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TO WOOL GROWERS.

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TUESDAY and THURSDAY

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Wool Season 1878-79.

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Geelong, 12th August, 1878.

Geelong Wool Sales.

WE beg to announce that in view of the yearly increased support awarded to this market, it has been found necessary to establish a second day's sale. We shall therefore hold Public Auction Sales of Wool on each

TUESDAY and THURSDAY

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BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

Tuesday, Nov. 19.

There was a good general supply of produce brought into the market to-day. The following are our quotations:—Oats, 5s to 5s 3d; wheat, 4s 10d; flour, L10 to L10 10s; Cape barley, 5s 3d. English do, 6s 6d to 7s; peas, 5s 6d; manger hay, L4 to L4 10s; sheaves, L3 10s to L3 15s; straw, L1 15s to L2 3s; potatoes, L4 10s; bone-dust, L6 15s; rye grass, 5s to 7s; bran, 1s; pollard, 1s 5d; maize, 5s. 4d.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

There is no great change to report in connection with commercial affairs during the week, and prices remain about the same as last report. Wheat is firm at our quotations, but flour is not quite so steady as last week. No new oats have been offered, and new potatoes have come forward but slowly. In dairy produce fresh butter is still being brought in in large quantities, and eggs are more plentiful than for some time past. We quote as under:—Wheat, 4s 6d; oats, 4s 8d; pollard, 1s 6d; bran, 1s 1d; barley, 5s; maize, (whole), 6s 9d, crushed do., 7s; flour, L10 10s; potatoes, Warrnambool (new), L8; Ballarat (old), L4 10s; fresh butter, 8d; potted butter, 6d; hams, 10d; bacon, 8d; cheese, 7d; eggs, 10d; hay, sheaves L3 10s; trussed, L3 15s; straw, wheaten, 35s; oaten, L2; chaff, 4s 6d; onions, none; carrots, none.—"Advertiser."

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

MESSRS. HEPBURN LEONARD AND ROWE report the following business:—Fat Cattle—134 head for Messrs. M'Dougall Bros, Rupanyup North; P. Danaher, Colac; M Cahill, Foxhow; and others, at market rates. Fat Calves—7 for various owners, at market rates. Fat Sheep—661 crossbreds for Mr. James Creswick, Banyena Plains, wethers to 8s 10d, ewes to 7s 10d, 1049 merino wethers for Mr. James Robertson, Mount Mitchell, at from 8s to 8s 6d; 356 merino wethers for the Hon. Philip Russell, Carngham, at 8s to 8s 3d; 929 crossbred and merino wethers and ewes for Mr. John Robertson, Ennerdale, wethers from 6s 10d to 7s 3d, ewes at 6s 5d; 3098 wethers and ewes for M. Shanahan, Marnoo; Donald M'Donald, Tourello; J. H. Cameron, Lake Goldsmith; and others, at market rates. Fat Lambs—100 for Mr. James Robertson, Mount Mitchell, at 7s; 443 for Mr. J. Creswick, Banyena; and others, at market rates. Store Stock—800 full-mouthed merino ewes at a satisfactory price.

GEELONG PRODUCE MARKET,

December 3rd.

MESSRS. DAVID GUTHRIE AND Co. report the following sales:—Sheepskins—We offered a very large supply at our warehouse to-day, the bulk being chiefly station skins. There was a good attendance of buyers, and for first-class merinos there was lively bidding, one large lot from the Muntham estate bringing 7¾d per lb. Best crossbred skins brought from 54d to 68d, small from 40d to 52d; by the lb, from 5½d to 6½; best merinos from 50d to 65d, small from 42d to 49d; by the lb, from 4¾d to 7¾d; lambskins, from 19d to 26½d, and pelts from 8½d to 14½d. Hides—We had a fair quantity, and sold butchers' green hides from 2¾d to 3½d; extra heavies to 4½d; and calfskins to 2¼d. Tallow—Prices in this market remain steady at late quotations, mutton bringing from L29 10s to L30 10s, and inferior from L26 to L28 10s per ton.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.

December 3rd.

MESSRS. DAVID GUTHRIE AND Co. report the following sales:—We held our eighth sale at Mack's hotel to-day. There was the usual muster of both local and metropolitan buyers, and taking into consideration that the late telegrams from home convey no signs of improvement, the prices obtained should be satisfactory to owners. The depression was most noticeable in inferior crossbred and scoured wools. Greasy fleece ranged from 7¾d to 10½d; do lambs from 7¼d to 10¾d; pieces from 5½d to 7¾d, and washed fleece to 17½d.

MESSRS. GEORGE SYNNOT AND Co. report the following sales:—There was a good attendance of buyers at our sale to-day, when we offered a catalogue of 508 bales. Biddings were spirited up to a certain point, but there is a market decline in medium and inferior sorts of wool. We obtained the highest price of the day for crossbred wool, viz., 10½d, which we obtained for the clip J over X belonging to Mr. J. Sutherland, Meredith. We sold—Greasy merino fleece, to 9½d per lb; do. crossbred do., to 10½d; lambs do., 8½d; washed fleece, 16½d; do. pieces, 12½d.

The Russian papers have lately contained reports about a band of robbers which has appeared in the district of Paulovsk, in Southern Russia, and has spread terror through all the neighbouring region. It is said to be over 200 strong. The captain is reported to be a peasant woman of singular beauty, who was previously connected with a gang of forgers of rouble-notes. Russian Government is so desirous of procuring the arrest of this female chief that it has set a price of 15,000 roubles (£2,250) upon her head.

The agricultural reporter of the "Leader" writes:—I examined some crops to-day (3rd instant), three miles north-west of Rochester, and found them total failures through rust, some being left uncut, and others cut which will not pay for harvesting. Nine miles further on, at Bamawn, the crops are generally good, promising a yield of from 10 to 20 bushels per acre. There is a good deal of rust among it, but it does not seriously affect the wheat. There is some probability that the freedom from injury by rust is attributable to sowing Frampton or Mount Gambier wheat, instead of purple straw. In the adjoining district, Diggora, there are a few good crops, but many poor late sown ones, the rust now being so much observable as the want of growth. Various reports agree that, on the plains extending from Echuca to the Terricks, the crops, although not badly rusted, are very poor on account of the dry season. The oats in the districts visited, both east and west of Rochester, are good, yielding from 26 to 36 bushels per acre, and barley is also doing well, but the area under these crops is small."

In a wrestling match which has taken place at Wellington, N.Z., Thomas, of Victoria, threw Dagg, of Otago, three times easily.

The receipts on the Victorian railways for the week which ended on the 28th November were £27,509 5s. 6d. The sum received in the corresponding period of 1877 was £26,437 6s. 2d.

The English papers speak of Lord Harris's cricketing team a weak one, and not fairly representative.

The new German Reichstag contains 105 landowners, 28 lawyers, 21 Catholics priests, one Protestant minister, 15 professors and tutors, 14 journalists, five doctors, two brewers, and one banker.

The "Hamilton Spectator" says the idea is seriously entertained of sending an Embassy to England to ask that the Western District of Victoria may either be annexed to South Australia or erected into a separate province! It is tired of Berryism.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWSPAPERS.

Agnew, A.; Adamthwaite, Mr.
Boyd, A. Mrs.
Coates, Thos.; Cox, G. J.; Cummings, T.; Cumming, Alex.
Day, Miss; Dunn, J.; Douglas, E. H.
Forbes, J. B. Mrs.; Flowers, A. Mr. (reg. letter).
Gangel, Isac.
Hill, Edwin.
Lange and Son; Lyons, E. Mrs. (reg. letter); Lynch, P.; Liesh, N. M.
M'Intosh, R.; Murray, W.; Mayhew, Mr.; M'Leod, Sarah Miss; Murchison, Donald.
Stewart, J.; Stewart, E. A. Miss.
Topper, G.; Thompson, M. A.; Taylor, Thos.
Vance, W. Mrs.
Young, H.

THOMAS LEWIS, Postmaster.
Beaufort, December 6th, 1878.

THE

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1878.

AT a meeting of the Riponshire Council on Thursday last some discussion arose as to which paper the balance-sheet should be published in. We hold that this journal has a prior right over all others, irrespective of its circulation or anything of the sort. Cr. Oddie advocated the claims of the "Ballarat Star" on the ground of its extensive circulation in the Shire, and the president (Mr. J. Wotherspoon) upheld him. We have disputed before, that our circulation in the Shire is smaller than the "Star." The latter gentlemen is a red-hot protectionist as far as his own grocery business is concerned, and his action in this matter does not rhyme very well with his openly-expressed ideas of how things should be done. We have always looked upon him as a staunch advocate of keeping the shire money in the shire, and yet he would have the money spent in advertising in a Ballarat journal. If this is not selfishness and inconsistency then we do not know the meaning of the words. Cr. Oddie was actuated by a much similar principle. And then, to crown all, a few of the councillors would have us charge their own price for advertising. Would we charge the same as the "Star?" was asked. What next? Would Mr. Wotherspoon sell his drapery and groceries as cheap as they can be got in Ballarat? Cr. Oddie remarked that they must study the interests of the ratepayers, and take their money to the cheapest market. Whether Cr. Oddie meant this for a joke or not we are not prepared to say. He has just aroused himself to the fact. That is the duty of the Council, no doubt, and the day will be a bright one for Riponshire when it is carried out. But if this is to be the rule we can point out numerous items of expenditure where *pounds* could be saved by taking the ratepayers' money to the cheapest market; and not a few shillings, as would be the result in the case in question. We have several very hot pills all ready dispensed for these gentlemen to swallow, and swallow them they will if they do not act more manly, more above-board, and not kick away the ladder that has helped them over the wall. Why don't they speak out, and give their reasons for such conduct, and not throw over their actions the cloak of studying the interests of the ratepayers by expending their money in the most economic manner. They can't make the ratepayers believe this to be their motive in so acting, or they would have inaugurated their new system of economy on a much larger scale long before now.

We greatly regret to have to report the demise of Mr. Thomas Howard, an old friend and at various times a contributor to this journal, who, scarcely laid up for a week, succumbed on Wednesday last in the Melbourne Hospital, to a severe attack of brain fever. Although the name of Howard may not be so familiar to our readers, they all, a few years back, greatly appreciated his letters signed "Sentinel." Mr. Howard was not a college man, but almost equal from point of education. In the earlier times of this colony he was a well-to-do business man at Inglewood, but was thoroughly ruined by fire. As a man never used to manual labor, he had the courage to engage in such work, and we have it from those under whom he was working, whose authority is undoubted, that they never had a better man. After the downfall of the deceased his chance of getting up again in this world's goods was greatly militated against by his deficiency in hearing. However, after a course of treatment by Professor Stanich, though not completely cured, he was enabled to get an appointment under the Government at the Spencer street telegraph office, where he had been employed for six months previous to his death. The deceased contributed on several occasions to this journal, and amongst other contributions he was the author of the following:—"Is it Fact, or is it Fiction?" "Recollections of old Times;" and "a Tale of the Black Forest" (a sequel to the latter.) Mr. Howard wrote for the love of writing, not for gain, and many of his contributions have been perused with pleasure by his readers, and printed with gain to the publishers of his work.

Particulars of the local land board to be held at Beaufort on the 12th inst. will be found in our advertising columns.

The anniversary services in connection with the Beaufort Primitive Methodist Sunday School will be commenced to-morrow, when the Rev. J. Smith will hold three services, and the children will recite and sing at each. The services will be held in the Societies Hall.

Councillors generally have a happy knack of perverting the truth, and some of the councillors composing the Riponshire Council on Thursday gave way to this fault. When the question as to which paper the Shire balance sheet should be published in was brought on, two councillors stated that our journal, though, we may say, it is the only paper published in the shire, had not a sufficient circulation to justify the publication in its columns. However, councillors will find that if they persist in making themselves ridiculous the circulation will be quite sufficient to give their doings due publicity.

By an advertisement elsewhere it will be seen that tickets will be issued at Saturday excursion fares on the 14th inst., from Beaufort and other stations on the line, so as to enable country people to be present at the Ballarat Turf Club races.

About 3 o'clock on Tuesday morning last a fire occurred on the premises occupied by Mr. Kewely, Waterloo, which resulted in the total destruction of the kitchen and contents, consisting of wearing apparel, kitchen utensils, etc. The kitchen was attached to the dwelling house, and it was only by hard work and the assistance of the neighbors that it was saved. It is supposed that the fire was caused through a spark flying out from a fire which was in the kitchen, and igniting some clothes which were lying near. The loss is estimated at L20, which was not covered by insurance.

A cricket match will be played this afternoon at Waterloo, between the Beaufort Excelsior and the Waterloo clubs. The Excelsior club will be represented by the following:—H. Trompf, E. Trompf, F. Trompf, C. Tompkins, R. Grenfell, H. Nettle, M. Barnes, S. Whiting, C. Graves, J. M'Kiech, T. Peddar.

On Wednesday evening last a meeting of the joint committee apointed to carry out the bazaar to be held on Boxing Day in aid of the local Presbyeterian Church building fund was held at the Manse, and from the reports submitted the affair bids fair to be a grand success. Many gifts have already arrived, and, for variety and quality they are excellent. The various offices have all been allotted, and the attendance and patronage of the public is now all that will be required to raise a substantial fund.

Serjeant Woods has just completed his tour of inspection of the public houses in the district, and will, at the licensing court to be held on the 13th inst., report on the condition of each of the said houses.

Our readers' attention is directed to the extensive auction sale to be held by Mr. W. E. Nickols on the 14th inst., particulars of which will be found in our advertising columns.

The £500 voted by the Government (says the "St. Armand Times") for the destruction of rabbits in the districts north of St. Armand has been expended, with the result that nearly 109,000 rabbits have been slaughtered. Sale of skins will furnish more funds, but it is more than probable he whole expenditure will be wasted, owing to the inconsiderable rejection of the Rabbit Bill by the Assembly because the Council made one or two amendments—amendments which even the government organs in the press approve of.

An interesting phenomenon in natural history (writes the "P. C. News") is at present exhibited at the Little Newington Company's claim, we are informed. Sinking operations were resumed some time since, in order to prosecute which work it was found necessary to dam the water back at about 380 feet from the surface. From this dam the water, which has been confined for some time, is being pumped, and along with the water, we understand, hundreds of small fish are being brought to the surface, some of them fully 3 inches in length. The little finny strangers are unmistakably in the water, and the question arises as to how they came there.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills—Self help.—In sickness it was a momentous matter to find an easy, ready, and reliable remedy for outward disfigurements and inward disorders, until these inestimable preparations were made known. No invalid need now be at a loss in successfully managing ulcers, sores, tumours, boils, bruises, sprains, etc. Enveloping Holloway's medicines are very intelligible printed directions for using them, which should be attentively studied and immediately followed by all who resort to his treatment. Sooner or later, the sufferer will assuredly triumph over the worst diseases. This searching Ointment disperses all those malignant humours which aggravate diseases of the skin, prevent cicatrization of ulcers, and ever kindle inflammatory tendencies in the system.

A mischievous piece of larrikinism (says the "Ararat Advertiser") was perpetrated by some young boys on Friday last, which could scarcely have afforded much amusement, although it entailed a good deal of annoyance to those most nearly connected with the affair. On the afternoon named, Mr. W. Cook, blacksmith, had just finished repairing a reaping machine, and of course the last work performed was to thoroughly clean and oil it. The reaper was then left for a short time outside the shop, but when the owner came to take it away, he found his horse unable to move it, and on examination it was found that the oil holes and the working parts had been filled up with sand. As may be imagined, the machine had to be taken to pieces and again cleaned and oiled, an operation that caused a good deal of vexatious delay.

Mr. Santley, the agent for Mr. Edwards, the celebrated English long-distance walker, has made arrangements (says the "Argus") with the committee of the Melbourne Cricket Club to give an exhibition of Edwards' powers of endurance in walking a long distance on the cricket ground on 20th and 21st December. Edwards undertakes to walk 110 miles within twenty-four hours. A walking stage will be erected in front of the grand stand. It will be of an oval shape, and 120 yards in circumference. In order to protect the pedestrian against a hot sun or rain, an awning will be erected over the whole of the track. During the night of the 20th inst the track will be illuminated with the electric light, or, if that cannot be arranged, by a large number of Chinese lanterns. Edwards has already given satisfactory proof of his capabilities at Brisbane and Sydney.

RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 1878.

Present: Crs. Wotherspoon (president, in the chair), Oddie, Thomas, Cushing, Adams, and M'Kenzie.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The adjourned annual meeting was then held, when the accounts for the past year were presented, and signed as correct by the auditors, who complimented the valuer and collector, Mr. Nicoll, on the small amount of rates left unpaid in the books. Cr. Cushing moved, and Cr. Oddie seconded, that the accounts be allowed and certified to, which was carried, and the ordinary business was then proceeded with.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters of thanks were received from the following institutions for the Shire donations: Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Prisoners' Aid Society, Ballarat Hospital, Blind Asylum, and Eye and Ear Hospital.

From the Ballaratshire, *re* a bill prohibiting the use of any other than safety matches.—No action taken.

From Hannah Coulson, applying for a license in lieu of transfer of same.—Received.

From Crown Law Department, *re* the appointment of Cr. Adams as Justice of the Peace, and stating that due action would be taken in the matter.—Received.

From the Railway Department, notifying that the Shire account had been passed for payment.—Received.

From the Lands Office, Ballarat, inquiring *re* deposit of survey fees for the survey of roads.—Received.

From Dr. D. W. Eaton, applying for the office of health officer, vice Dr. Pinnock. In the matter Cr. Thomas moved, that applications be invited by advertisement for the position of health officer, which was carried.

From a number of residents of Raglan, asking the Council to repair a crossing place at Smith's bridge.—The engineer to be instructed to report on the matter.

From A. Page, stating that he is prepared to proceed with contract No. 207, E.R., upon Council paying damages that may be incurred in excess of L3. It was decided that half the deposit should be refunded, and the contract cancelled.

From D. M'Callister, Raglan, stating that he is prepared to pay his rates, but not the lawyer's expenses. It was decided that two months be allowed M'Callister, at the end of which time a distress warrant to issue in default.

From S. Dolan, resigning her duties as caretaker of the Council chambers.—Received.

Applications were received from Mrs. J. Farley and Margaret Taylor for the duties of caretaker of the Council chambers, and were held over till the next meeting.

From R. Humphreys, complaining of the Council closing a road at the south side of his allotment, near the old reservoir.—Referred to the North Riding members, the engineer to inquire into the matter.

From P. Blackmore, forwarding copy of a resolution passed at a public meeting at Waterloo recommending the Council to amalgamate some of the offices so that the work could be done by two, instead of three officers. The president informed the Council, at the request of Cr. Lewis, the matter referred to above would be dealt with at the next meeting.

From the residents of Sturt street, Beaufort, requesting the laying down of a three-inch pipe in said street, and stating that the present service is ineffective.—Referred to the water commission.

From R. Gibson, reporting the water race to be in good working order.—Received.

FINANCE.

The following accounts were passed for payment, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee:—

Salaries	£73	6	8
Mrs. Dolan	1	10	0
E. Whiting (gardener)	2	0	0
Commission on Weighbridge Fees	1	1	6
Treasury refund special licenses	31	0	0
Lunacy Statute *re* George Prince	2	10	0
R. Humphreys	1	8	0
Petty cash	6	15	7
Government account	72	0	7
H. P. Henningsen	3	1	3
Mrs. M'Farlane...	5	0	0
W. G. Stevens	2	1	0
J. Whitfield	12	1	0
Joseph Whitfield	6	0	0
W. Carrigan	14	6	8
Mark Muir	8	0	0
G. Kirkpatrick	3	0	0
R. Gibson	8	0	0
B. H. Stuart	8	18	2
E. Whiting	0	12	0
Shire engineer, travelling expenses	0	15	0
S. Baker	1	7	5
A. Ball	1	4	0
W. Pimblett	1	2	4
P. Carrigan	6	0	0
J. Sheehan	20	0	0
J. F. Watkin	186	0	0

REPORT.

The engineer reported as follows:—I have the honor to report that I have prepared plans and specifications for several contracts; and tenders are invited to be sent in this day for the work. I have selected and blazed a road from Bell's garden, Main Lead, to Halpin's and Grant's farms on the Raglan and Eurambeen road, and have succeeded in getting a very direct line with easy gradients. I shall be able to invite tenders for this work and several other contracts for the January meeting. I have obtained, at the survey office, Ballarat, several tracings that I required for the use of the Shire, one of which shows the roads that Messrs. Binns and Carmichael wish to have altered in the parish of Woodnaggerak. With regard to Mr. Binns' application, I see no objection to the road being put alongside the railway, instead of in its present position. The same remark applies to Mr. D. Carmichael's request, but as the land through which the road would pass, if it is put alongside of the railway, is shown on the plans to have belonged to William Roberts, it will be necessary for Mr. Carmichael to show that it is now his property before the exchange can be affected."

The collector and valuer reported as follows:—I have the honor to report that the valuation of rateable property in the Shire is completed, and herewith beg to hand you my return in accordance with the 268th section of the Local Government Act, 1874. There are 1078 holdings, with a population of 4,622, and the annual value is: North Riding, L20,703 10s.; East Riding, L20,223; West Riding, L31,265 10s.; total, L72,192. By instructions from the president I wrote to Mr M'Allister, of Raglan, intimating that a distress warrant would issue unless his rates, 36s., and 26s. costs, were paid. Since then he has handed me the sum of L2 1s., and I promised to bring the matter before you. I beg to ask your permission to take the valuation return for 1878, and my valuation blocks, to assist me in giving evidence before the Land Tax Commission in Melbourne."

TENDERS.

NORTH RIDING.

Contract No. 281, was not let owing to the informality of the lower tenders.

Contract No. 282.—Forming 27 chains 30 links of road, and building a stone and timber bridge in Beaufort.

F. Hosking	£104	0	0
J. F. Watkin	92	14	0
W. Thompson	124	6	4
D. Crosbie	96	12	0

J. F. Watkin's tender was accepted.

EAST RIDING.

Contract No. 211.—Clearing and forming 94 chains 20 links of the Carngham and Stockyard Hill road, and building three small culverts, etc.

J. F. Watkin	187	14	0
J. H. Cameron	143	18	0
D. Crosbie	147	13	0
A. Page	148	9	0
S. Walker	156	8	0
D. Murchison	164	10	2
P. Kiely	141	5	0
J. Crossley	139	19	0

J. Crossley's tender was accepted.

Contract No. 212.—Clearing and forming 37 chains of the Carngham and Trawalla road, and building one small culvert.

J. F. Watkin	150	8	0
A. Page	145	2	10
J. Sheehan	163	15	0
P. Kiely	111	7	0
J. Crossley	116	17	0

P. Kieley's tender was accepted.

WEST RIDING.

Contract No. 139.—Forming 217 chains of road between Lake Goldsmith and the Bald Hill, and building one small culvert.

D. Crosbie	178	17	0
J. H. Cameron...	225	8	0
W. C. Pimblett	202	19	0
D. Murchison	206	0	10
J. F. Watkin	202	16	0
P. Kiely	191	0	0
J. Crossley	194	5	0

D. Crosbie's tender was accepted.

Contract No. 140.—Making 24 chains 25 links of metal road by Cameron's farm, Lake Goldsmith.

J. F. Watkin	171	6	0
J. H. Cameron	184	17	0
D. Murchison	167	6	2
D. Crosbie	189	0	0
J. Crossley	143	1	6

J. Crosley's tender was accepted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On the motion of Cr. Cushing it was resolved that the valuer be allowed to use the necessary books to aid him in giving evidence before the Land Tax Commission in Melbourne.

On the motion of Cr. Thomas, seconded by Cr. Cushing, the special order having reference to the byelaw for the management of the Beaufort reservoir reserve was confirmed.

The valuer's returns for the past year were received, on the motion of Cr. Thomas, seconded by Cr. Oddie.

The estimates for the year were then taken into consideration, which showed that £3,609 12s. was required to be carried forward to the shire account to meet the expenditure. Before their adoption

Cr. Cushing moved that the year's estimate be founded on a ninepenny rate, instead of the present 1s. Cr. Adams seconded.

Cr. Oddie moved as an amendment that the rate stand at 1s., as previously. Cr. Thomas seconded, remarking that as far as the North Riding was concerned a rate of 1s. in the pound was required for the carrying out of the work of the riding.

The amendment was carried, and the estimates adopted as presented.

Cr. M'Kenzie gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that a general rate of 1s. in the £ be levied throughout the shire.

Cr. Thomas explained that in deference to the wish of Cr. Lewis, who was unavoidably absent, he would postpone his motion having reference to the reduction of the officers' salaries till the next meeting.

Cr. Thomas moved that L8, two-thirds of E. Close and Co's deposit on a contract, which was cancelled at the last meeting, should be refunded to Mrs. Moore. He stated that the money had been borrowed from her by the contractors. A good deal of discussion ensued on the subject, and finally Cr. Cushing seconded the motion, which was carried.

The President called the attention of the council to the careless manner in which tenders for work in the shire were made out, and Cr. Oddie moved—That an advertisement be inserted in the local paper intimating to contractors that unless their tenders were made out according to the engineer's schedule of tendering they would not be entertained, which was carried.

The secretary asked for instruction as to in which paper he was to insert the shire balance-sheet. Cr. Oddie remarked that the "Ballarat Star" had the largest circulation in the shire, and the President and Councillor M'Kenzie appeared to coincide with him in his remarks in favor of the "Star." Cr. Thomas, however, differed from them, and said that as the advertising of the balance-sheet was merely to act as the law directs he thought it should be inserted in the local journal. Our representative was appealed to as to whether it would be inserted in this journal for the same price as the "Star," and he, of course, declined to say that such would be done. After a good deal of meaningless talk it was decided that it should be printed in three papers, viz., the "Star," "Post," and "Advocate."

Cr. M'Kenzie moved that E. Page's contract, No. 207, E.R., be cancelled, which was carried.

It was resolved, on the motion of Cr. M'Kenzie, that the next ordinary meeting be held on the 9th January, 1879.

On the motion of Cr. Thomas it was decided to close the shire offices from the 23rd December to the 28th, both inclusive, for the Christmas holidays.

A water tank was ordered to be procured for the poundkeeper's use, and erected on his premises, on the motion of Cr. Thomas, seconded by Cr. Cushing.

The rate for the supply of water to the Beaufort State school not having been paid it was decided to write to the Government, calling their attention to the fact. It was stated that the Government allowed the head teacher L50 per year for keeping the school clean, broken windows, and general repairs, and he had intimated that this was not sufficient to cover the water rate, and if it was insisted on he would have to pay it out of his own pocket. From the opinions expressed by several councillors, the general impression was that this was an ample allowance for all purposes.

The Council then adjourned till Thursday, the 9th January, 1879.

WATERLOO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Thursday.

A public meeting was held here on Tuesday evening last, at Witherden's hotel, when the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, and I believe every ratepayer in the district of Waterloo are in favor of the same:—Proposed by T. Witherden, sen., seconded by W. Harris, jun.—That this meeting is of opinion that the time has arrived that there should be a reduction made in the working expenses of the Shire, and that we fully endorse the steps taken by Councillor Thomas towards that end; and we beg most respectfully to suggest that the Council will, with a due regard to efficiency of the work required to be done, see their way clear to amalgamate some of the offices, so that the work can be done in future with two officers instead of three.—Carried.

Proposed by G. P. Sinclair, seconded by G. Simons.—That a copy of the foregoing resolution be signed by the chairman on behalf of this meeting, and to be forwarded to the Shire Council meeting to be held on the 5th December.—Carried.

I see that the Hobart Pasha contractors are making pretty good headway now. They have their two engines bedded, and I believe by this time they have the poppet legs up.

We are to have a cricket match here on Saturday (to-day) between the Waterloo Club and the Beaufort Excelsior Club.

The New Victoria Company obtained 41oz. 18dwt. of gold last week, and 28oz. 17dwt. for the first five days of this week.

DOINGS IN GENERAL.

BY "SPLITTER."

To the young parties who each Sunday evening congregate at the local railway station to bill and coo, and whisper into each other's ears the sweet accents of love I would say "You are trespassing on Government property!" Why this spot should be selected I cannot understand, but certain it is that young couples do hait there to pour out the contents of their overburdened hearts to the objects of their affections. Perhaps Cupid comes to that drinking fountain under the verandah to quench his thirst. My young friends, I have rowed in that boat myself. I wish you luck in your love-making, but don't lose sight of the fact that you are liable to be fined heavily for trespassing on a Government railway line.

There are a certain few young men and boys who indulge in a most detestable habit on Beaufort. On Sunday evenings they are to be seen waiting outside the doors of the churches, lounging for the congregations to come out, and as the young couples single out for their Sunday evening's walk two or three or these despicable larrikins follow close at their heels, using filthy language, and passing the most obscene remarks of the pair they happen to be following. If some of the young men so annoyed were to hand one or two of these savages over to the the charge of Sergeant Woods I have no doubt Mr. Alley would make an example of them. A month or so picking oakum under the guidance of her Majesty's officials might cool them down a bit.

In what I said a few weeks back with reference to the opening of the bathing-house I was rather hasty, and, wish to qualify it to some extent. I have learnt that the reason why the doors were locked was to keep those pests to all respectable communities, the larrikins, out of it, as they had already created the most filthy nuisances in the said house, besides writing obscene language all over the inside of the building. In order to keep it fit for human beings to use it was found necessary to keep the doors locked. It does seem strange that a band of rowdy larrikins are allowed to play such high jinks, and yet go scot free. Let the police collar one of their number, and make an example of him, and good results will most surely follow.

Contracting has been reduced to a science, in the carrying out of which man and beast are worked to death. A certain contractor's men work 12 and 13 hours per day, together with their horses. Mind I don't pity the men, but the horses. It's the men's fault, and it ain't the horses.' Nor do I blame the contractor, as if men will make slaves of themselves it ain't his fault, although he don't deal in any other sort of flesh. Men are working 13 hours a day for 15s. per week and "tucker," Berry is getting £5000 to go home and enjoy himself with, and yet it is said the country was never so prosperous. No matter; the end of all things is near!

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

The "Temperance News" for December is an excellent number, containing a variety of interesting anecdotes and items of general information. The lodge statistics are also very complete.

We have received a copy of the "Report of Progress by the Secretary for Mines." It is an extensive work, dealing exhaustively with the various mineral structures of the several parts of the colony. It contains some excellently got-up diagrams, and is altogether a useful and interesting publication.

From some unaccountable cause we have not received the "Australian Journal" for December.

The R.M.S. Assam, with the English and continental mails, anchored in the Bay on Thursday morning, several days under contract time.

DISHONEST TRADING.

This is an age of imitations, and every civilised country has enacted laws for its suppression and punishment; but in spite of them, we cannot take up a copy of the law reports without finding that attempts are continually being made by dishonest traders to impose upon the public by offering counterfeits and imitations of their neighbors' goods, which, through some special virtues, have acquired considerable renown, and, as a consequence, extensive sale. We recollect that the proprietor of Udolpho Wolfe's Schnapps, some few years since, discovered that an article was being imported largely into New South Wales, a perfect counterpart of his own, in shape and size of bottle, and in design and colors of labels and wrapper, but in place of Wolfe's name there was that of "Kiderlen." The resemblance was sufficient to deceive any careful buyers, and proceedings were taken in equity to prevent their sale. Mr. Justice Holroyd granted an injunction against their importation and disposal, under a penalty of £30,000, and thus protected the public from further imposition, while the delinquent was saddled with the whole legal costs. In face of this decision, however, a case of a similar nature has recently been before the Supreme Court of Victoria, in which Mr. Wolfe is again the plaintiff, and one Henri J. Hart the defendant, who had placed upon the market an imitation of Wolfe's Schnapps, this time called "Imperial" Schnapps. The Court granted an injunction against their sale under a penalty of L20,000, the Chief Justice remarking of the imitation, "it is almost forced on one's mind that it was done carefully and deliberately, to see how near the defendant could go, and at the same time escape litigation." Many people are under the impression they can imitate labels and trade marks with impunity, so long as they substitute their own or some fancy name in place of the one used in the genuine article, and it is therefore advisable they should be undeceived. We learn there are many other counterfeited articles being introduced into these colonies, among them—counterfeits of Murray and Lanman's Florida Water, a perfume of word-wide celebrity, but of this we cannot say more, as it will probably also form the subject of an Equity suit; but we can and must say that much of the fault lies in the public, who should exercise more care in purchasing, and when they find an imitation presented them, expose the name of the offender and notify the facts to the owners of the genuine brands they are seeking, or to their agents, if they are represented in the colony. Great credit is due to those who, like Mr. Wolfe, so successfully restrain these piracies, and they should receive the applause of every honest man and woman for suppressing this spieces of fraud and deception, and the consequent injury to themselves as the often unfortunate victims.

