take no step in any way affecting the household interest. Only make all your wishes known to me."

"The evening closed, but the young folks were (by the merest accident) delayed in their preparations. "Don't let it detain you a moment said Frederick Ponderit, magnanimously; "Charlie and I will see the young ladies home."

"I don't know," began Mr. Corporal; but his wife put her arm through his, and drew him quietly away.

"Well, but mother," again began Mr. Corporal. "We'll talk as we go along," said his wife, stopping not for a moment until they were fairly in the street.

"Why, how queer of you, Betty. You know I don't want Fred Ponderit to get so intimate with Annie—a fellow without a cent but what he earns. But you didn't give me time to think."

"Oh, I do the thinking, you know," said Mrs. Corporal; "and as for being poor, I never intend to marry my daughters for money."

"Your daughters, Mrs. Corporal! Oh! ah! I forgot."

"Well, father," said Materfamilias next morning, "what have you in your portmanteau?"

"I'm sure I don't know; some fifty dollars—seventy-five perhaps. Why?"

"Dear, dear, that's bad. You ought always to know how much you are carrying. Well, let me have it, and the key of the desk. I'll put it with the rest. Do you want any change?"

"Change! why, how can I tell yet? and what are you doing with my money? Oh, I forgot again. All right; just leave me some dollars, please: I might want it for something."

"Bless his little heart!" said Mrs. Corporal, pulling his ear. "I'll lay any wager he spends it before he gets home. Or stay—I believe I'll go with you as far as the office. I have some business that way."

Mr. Corporal opened his mouth to speak, and as suddenly closed it. He would have expostulated, but the words sounded strangely familiar. Could it be that he had uttered them yesterday? And could they have been as offensive to her as they now appeared to him?

Soon after they parted, to meet no more until dinner. After such a meal as would be a triumph to any housekeeper, the lady remarked, as she led the way to the library.

[To be continued in our next.]

Breach of Promise Case.

In the Court of Sessions, on Monday, before the Lord President and a jury, a breach of promise case was called, in which the pursuer is Jessie Dickson Couper, daughter of and residing with Charles Couper, shipowner, Wigtown, and the defender is the Rev. James Cullen, parish minister of and residing in the borough of Wigtown. The issue sent to the jury was:—Whether between 1st January, 1872, and 30th June, 1873, the defendant promised and engaged to marry the pursuer; and whether the defendant has wrongfully failed to implement the said promise—the loss, injury, and damage of the pursuer? Damages were laid at £1000. Mr. J. H. A. Macdonald opened the case on behalf of the pursuer, who, he said, was the daughter of a gentleman residing at Wigtown, and the defender was the clergyman of the parish there, the Rev. Mr. Cullen. The parties were suited to one another so far as position was concerned, for Miss Couper was a lady of excellent education, and her father was a retired captain in the merchant navy, having succeeded during a laborious life in obtaining a sufficient competency. The pursuer was 23 years of age, and the defender was about 43. Mr. Cullen came to Wigtown in 1863, and soon became an intimate friend of Mr. Couper and his family, the pursuer being then a young girl. About 1866, Miss Couper went to Tumberidge Wells, to receive an English education; and from that time forward the defender began a course of attention to her, which was most marked. In 1872, Miss Couper, then about 20 years of age, visited London, and evidence would be led to show that Mr. Cullen, who went to London at the same time, called upon her, and went out sight-seeing with her. By 1872, his attentions to her had reached such a state that the friends of Miss Couper were in the habit of teasing her on the subject and she herself was undoubtedly deeply in love with him. During this period he gave her many presents. The family of the Coupers visited Liverpool that year, and Mr. Cullen went there also, and was anxious to remain with them; but he had to return as he could not get any one to supply his pulpit. In the beginning of 1873 Miss Couper's brother, who had been in London with her, and observed the defender's attention to her, came to reside for his holidays at Wigtown, and when he spoke to Mr. Cullen on the subject, the defender told him that if Miss Couper and he understood one another he had no right whatever to interfere. From that time forward the brother looked upon Mr. Cullen and his sister as being engaged. During three years Mr. Couper was occasionally absent, but on coming home he learned all that had been going on. He was displeased that the courtship should be carried on so long without any announcement that there was an engagement between the parties, and at last he resolved to ask for an interview with Mr. Cullen on the subject. He did so, and the result was that Mr. Cullen broke off the conversation, and from that day to this he had refused to make any explanation of his conduct. During the previous period Mr. Cullen had been allowed to use those familiarities which were perfectly right and proper between respectable persons engaged to be married, but which were disreputable between persons not engaged to be married—dishonorable on the part of any gentleman, but still more so on the part of any one who occupied the position of a minister of the gospel. Catherine Couper, pursuer's mother, was called as the first witness. Her evidence bore out counsel's statement. After describing minutely the conduct of defender during his courtship, she said—In July defender seemed to be getting more and more attached to my daughter, I never saw them kiss each other but often heard them. (Laughter.) I have often seen them withdrawing from each other when I came upon them in the drawing-room. My daughter used to accompany Mr. Cullen to the door at night, and I often heard them kissing each other. (Laughter.) I understood that was the purpose for which they went together to the door. This intimacy, which was carried on with the consent of my husband and myself was carried on till June, 1873. In 1873 my husband, my daughter, and I paid a visit to Liverpool. Mr. Cullen accompanied us, and lived in the same hotel. When we went sight-seeing Mr. Cullen occasionally walked arm-in-arm with my daughter. During our visit Mr. Cullen invited us to a concert, and I noticed when he sat beside her that he pulled off one of her gloves and held her hand in his. I remember one occasion when we were going in an omnibus that Mr. Cullen had his arm round my daughter's waist. I have seen him alone with Miss Couper in the parlor, holding her hand in his, I often came into the