ANTI-CHINESE MEETING IN SYDNEY.

The "Argus" Sydney correspondent telegraphed the following on Wednesday last:—"A largely attended anti-Chinese meeting was held to-night at Cook's Statue, in Hyde-Park. About 10,000 persons were present. Speeches were delivered, and a petition adopted for presentation to Parliament. A procession was then formed, and proceeded to Parliament House, followed by several thousand people. The gates were kept by a large body of police, but no disorder occurred. Many members came out of the Chamber, and great interest was taken in the proceedings. The petition was handed to Mr. Greville by a deputation, and will be presented to-morrow. A deputation from the Political Reform League will wait on the Premier to-morrow on the subject. There was no torchlight procession.

About 2,000 larrikins marched to-night with torches down to lower George-street, and attacked a house where 60 or 70 Chinese are engaged in cabinetmaking. The police were in force in plain clothes, standing in groups about the Chinese quarters. An attempt was made to set fire to one house, but the police seized the torch as it was thrust through the window and prevented any damage. Volleys of stones were thrown by the crowd, several police were hit, but as the Chinese had put their shutters up early no damage was done. The police charged the larrikins, and laid into them with whips and batons, and chased them off in various directions, the bystanders assisting. One Chinaman was saved from the mob near the Post-office, and another escaped by being thrust into an omnibus. The police arrangements were admirable.

The attack by larrikins was commenced on a Chinese house in Park-street, but little damage was done. Three constables, however, received blows from stones, and several Chinamen had to be protected by the police. The mob increased as it went down George-street, where the principal scene took place."

FATAL SNAKE BITE.

A fatal case of snake bite occurred near Alexandra yesterday evening. About 5 o'clock a boy over 12 years of age, son of a farmer named M'Fadden, was bitten on the hand by a tiger snake. The boy was engaged planting potatoes for his father, who at the time was ploughing in the same paddock. While in the act of taking some potatoes out of a bag which had been placed the same morning on the ground, he felt a sudden sting on the back of his hand, and on looking down discovered a snake of the deadly tiger species, about 3ft. long, coiled in the bag. On calling for assistance the snake was immediately killed, and the father of the bay at once tied a ligature round the wrist and immediately above the wound, at the same time scarifying it and burning it with gunpowder. The boy was then taken into Alexandra, and medical attendance procured within one hour after being bitten. Brandy was freely administered, but finding that of no avail Dr. Fergusson injected ammonia in the boy's arm and thigh, when he seemed to revive for a short time, but soon afterwards began gradually to sink, his hand turning almost black, and being much swollen, and although brandy and ammonia were again given, the unfortunate lad never recovered, but died about 12 o'clock to-day—hardly 20 hours after being bitten.—"Argus" telegram.

PARLIAMENTARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM THE ARGUS.)

The Legislative Assembly on Wednesday adopted the protest moved by Sir Charles Sladen in connexion with the Appropriation Bill, and the measure was then read a third time and passed. Only three members took part in the debate, and the House was unanimous. Sir Charles Sladen and Dr. Hearn pointed out that it was necessary to record the protest in order to show that the embassy had not obtained the sanction of the Council to the proposals they intended to lay before the Imperial Government. Dr. Hearn noticed that the vote only provided for the visit of the commissioners to England, not for their return, and expressed the hope that they would not come back. The Ministry seemed about to start a new religion for the inculcation of political suicide. They had failed with the Council, and now intended to invite the Secretary of State to commit political suicide. He expected that they would in the end be obliged simply to commit suicide themselves. After the Appropriation Bill had been passed, the House adopted an address to the Governor on the subject of the protest.

The Legislative Assembly had its last business sitting of the session on Wednesday evening. It met simply to receive the Land and Appropriation Bills from the Council; but having come together a few hon. members appeared loath to adjourn, and a dreary discursive evening was spent, until after some abortive efforts a count-out was effected at five minutes to 11 o'clock. The amendments of the Council in the Land Bill were in substance agreed to. Discussions on the Melbourne Gaol and on Parliamentary reporting occupied some hours, and finally a little stonewalling episode occurred. Professor Pearson was anxious to bring on the claims of the Inglewood and Gipps'and Railway contractors' and was charged by Mr. Orr with promoting a swindle in language which was ruled out of order. However, Mr. Orr, in order to defeat the "swindle," took a formal objection to the O'Shanassy Education Bill being discharged from the notice-paper, and kept up the discussion until at last, in sheer weariness, a count-out was effected.

The resolution adopted by the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday in answer to the resolution of the Legislative Council reached the Upper House last evening. On the motion of Sir Charles Sladen, the Council resolved as follows:—"No reasons are assigned by the Assembly for asserting that the Council has infringed the rights and privileges of the Assembly by the resolutions that were transmitted to the Assembly on Tuesday, November 26. These resolutions suggested an amendment of the Constitution Act, and the Council maintains that it has all the power that the Assembly has in proposing any amendment of this act."

The "Argus says:—"At the recent sale of stud sheep at Ercildoune, a valuable ram was bought by the Hon. James White, of New South Wales, at a cost of 160 guineas, together with a number of high-class ewes. Owing to some cause, which was not clearly ascertained, the ram died soon after his arrival in Sydney, and on learning this fact Sir Samuel Wilson generously wrote to Mr. White, offering to make good his loss by giving him another ram of equal value."

A telegram from Sydney states that Bathurst Hospital was accidently burnt down on Wednesday. Within one hour the whole place was totally destroyed. The patients, twenty-eight in number, were all got out uninjured, together with the beds, bedding, and a good deal of the furniture, but the bedsteads and half of the medicines in the surgery were lost. The patients, were temporarily provided for in the market building, and fourteen were afterwards sent on to Sydney. The fire broke out in the kitchen, and nothing but one of the walls of the building is now standing.

Yesterday's "Ararat Advertiser" says:—"Two children named Margaret and John Withers, aged twelve and eight years respectively, were admitted into the Ararat Hospital yesterday, suffering from accidents sustained under rather unusual circumstances. On the afternoon previous the girl was playing close to the schoolhouse at Burrumbeep, Kangaroo Point, when she slipped from a rock, and hurt her knee. It was not at the time thought that any serious injury had been sustained, but the following morning the child's knee had become so swollen and inflamed that her father, who is a gatekeeper on the Hamilton railway, deemed it advisable to bring her in to the hospital, when she was found to be suffering from fracture of the knee bone. On arriving at the hospital the horse and cart were left in charge of the girl's younger brother, and during the absence of the father the horse got restive, kicked the little fellow, and broke his arm. He was at once taken into the hospital, where both of the little sufferers are now receiving attention."

The anti-Chinese agitation now going on in Sydney has awakened (says the "Age") a sympathetic echo in Melbourne. A large meeting was held in the Trades' Hall on Tuesday night, when the speakers, who were principally workmen, expressed very strong opinions against the employment of cheap Chinese labor, and denounced the Mongolian race as a scourge and a bitter curse wherever its hordes swarmed. The workmen evidently spoke of the Chinese question from a standpoint of bitter experience, and it was stated at the meeting that Chinese were monopolising many branches of trade, and gradually underselling their European Competitors. It was decided to assit the Sydney men or strike, morally and pecuniarily, and a committee was formed, under the auspices of the Seaman's Union of Victoria, to collect subscriptions. An anti-Chinese league is to be inaugurated, and the Government will most probably be asked through the Reform League, to legislate to prevent the evil assuming similar proportions here to those it has attained elsewhere, by the imposition of a poll-tax, or by some other means.

Tuesday's "Avoca Mail" says—"We hear that a nugget weighing about 60oz. was found by a Chinamen at the Lamplough rush this morning. It was sold to-day for £206 10s. 9d. at the local Bank of Victoria.

According to the *Invalide Russia*, the Turks lost 150,000 men in the war, and ten million cartridges were fired by the Russians, which makes one life in every 66 shots fired.

Tuesday's "Ararat Advertiser" says:—"It is now beyond doubt that the railway from Stawell to Horsham will be available for traffic as far as Murtoa on the 11th and great preparations are being made at that town to hold a banquet in honor of the event, for which a large number of invitations are to be issued. We learn that a quantity of wheat is ready to be forwarded as soon as the line is opened. On Wednesday last the first locomotive reached the town, but, although the rails are down, there yet remains a good deal of ballasting to be finished off.

Impoundings.

BEAUFORT—Impounded at Beaufort.—1 dark-brown colt, TL near shoulder; 1 brown mare, TL near shoulder. If not claimed and expenses paid, to be sold on 14th December.

W. G. STEVENS, Poundkeeper.

V. R.

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

SALE (No. 4,971) of CROWN LANDS in Fee-simple at the Court-house, Beaufort, on TUESDAY, the seventeenth of December, 1878, at Two o'clock p.m.

TOWN LOTS.

Buangor, parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, on the main Ballarat road; upset price, £3 10s per lot; charge for survey, £1. Lot 1—Area, 1r 34p; allotment 35A. Lot 2—Area, 30p; allotment 36A. Lot 3—Area, 29p, allotment 37A. Lots 4 and 5—Area, 28p each; allotments 38A and 39A. Lot 6—Area, 33p; allotment 40A; valuation, £50. Lot 7—Area, 19p; allotment 41A. Lot 8—Area, 20p; allotment 42A. Lot 9—Area, 21p; allotment 43A. Lot 10—Area, 23p; allotment 44A. Lot 11—Area, 24p; allotment 45A. Lot 12—Area, 12p; allotment 46A.

Beaufort, parish of Beaufort, county of Ripon, at the site of Mr. W. R. Nicoll's improvements. Upset price, £1 10s per lot. Charge for survey, £1. Lot 13—Area, 0 4-10p, allotment 4, section 58, valuation £45.

SUBURBAN LOT.

Parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, adjoining the township. Upset price, £1 10s per acre. Charge for survey, £1. Lot 14; area, 4a 0r 35p; allotment 76A.

COUNTRY LOTS.

Parish of Raglan, county of Ripon, on the road from Raglan to Charlton. Upset price, £1 2s 6d per acre; charge for survey, £1. Lot 15; area, 16a 0r 16p; allotment 1A, section Y.

Parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, 49th section block of Mr. John Playle. Upset price, £1 per acre; charge for survey, £1. Lot 16; area, 12a 2r 13p; allotment 40B; valuation, £15.

Parish of Eurambeen, county of Ripon, 19th section, block of Mr. Chas. Pryke. Upset price, £1 per acre; charge for survey, £1. Lot 17; area, 12a; allotment 3c; valuation, £75.

Charge for survey must be paid at the time of sale.

Plans and information can be obtained at the Crown Lands Office, Melbourne; and at the Court-house, Beaufort.

FRANCIS LONGMORE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey.

NOTICE is hereby given that a LOCAL LAND BOARD will be holden at Beaufort on THURSDAY, 12th December, 1878, at 11 a.m., for hearing of the following applications under the 19th and 49th:—

Applicants must appear personally.

19TH SECTION.

George Drew, parish of Raglan, 53a.
Josiah Pitcher, jun., parish of Raglan, 100a.
William Dickman, parish of Raglan, 80a.
George Aldrich, parish of Raglan, 40a.
Josiah Pitcher, parish of Raglan, 50a.
William Russell, parish of Shirley, 27a. 0r. 31p.
James Black, parish of Shirley, 27a. 0r. 31p.
Charles Drew, parish of Raglan, 60a.

49TH SECTION.

Charles Drew, parish of Raglan, 20a.
Luke Lilley, parish of Raglan, 20a.
William Creswelles, parish of Raglan, 20a.
James Creswelles, parish of Raglan, 20a.
George Drew, parish of Raglan, 20a.
William Dickman, parish of Raglan, 20a.
William Provis, parish of Beaufort, 20a.
William Baldwin, parish of Beaufort, 20a.

TENISON GREENE,
Land Officer.

Survey Office, Ballarat, 4th December, 1878.

For Sale.

THE Undersigned, believing it a good opportunity to start a business at Waterloo, is willing to SELL the ground, and premises erected thereon, formerly known as the Pavilion Hotel, and now occupied by Mrs. Duncan, Postmistress, together with the adjoining allotment. Apply

H. P. HENNINGSEN, Beaufort.

BALLARAT TURF CLUB.

SATURDAY, 14th DECEMBER, 1878.

RAILWAY TICKETS will be issued at Saturday Excursion Fares, from Stawell, Ararat, Beaufort, Burrumbeet, Maryborough, Talbot, Clunes, Creswick, Geelong, and Melbourne by the first train on Saturday, 14th December. Such tickets to be available for return until the night of the 16th.

E. D. M'MILLAN, Sec. B.T.C.

A BAZAAR AND SALE OF GIFTS

WILL be held on Boxing Day, in the Societies' Hall, in aid of the Building Fund of the Presbyterian Church.

Particulars in a future advertisement.

Contributions will be received at the Manse, and by Mesdames Wotherspoon, Gunn, Jackson, Cathie, M'Leod, Smith, Whitcomb, Tempest, Ison, and Nicoll, of Beaufort; M'Kenzie, of Trawalla; and Drummond, of Middle Creek.

For particulars see posters.

W. R. NICOLL, Hon. Sec.

THE PATENTS STATUTE 1865, Schedule 3; and Under the Act to Amend the Same, No. 432.—PATENT for "IMPROVEMENTS in HARVESTERS"—This is to notify that RUPERT SMITH, of Lake Goldsmith, near Beaufort, Farmer, did on the twenty-sixth day of November, 1878, deposit at the office of the Registrar-general, in Melbourne, a specification, or instrument in writing, under his hand and seal, particularly describing and ascertaining the nature of the said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed; and that by reason of such deposit the said invention is protected and secured to him exclusively for the term of six calendar months thence next ensuing: And I do further notify that the said Rupert Smith has given notice, in writing, at my Chambers for Patent Cases, of his intention to proceed with his application for Letters Patent for the said invention, and that I have appointed Friday, the twenty-seventh day of December next, at twelve o'clock noon, at my said Chambers, to hear and consider the said application, and all objections thereto; and I hereby require all persons having an interest in opposing the grant of such Letters Patent to leave, on or before the twenty-third day of December, at my said Chambers for Patent Cases, in Melbourne, particulars in writing of their objections to the said application, otherwise they will be precluded from urging the same.

Given under my hand this twenty-eighth day of November, A.D. 1878.

BRYAN O'LOGHLEN,
Attorney-General.

Attorney-General's Chambers for Patent Cases, Registrar-General's Department, Queen street north, Melbourne.

EDWARD WATERS, International Patent and Trade Marks Office, 87 Bourke street west, Melbourne, Agent for Applicant.

THE VICTORIAN ALMANAC For 1879 IS NOW READY,

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BEAUFORT.

SATURDAY, 14th DECEMBER, 1878.

SALE by AUCTION.

A Well-built BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, and about 4 acres of Land, together with the TANNERY and FELLMONGERY.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS has received instructions from Mr. A. C. Tuckett to SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION all that very desirable Dwelling-house, with Tannery and Fellmongery, and about 4 acres of land, all securely fenced, situate in King street, in the township of Beaufort, and now in the occupation of Mr. John Jackson.

To persons desirous of securing a comfortable residence on easy terms this is an opportunity rarely offered, as the house is well built, is within a few minutes' walk of the Railway Station, and has an abundant supply of water.

Intending purchasers are respectfully invited by the Auctioneer to inspect.

Sale on the ground at One o'clock.

Terms at Sale.

Immediately after the above, the auctioneer, favored with instructions from Mr. JAMES PRENTICE, will submit to public competition the following valuable properties:—

Lot 1.—Allotment 6, section 54, township of Beaufort, containing 1r. 5p. and 1-10p., or thereabouts, having a frontage to Willoby and Pratt streets, and joining Loft's Railway Hotel, on which is erected a four-roomed dwelling-house, with the water laid on to the premises

Lot 2.—Allotment 7, section 54, township of Beaufort, containing 1r. 9p. and 7-10p. or thereabouts, having frontage to Willoby and Pratt streets, and facing the railway, on which are erected two dwelling-houses, one four-roomed and one two-roomed, with water laid on. This is a good business site

Lot 3.—Allotment 9D, parish of Eurambeen, containing 20 acres or thereabouts, 4 acres of which are cleared, and ready for the plough, the whole being well enclosed with post, rail, and wire fencing. This property is situate on the main Ararat and Shirley road, adjoining Mr. Whitfield's holding, and known as the favorite picnic ground; there is also a good dam on the property.

Lot 4.—Allotment 1, section 23, township of Beaufort, containing 1r. 0p. or thereabouts, with frontage to Gregory, Neill, and Cummins streets, and is immediately opposite, and in front of, Mrs. Moore's Western House.

Lot 5.—Allotments 1, 2, and 9, section 66, containing three-fourths of an acre or thereabouts, situate in High street, adjoining the premises lately occupied by Mr. Barklem, blacksmith.

Terms at Sale.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Auctioneer.

Hairdresser and Barber.

W. T. NOLES

BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Beaufort and district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Saph, Neill street (next door to the Methodist Church), as Barber, Hairdresser, etc., and trusts, by strict attention to business, combined with moderate charges and skilful workmanship, to merit their patronage.

Dr. D. W. EATON,

M.A., OXON. (Late) STAFF SURGEON in H.M. ARMY,

HAVING COMMENCED PRACTICE in Beaufort, may be consulted at his Consultation Room, next Mr. GLYDE'S, Neill street.

Beaufort, November 29th, 1878.

FOR SALE,

A CHAFFCUTTER and HORSEWORKS. Apply

WILLIAM SMITH,
Butcher, Beaufort.

THE THOROUGHBRED SIRE

LEO.

Will stand this season at CHEPSTOWE, MOUNT EMU, 20 miles west of Ballarat, 10 miles from Skipton, and 35 from Ararat.

LEO is a Bay Horse, black points, 8 years old, 16 hands high, with great bone and muscular power, with undeniable good blood and staying quality, as his racing performances denote. (See *Turf Register.*)

LEO is by Leonidas (imported), dam Ranee, by Ringor (imported), by Pyrrhus the First, dam Belfry, by Surplice, grd Vibration, by Sir Hercules; Ranee's dam by Croupier (imported), by Old Touchstone; Leonidas by Bantam, Dam Industry, by Old Harkaway; dam Bagatelle, out of Tartar, by Tramp, &c., &c., &c.

Terms:—£10 10s. sterling.

THE PURE IMPORTED ENTIRE ARAB HORSE

SERANG.

SERANG is a beautiful Bay Arab, 5 years old, 14 hands 3 inches high, a pure Kulhillan Ajooz of the Anezi tribe, and is exceedingly handsome and well-shaped.

Terms:—Six guineas. One mare in five given in to *bona-fide* owners.

Good grass paddocks with plenty of water. Every care taken, but without responsibility.

Notice will be given when stinted, after which, if not removed, 2s. 6d. per week will be charged for grass.

All mares to be paid for on removal.

Mares left at Ettershank, Eaglestone, and Co's, Ballarat, on any Saturday will be received free of charge.

THOS. R. ODDIE, Proprietor.

Chepstowe, 13th August, 1878.

PURE CLYDESDALE STALLION

SIR CHARLES

Will Stand this Season at ST. ENOCH'S, STOCKYARD HILL.

SIR CHARLES is a rich Bay horse, strong, active, good-tempered, splendid feet, with plenty hair, rising eight years old, and a perfect model of the breed. Exhibited seven times, and obtained four first and three second prizes.

PEDIGREE.—Sir Charles, by Prince Charlie (imported), dam Jessie, by George Buchanan (imported); grand-dam Kate, by George the Fourth (imported to New South Wales by Mr. C. Thompson, of Clydesdale); great grand-dam a mare imported by said C. T., the breeder of Kate.

Prince Charlie and George Buchanan are well-known to be two of the best and purest horses imported to Victoria; and George the Fourth and the great grand-dam were considered the best imported to New South Wales previous to 1850.

Terms: £4 4s. One mare in five Free.

Also the Steeplechase Horse

KING OF CLUBS,

By Ace of Clubs (imported), dam mare by Flatcatcher (imported), dam of hurdle-race horse The Deer; grand-dam Arab mare, dam of steeplechase horse All Fours.

KING OF CLUBS is a rich chesnut, stands 16 hands, powerful and muscular, is fast, clever jumper, and has good paces.

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Good grass paddocks, having permanent water. Every care taken, but without responsibility.

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MR. GEO. ROBERTSON,
Manager, St. Enoch's.

August, 1878.

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65 CASES and 25 BALES

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30 Pieces 7-8 and 4-4 Medium Welsh Flannels, bought at a Large Discount, under Exceptional Circumstances.

These are just to hand, and will be offered 25 per cent. under PRESENT MARKET RATES.

SHOW DAY, SATURDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER.

WOTHERSPOON BROS. & CO.,

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New Goods, Drapery, Millinery, Boots, and Fancy Goods.

MRS. GUNN

BEGS to intimate that she will, during next week, SHOW a very CHOICE SELECTION of NEW GOODS for the season; also some very CHEAP LINES.

DRESS STUFFS, 6d. per yard; Linen Washing Ginghams, 4d.; Boys' Washing Tweeds, 8d., etc., etc.; Ladies' Silk Scarves, from 6d.; and some of the very choicest to be procured. The most beautiful FRENCH FLOWERS, REAL LACES, New Bonnet Fronts. All the novelties in Hats and Bonnets. The very Fashionable GOLD CORD, so much used for trimming. The new Millinery Materials in all shades. Lisse Lace, Tulle, and Tarlatan Frillings.

BOOTS, GROCERIES, and GENERAL STOCK

Will be found Well Assorted.

EARLY INSPECTION INVITED.

WOOLPACKS, FULL WEIGHTS.

IRON STORE, NEILL-STREET, BEAUFORT.

BENJAMIN MOORE

BEGS to thank his friends and customers for the liberal support hitherto accorded him, and would take this opportunity of informing them that he is now opening some special lines of SUMMER GOODS, of excellent quality, and which will be offered at very reasonable prices, in order to effect a thorough clearance.

SEASONABLE GOODS of every description, with a Large and Well-assorted Stock to pick from. HATS for Summer Wear in Great Variety. DRESS STUFFS of the Newest and most approved Material for The Summer Season.

☞ *The New Stock is now ON VIEW, and Public Inspection is respectfully invited.* ☜

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CARE OF FARM IMPLEMENTS.

Farmers often are very careless about their implements and machines, leaving them exposed to all weathers, and, as a consequence, they are worn out much more rapidly than would be the case if they were fairly treated. The "American Agriculturist" gives the following sensible advice upon the subject:—"Notwithstanding the number of carts and mowing-machines, and horse-rakes and other tools that we see standing by the roadside, or in the field the year round, most farmers believe in the economy of housing all these things. They know that iron rusts, and woodwork swells and shrinks with the change of the atmosphere. They think it is only a question of time that the new carriage-house, or shed, shall be built where the scattered tools and vehicles will have a permanent home. This waiting to provide needed shelter is the most expensive kind of saving. The elements are all the while at work, depreciating the value of the wood and iron that are exposed to the weather. A scythe and snathe hung in a tree through one season is old, warped, and rusty. Stored in the tool-room it is little changed in look or value; no repairs are wanted, and it is ready for use as soon as the grass is ready. The new cart that is left by the roadside soon goes to pieces; even if painted the paint soon wears off; the sun cracks paint and wood, the heat expands the cracks, and rain enters the openings, and decay commences, the joints become loose, the felloes, and spokes shrink in the dry weather, and the tire must be set often to keep the vehicle in running order. Farmers often over-estimate the expense of a tool or waggon house. If they have timber or building stone upon their farms, very little money need be laid out to put all running-gear under cover. A roof and siding to keep out rain is the main thing. Flooring is not needed. The bare earth under all wooden tires, if dry, will answer instead of plank. Just enough moisture is absorbed from the earth to keep the wheel in good condition. The tire will not need setting so often. A shed set upon a bank wall makes a good shelter, and is within reach of most farmers."

VICTORIAN POLITICS.

A correspondent of the "Ballarat Star" writes:—"The aspect of political affairs in Victoria had their counterpart in Ireland in the year 1800—so is it that history repeats itself. Here we have blatant demagogues, noisy stump orators, Ministers peregrinating the country, raising and inflaming the worst passions of men, and cajoling and promising all sorts of appointments to all sorts of persons, leaguers, and expectant office-holders, provided that they will only shout out for 'the embassy.' In Ireland about the period mentioned, when the Union question was on the carpet, Lord Castlereagh, then Chief Secretary, had his minions scattered abroad throughout the country, bribing, cajoling, promising billets, knighthoods, commissioner-ships, custom appointments, and earldoms, as described by the late Charles Lever. 'There is no denying the fact,' said he, 'that the strength of the argument, as well as the force of the eloquence, was on the side of the Opposition. Every man of great ability was against the Ministry.' One would think that the writer had Victoria in his mind's eye when he penned the above lines. Our mob orators now combine, as then, 'patriotism with profit.' As Bagenal Daly then observed, when addressing the Irish House of Commons, the Oppisition in Victoria could equally exclaim to the advocates of the embassy, 'You are about to take away the right of self-government from a nation, and every man in the land, not only such as sit here, but every man to whose future ambition a seat in this House may form a goal, every man has a deep interest in your proceedings. It is a grave and mighty question, whose conditions impose the conviction that we *are unfit to legislate for ourselves*—that we are too weak, or too venal, or too ignorant, or too dishonest. To that conclusion you must come, and no other.' Let me recommend these remarks to the advocates of the embassy, for those who advocate it acknowledge that they are not fit for self-government, and must be judged out of their own mouths. Let the delegation to England be termed the 'disunion embassy.'"

A DISGRACEFUL EXHIBITION.

One of those disgraceful exhibitions called a "glove fight," but in reality a fight, took place on Monday evening at Mace and Thompson's hotel, Bourke street, between Larry Foley, a well-known Sydney pugilist, and Peter Newton, who is equally celebrated in pugilistic circles in Melbourne. It was understood that £100 to £50 had been wagered on Foley, but a large sum of money was also invested in bets. The affair created a great deal of excitement, and outside the hotel upwards of 1000 people had congregated listening to the yells and cries of the excited partisans as one man or the other got the advantage. Although £1 to 10s. had been charged for admission, there were about 300 to 400 people present, and the excitement amongst the audience as the fight progressed was something intense. Oaths and yells resounded in the air, interspersed now and then with a free fight, and for the time being the room was a perfect Pandemonium. A ring was pitched in the centre of the room, and after the usual preliminaries had been arranged the fight commenced, Newton being picked up by Abe Hicken and Ned Britten, while J. Thompson and S. Isaacs performed a like office for Foley. The men fought something like fifty rounds in an hour and a quarter, and as it was evident that a serious breach of the peace would be committed, Sub-Inspector Larner interfered, and ordered the men to cease fighting. This created more excitement, and after a vain attempt to go on, the combatants were carried out of the room amidst a round of cheers. Foley showed visible signs of the punishment he had received, both his eyes being blackened, his upper lip cut, and face very much swollen. Newton was cut a little on the forehead, and very much distressed, so that opinions were pretty equally divided as to what would have been the result. It was some time before Bourke street resumed its wonted appearance, and the three or four policemen stationed outside the hotel had some difficulty in keeping the pathway clear.—"Telegraph"

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

News arrived at Stawell on Monday of another fatal accident having occurred at the Gravelpits, on the Stawell to Horsham railway line, now in course of formation. The accident took place at the same place as that where the late William O'Brien was mutilated and killed, and under almost similar circumstances. James Petty, a young man, 19 years of age, who was son to the ganger employed there, was the victim. He often acted in his father's place when the latter was absent on business. On this occasion Petty was engaged in the work of "trucking" the ballast trucks down the incline to the excavation whence the gravel was taken. In doing so he either jumped or slipped off the truck, and ran alongside for a short distance, but in attempting to jump from the moving trucks, his arm, it is surmised, struck against the buffer so violently that he was thrown down, the train of trucks passing over both legs and arms. The injuries are described as frightful, although the limbs were not severed. When conveyed to the nearest residence his suffering was so great that he requested those near him, amongst whom was his mother, to put an end to his existence. The unfortunate young man was conveyed to the Pleasant Creek Hospital as quickly as possible, and died soon after admission.—"Argus" telegram.

THE SEA SERPENT AGAIN.

"As usual, about this time of the year," writes the London "Daily Telegraph" of September 6, "our old friend the sea serpent has once more made his appearance. There can be no doubt about the fact, for in the first place he was seen in what may be called his native haunts, where good old Bishop Pontoppidon found him—he was then 600ft. long—and, in the next place he was followed up for a short distance, dodged, in fact, by vigilant observers, and seen on several successive days. The last narrative comes from Paris, M. Baetzmann, 'a distinguished literary man and a journalist' at Christiania, having sent thither a communication which gives full particulars. The scene of the monster's reappearance was off Aalesund, on the Norwegian coast, and the witnesses included Mr. Joachim Anderson, Danish Consul at Aalesund, 'formerly member of the jury at Philadelphia for the fishery group.' Mr. Anderson and party were at Valdersund Fjord on Sunday week in a boat, when the serpent suddenly rose to the surface of the water and took a deliberate 'sight' at them. Nothing daunted, Mr. Anderson and his friends examined it at leisure, and were able to observe its head, neck, and part of the 'trunk.' The head was no bigger than that of a large dog, but very flat; the neck was considerably narrower, and the 'trunk' appeared to them twenty mètres long, and two thirds of a mètre in diameter. But there was no mane, nor were there scales. Having satisfied themselves on all these points, the party in the boat gave chase, and the creature, belying its popular character, which is that of an irritable jealous mous-monster, with strongly-developed cannibal instincts and a dreadful roar, at once made off. The boat followed it for about an hour; but though the serpent, we are told,' must have been annoyed'—as any well conducted monster would naturally be on being disturbed at his after-dinner siesta in the sunny fjord—he showed no wish to fight. On the two following days he again appeared, and as the weather was fine a fleet of boats put out to hunt him amid great excitement. But the serpent was too quick for them. After leading the madance up and down the sound, he, like his great prototype, 'put an end to it all, by diving down below.' He has not re-appeared, and the great mystery of the sea remains as much a mystery as ever. Pontopiddan, Hans Egede, the Boston Fishermen who saw it 45 years ago, Captain M'Quae, of the Dædalus, who saw it in 1848, the Cathness parson who vouched for it a few years since, and the other persons who have at various times and places beheld it in sections—sometimes a head with a name, sometimes a mane and no head, now a piece of body like a big barrel, and now a largely-developed portion, 'very like a whale'—must still be under the imputation of not having backed up their narratives by such evidence as will satisfy a sceptical, scoffing age,"

NOTE THIS.—Why should I be without a PIANO or ORGAN, when I can get my choice of a splendid assortment, at FAR LESS than Melbourne prices, and pay for them by monthly instalments, or, if prefering a liberal discount, for cash at R. H. Sutton and Co's. new Pianoforte and Organ Warehouse, 31 Sturt-street, Ballarat. ENQUIRE THE FACT.—[Advt.]

A London solicitor named Yetts recently tested an important point with regard to the personal comfort of passengers in an action against the London and South-western Railway Company, which was decided in the Southwark County Court. The defendants' servants thrust four passengers into a first-class compartment in which the plantiff was riding disregarding his remonstrance, and he sued the company for £1 as compensation for personal annoyance. The judge held that the company were liable, and gave his verdict for the amount claimed.