room when they were alone, and I always observed them with drawing from each other when I made my appearance. I permitted these familiarities, because I understood that from 31st July, 1872, they were engaged to be married. Evidence corroborative of Mrs. Couper, was given by about a dozen other witnesses.—Mr. Robertson, in opening the case for the defender, said the question for the jury to decide was whether it was satisfactorily made out that there was an agreement between the parties that they should be married. Any amount of evidence of intimacy which might lead persons to speculate, to suspect, or even to hope that the acquaintance would result in matrimony was not sufficient. The first witness called for the defence was Hannah Cullen, sister of the defendant. She said—I don't know how often my brother called at Mr. Couper's, but Mr. Couper called at the manse almost daily. I never heard of my brother and Miss Couper walking out alone. I never saw any appearance of courtship on the part of my brother. He behaved the same to me as he did to other ladies. In the summer of 1872 Mrs. Couper, Miss Couper, and Mr. George Couper were at the manse at tea. The latter and my brother played chess. I was in the room the whole evening. I did not see my brother sit with his hands clasped in Miss Couper's. If he had done so I am sure I should have seen them. I never saw my brother pay any attentions to Miss Couper. They were perfectly good friends. I saw nothing more.—Cross-examined—I believe my brother went to the Couper's of an evening. How did you know? I don't know how I know, but I imagined he was going there occasionally. (Laughter.) Did he tell you he had accompanied Miss Couper home. He had no occasion. (Laughter.) I never knew that he kissed her. (Renewed laughter.) I was aware that Miss Couper and my brother sang together. I have seen them do so in the manse. He sang with many a lady in the manse. The witness continuing, and correcting herself—My brother cannot sing. (Great laughter.) What do you mean by that? He has not got a ring or letters, but music frequently. The Lord President—Does he think he can sing? Witness: Yes. Agnes Stroyan, wife of James Stroyan, a farmer in Wigtownshire, had known the pursuer and the defender for about five years. She never saw anything which led her to suspect that there was a courtship carried on between them. She heard there had been a quarrel in 1873. Miss Couper visited her in the following September, and they were speaking of the "breakup" between Mr. Cullen and herself. And what did she say?—She said she had kissed once by Mr. Cullen. Did she say where?—In Liverpool. In what part?—In a cab. (Laughter.) Witness asked Miss Couper if she had any ring or letters in view of the breach of promise. She said she had no ring or letters, but music. (Laughter.) Miss Couper did not lead her to understand that there has been an engagement. James Stroyan, husband of the last witness, gave corroborative evidence. Counsel then addressed the jury on the evidence and the Lord President summed up. The jury retired, and were absent an hour. They returned a unanimous verdict in favor of the pursuer, and assessed the damages at £250. The announcement was received with applause by a large audience.

Some surprise has been expressed at the absence of the Royal Princesses from the Queen's last Court. The London correspondent of the Leeds Mercury is informed that at the last moment a difficulty arose as to the precedence to be accorded to the Duchess of Edinburgh, the Empress of Russia instructed his Ambassador here to claim for his daughter not only the *pas* before the Princess Beatrice, the Marchioness of Lorne, the Princess Christian, and the Princess Alice, but on certain occasions, before the Princess of Wales herself. Of course, the pretensions of the Imperial Russian Court, in this last particular, could not for a moment be admitted, and it is doubtful whether they will be in the other cases. In the meantime, however, and while this delicate matter is under negotiation, any occasion for bringing the rival claims of the Russian and English Princesses in conflict will be carefully avoided.

At the Middlesex Sessions, lately, Rose Gately, 25, pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing an umbrella, value £10s. A detective sergeant proved three previous convictions against the prisoner, and said she had formerly occupied a good position. When in reduced circumstances she married one of her former coachmen, and since then she had been living a life of crime. She had obtained large quantities of goods by false pretences, and had also committed burglary; but when apprehended for these offences the parties interested declined to prosecute, and she was discharged. The prisoner, who had been born and educated in India was reduced to absolute penury by becoming surety for an old acquaintance. The prisoner, who appeared to feel her position acutely, said she had been married to "Lord Clifford Grey," and the statement of the officer that she had been leading an immoral life was incorrect. The Assistant-Judge sentenced her to six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Fifteen hundred new journals have been registered in France during the last three years.

The writer of the following version of "Mary's Little Lamb" should be given into the hands of the ladies to be punished as he deserves.— "Mary had a little lamb with which she used to tussle, She snatched the wool clean off its back and stuffed it on her bustle."

English Mails, 1874.

Table with columns for destination (Leaves Melbourne, Arrives at Melbourne) and dates. Includes entries for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for various months from June to December.

The Garden.—June.

KITCHEN GARDEN.—Get all heavy work in the most forward state possible. This is the best month for planting all descriptions of fruit trees; trenching and deep draining are essential to their well-doing; if the soil is poor and manure is needed, use bone-dust in preference to guano. Commence pruning fruit trees, beginning with those which have lost their foliage. Sow, to a limited extent, cabbages, cauliflowers, broccoli, early carrots, lettuce, and radishes. Make good sowings of broad beans, peas, and locks. Finish planting garlic, shallots, horse-radish, rhubarb, sea-kale, and asparagus.

FLOWER GARDEN.—If possible, finish planting all kind of trees; choose calm, dull weather for the purpose of transplanting, and take care that the roots are mutilated as little as possible. This is a good time for sowing grass seeds for lawns and borders. Dig neatly your flower beds, adding, if necessary, a little well-rotted manure. Finish pruning roses, flowering shrubs, etc. Old rose stools, that have been standing for years, should be taken up and replaced with young, vigorous plants.