There in no Virtue of a remedial kind in the so-called medicinal importations which are announced to contain the same curative ingredients as Udolpho Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps, or to possess its peculiar properties. The public would do well to avoid such humbugs, as well as beware of counterfeits of the real article. Both are adulterated and hurtful. Inquire for genuine.

A correspondent of the "St. Arnaud Times" at Fort Cameron, writes:—"The whole of this district has a very pleasant appearance now the numerous fields of grain are ripe. Many farmers down the Lower Avoca have finished cutting their crops, which bid fair to give good returns; some, I believe, will go 30 bushels to the acre. The busy scenes to be seen in the extensive fields of grain are undoubted signs of the progress and prosperity of the district. The thousands of acres of golden grain speak volumes in reference to the industry of the Lower Avoca farmers. It is not the mere carrying out of the Land Act, "cultivate one acre to ten," but it is a full determination to thoroughly prove that this district of the Lower Avoca can be made one of the finest agricultural portions of the colony.

GARDENING NOR DECEMBER.

THE month of November has been peculiarly favorable to vegetation, and all classes having to do with the culture of the soil have been kept busy. If the proper attention has been paid to hoeing and weeding among advancing crops, the rains will have been particularly useful. If such work is still in arrear, let not a moment be lost in getting it completed, for the weeds will soon spoil the crops by robbing them of nutriment. After rains, finish mulching trees of the season's planting. This may be done with stable litter, or with newly-mown grass laid on the wet soil round the stem to a distance of three or four feet. To keep it from being blown about, a few spadefuls of earth may be spread on the grass or litter. Such plants as the orange, camellia, azalea, rhododendron, should not only be mulched, but should have a few branches secured round them, to check the severity of the scorching hot winds. If for the first year or two a little care is taken of these valuable plants, they speedily get established, and need but little further care; and they richly repay in bloom for the trouble taken with them as tender plants.

For border decoration, plants may be taken from the pots of show pelargoniums, verbenas, and fuchsias; and the patches of annuals may be divided and planted out. Damp weather should be selected for transplanting, unless water and means of shading be at hand. Sweet peas, nasturtiums, and all climbing plants should be staked and trained before they have grown too much. Picotees and carnations should be neatly pegged, and rambling growths of plants kept under control with a light hoop and pegs. Roses may be budded, and now will be felt the value of our suggestion in the season for putting out cuttings of the common rose.

Hot winds frequently affect growing crops prejudicially this month. Care should be taken that the vines of melons, marrows, cucumbers, etc., are not injured by being blown about. Peg down at intervals. Attend to vines, and re-tie where necessary, great injury generally resulting from neglect in keeping the young, tender shoots tied to the stakes. Should any stakes appear loose, have them driven firmly in without delay, or the loss of the vine may be occasioned by the wind blowing both down together. Writers on vines sometimes advise the removal of foliage from around the the young fruit; but such a practice, unless for very special requirements, is to be condemned, as it too frequently happens that the hot winds scorch the unripe fruit, and spoil the crop, even when no foliage has been removed. Stopping back the shoots is also not advisable; but young lateral or side growth may be rubbed off with advantage. The growing crops of vegetables, however light, among the vines is a very bad plan, and one not defensible on the score of economy.

A few light sowings under shade may be made of peas, kidney beans, celery, cabbage, cucumbers, marrows, and melons.

Keep clean and see that advancing crops do not suffer from drought. Where watering is restored to, be careful that it is thoroughly done. A little care paid to melons, cucumbers, and, indeed, all the members of Cucurbita family, will be well repaid in the fruiting season. Trim up hedges of Cape broom after flowering. Keep a constant look out for blight on apple-trees, and syringe where red spider is found.—"Australian Journal."

OXYGEN IS LIFE.—Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne.—Multitudes of people are hopelessly suffering from Debility, Nervous and Liver Complaints, Depression of Spirits, Hypochondria, Timidity, Indigestion Failure of Hearing, Sight, and Memory, Lassitude, Want of Power, &c., whose cases admit of a permanent cure by the new remedy Phospodyne (Ozonic Oxygen), which at once allays all irritation and excitement, imparts new energy and life to the enfeebled constitution, and rapidly cures every stage of these hitherto incurable and distressing maladies. Sold by all chemists and druggists throughout the globe. ☞ CAUTION.—Phosphorus is sometimes sold in the form of Pills and Lozenges; it should be generally known that every form where solid particles of Phosphorous are in combination is dangerous. It is therefore necessary that the public should be cautioned against the use of any form of Phosphorus not perfectly soluble in water.

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English Mail.

Due at Melbourne—

Tuesday	... ...	November 12
Tuesday	... ...	December 10

Leaves Melbourne—

Thursday	... ...	November 28
Tuesday	... ...	December 26

Victorian Railways.

TIME TABLE.

FROM MELBOURNE TO STAWELL

LEAVE—Melbourne 6.30 a.m, 11.10 a.m, 4.10 p.m. 7 p.m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.17 a.m 12.57 a.m 6.15 p m 8.30 p.m
LEAVE—Geelong 8.27 a.m, 1.12 a.m, 6.35 p m, 8.45 p.m
ARRIVE at Ballarat 10.30 am 3.20 a.m 9.15 p.m 10 20 p.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 4 40 a.m 10.45 a.m 3.50 p.m 10.35 p.m
Burrumbeet 5.20 a.m 11.19 a.m, 4.30 p.m
Beaufort 6.10 a.m 12.3 a.m 5.20 p.m 11.49 p.m
Buangor, 7 a.m, 12.44 a.m, 6.11 pm
ARRIVE at Ararat 7.45 am 1.25 pm, 6 56 p.m, 12.51 a.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 8 a.m, 1.40 a.m, 7.6 a.m, 1.1 a.m
ARRIVE At Stawell 9 a.m, 2.35 p.m, 8.6 a.m, 1.46 a.m

FROM STAWELL TO MELBOURNE

LEAVE—Stawell 6 45 a.m, 10.35 a.m, 3 p m, 8.50 p.m
ARRIVE At Ararat 7 39 a.m 11.35 a.m 3.54 p.m 9.50 p.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 7.49 a.m, 11.55 a.m. 4.4 p.m. 10 p.m
Buangor 8.50 am 12.40 a.m 4.45 pm 10.48 pm
Beaufort 9.11 a.m 1.29 p.m 5.26 p m 11 35 p.m
Burrumbeet 9.52 a.m 2.16 p.m, 6.7 p.m, 12.33 a.m.
ARRIVE At Ballarat 10 30 pm 2.58 a.m 6.45 pm 1.18 a.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 6.30 a.m, 11.30 a.m, 3.25 p.m. 7.10 p.m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.30 a.m 1.30 p.m 6.5 p.m 9.13 p.m.
LEAVE—Geelong, 8.50 a.m, 2.45 a.m, 1.54 am, 6.39 a.m 9.28 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 9 a.m, 10.30 a m, 3.41 am, 8.35 a.m. 11.15 p.m.

FROM ARARAT to HAMILTON and PORTLAND

ARRIVE At Ararat, 1.25 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 1.55 p.m.
Wickliffe Road, 3.56 p.m.
Glen Thompson, 3.30 p.m.
LEAVE Glen Thompson, 3.35 p.m.
ARRIVE At Dunkeld, 3.45 p.m.
Hamilton, 4.55 p.m.
LEAVE Hamilton, 5.10 p.m.
ARRIVE At Portland 7.25 p.m.

FROM PORTLAND and HAMILTON to ARARAT and MELBOURNE.

LEAVE Portland, 7.15 a.m.
ARRIVE at Hamilton, 10.12 a.m.
LEAVE Hamilton, 10.27 a.m
ARRIVE At Ararat, 1 30 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 4.4 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 11.15 p.m.

FARES.

Beaufort to	First-class	Second-class
Trawalla	1s 0d	0s 9d
Burrumbeet	2s 6d	1s 9d
Windermere	3s 6d	2s 0s
Ballarat	5s 0d	3s 0d
Geelong	14s 0d	9s 0d
Melbourne	21s 0d	13s 6d
Beautort to	**First-class**	**Second-class.**
Buangor	2s 6d	2s 0d
Ararat	5s 0d	3s 6d
Armstrongs	6s 0d	4s 0d
Great Western	6s 6d	4s 6d
Stawell	8s 0d	5s 6d

Beaufort Post Office.

TIME TABLE, 1878.

Post Town	Mails arrive at Beaufort	Mails close at Beaufort
Melbourne ...	6 a.m 12.10 p.m 10 p.m	8.45 a m 5 p.m.
Geelong ...	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat ...	Ditto	Ditto
Trawalla ...	Ditto	Ditto
Raglan ...	4.15 p.m	8 a.m
Charlton ...	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo ...	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead ...	Ditto	Ditto
Sailor's Gully ...	4.15 p.m	Ditto
Stockyard Hill ...	Ditto	Ditto
Ararat ...	9.31 a.m 5.20 p.m	11.45 a.m 9.20 p.m
Buangor ...	Ditto	Ditto
Eurambeen ...	4 30 p.m	1 p.m
Shirley ...	Ditto	Dittto

The mails for Ararat, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Buangor, and Trawalla are despatched twice daily.

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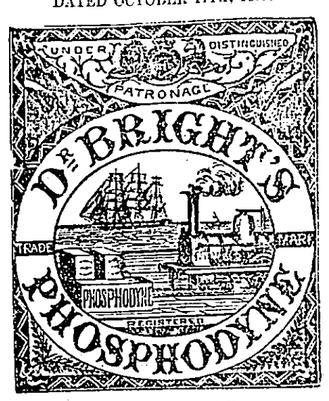

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Acting, therefore, under this arrangement, we shall hold a sale of WOOL on
TUESDAY and THURSDAY
in each week during the season.

We are also prepared to Ship Wool on owners' account, either consigned to our own or other agents, and to advance on same if required; the facilities for shipping wool from Geelong being much greater than from any other port in the colony.

The increased support we have received each year since we commenced business is a guarantee that those by whom we have been employed are satisfied our efforts have been directed for their benefit, and while soliciting an increased measure of support, we assure those who have hitherto, and those who may in the future favor us, that everything shall be done to conserve their best interest, and a strict surveillance kept, so that full value may be obtained for all wool entrusted to our care, whether it be in large or small parcels.

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WE beg to announce that in view of the yearly increased support awarded to this market, it has been found necessary to establish a second day's sale. We shall therefore hold Public Auction Sales of Wool on each

TUESDAY and THURSDAY

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BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

December 10th.

There was a good general supply of produce brought into the market to-day. Quotations:—Oats, 5s to 5s 4d; wheat, 4s 8d; flour, L10 7s 6d to L10 10s; Cape barley, 5s 3d; English do., 6s to 7s; peas, 5s 6d; mangel hay, L4 to L4 10s; new hay, L2; sheaves, L2 15s to L3; straw, L1 15s to L2; potatoes, L4; bonedust, L6 15s; rye-grass, 5s to 7s; bran, 1s; pollard, 1s 3d; maize, 5s 4d.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

There has been no marked change in commercial matters during the past week, although there is every probability that with the approach of harvest and Christmas, business will considerably improve Wheat still remains at our last quotation, though there is a growing disinclination to buy large parcels. One lot of thirty bags, however, was disposed of at current rates at the end of last week. Flour is slightly easier, and now commands L10 7s 6d for local brands. A splendid sample of potatoes was forward this week from Elmhurst, the supply from Warrnambool being unusually abundant, but it may be expected, as farmers will now be busy until the harvest, that they will become scarce during the next few weeks. They command for new L3, and for old to L4 10s. In dairy produce, fresh butter is not quite so plentiful, although it has come in in sufficient quantities to meet the demand, which remark will also apply to eggs. We quote:—Wheat, 4s 6d, oats, 4s 9d; pollard, 1s 6d; bran, 1s 1d; barley, 5s; maize, (whole), 6s 9d; crushed do, 7s; flour, L10 7s 6d, potatoes, Warrnambool, (new), L8; Ballarat (old), L4 10s; fresh butter, 8d; potted butter, 6d, hams, 10d; bacon, 8d; cheese, 6d; eggs, 10d; hay, sheaves, L3 10; trussed, L3 15s; straw, L2; wheaten, 35s; chaff, 4s 6d; onions, none; carrots, none.—"Advertiser."

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

MESSRS. HEPBURN LEONARD AND ROWE report the following business:—Fat Cattle—134 head for Mr. D. Clarke (Piggoreet), and Messrs Sweeney Brothers (East Charlton), to L6 15s. Fat Sheep.—422 crossbred wethers for Mr. Charles Beal, Bleak House, to 11s, being the highest price of the day; 817 crossbred and merino wethers and ewes for Mr. R Jamieson, Belne Plains, crossbred wethers at 7s 4d; 335 crossbreds for Mr. R. Fraser, Lovatdale, whethers to 9s 4d, ewes to 7s 6d; 400 merino wethers for the Hon. P. Russell, Cangham, at 7s 6d; 150 merino wethers for Mr. T. D. Crichton, Ascot, to 7s 6d; 758 merino ewes for Mr. James Robertson, Mount Mitchell, to 6s 9d; 101 crossbred and merino wethers and ewes for Messrs F. Bucknall Cotswold; H. and C. Bucknall, Armadale, J Malone, Smeaton; and W. Sutherland, Stockyard Hill, at market rates. Fat Lambs—149 for Messrs. H. and C. Bucknall, Armadale, at from 7s to 8s; 148 for Mr. F. Bucknall, Cotswold, to 7s; 231 shorn for Mr. W. Sutherland, Stockyard Hill, to 6s 6d; 303, shorn, for Mr. W. Sutherland, Stockyard Hill, to 6s 6d; 303, shorn, for the Wimmera, at 4s 9d. Store Stock—500 crossbred ewes, with lambs at foot, at a satisfactory price.

GEELONG PRODUCE MARKET.

December 11th.

MESSRS. DAVID GUTHRIE AND Co. report the following sales:—Sheepskins—We offered a very large quantity of skins at our sale to-day. There was a good attendance of buyers, and those interested in the trade; biddings were brisk and prices ruled the same as last week, viz.:—Best butchers' merino skins to 63d; crossbred to 62d; lambskins to 24d; dry skins to 7½d per lb; pelts to 14d each. Hides—We had a large supply to-day, about 400, but prices not coming up to our idea of value, we had to pass in several large lots. We sold good conditioned hides to 3½d; calskins to 2d. Tallow.—Only a few oddments to hand, which we sold at late rates.

Mr. David Gaunson addressed the electors of Ararat on Friday night, and received a most enthusiastic reception.

Intelligence was received in Melbourne on Saturday of the death of Mr. Charles Summers, the well-known sculptor, which occurred at Paris. Mr. Summers was on his road from Rome to England, with the intention of embarkment for Australia.

Mr. Mathew Burnett has finished his temperance agitation at Sandridge, and has induced 2276 persons to sign the pledge there. He will shortly start for New Zealand.

The new Dutch education law excludes the bible and religious teaching for primary schools.

Cremation became optional in Gotha on and after the first October, and a building has been erected for the purpose.

The cost of building the Melbourne Exhibition is estimated at L94,400.

A branch telegraph office has been established at the railway station, St. Kilda.

The estimated value of the free railway passes issued in connection with the late West Melbourne election is £172 18s. 9d.

The prospects of the farmers in the Horsham district for this year's harvest are (says the "P. C. News") exceedingly bright. As an evidence of this, we may mention that Messrs. Broadbent Bros. and Co. are forwarding 80,000 corn sacks to one firm in Horsham alone, representing about 100 tons in weight. This will enable the public to form some idea of the expectations of the residents in the district as to the extent of the yield.

Potatoes in the low-lying lands about Farnham and Yangery were we ("Warrnambool Standard") regret to state, blackened by frost during the night of Thursday last. The plants were looking very promising, those sown in the beginning of October being large and strong, but this will greatly retard their growth. Moisture is much wanted in the potatoe-fields, and, owing to the want of rain, the early potatoes now being dug are not so productive as might be expected from their luxuriant tops.

The "Donald Times" learns that Mr. N. Trevin, near Donald, obtained 60 bushels to the acre as his return for his oat crop this season.

Our Learmonth correspondent writes as follows:—"Harvesting operations are now to be seen carried on in every direction, the weather of the last week enabling farmers to do so entirely to their satisfaction, except that laborers are very scarce; notwithstanding the high rate of wages here at this season of the year they are not to be had for it, viz., 5s. per day. Standing crops are all looking very well now, more especially wheat, the better half of which has been cut for hay. Oats are not looking so well, and some are very bad indeed. Barley is very good in many instances, and some very good crops will soon be ready for the reaping machine. Potatoes are looking very well, more especially early ones, which have escaped the frost, but there are many fields in this locality which have suffered very severely from its effects.—"Star."

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWSPAPERS.

Adams, W. A.
Boyd, A.; Blackmore, P.
Cox, G. J.; Cumming, A.
Dunn, J. Miss.
Ellis, Mr.
Flowers, Mrs. H.
Gangel, Isaac; Gordon, R.
Lynch, Patrick; Lyttle, Samuel.
M'Lush, A.; M'Millan, Margaret Miss; M'Leod, Sarah; Mayhew, Mr.; Murchison, Donald; Murray, W.; M'Intosh, N.; Matheson, Jas.; Milne, Mrs.; Metcalfe, E.
Stewart, John.
Topper, G.; Taylor, Thos.

THOMAS LEWIS, Postmaster.

Beaufort, December 13th, 1878.

Death.

HOWARD.—On the 4th December, at the Melbourne Hospital, Thomas Howard, late of Inglewood, Beaufort, and Ararat, aged 48 years.

THE

Riponshire Advocate.

Published every Saturday Morning.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1878.

We have again to remind correspondents that we in all cases require to be furnished with their name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. In consequence of this having been omitted in a letter headed "Unfettered Press," and signed "Lillerie," the same cannot be published until this rule has been complied with.

An accident happened on Tuesday evening which fortunately did not turn out so serious as might have been expected by anyone witnessing it. A little boy, 10 years of age, the son of Mr. George Wilson, living just outside the township, on the Stockyard Hill road, together with a younger sister, had been sent in charge of a horse and dray to the standpipe at the Mechanics' Institute to get a cask of water. The cask having been filled, but not yet covered up, the horse was frightened through something, and started off, when the little fellow, in his attempt to stop it, was knocked down, and the wheel of the loaded dray passed over his back. He was taken to Dr. Johnston, who at first, seeing the blood running from his mouth, feared some internal injury. However, after the little sufferer's senses returned, the examination showed only the mark where the wheel had passed over his shoulder, and after a little sleep at the doctor's rooms, he appeared much relieved from pain, and is now progressing favorably. The narrow escape from being instantly killed can only be accounted for by the wheel of the dray, before touching the back of the boy, passing over a stone, which to a great extent took the force and weight off it. We very well know that there is no greater delight for boys than to be able to do grown-up men's work, but parents, we think, should be very careful in gratifying their wishes, and not give their consent where there is so much danger attached. If an accident like the above proved fatal a coroner's jury, we should think, could not do otherwise than censure the parent.

A cricket match was played at Waterloo on Saturday last, between the Waterloo Club and the Excelsior Club (Beaufort), which resulted in an easy victory for the latter. The Waterloo captain having won the toss, sent the Beaufortites to the wickets, when a fine innings (158) was made before the last wicket fell, H. Nettle, who played a very good innings, contributing 72. C. Graves (14). C. Tompkins (14), R. Grenfell (12), being the the only four reaching double figures. After some slight refreshment, the Beaufortites took the field, and disposed of their opponents for the small sum of 17 the first innings, and 39 the second, J. Rankin scoring 12, W. Harris 2, R. Robinson 7, and D. Smith 6. The Waterloo team were overmatched from the start, but this may be attributed to the want of practice. After the match the Beaufortites sat down to a very excellent tea, provided by Mesdames Robinson and Harris, which was done full justice to, as the ride out and the afternoon's fun had sharpened their appetites to a considerable extent. Then giving three cheers for everybody, they left Waterloo thoroughly well pleased with their day's outing.

A valuable mare owned by P. Crofton, of Mount Cole, was killed on Friday last under peculiar circumstances. It appears she was confined in a paddock by herself, and in jumping the fence to get to some more horses her fore foot caught in one of the wires of the fence, which pitched her on to her head, a distance of about 20 yards, the concussion breaking her neck. She was valued at about £20.

The summer seems to have set in in real earnest, as during the past week we have had some very warm days, the sun scorching hot, accompanied with hot winds. The farmers in the district are busy hay harvesting, and many say they could do with some rain for their grain crops, although it is almost too late. The fruit crops in this district is not near so large as usual, the heavy hail storm we had a month or so back having played sad havoc in many orchards. Gooseberries seem to be about the only fruit of which there is a good crop, and they are unusually plentiful.

A notice to trespassers on the Langi Kal-Kal estate will be found in our advertising columns.

The Telegraph Company have now got into working order, and are in the wash, and it is more than probable that they will wash their first machine this afternoon.

The Railway Department announce that the issue of the usual Christmas holiday excursion tickets will commence on the 23rd inst., and extend to the 2nd January. The facilities offered by this department are now very extensive, and we have no doubt the public will avail themselves of the concession in travelling expenses.

The Public Works Department invite tenders for addition and alterations in the Beaufort Post office, particulars of which will be found in our advertising columns.

Public attention is directed to the sale of crown lands to be held at the local court house on Tuesday next, when a number of town and country lots will be offered.

Owing to the night on which the concert at Raglan was held (last Friday night) our reporter could not be present, but we have been enabled to gather the following particulars concerning the affair. The ladies and gentlemen who gave their services on the occasion are as follows:—Mesdames Wotherspoon, M'Leod, and Lord; Misses Baker, Ingram (2), Taylor, and M'Keich, the two latter presiding at the piano. Messrs. D. G. Stewart, B. H. Stuart, J. Clarke, D. Mason, Jas. Wilson, J. Prentice, J. Lord, and H. Trompf. The concert was got up to aid the funds of the Primitive Methodist Mission, and the ladies and gentlemen who took part in the concert acquitted themselves very creditably. every song and recitation being well received. One thing noticeable was the absence of the larrikin element, the audience being very quiet, only showing interest by frequent and prolonged applause. There was a good attendance, Beaufort and the surrounding places being well represented, and altogether a very enjoyable evening was spent. The net proceeds of the concert, clear of all expenses, amounted to L9 12s. 6d.

The Australian Eleven play twenty-two of the Ballarat C.C. on the Eastern Oval, on Wednesday and Thursday next, and admirers of "Our Boys" who live in this district will have a chance of witnessing them play the game in which they have proved themselves so proficient.

The attention of speculators and capitalists is directed to the sale by auction this afternoon to be held by Mr. W. E. Nickols, when he will offer a number of valuable properties to public competition.

That ever-welcome annual, "Punch's Almanac" is to hand, and contains, as usual, a good stock of witty sayings, fables, jokes, etc. The cuts are unusually good, especially that entitled "A Page of History." The Smyley tale is also very funny, and well-written.

From Mr. T. Chuck, photographer, Royal Arcade, Melbourne, we have received a card containing a group of portraits of the Australian Eleven, together with a full account of the matches played by them while on their tour round the world. The portraits are excellent, and the get-up of the card altogether is capital.

The following remarks from the "Echo," may be appropriate at the present season:—Food ought to be attended to at this season. Much animal food is unnecessary, and even prejudicial. What we want is not heat producers, but vegetable food, which will nourish without generating too great an amount of warmth. This can be supplied by salads and other vegetable food, which the cooks at South Kensington are ever sounding receipts for into our dull ears. The Briton will, however, insist on forking into his overloaded stomach junks of roasted sheep and sodden ox, with the result that for hours afterwards he is racked in prespiration to arouse himself from his semi-apopleptic lethargy. He takes refuge in "summer drink" unripe fruit, ice, or, worst of all, in beverages which owe their potency to alcohol. In the end he feels hotter than ever, while the chilled stomach finds itself utterly incapable of disposing of the load which has been put in its charge. We hear of cases of sunstroke daily. Yet, if toilers in the hayfields would shelter their necks by a moist cloth, as cabmen and busdrivers now do, or put a cabbage blade under their hats, they might work in perfect safety. Last of all, if during the hottest of days people would look in their gardens for the chief portion of their dinners, rather than to bacon flitch, they would undoubtedly feel better, and certainly no weaker.

The "Bendigo Advertiser" records that a sad catrostrope is reported to have occurred near Runnymede on Sunday last, December 8th, by which two harvest men, whose names are at present unknown, lost their lives. The particulars to hand at present are meagre; but it appears that the men went to the Mount Pleasant Creek for the purpose of bathing. The clothes of one of them were subsequently found on the bank of the creek, and the circumstance gave rise to a suspicion that a fatality had occurred. The creek was dragged, and the body of a man fully dressed was found. The search was continued for the body of the man to whom the clothes had belonged, and this was eventually recovered. It is supposed that the undressed man was in the water, in danger of drowning, whilst his companion was on the bank, and that the latter jumped into the creek to save him, but that his life was sacrificed in the effort along with that of his mate.

The "Argus" states that the Chief Secretary had several interviews with Captain Standish on Wednesday on the subject of the bushranging outrage. All that the political head of the department could do was to impress upon the permanent head that he had *carte blanche* in the matter, and that no effort ought to be spared to avert the disgrace which the impunity the bushrangers enjoy brings upon the colony at large. A reorganisation of the police force, with a view to promoting its efficiency in country districts, is now one of the certainties of the future.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Ararat Advertiser" says:—"Rumours have been freely circulated, especially on Wednesday, that if the Embassy went home they would do so merely as private members, not as a Royal Commission, inasmuch as it was freely stated that his Excellency Sir George Bowen is in his tantrums, and won't grant a Royal Commission. It is well known that from time to time Governors have granted Royal Commissions, but always within the colony. The point seems to be whether the Governor has the power, or is justified, to grant a Royal Commission outside the colony.

The war with Afghanistan has had an appreciable effect upon the horse market, states the "North-Eastern Ensign." On Monday between 250 and 300 light horses fit for cavalry purposes passed through Benalla by train for shipment to India. Most of the animals were of excellent appearance, a though what would be regarded as light of build. They came mainly from New South Wales.

Thursday's "Ballarat Courier" says:—"Some cadaverdly thief broke into the Bible Christian Sunday schoolroom, in Armstrong street, Soldier's Hill, on Tuesday evening, and stole the children's money-box. Last evening fragments of the box were found near the building, but of course none of the cash was left behind. It is to be hoped the delinquent will be caught and brought to justice. As the children have been in the habit of contributing weekly for some considerable time, the sum taken is thought to be pretty large.

PRIMITIVE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.

Services in connection with the above were commenced on Sunday last, in the Societies' Hall, when the Rev. J. Smith preached three sermons, that of the morning being a most impressive one. The rev. gentleman handled his text on each occasion excellently, and was listened to with pleasure by a large congregation on each occasion, more especially in the evening. The squalling of infants, however, seriously interferred with the preacher, and the little ones were in excellent voice, keeping up a continual squall from the commencement of the services to the end, much to the annoyance of the hearers and speaker. The singing was the principal feature in the services, and, under the direction of Mr. J. Jackson, this part of the services went off excellently, although we have heard quite as good singing on previous years. The harmony, perhaps, was more complete, but on previous occasions all the children sung with might and main, which was not the case this year, many of the scholars never opening their lips. However, it was very enjoyable, and reflects credit on Mr. Jackson, as also on Miss A. White, who presided at the organ, and contributed in no small degree to the success of the vocal part of the anniversary services. The recitations were but poor, and did not come near those of past years from point of excellence.

On Monday the usual tea meeting took place, and the attendance was by no means commensurate with the display of eatables both as regards quality and quantity. However, those who did put in an appearance enjoyed a good cup of tea, and the usual tea meeting delicacies were got up in first-class style, the smiles of the fair attendants on the tables lending an appetite and charm to the tea quite enjoyable.

After the tea came the public meeting, which was well attended. The greater part of the time was occupied by the children, and the usual speeches from pastor and locals were dispensed with. Mr. W. Chellew, as superintendent of the school, occupied the chair, who, in opening the meeting, remarked that the work of Sunday Schools was a noble one, and although he felt proud of the position he held in the school, yet he could not help regretting it, as the death of the late superintendent, Mr. John Hosking, had been the means of placing him in his present position. After a hymn had been sung the chairman made the following statement of the officers and scholars of the school at the present time:—Superintendent, 1; assistant-superintendents, 2; secretary and assistant secretary; teachers, 22; scholars, 93 boys, and 85 girls; total, 205. Receipts during the year, £24 8s. 5½d.; expenditure £22 16s. 11d.; surplus, £1 11s. 6½d. He also stated that the teachers desired to replenish their library, and he hoped the receipts at the present services would enable them to substantially add to their at present small stock of books.

After another hymn had been sung the Rev. J. Smith read the annual report, which set forth that the school was in a prosperous state, for which the teachers were thankful. It also expressed deep regret at the loss of the superintendent, Mr. Hosking, and also at the death of a scholar named Roach Chellew during the year.

The remainder of the meeting was taken up by the following recitations, interspersed with hymns:—Hetty Moss, "What is life?" Seymour Baker, "Giving God Pleasure;" Sophia Woods, "Are the children at home?" Maud Hosking, "Welcome, Little Robin;" Grace Stickland, "The Wreck of the Loch Ard;" Catherine Haines, "Papa's Letter;" Sarah Whitfield, "The Children in the Woods;" Agnes Stevens, "A Child's Hymn;" Dorothy Whitfield, "Departing Brother;" Grace Stevens, "My Grandfather's Bible;" Betsy Stickland, "The Orphan Boy's Tale;" Fanny Stevens, "The Orphan of the War."

The Rev. J. Smith proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Jackson for the trouble he had taken in training the children in singing, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. W. G. Stevens stated the gross proceeds of the services amounted to £21 2s. 3d.

On Tuesday the children's picnic took place in Mr. Prentice's paddock, on the Ararat road, when all sorts of games were entered into with spirit, the good things provided done full justice to, and a very pleasant day spent.

BEAUFORT LICENSING COURT.

(Before H. J. Alley, Esq., P.M., and W. A. Jennings, Esq., J.P.)

The following applications were granted:—Beaufort—Jonathan Watts Browne, George Hotel; Edward Ingram, Victoria Hotel; W. Loft, Railway Hotel; P. Miechel, Family Hotel; G. Manners, Commercial Hotel; Jeremiah Smith, Golden Age Hotel; William Schlicht, All Nations Hotel; Wilhemina Scharp, Beaufort Hotel; Joel Tompkins, Camp Hotel.

Trawalla—Mark Barnes, Trawalla Hotel.

Burambeen—William Brierley, Brierley's Hotel; Mathew Kelly, Junction Hotel.

Waterloo—Joseph Frusher, Waterloo Hotel; Thomas Vowels; Thomas Witherden, Witherden's Hotel.

Sailor's Gully—R. Gearson, Sailor's Gully Hotel; R. Wangler, Wangler's Hotel.

Charlton—Alexander Hutton, Charlton Hotel; C. Loft, Downie's Hotel; this license was remitted back to the transferor, Mr. C. Connell.

Stockyard Hill—R. Kirkpatrick, Stockyard Hill Hotel.

Main Lead—Jas. M'Leod, Main Lead Hotel.

Raglan—George Prince, Raglan Hotel; granted to the wife of applicant,

Colonial Wine: F. Male.

Grocers' Licence: Wotherspoon Bros. and Co.

Renewal Special Temporary: Mrs. H. Gunn, Benjamin Moore, James Prentice, and Ah Sney.—Granted for two months.

Mr. Jeremiah Smith and Mr. G. Manners applied for billiard licenses, but owing to the necessary notice not having been given, they could not be dealt with.

The Court then adjourned.

It is said (remarks "Ægles," in the "Australasian"), that a city councillor of large fortune looked in at the Supreme Court during the trial of David Henry. "What's going on?" he enquired of the constable at the door. "The embracery case, sir," said No. 17. "Ah!" ejaculated the enquirer, "the *domicile* again!"

BEAUFORT POLICE COURT.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13TH.

(Before H. J. Alley, Esq., P.M. and W. A. Jennings, Esq., J.P.)