FARM.—Sow barley and oats largely, either for hay or seed. Continue sowing beans and peas. Prepare land for mangolds, carrots, potatoes, maize, sorghum, chicory, tobacco, etc. The deeper the ground is worked, the better will be the crop. On rainy days, numerous jobs indoors may be done, such as mending and making pig troughs, hurdles, gates, etc.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—For the cure of burns, scalds, wounds, and ulcers, this justly celebrated Ointment stands unrivalled. Its balsamic virtues, immediately on application, allay the pain and smarting, protect the exposed nerves from the air, and the vessels with the vigour necessary to heal the sore, and confer on the blood a purity which permits it only to lay down healthy flesh in place of that which has become diseased. Holloway's Pills, simultaneously taken, assist the Ointment's purifying and soothing power. Together these medicines act like a charm, no invalid, after a fair trial, has found them fail to relieve his pain, or completely cure his disease. The combined beneficial action of the Ointment and Pills, in all disorders, is too irresistible to be withstood.

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How to Enjoy Life. It is only known when the blood is pure, its circulation perfect, and the nerves in good order. The only safe and certain method of expelling all impurities is to take Holloway's Pills, which have the power of cleansing the blood from all noxious matters, expelling all humors which taint or impurify it, and thereby purify and invigorate and give general tone to the system. Young and old, robust or delicate, may alike experience these marvellous powers in securing these great secrets of health by purifying and regulating the fluids, and strengthening the solids.

Our Mothers and Daughters. The functional irregularities peculiar to the weaker sex are invariably corrected without pain or inconvenience by the use of Holloway's Pills. They are the safest and surest medicine for all diseases incidental to females of all ages, and most precious at the turn of life, or when entering into womanhood.

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Indigestion and its Cure. Indigestion with torpidity of the liver is the bane of thousands, who pass each day with aching and sufferings, all of which may be avoided by taking these Pills according to the accompanying directions. They strengthen and invigorate every organ subservient to housing the system; on the contrary they support and conserve the vital principle by a complete purgation of the blood.

Coughs and Colds.

This purifying and regulating medicine should be had recourse to during cold, clamorous, and wet weather. It is the best cure for hoarseness, sore throats, diphtheria, pleurisy, and asthma; and an infallible remedy for congestion, bronchitis, and inflammation, induced as a family medicine, they are invaluable for sustaining such ailments of young and old of both sexes.

Holloway's Pills are the best remedy known in the world for the following diseases:—

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Bronchitis, Diphtheria, Colds, Coughs, Sore Throats and Shortness of Breath. Relaxed and congested throats, elongated uvula, inflamed tonsils, whooping cough, cruetting, wheezing from accumulated mucus, and other difficulties of respiration, also palpitation, stitches and shortness of breath, may, with certainty, be cured by rubbing the healing Ointment over the chest and back for the first half an hour twice a day, assisted by appropriate doses of Holloway's Pills.

For Glandular Swellings, Stiff Joints and Diseases of the Skin. There is no preparation for salutary effects comparable to this remedy. It should be well rubbed over the affected parts after their due fomentation with warm water. It acts by stimulating the absorbents to increase the force of their action, and promoting a free and copious circulation in the parts affected, thence speedily and effectually it cures a cure.

Gout and Rheumatism. This invaluable ointment has greater power over gout and rheumatism than any other preparation. Some need remain in pain if its removal be set about in good earnest, by using this infallible remedy according to the printed instructions affixed to each jar. All settled aches and pains are remediable in the same manner.

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In Disorders of the Kidneys, Stone and Gravel. The Ointment is a sovereign remedy if it be well rubbed twice a day into the small of the back, over the region of the kidneys, into which it will gradually penetrate, and gradually disengage and promote their number or character would be vain. It is sufficient to know that the Ointment has never proved inefficacious.

Both the Ointment and Pills should be used in the following complaints:— Bad Legs, Gout, Sore Throats, Skin Diseases, Burns, Glandular Swellings, Scrofula, Childbirth, Lumbago, Tumors, Ulcers, Rheumatism, Wounds, Contracted and Sore Nipples, Stiff Joints, Scalds, The Pills and Ointment are sold at Professor HOLLOWAY'S Establishment, 533, Oxford Street, London; also by nearly every respectable Vendor of Medicine throughout the Civilised World, in boxes and Pots. The smallest box of Pills contains four dozen; and the smallest Pot of Ointment one ounce.

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Communications of a literary nature must be addressed to the Editor, and must bear the signature and address of the writer, and not necessarily for publication, but as a pledge of good faith. An observance of this rule will be the means of preventing disappointment to contributors.

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From Ballarat to Melbourne.

LEAVE
Ballarat 6.25 a.m., 11.45 a.m., 3.45 p.m., 7.10 p.m.
Ballarat East 6.27 a.m., 11.47 p.m., 7.12 p.m.
Warrenheip 6.44 a.m., 12.4 p.m., 7.29 p.m.
Buninyong 6.65 a.m., 12.15 p.m., 7.40 p.m.
Lal Lal 7.2 a.m., 12.25 p.m., 7.47 p.m.
Elaine 12.37 p.m., 8.2 p.m.
Mercedith 7.31 a.m., 12.51 p.m., 8.16 p.m.
Leigh Road 8.2 a.m., 1.25 p.m., 8.47 p.m.

ARRIVE
In Geelong 8.31 a.m., 1.54 p.m., 6.30 p.m., 9.10 p.m.
Werrice 9.45 a.m., 3.30 p.m., 8.42 p.m., 10.30 p.m.
Melbourne 10.30 a.m., 3.55 p.m., 9.42 p.m., 11.30 p.m.
Note—The 7.10 p.m. train from Ballarat, stop at the smaller stations only if required to take up or set down passengers.

From Melbourne to Ballarat.

LEAVE
Melbourne 6.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m., 4.16 p.m., 7 p.m.
Geelong 8.31 a.m., 1.31 p.m., 7 p.m., 9.1 p.m.
Mercedith 9.31 a.m., 2.34 p.m., 10.4 p.m.
Elaine 2.48 p.m., 10.18 p.m.
Lal Lal 10.30 a.m., 3.3 p.m., 10.33 p.m.
Buninyong 10.10 a.m., 3.10 p.m., 10.40 p.m.
Warrenheip 10.21 a.m., 3.20 p.m., 10.51 p.m.

ARRIVE
Ballarat East at 10.28 a.m., 3.28 p.m., 10.58 p.m.
Ballarat at 10.30 a.m., 3.30 p.m., 10.30 p.m., 11 p.m.
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Mercedith and Steiglitz 4s. 6d. do
Geelong 8s. 0d. do
Melbourne 16s. 0d. do

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Buninyong 1s. 0d. single
Lal Lal 1s. 6d. do
Mercedith and Steiglitz 3s. 0d. do
Geelong 6s. 6d. do
Melbourne 11s. 0d. do
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For Ballarat, daily (Saturdays and Sundays excepted), at 12 midnight.
For Ballarat, daily, (Sundays excepted) at 12.30 noon.
For Ballarat and Ararat, every Sunday, at 11 a.m.
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To Beaufort do
To Buangor do
To Ararat do
To Great Western do
To Pleasant Creek do
To Glenorchy do
To Ashens do
To Longrenong po
To Horsham do

DAY COACH
To Burra on Monday, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, at 12 night, and Sundays at 7 a.m.
To Beaufort do
To Buangor do
To Ararat do
To Great Western do
To Pleasant Creek do
To Glenorchy do
To Ashens do
To Longrenong do
To Horsham do

ROBERTSON, WAGNER, and Co., Proprietors.

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On the arrival of the first train from Melbourne.
Ballarat to Creswick 10.30 a.m.
Ballarat to Mount Pleasant do
Ballarat to Deep Creek (Jim Crow) do
Ballarat to Daylesford do
Ballarat to Coomoora do
Ballarat to Dyes do
Ballarat to Glenyon do
Ballarat to Germanus do
Ballarat to Kyneton road do
Ballarat to Malmesbury do
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Maryborough and Dunolly Road.

(Daily, Saturday excepted.)
Ballarat to Maryborough 12 night
Ballarat to Clunes 12 night
Do 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Ascot (Coghill's Creek) 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Talbot (Hack Creek) 12 night
Do 1 p.m.
Ballarat to Amherst (Daisy Hill) 12 night
Ballarat to Maryborough do
Ballarat to Dunolly do
Ballarat to Sandy Creek (Tarangulla) do
Ballarat to Ingwood do
Ballarat to St. Arnaud (New Bendigo) do
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Hamilton Road Daily.

Ballarat to Smythesdale, 12 night (Sundays excepted)
Ballarat to Linton do
Ballarat to Skipton do
Ballarat to Stratham do
Ballarat to Lake Bolac do
Ballarat to Wickliff do
Ballarat to Mail Tent do
Ballarat to Dunkeld do
Ballarat to Hamilton do

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Post Town.	Mails arrive at Beaufort.	Mails close at Beaufort.
Melbourne	4.15 a.m.	7.30 p.m.
Geelong	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat	Ditto	Ditto
Trawalla	Ditto	Ditto
Raglan	6.30 p.m.	8 a.m.
Charlton	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead	Ditto	Ditto
Sailor's Gully	6.30 p.m.	Ditto
Stockyard Hill	Ditto	Ditto
Ararat	12.30 a.m.	7.30 p.m.
Buangor	Ditto	Ditto
Eurambreen	Ditto	Ditto
Shirley	Ditto	Ditto

The mails for Ararat, Shirley, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Buangor, Trawalla, and Eurambreen are despatched daily.
Mails for Main Lead, Raglan, Charlton, and Waterloo are despatched three times a week—Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.
Mails for Stockyard Hill and Sailor's Gully, (a loose bag to Lake Goldsmith) are despatched three times a week—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
A mail for Main Lead is made up at Beaufort on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 8.30 a.m.—returning from Main Lead on same days, at 6 p.m.

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Facts and Scraps.

The Temperance News has the following on the liquor traffic question:—The first thing to be achieved by legislation on the drink traffic should be as we think, the confining of the sale of liquors to hotelkeepers. We would not permit any beershop licenses to be issued. We would not allow any grocer or provision dealer to add the bottle trade to his other means of earning a livelihood. We would not allow a hotelkeeper to carry on any other business besides the proper management of his licensed house, and we would make his conduct therein dependent upon his own good conduct and the orderliness being maintained in his establishment. We would make the supplying of liquor to an intoxicated man or woman an offence punishable under the publican's license. We would make Sunday trading an offence so heinous that its repetition should be followed by cancellation of license. We would make the supplying of liquor by any publican to confirmed sot after such publican had been duly warned against such practice by the wife or husband, father or mother, son or daughter of the sot, or by a magistrate having jurisdiction in the locality, an offence which, on proved repetition, should warrant the cancellation of the publican's license. If the principle of limitation be objected to, then we must recast the whole system by which Englishmen have for more than 200 years endeavored to keep drinking within bounds; and, insufficient as the means have proved hitherto, it is plain enough to most minds that the cure must be found, not in relaxation of our endeavors, but in far greater stringency. If we have the power to grant licenses and to suspend them, it is simply absurd to argue against the power to refuse them altogether.