P. De Baere v. Edwd. Pearce.—L4 10s., goods sold, No appearance of defendant. Order for amount, and 5s. costs, in default distress.

Edward Ingram v. James Ralph.—L1 17s., goods sold and delivered. Order for amount, and 5s. costs.

Harriet Sinclair v. Robert Sinclair.—The complainant sought to obtain an order to prohibit publicans supplying intoxicating liquors to the defendant, her husband, but did not appear, and the case was accordingly struck out.

The Court then adjourned.

WARDEN'S COURT.

(Before H. J. Alley, Esq., Warden.)

Mr William Smith applied for a gold-mining lease for the Richmond Reef, the company to be called the Victory Gold-mining Company, and, after hearing the evidence, the application was recommended.

LOCAL LAND BOARD.

The above board was held on Thursday last, at the Beaufort Court-house, before Tennyson Greene, Esq., Land officer, and Mr. A. Cumming, M.M.B. Mr. G. Manners also watched the proceedings on behalf of the Mining Board. The following cases were dealt with:—

SECTION 19.

George Drew, parish of Raglan, 35a.—No appearance. Postponed till the next sitting of board.

Josiah Pitcher, jun., parish of Raglan, 100a.—Recommended subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

William Dickman, parish of Raglan, 80a.—Recommended subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

George Aldrich, parish of Raglan, 40a.—Recommended subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

Josiah Pitcher, parish of Raglan, 50a.—Recommended subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

William Russell and James Black, parish of Shirely, 27a. 0r. 31p.—Recommended to William Russell, subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

Charles Drew, parish of Raglan, 60a.—Recommended subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

SECTION 49.

Charles Drew, parish of Raglan, 20a.—Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board.

Luke Lilley, parish of Raglan, 20a.—Recommended subject to the supervision of the Mining Department.

William Creswellas, parish of Raglan, 20a.—Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board.

James Creswellas, parish of Raglan, 20a.—Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board.

George Drew, parish of Raglan, 20a.—Postponed till next sitting of the Board owing to the non-appearance of applicant.

William Dickman, parish of Raglan, 20a.—Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board.

William Baldwin, parish of Beaufort, 20a.—Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board.

William Provis, parish of Beaufort, 20a.—Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board.

The Board then adjourned.

THE AMENDED LAND ACT.

The Land Act Amendment Bill was finally dealt with in Parliament last Wednesday night and was passed. The most important amendments made in the measure by the Legislative Council had reference to the period at which leases should be issued, the conditions as to cultivation, and the purchase of residence sites. As the bill now stands, says the "Age," a selector who has paid up his instalments for six years may, at the end of that period, pay the remaining 14s. per acre in a lump sum, and obtain a Crown grant. Residence sites are to become the property of the occupiers after they have paid the usual instalments for a period of three years. Cultivation is not to be an indispensible condition in the case of a non-resident selector, but fencing and other substantial improvements, amounting in value to £2 per acre, are to be insisted upon. The amendments embodying these changes were made by the Council, and agreed to by the Government after consideration, although they are not considered to be strictly in accordance with the spirit of the Land Act.

Cable News.

(FROM THE ARGUS.)

LONDON, Dec, 9.

A revolution is reported to have broken out in Cabul, which is the cause of the Ameer's flight into Turkistan.

The liabilities of the West of England and South Wales District Bank amount to £3,500,000, but it is alleged that the assets are sufficient to meet the liabilities, and the suspension will possibly be only temporary.

Princess Alice, married to Prince Louis of Hesse Darmsdadt, is alarmingly ill.

A German sailor, who has been rescued in the English Channel, reports that he is the sole survivor of the barque San Juan, which left Sydney for England with a cargo of wool, and came into collision with a steamer off the Lizard.

Sir Hercules Robinson, the present Governor of New South Wales, has been appointed Governor of New Zeland, in succession to the Marquis of Normanby.

The Governor of New South Wales is not yet settled.

December 11.

It is rumored that Mr. Pope Hennessy, the Governor of Hong Kong, has been appointed Governor of New South Wales.

The wreck of the San Juan in the Channel by collision with a steamer, reported on the 9th inst., is doubted.

THE BUSHRANGERS.

The latest exploit of the Kelly gang of bushrangers is characterised by a great amount of daring impudence. They evidently hold the police and their arrangements in contempt. We have received private accounts of the affair, and partly through our special reporter, who is on the spot. Mr. Younghusband's station was stuck up about midday on Monday, and more than 20 able-bodied men were made prisoners by the four desperadoes. The station is situated close to the railway line, and about three or four miles from Euroa, and was evidently seized as advantage ground from which to descend at leisure upon the branch of the National Bank in the township. The outlaws carried out their plans in broad daylight with complete success. Their pursuers were all far away, and at the local police station there was only a single constable. After passing the night at the station, and regarding themselves on the good things there obtainable, the two Kellys and Stephen Hart, one of the hitherto unknown offenders, drove down to the township in the afternoon and coolly stuck up the bank, made all the inmates prisoners, and carried away some £1,900 in notes and gold and silver without any outside person in the township becoming aware of their presence. Mr. Robert Scott, the manager of the bank, his family, clerks, and servants were driven to Younghusband's station, and were placed among the other prisoners. The gang rode off about 9 o'clock, after ordering their prisoners, on pain of severe retribution, not to leave the station for three hours. They went in the direction of Violet Town, but a black tracker has found that they doubled back towards the Strathbogie ranges. The fourth offender proves to be a man named Joseph Byrne, and he was left in charge of the prisoners at the station whilst the bank was being robbed. Ned Kelly was very communicative, and admitted that it was he who shot Constable Lonigan. He further stated that Sergeant Kennedy made a brave and determined resistance before he was overcome and shot. Suprintendent Nicholson, who is conducting the police operations, arrived at Euroa on Wednesday and has concentrated a number of the force in the district.—"Argus."

SERGEANT KENNEDY'S LAST MOMENTS

(FROM THE ARGUS CORRESPONDENT)

MANSFIELD, Thursday.

The means by which the following account was obtained I am compelled by honor to keep secret, but I place every reliance upon the source from whence it came. One portion of the sad narrative is confirmed from the fact that when the remains of Segeant Kennedy were discovered there were found near him some sheets of writing-paper, fastened together with a small paper binder, with three leaves torn from it, and upon the missing leaves it is supposed the letter was written to his wife. It has since been proved that this paper was bought in to Mansfield by the late Sergeant Kennedy previous to starting on the fatal expedition. The particulars given below were related by Kelly himself personally to a confederate some time after the murders were committed, whose name I cannot reveal. The following is the account referred to:—

M'Intyre's evidence, as given in the "Mansfield Guardian" is, in the main, pretty correct. Upon seeing M'Intyre gallop away, Kennedy continued to fire at us without effect, as we sheltered ourselves. We let him fire about five shots from his revolver, he remaning nearly in the one position, and standing. A shot was fired by one of my mates, after which he started to run, followed by my brother and myself. After running about a quarter of a mile, and apparently seeing no chance of escape, as we were making upon him with our weapons, Kennedy got behind a tree, and as I came within pistol shot he fired his last remaning charge. As I saw him levelling fair at my head, I suddenly fell on my knees, and as I did so I heard the bullet whiz just over my head. I then fired at Kennedy, who fell wounded at the foot of the tree where his body was afterwards found. The other two men, Hart and Byrne, who were coming up to us, seeing that the sergeant was secured, turned and went in pursuit of M'Intyre, who escaped on Kennedy's horse. The sergeant never moved from the spot where he fell, but complained of the pain he felt from the bullet wound. I should say we were nearly two hours trying to get what information we could out of him. He always endeavored to turn the conversation in the direction of his domestic affairs, his home, his wife and family, and very frequently of the little one he had recently buried in the Mansfield Cemetery, to whom he seemed very much attached, evidently knowing he would soon be by its side. I could not help feeling very much touched at his pitiable condition, and after a little I said, "Well, Kennedy, I am sorry that I have shot you. Here, take my gun and shoot me." Kennedy replied, "No, I forgive you, and may God forgive you too." He then wrote as much on some slips in his note-book as his fast failing strength would allow him. After he had written what he could with his pencil, he handed the paper to me, and asked me if I would give it to his wife. I took this paper, and promised that when I had a safe opportunity I would do so. The sergeant then appeared to be suffering very much, and in great agony. I could not look upon him so, and did not wish to leave him alone to linger out in such pain, so I suddenly, without letting him see what I intended, put the muzzle of my gun to within a few inches of Kennedy's breast. When he saw that I was going to shoot him he begged of me to leave him alive, saying, "Let me alone to live, if I can, for the sake of my poor wife and family. You surely have shed blood enough." I fired, and he died instantly, without another groan. We then took his cloak and covered it over his body, and left him to be buried by those who might find him. I did not cut off his ear as reported; it must have been eaten away.

A fatal kerosene accident (says the "Avoca Mail") has occurred at Dalley's Creek. A lamp exploded, and two children who were in the house at the time, were burnt to death. Mrs. Saunders, their mother, and another child were so seriously injured that their recovery is doubtful.

ARRIVAL OF THE ACONCAGUA.

(FROM THE ARGUS CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE, Tuesday.

The Aconcagua left Plymouth on 28th of October, and had a fair passage to St. Vincent, but from there to the Cape strong gales and a heavy sea. From the Cape to Borda nothing striking occurred. Cape dates are to November 21.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

LONDON, Oct. 26.

The "Daily News" Simla correspondent telegraphs that the force with which it is intended to operate against Afghanistan will consist of 34,000 men, one third Europeans. The military chiefs are invested with political control. The Peshawur Valley army is 16,000 strong, with 66 guns; the Kooram column, 6000, with 24 guns; the Quetta force, 12,000, with 60 guns. Sir Fredrick P. Haines is commander-in-chief.

The reported understanding between Russia and Persia is declared to be without foundation.

A telegram in the "Daily Telegraph" states that a disgraceful outrage was committed on the British vice-consul at Bourgas, who had interfered in a disturbance between British subjects and Russians. He was brutally attacked by Russian officers.

The Russian authorities have ordered preparations to be made for a camp of 60,000 men at Kischeneff (Kischeneff), in South Russia; near the Moldavian frontier, and Russian agents declare their boundary must be extended to Sereth river.

Alarming intelligence has reached Canada from Epirus and Thessaly, to the effect that should the Porte decide on yielding to the demands of Greece, the members of the Albanian League, comprising 100,000 combatants, have resolved to resist till they have been completely extirpated.

The Bosnian refugees in Servia have decided not to accept the amnesty. They also refuse to return home during the Austrian occupation.

The Servian Government has received from the Moscow committee another present of 100,000 gold imperials.

The regiments now in Cyprus are in good health and capital spirits. Hospital cases are slight, and the sick are doing well. The climate has become pleasant.

Immediately after the return of King Alphonso to Madrid yesterday, while driving through the Calle Mayor, he was fired at by a working man, but escaped unharmed. The assassin was at once arrested, and displayed great bravado. Documents in his possession showed that the act was premeditated. He admits being a member of an international society. Some women in the crowd wished to kill him.

The storm at Philadelphia on Wednesday last unroofed or otherwise damaged 31 churches, 35 factories, 27 schools, 5 hotels, 50 other public buildings, 384 dwelling houses, and several stores. Eight vessels were sunk and two bridges broken down. The total loss is estimated at two million dollars.

The coroner's jury on the victims of the panic at the Liverpool Colosseum declared the means of exit from the building to be totally insufficient, and that the chief cause of so many deaths was the fixed barrier at the bottom of the gallery stairs and the fastening up of one door.

The liquidators of the Glasgow bank have made a call of £500 per share, payable in two instalments, on December 22nd and February 24th. It is estimated that this will produce four millions sterling.

A Triumph of Chemistry—Among the chemical triumphs of the nineteenth century none has been fraught with more important results than the discovery twenty-five years ago, that by combining with a certain stimulant of absolute purity and agreeable flavor special medicinal ingredients of vegetable origin, a remedy was obtained for local or general debility, kidney disease, gravel, dyspepsia, constipation, and many other ailments. The name of this remedical wonder is Udolpho Woolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps.

Australian Eleven.
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EASTERN OVAL,
BALLARAT,
On
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, 18th and 19th DECEMBER.

Grand Return Cricket Match
AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN
VERSUS
Twenty-two BALLARAT C.C.

Admission—One Shilling.
JAS. J. BROKENSHIRE,
Hon. Secretary B.C.C

LOST,

ONE Square BUGGY CUSHION, on the road between Amphitheatre or Charlton and Beaufort, on Thursday, 12th December.
Anyone finding above will be rewarded by leaving same with Mr. Harris, at the Railway Station.

FOR SALE,

A CHAFFCUTTER and HORSEWORKS. Apply
WILLIAM SMITH,
Butcher, Beaufort.

For Sale.

THE Undersigned, believing it a good opportunity to start a business at Waterloo, is willing to SELL the ground, and premises erected thereon, formerly known as the Pavilion Hotel, and now occupied by Mrs. Duncan, Postmistress, together with the adjoining allotment. Apply
H. P. HENNINGSEN, Beaufort.

THE
VICTORIAN ALMANAC
For 1879
IS NOW READY,
And may be had from
H. P. HENNINGSEN,
BOOKSELLER, STATIONER, Etc.,
Havelock street, Beaufort.

Shire of Ripon.

BALANCE-SHEET of the COUNCIL of the SHIRE of RIPON for the year ending 30th September, 1878.

Dr.		£	s.	d.
To balance from last year ...		433	9	3
Endowment, 1st instalment...		2,667	0	0
General rates for year 1877...		1	1	6
General rates, 1878		3,617	7	6
Waterrates 1877	£0 15 0			
Waterrates 1878	143 13 0			
Sale of water, township account... ...	34 2 0			
		178	10	0
Joint account with Railway Department— Sale of water		164	9	10
Licenses—				
Publicans ...	£310 0 0			
Wholesale wine and spirit ...	50 0 0			
Special temporary	76 0 0			
Temporary ...	8 0 0			
Grocers	5 0 0			
Colonial Wine ...	5 0 0			
Slaughtering ...	15 0 0			
		469	0	0
Dog registrations		123	15	0
Skipton Pound fees		0	13	0
Do. do. surplus sustenance fees		9	19	9
Beaufort Pound fees		5	12	4
Do. do. surplus sustenance fees		19	10	10
Net proceeds pound sales ...		2	12	3
Weighbridge fees...		17	8	0
Miscellaneous receipts		0	17	2
Lunacy order refund		0	2	0
Lake Burrumbeet works refund...		7	0	0
Legal expenses		16	4	6
Rent of Mount Emu Rererve ...		61	0	0
Local Board of Health refund ...		1	0	0
Contractors' deposit		363	15	0
Reduction of bank inoperative account paid out of Beaufort township fund account ...		69	9	0
Balance Government of Victoria	£2,664 4 10			
Railway department	152 7 4			
Balance	438 11 4			
		3255	3	6
		£11.475	0	5

Cr.			
By Salaries	£909	0	0
Commission on dog registrations	26	11	6
Charitable and other institutions...	155	0	0
Audit of accounts	35	9	6
Lunacy Statute orders ...	21	18	0
Local Board of Health ...	18	15	0
Incidental expenses	76	8	10
Printing and stationery ..	55	6	4
Advertising	56	2	1
Legal expenses	67	5	0
Weighbridge	9	12	0
Implements	4	6	9
Office expenses	12	9	0
Lake Burrumbeet outlet works	73	17	9
Skipton Pound	5	5	0
Do. surplus sustenance fees...	12	7	9
Beaufort Pound	57	16	11
Do. surplus sustenance fees...	19	5	10
General rates year 1877, refund	3	12	0
Do. 1876, refund	0	10	0
Licensing Act, percentage and refund of special temporary license fees	121	0	0
Water supply joint account with Railway Department	254	13	11
Beaufort township—			
Water supply works... ...	£274 0 11		
Interest on loan of £2,500 ...	146 5 7		
Interest on bank overdraft ..	71 1 6		
Reduction on loan from bank ...	69 9 0		
		560	17	0
North Riding works and charges	£3,240 5 3		
Interest on bank overdraft ...	28 1 7		
	£3,268 6 10		
Transfer from water supply acct. to Beaufort township..	£382 7 0		
Beaufort township works ...	305 16 1		
	£683 3 3	305	16	1
North riding works outside of township		2,580	3	7
East riding works	£2,044 2 7			
Do. proceeds of rent from Mt. Emu reserve...	61 0 0			
Interest on bank overdraft ...	23 12 2			
		2,128	14	9
West riding works	£3,508 11 3			
Interest on bank overdraft ...	28 1 7			
		3,536	12	10
Contractors' deposits returned		365	3	0
		£11,475	0	5

MUNICIPAL FUND.—Statement of Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

To Bank of Victoria inoperative account	£515 18 1		
Bank of Victoria current account	2,505 3 5		
Sundry accounts...	230 11 2		
	3,251 12 8		

ASSETS.