The Rev. Dr. Cumming, of the Scotch Church, Convent Garden, London, said in the course of a sermon, recently, that, according to the assertions of those students of prophecy with whom he had conversed, the millennium was imminent. He also remarked that, according to the prophecies of Archbishop Manning, and of an eminent statesman, who had lately delivered a speech in Glasgow, Europe was upon the eve of the most tremendous religious conflict which has ever occurred.

In Nelson or Dunedin, poor Schaffer the traveller, had sundry love affairs, and in one instance was induced to fight a mook duel with a German compatriot, who fell wounded from a severe patch of vermillion on his forehead, and the traveller for a time was kept in great terror. His marriage with a Maori, in Ohinemutu, was one of the results of his visit to Auckland; but his life in the woods with a dark-eyed maid, did not suit him long, and he departed, perhaps getting a broad Maori hint to do so, such hints being akin to the Irishman's which took the complexion of throwing the man out of the window. The poor little fellow afterwards attempted to commit suicide in Australia, and spent a few months in goal to consider the impropriety of trying to take even what he termed his miserable life. He now turns up in Victoria asking for a "subscription" to enable him to resume his wanderings. Very like a whale!

A letter from Salonica, in a Constantinople paper, reports a disastrous fire in the gipsy quarter of the town. It was confined to the building in which it originated, but a whole Jewish family of 12 persons, with one exception, father, mother, children, with the babe in arms, were burnt to death. The family had retired early to rest. Aroused by the cries of the people in the street, the father succeeded in saving one of his children. Rushing frantically back to rescue the others, he was overwhelmed by the falling burning mass, and fell a victim.

The Emperor Joseph's visit to Pesh was saddened by a serious riot which broke out at the Town hall, and threatened the existence of the building. A butcher having committed suicide in prison, the populace got an idea that the prison authorities had forced him to it by ill-treatment. At the funeral on Sunday they became turbulent and set fire to the Town hall. When the fireman came they were driven off. The military were called out to protect the fireman, and as the mob persisted in its disorder it was fired upon. Four persons were killed and several wounded.

The Presse of Vienna states that the police of Bucharest have just discovered in the cellars of the Palace of the Roumanian Metropolitan bishop an entire workshop for the fabrication of false money. Two priests and some Jews, the paper states, had carried on their criminal industry here for some years. All the inhabitants of the palace, save the Metropolitan himself, who is chief of the Senate, have been arrested.

Commercial.

BALLARAT WHOLESALE MARKET.

Messrs. Everingham, Greenfield, and Co. Report.

The market has been fully supplied with produce during the week, but business has been very dull, and great difficulties have been experienced in clearing the yard daily.

Messrs. Gray and Osborne Report.—The market has been dull the last day or two, no doubt attributable to the inclemency of the weather.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

Very little business was done last week, and the prospects have not changed since the date of our last report.

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Messrs. Hepburn and Leonard Report.—Fat Cattle—51 bullocks for Messrs Robertson Bros, Colac (FF brand), station-breds from £12 15s. to £14 5s.

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These persons who may have valuable dogs, with sheep killing propensities had better for the future keep them chained up, otherwise they may be the means of leading them into trouble.

Through the Golden Gate Company having struck good gold, several leases have been pegged out adjoining that claim.

By reference to our advertising columns it will be perceived that Mr. G. E. Finnis, auctioneer Ballarat, will hold a sale on Wednesday next at 12 o'clock noon, at Exildown, opposite Mount Colac.

We have been informed that the children of the Raglan State School have subscribed the sum of £12 12s. 4d. which they handed to their teacher, who has forwarded it to the two unfortunate boys at Portland, who had the misfortune to lose their arms.

Mr. John Riely has been appointed agent for the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Company, for this district.

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It will be remembered that the boys Burns, had both their arms blown off, which has deprived them of the means of getting their own livelihood.

Felix Daly, "who stated that he was an old man from the country," was on Thursday last, sentenced by W. A. Jennings Esq., J.P. to a month's imprisonment in the Ararat goal, for indecent exposure.

Cr. Hamblin we are informed has left his resignation in the hands of a friend to be used at his discretion.

Lovers of high class music will have an opportunity afforded them of witnessing some really first-class vocal and instrumental music on Wednesday evening next, in the Golden Age Hall.

The only gentleman in the company, Mr. O'Donnell, will give some interesting readings on different subjects.

The Loyal Beaufort Lodge M.U.I.O.O.F. intend holding their usual ball and supper this year. The date we understand has not yet been fixed.

At the Licensing Court, held on Thursday, the applications of Emily Bicknell, Jonathan Watts Browne, and Joseph Howard, for publicans' licenses were refused; that of Stephen Parker for the Travalla Hotel was granted.

The Smythesdale correspondent of the Star writes:—"The destruction of sheep by dogs is becoming more general and extensive, that stricter measures for dealing with the grievance is imperatively required."

Mr. Wm. Veat, of Haddon, recently had some valuable sheep destroyed, and on the night of Thursday, 18th June, Messrs. J. and C. Wauchob, farmers, Lillivie, had in a paddock close to their house about fifty sheep, which were well nigh all worried more or less, three being killed, two missing altogether, and seven frightfully worried.

The greater number of the flock were cross-breds, and are stated to be valued at £5 a head. It appears that some persons heard the noise in the direction of the sheep, but never apprehended that the sheep were worried.

The Messrs. Wauchob, as may be imagined, are highly enraged at the destruction that has been committed. But this is not all. On the following Sunday night, as watch was being kept, the noise of dogs was again heard, and Mr. C. Wauchob and his man followed them to Mr. Atleek's run, where they heard the sheep being worried in the swamps, but could not get near them.

It was so dark, too, at the time, that Mr. Wauchob, who had his gun with him, could not see the dogs to shoot them. Mr. Wauchob and his man hastened to the home station and gave information, and Mr. Atleek and his boundary rider went off on horseback as fast as possible, taking a sheep dog with them.

Mr. Wauchob and his man, accompanied by two of Mr. Atleek's men, followed on foot; but on the first approach of the party, the dogs that had been worrying the sheep made off. It was, then, near morning. Six of the sheep were so badly worried that it was found necessary to kill them on sight. Two others were in a dying state, and altogether the loss to Mr. Atleek is said to be about £50.

In view of the large number of people in the colony that are turning their attention to sheep farming, surely this subject is deserving the attention of the Legislature.

A meeting of the Fire Brigade, will be held at the Camp Hotel, on Tuesday evening next. Those desirous of joining are requested to attend, or send their names to the secretary.

Pickersgill's estate is to be wound up in the Insolvent Court. The creditors have refused to accept half-a-crown in the pound.

The final returns for the South Province give Ballara a large majority.

A small rush has broken out at Unity gully, the prospectors obtained 2 1/2 dwts. to the dish. At Barnes' gully, another small rush has broken out, the prospectors, in this case not being so fortunate as in the former one, they having to be content with only 1 dw. to the dish.

We are compelled to hold over our report of the County Court proceedings, likewise several other local items.

The Argus understands that the Government have decided to appoint a board consisting of Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Phillip Russell, and Mr. Gaunt, P.M., to enquire into certain charges brought against Mr. McCoo, district seal inspector at Ballarat, by the chief-inspector of the colony.

One of those dastardly acts which are unfortunately too common in the country districts is reported to have been perpetrated in the neighborhood of Wodonga a few days since. Shortly before daybreak a respectable farmer heard a shot fired near to his homestead, and on going out almost immediately afterwards he found that a valuable horse had been seriously wounded, some miscreant having deliberately fired at the animal. It is to be hoped that means will be found to punish the perpetrator of this dastardly act in the manner he deserves.—Murray and Hume Times.

We have often heard, says the Armadale paper, of diggers selling their best boots and breeches to enable them to stick to a claim they have faith in; but the strangest of all stories, reaches us this week. There lived on one of the mines not very far from Armadale, a man and his wife with his family; the man was a tin-miner, and sad to relate, fortune had not in this instance favoured the brave. However, he believed in his claim, and held on. To them appears a gay tin miner's wife, and she evidently regarded him with a little favour. This Lathario at last makes a proposition to the husband to purchase his wife from him, and pay, not the traditional thirty pieces of silver, but of gold, vulgarly termed "sova's." No sooner said than done, the "grass widower" now takes charge of the £30 and his children, while the buyer has brought his purchase towards Armadale, and whether he will find he bought in haste to repent at leisure, he will at any rate for some time have the enjoyment of his bargain.

We are sorry to learn that scarletina is making its appearance among some of the families of Ararat, and in such cases steps should be taken to make the teachers of the various schools aware of the families that are attacked by this epidemic, so that none of the children connected with them should be allowed to attend, and so possibly spread the infection. Too strict measures cannot be taken in this matter; the duty of advising the school teachers appears to us to belong to the Health Officer of the Borough. Dr. Galbraith we are certain will neglect no precaution which might result in staying the spread of the disease.—Advertiser.

In the examination of the bankrupt estate of George Thorne, jun., New Zealand, his liabilities amounted to £6,000,000. The bankrupt stated that advances to the extent of £2,500,000 were made to him by the Bank of New South Wales "without any security." The bank is a creditor in the estate for the whole amount except £1,005,500—the general liabilities. The amount of assets are considerable, but have not been fully ascertained. The bank is opposing the bankrupt's discharge.

The Hill End Observer, (N.S.W.) notifies the division on Gardiner debate, says: "God help the proprietors of newspapers, editors etc., who have been honest enough to oppose the release of these scoundrels, should they later take to the roads, as is not at all unlikely they will."

Beaufort Gossip.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,—I have often heard the question asked who is "Ripon?" and I appeal to you to know what has become of him. Has anything happened him? I hope not. Is he so thoroughly exhausted after writing his last sentimental paragraph, "Build me a hut to die in," that he has shuffled off this mortal coil, and has ceased his ramblings in this "Wicked Wicked World?" I was told by a confidential friend that he and "Old Growler" had gone prospecting accompanied by "Sentinel," who had undertaken to show them some of the "undeveloped mineral resources" of Beaufort. But if he is still—which I hope he is—in the land of the living, do you think he has guessed who is "Ratepayer," your poetical correspondent. I am informed on reliable authority, that Mr. Tompkins has made an offer to one of our townsmen, that if he will commit it to memory and recite it to him, he will pay him a penny for each recitation. I am going to study it, perhaps it may be the means of turning me in a few stray coppers. Again I have heard that Mr. Tompkins has been guilty of writing it himself, whatever faults the loyal and true may possess, I do not think he would be guilty of that.

"Ratepayer's" idea with reference to the road to the Wimmera via Raglan and Elmhurst, is worthy of consideration as it would tend to the welfare of Beaufort. I have heard that a road was intended to be constructed that way a few years ago. Estimates were drawn up, and co-operation promised by adjoining shires. Can you explain how it is that the work has not been carried out. Perhaps a change of councillors might have had something to do with it. If the ratepayers will elect gentlemen to represent them who live outside the shire boundaries, what else can they expect. My advice to them, is, for the future, elect councillors residing in the shire and whose interests are identified with their own.

Some people are stupid enough to believe that "Reformers" letter in your last issue would make Mr. Longmore "shake," but they are mistaken, he is not so easily frightened, he will tell the electors he did what he considered would be good for them, which will satisfy those residing in this portion of Ripon and Hampden, where the residents are noted for their inactivity in pushing forward any movement which would be for their benefit. Mr. Longmore knows the people he has to deal with, and treats them accordingly. He can take up the cause of those living out of the district, for the simple reason that the people here are satisfied to remain in their present dead-and-alive state. They are satisfied with the present state of Beaufort. Mr. Longmore represents them but in name.

It does not surprise me that the Beaufort people can rest quiet, now that the railway will very soon be finished, and station not built. They don't want the train to stop here at all. Any other township would have sent a deputation to wait on the Minister of Railways, four times a week, till he took the matter in hand and had the station built. The Shire Council, I am glad to understand, constitutes the Board of Health. About 12 months ago they put the ratepayers to the expense of building earthen closets, etc., and draining their premises, but what little is required of them, they cannot or will not see, viz.: a channel for the drainage of the back premises of Neil-street, an outlet for the water being now completely stopped up by the erection of the Societies' Hall.

Parliamentary.

In the Legislative Assembly on Wednesday.

Mr. Longmore called the attention of the hon. the minister of Education to the state of education in Maude Yallock, and asked him what he intends to do under the circumstances.

Major Smith called the attention of the hon. the Chief Secretary to the differences of opinion between Mr. Carr, chief seal inspector, and the Ballarat local seal board and the local Government inspector; and asked if he will appoint a board to enquire into the conduct of Mr. Carr in declining to recommend the remainder of the Ballarat district clean. In doing so, the hon. member again referred to some length to the circumstances of this case and contended that a board ought to be appointed to consider the conduct of the chief inspector, and not that of the district inspector, who had done his duty, and given general satisfaction. An impartial and independent tribunal ought to be appointed to investigate the whole case. He entirely objected to the mere statement of a Government officer being taken, merely because he was the chief in his department.

Mr. Francis, in reply, explained that a difficulty existed in regard to proclaiming the district clean, because the people in the adjoining districts of Sandhurst and the Wimmera wished things to remain as they were at present. Mr. Carr had been empowered to decide as to the competency of the officers under him, and he accepted the responsibility of charging Mr. McCoo with incompetency, probably from failing eyesight, and a board had been appointed to enquire into the charge. No board would, under present circumstances, be appointed to enquire into the conduct of Mr. Carr.

Mr. Longmore moved the adjournment of the House, in order to obtain an opportunity of speaking on the same subject.

A prosperous New York merchant has for his motto—Early to bed, and early to rise, never get "tight," and advertise. The three most difficult things are to keep a secret, forget an injury, and to make a good use of one's leisure.

Correspondence.

TOWN DRAINAGE.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,—One of the greatest political writers that England has ever produced has observed that "the ruin or prosperity of a state depends so much upon the administration of its government, that to be acquainted with the merit of a ministry, we need only observe the condition of its people." The soundness of the aphorism cannot be questioned, neither can it be doubted that the principle therein contained will hold good in reference to any governing body, no matter whether it be elected or insignificant. In the full conviction of the truth of this last remark, I should feel compelled to hold the opinion that a local governing body could not lay claim to the merit or credit of forcing much interest in a town where footpaths distinct from the roads, side channels, kerbing, and draining in general, are things almost unknown. Good roads and approaches to a town are of course highly desirable, and funds laid out for such purposes are worthily employed; but so likewise are safe footpaths, and drainage of paramount importance in the town itself. A good idea of the condition of Beaufort with regard to its deficiency in footpaths, kerbing, and drainage may be obtained from many places in the town; but permit me to recommend any of your readers who feel an interest in the subject, to take a stand on the bridge by which the town is approached by the Ballarat road; and if on looking up the main street the beholder feels satisfied with what he sees with respect to the deficiencies above alluded to, I must here express the conviction that he must either be a singularly callous, or a foolishly contented man. Contentment is doubtless an admirable attribute up to a certain point; but judiciously often present themselves when it is no longer a virtue; and sir, I have often felt considerable astonishment that your voice has not been raised before this in the columns of your journal on the subject, particularly as from defective drainage, you have perpetually before your office door a fetid ditch admirably adapted for creating fevers etc. in your neighbourhood; and I think you might have very simply raised the question as to whether the town has a just proportion of the shire income laid out on necessary improvements within its boundaries. There are two subjects prominently worthy the pen of any man capable of reasoning and writing; and these are, firstly, the present condition of things by which he may be surrounded, no matter how good or bad they may be; and secondly, the means to be adopted for securing an improved and more desirable future. The question now naturally presents itself as to the means to be adopted by the ratepayers to secure for Beaufort the necessary improvements of footpaths, kerbing, and drainage. Your correspondent "Ratepayer" in last Saturday's issue of your journal, alluding to the two seats in the Shire Council that will in all probability soon be vacant; places Councilor Wotchespoon at the head of the poll for one of them; and calls upon the ratepayers in ravishingly choice (if poetic strains, to secure the remaining one for "another old and respected member" Mr. Joel Tompkins. If these two gentlemen come forward for re-election there is little doubt but that "Ratepayer" will be satisfied by the result; but when they make their appearances publicly before the ratepayers, as I presume they will, to request their suffrages, and give an account of themselves; not only let the ratepayers demand of them the promise, but let the candidates themselves be prepared to give it, that they will spare no effort for securing for the town the necessary improvements; and then, from a number of opinions I have heard expressed, they may look upon their election as certain, no matter who may take the field in opposition to them.

Beaufort, June 23rd, 1874.

THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,—I wish to call the attention of the Mechanics' Institute Committee, through the columns of your journal, to the manner in which the daily newspapers are monopolised in that institute. Last Tuesday I had occasion to visit there with the intention of having a glance at the Argus, and although waiting for nearly an hour I had to go away disappointed. I might say that one gentleman was reading it all the time. I perceived a notice posted up requesting that subscribers should not keep the "daily newspapers" for more than fifteen minutes; and I think that the committee should see the rule enforced, especially as the time is so short after the delivery of the Argus till the closing of the Institute. Hoping that I have not encroached too much on your space, and that this complaint will not be made again,

I remain,

Yours, &c., JUSTICE.

One day, when the Rev. Mr. Harness was staying at a famous country house, he found a gentleman pacing up and down the parlor in the most distressing agitation of mind. Is there anything the matter?" inquired Mr. Harness, anxiously. "The matter!" he replied; "I should think there was! three of the worst things that could possibly happen to a man: I'm in love, I'm in debt, I've doubts about the doctrine of the Trinity!"

A HARD CASE.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,—Through the columns of your journal, I wish to bring under the notice of the residents of Beaufort, the manner in which I have been treated with reference to getting a license for my house situated in Lawrence-street. In December last I applied for a removal of my license from the George Hotel to my present house, and the license was "refused for the present." On the 30th March I renewed my application, and was informed by the magistrate that I had applied too soon; since that date I have expended over £40 in building additions to the premises, and I once more applied, expecting as I went to considerable expense in furnishing the house, that the license would be granted, but judge my surprise on Thursday last at the Licensing Court to hear that my application was refused. I have been a resident of this district for the last 18 years, during the whole of the time I have held licenses for two different houses, and no complaints have been made by the police against the manner in which I conducted them. Since March last a petition was got up on my behalf, signed by the townspeople, which stated that they had no objection to my obtaining a license, and which was handed to the Bench, and by them totally ignored. Through this I am compelled to keep my doors closed, after expending a great deal of money, and which will almost be a total loss to me, thanking those who signed the petition in my favor. I remain,

Yours, &c., EMILY H. BICKNELL.

P.S.—I might state that in March last there were some persons, no friends of mine, present in Court ready to object to my license, that was the reason that I got a petition up which as before stated, was with the exception of the gentleman who objected in March, signed by all the tradespeople.—E. H. B.

Stray Shots.

Sir,—Some of the clergy don't approve of Mr. Gillilan's condemnation of revivals. They want to get up one here, and a writer in the Argus the other day, endeavored to pool, pool, that gentleman's talents, qualifications, and capabilities as a judge. But we must excuse their aversion, for of course, all these revivals bring grist to their mills. Although, good-follower of the Lamb, as an old Scotchman said, they like a pull at the fleece, and I don't think that there are better financiers than these same reverend gentlemen in the colony. Doctors differ. Will they prove Bitchart mad. He is to be brought up again I see, and no doubt there will be as many medicines to prove him sane, as to prove him mad. At any rate there seems a method in his madness. He wanted to get the sugar—"the one thing needful."

Our old friend Mr. Dermott has been making his mark in Melbourne. I understand his speech was a splendid sample forensic eloquence, although from the evidence furnished us it seems extraordinary why the jury should have wasted five hours in arriving at their verdict.

One would imagine Mr. Filgate would have had enough of law. It is very well fighting for a principle, but is not this paying rather too dear for ones whistle?

Blonde has lost all his apparatus, and I suppose a performer in the colonies at present. Is this a benefit or not. Have we not had enough of these sensational performances, and does their exhibition add anything to the intellectual mind of young Australia.

The contractors of the second section have been actively pushing on their works, and soon Beaufort will be joined with all the towns in Victoria by railway communication. We may expect the line opened next month, and I suppose there will be the usual spread and speculating.

Don't the committee of the Mechanics' Institute think the example of their Ballarat brother a good one to follow. They have a nice little Institute, but it wants enlarging, and I suppose like other bodies they are short of funds. These art unions are a good and popular means of obtaining money to extend their library.

Can't the Riponshire Council do something to repair the road to the cemetery. It is in a frightful state, and should any death take place there would be a great difficulty in getting the corpse to its last resting place. Although Beaufort is so very healthy, that it is to be hoped that it will be a long time before a funeral will take place. They say that the doctors can't live, and that our old and respected medico intends leaving. He can't make the necessary income, the place is so frightfully healthy.

Isn't it rather hard that poor Mrs. Bicknell should have been refused a license, especially after having carried out the alterations and additions pointed out to her by the Police Magistrate when he took the trouble to inspect her premises. It seems rather cruel to induce her to go to the expense of these works and then to refuse her a license without any just cause or reason, merely on the unspoken opposition of some interested or malicious persons. Mrs. Bicknell may rest assured that she has the sympathy of the Beaufort public, and I hope it will be shown in some substantial form.

We had an addition to our legal talent this week. Mr. Steedman a well and deservedly known Ballarat solicitor made his first appearance at the County Court and Police-court. I understand it is his intention to pay a regular visit. There is nothing like a lawyer to keep the bench in order, for these rural Solons sometimes indulge in queer vagaries.

Whether Augustus Loepel is innocent or not, would it not be prudent on the part of his friends to avoid newspaper correspondence. The jury have I think said enough to show their gross ignorance and inequity (to use no stronger term) to cover themselves with ridicule, and cause the Executive to release him, if not to give the death blow to trial by jury in this colony. A learned judge once said that he would hesitate to do away with trial by jury, but he must confess, that if guilty he would prefer to be tried by a jury, but if innocent, by an intelligent judge.

AUNT SALLY.

The English papers report that a man has been cast in £2000 damages for jilting a young lady because she did not take a sufficiently lively interest in cricket! The defendant should emigrate to Sandhurst or Stieghitz, and be received with at least 44 open arms.