By Government of Victoria ...	£2,664 4 10		
Victorian Railway Department	152 7 4		
		2,816	12	2
Balance		435	0	6
		£3,251	12	8

LAKE BURRUMBEET OUTLET WORKS.

Separate account with the Shire Council of Ballarat.

To Cash, Government of Victoria	99	17	6
Do., Shire Council of Ripon ...	73	17	9
Do., Shire Council of Ballarrt	73	17	9
	£247	13	0
By Balance from last year's statement	81	1	6
Extras on contract for bridge..	14	6	0
Allowances to engineer and treasurer	107	19	0
Interest on bank overdraft ...	11	6	6
Law costs charged by bank ...	1	1	0
Travelling expenses	8	10	0
Conference and inauguration of the undertaking	23	9	0
	£247	13	0

LAKE BURRUMBEET OUTLET WORKS.

Total Expenditure.

To Cash, Government of Victoria.	1,500	0	0
Do., Shire Council of Ballarat	73	17	9
Do., Shire Council of Ripon ...	73	17	9
	£1,647	15	6
By Contract for weir, embankment, etc.	1,344	2	6
Contract for bridge and approaches	90	0	0
Engineer, secretary, and treasurer	107	19	0
Clerk of Works...	50	0	0
Bank interest and law costs ...	12	7	6
Travelling, conference and inauguration expenses ...	37	6	6
	£1,647	15	6

D. G. STEWART, Secretary and Treasurer.
30th September, 1878.
Allowed and certified.
JOHN WOTHERSPOON, President.
Beaufort, 5th December, 1878.
Audited and found correct.
ALFRED E. ROFFEY, Government Auditor.
J. W. BROWNE, Local Auditor.
Shire Offices, Beaufort, 19th October, 1878.

V. R.

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

SALE (No. 4,971) of CROWN LANDS in Fee-simple at the Court-house, Beaufort, on TUESDAY, the seventeenth of December, 1878, at Two o'clock p.m.

TOWN LOTS.

Buangor, parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, on the main Ballarat road; upset price, £3 10s per lot; charge for survey, £1. Lot 1—Area, 1r 34p; allotment 35A. Lot 2—Area, 30p; allotment 36A. Lot 3—Area, 29p, allotment 37A. Lots 4 and 5—Area, 28p each; allotments 38A and 39A. Lot 6—Area, 33p; allotment 40A; valuation, £50. Lot 7—Area, 19p; allotment 41A. Lot 8—Area, 20p; allotment 42A. Lot 9—Area, 21p; allotment 43A. Lot 10—Area, 23p; allotment 44A. Lot 11—Area, 21p; allotment 45A. Lot 12—Area, 12p; allotment 46A.

Beaufort, parish of Beaufort, county of Ripon at the site of Mr. W. R. Nicoll's improvements. Upset price, £1 10s per lot. Charge for survey, £1. Lot 13—Area, 9 4-10p, allotment 4, section 58, valuation £45.

SUBURBAN LOT.

Parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, adjoining the township. Upset price, £1 10s per acre. Charge for survey, £1. Lot 14; area, 4a 0r 35p; allotment 76A.

COUNTRY LOTS.

Parish of Raglan, county of Ripon, on the road from Raglan to Charlton. Upset price, £1 2s 6d per acre; charge for survey, £1. Lot 15; area, 16a 0r 16p; allotment 1A, section Y.

Parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, 49th section block of Mr. John Playls. Upset price, £1 per acre; charge for survey, £1. Lot 16; area, 12a 2r 15p; allotment 40B; valuation, £15.

Parish of Eurambeen, county of Ripon, 19th section block of Mr. Chas. Pryke. Upset price, £1 per acre; charge for survey, £1. Lot 17; area, 12a; allotment 3C; valuation, £75.

Charge for survey must be paid at the time of sale.

Plans and information can be obtained at the Crown Lands Office, Melbourne; and at the Court-house, Beaufort.

FRANCIS LONGMORE,
Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey.

Department of Public Works,
Melbourne, 5th December, 1878.

TENDERS will be received, subject to the Conditions of Tendering, for ADDITIONS and REPAIRS to POST OFFICE, BEAUFORT, until Twelve o'clock on 19th December, 1878.

Drawings and Specifications may be seen at this Office, and at the Post Office, Beaufort.

The amount of the preliminary deposit to accompany the tender is £5, and the amount of the deposit as cash security for the due performance of the contract is 10 per cent.

The Board of Land and Works will not necessarily accept the lowest or any tender.

J. B. PATTERSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

Christmas and New Year Holidays.

On the 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 30th, and 31st December, and the 1st and 2nd January passengers will be booked to and from all stations at HOLIDAY EXCURSION FARES. Tickets will be available for return for thirty days, including day of issue, day of return, and Sundays.

Passengers will only be allowed to carry such luggage free as can be stowed under the seats without inconvenience to other passengers, and the Department will not be responsible for any loss, damage, or detention thereof in transit.

Excursionists will not be allowed to break their journey, and the first half of ticket must be used on day of issue.

For trains, fares, and further information see Time Tables and Posters.

From the 23rd December to 4th January the Department cannot engage to forward HORSES and VEHICLES by any particular train.

On the 25th and 26th December and 1st January the Goods sheds at the various stations will be CLOSED, and goods trains will not run.

Arrangements will be made for the receipt and despatch of perishable goods.

JOHN WOODS,
Commissioner of Railways.

NOTICE.

ANY PERSON found TRESPASSING or LIGHTING FIRES of an evening along the creek on the Langi Kal-Kal Property after this notice will be PROSECUTED.

THOS. TINDALE, Manager.
Langi Kal-Kal, 10th December, 1878.

Notice of Application for a Billiard Table License.

I, JEREMIAH SMITH, of Beaufort, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain, and will at the next Licensing Meeting, to be holden at Beaufort on the 30th day of December, 1878, apply for a certificate authorising the issue of a Billiard Table License for premises situate at the Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort.

Dated the 13th day of December, 1878.

JEREMIAH SMITH.

A BAZAAR
AND
SALE OF GIFTS

WILL be held on Boxing Day, in the Societies' Hall, in aid of the Building Fund of the Presbyterian Church.

Contributions will be received at the Manse, and by Mesdames Wotherspoon, Gunn, Jackson, Cathie, M'Leod, Smith, Whitcomb, Tempest, Ison, and Nicoll, of Beaufort; M'Kenzie, of Trawalla; and Drummond, of Middle Creek.

For particulars see posters.

W. R. NICOLL, Hon. Sec.

THE PATENTS STATUTE 1865, Schedule 3; and Under the Act to Amend the Same, No. 482.—PATENT for "IMPROVEMENTS in HARVESTERS."—This is to notify that RUPERT SMITH, of Lake Goldsmith, near Beaufort, Farmer, did on the twenty-sixth day of November, 1878, deposit at the office of the Registrar-general, in Melbourne, a specification, or instrument in writing, under his hand and seal, particularly describing and ascertaining the nature of the said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed; and that by reason of such deposit the said invention is protected and secured to him exclusively for the term of six calendar months thence next ensuing: And I do further notify that the said Rupert Smith has given notice, in writing, at my Chambers for Patent Cases, of his intention to proceed with his application for Letters Patent for the said invention, and that I have appointed Friday, the twenty-seventh day of December next, at twelve o'clock noon, at my said Chambers, to hear and consider the said application, and all objections thereto; and I hereby require all persons having an interest in opposing the grant of such Letters Patent to leave, on or before the twenty-third day of December, at my said Chambers for Patent Cases, in Melbourne, particulars in writing of their objections to the said application, otherwise they will be precluded from urging the same.

Given under my hand this twenty-eighth day of November, A.D. 1878.

BRYAN O'LOGHLEN,
Attorney-General.

Attorney-General's Chambers for Patent Cases, Registrar-General's Department, Queen street north, Melbourne.

EDWARD WATERS, International Patent and Trade Marks Office, 87 Bourke street west, Melbourne, Agent for Applicant.

BEAUFORT.

SATURDAY, 14th DECEMBER, 1878.

SALE by AUCTION.

Well-built BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, and about 4 acres of Land, together with the Business of TANNERY and FELLMONGERY.

EDWARD NICKOLS has received instructions from Mr. A. C. Duckett to SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION all that very desirable Dwelling-house, with Tannery and Fellmongery, and about 4 acres of land, all securely fenced, situate in Kingstreet, in the town ship of Beaufort, and now in the occupation of Mr. John Jackson.

To persons desirous of securing a comfortable residence on easy terms this is an opportunity rarely offered, as the house is well built, is within a few minutes' walk of the Railway Station, and has an abundant supply of water.

Intending purchasers are respectfully invited by the Auctioneer to inspect.

Sale on the ground at One o'clock.

Terms at Sale.

Immediately after the above, the auctioneer, favored with instructions from Mr. JAMES PRENTICE, will submit to public competition the following valuable properties:—

Lot 1.—Allotment 6, section 54, township of Beaufort, containing 1r. 5p. and 7-10p. or thereabouts, having a frontage to Willoby and Pratt streets, and joining Loft's Railway Hotel, on which is erected a four-roomed dwelling-house, with the water laid on to the premises.

Lot 2.—Allotment 7, section 54, township of Beaufort, containing 1r. 9p. and 7-10p. or thereabouts, having frontage to Willoby and Pratt streets, and facing the railway, on which are erected two dwelling-houses, one four-roomed and one two-roomed, with water laid on. This is a good business site.

Lot 3.—Allotment 9D, parish of Eurambeen, containing 20 acres or thereabouts, 4 acres of which are cleared, and ready for the plough, the whole being well enclosed with post, rail, and wire fencing. This property is situate on the main Ararat and Shirley road, adjoining Mr. Whitfield's holding, and known as the favorite picnic ground; there is also a good dam on the property.

Lot 4.—Allotment 1, section 23, township of Beaufort containing 1r. 6p or thereabouts, with frontage to Gregory, Neill, and Cummins streets, and is immediately opposite, and in front of, Mrs. Moore's Western House.

Lot 5.—Allotments 1, 2, and 9, section 66, containing three-fourths of an acre or thereabouts, situate in High street, adjoining the premises lately occupied by Mr. Barklem, blacksmith.

Terms at Sale.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Auctioneer.

Mr. NICKOLS is also instructed to SELL, at the same time and place as above, an

ALLOTMENT of LAND,

With Comfortable Four-roomed House, water laid on, situated in Stuart street, next to Mrs. Casey's residence, the property of Mr. F. Male.

Hairdresser and Barber.

W. T. NOLES

BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Beaufort and district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Saph, Neill street (next door to the Methodist Church), as Barber, Hairdresser, etc., and trusts, by strict attention to business, combined with moderate charges and skilful workmanship, to merit their patronage.

Dr. D. W. EATON,

M.A., OXON. (Late) STAFF SURGEON in H.M. ARMY,

HAVING COMMENCED PRACTICE in Beaufort, may be consulted at his Consultation Room, next Mr. GLYDE'S, Neill street.

Beaufort, November 29th, 1878.

THE THOROUGHBRED SIRE
LEO.

Will stand this season at
CHEPSTOWE, MOUNT EMU,
20 miles west of Ballarat, 10 miles from Skipton, and 35 from Ararat.

LEO is a Bay Horse, black points, 8 years old, 16 hands high, with great bone and muscular power, with undeniable good blood and staying quality, as his racing performances denote. (See *Turf Register.*)

LEO is by Leonidas (imported), dam Rance, by Ringer (imported), by Pyrrhus the First, dam Belfry, by Surplice, grd Vibration, by Sir Hercules; Rance's dam by Croupier (imported), by Old Touchstone; Leonidas by Bantam, Dam Industry, by Old Harkaway; dam Bagatelle, out of Tartar, by Tramp, &c., &c., &c.

Terms:—£10 10s. sterling.

THE PURE IMPORTED ENTIRE
ARAB HORSE
SERANG.

SERANG is a beautiful Bay Arab, 5 years old, 14 hands 3 inches high, a pure Kulhillan Ajooz of the Anezi tribe, and is exceedingly handsome and well-shaped.

Terms:—Six guineas. One mare in five given in to *bona fide* owners.

Good grass paddocks with plenty of water. Every care taken, but without responsibility.

Notice will be given when stinted, after which, if not removed, 2s. 6d. per week will be charged for grass.

All mares to be paid for on removal.

Mares left at Ettershank, Eaglestone, and Co's, Ballarat, on any Saturday will be received free of charge.

THOS. R. ODDIE, Proprietor.

Chepstowe, 13th August, 1878.

PURE CLYDESDALE STALLION
SIR CHARLES
Will Stand this Season at
ST. ENOCH'S, STOCKYARD HILL.

SIR CHARLES is a rich Bay horse, strong, active, good-tempered, splendid feet, with plenty hair, rising eight years old, and a perfect model of the breed. Exhibited seven times, and obtained four first and three second prizes.

PEDIGREE.—Sir Charles, by Prince Charlie (imported); dam Jessie, by George Buchanan (imported); grand-dam Kate, by George the Fourth (imported to New South Wales by Mr. C. Thompson, of Clydesdale); great grand-dam a mare imported by said C. T., the breeder of Kate.

Prince Charlie and George Buchanan are well-known to be two of the best and purest horses imported to Victoria; and George the Fourth and the great grand-dam were considered the best imported to New South Wales previous to 1850.

Terms: L4 4s. One mare in five Free.

Also the Steeplechase Horse
KING OF CLUBS,

By Ace of Clubs (imported), dam mare by Flatcatcher (imported), dam of hurdle-race horse The Deer; grand-dam Arab mare, dam of steeplechase horse All Fours.

KING OF CLUBS is a rich chesnut, stands 16 hands, powerful and muscular, is fast, clever jumper, and has good paces.

Terms: L5 5s. One mare in five Free.

Good grass paddocks, having permanent water. Every care taken, but without responsibility.

Notice given when mares are stinted, after which, if not removed, 2s. per week will be charged for grass. Mares to be paid for on removal. Apply
MR. GEO. ROBERTSON,
Manager, St. Enoch's.

August, 1878.

1878-9
SPRING AND SUMMER SEASONS

ARRIVAL OF
FIRST SHIPMENTS of NEW and FASHIONABLE
DRAPERY GOODS AND NOVELTIES.

65 CASES and 25 BALES
EX LOCH MAREE, LOCH GORRY, and OTHER RECENT ARRIVALS.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
JOB FLANNEL PURCHASE.
30 Pieces 7-8 and 4-4 Medium Welsh Flannels, bought at a Large Discount, under Exceptional Circumstances.
These are just to hand, and will be offered 25 per cent. under PRESENT MARKET RATES.

SHOW DAY, SATURDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER.

WOTHERSPOON BROS. & CO.,
IMPORTERS, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

BEAUFORT HOUSE.

ARRIVAL OF CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES.

MRS. GUNN

BEGS to inform her PATRONS and the PUBLIC generally that she is just opening a Splendid Variety of CHRISTMAS GOODS, Seasonable, Durable, and Tasty, and all at Remarkably Low Figures.

DRESS STUFFS, 6d. per yard; Linen Washing Ginghams, 4d.; Boys' Washing Tweeds, 8d., etc., etc.; Ladies' Silk Scarves, from 6d.; and some of the very choicest to be procured. The most beautiful FRENCH FLOWERS, REAL LACES, New Bonnet Fronts. All the novelties in Hats and Bonnets. The very Fashionable GOLD CORD, so much used for trimming. The new Millinery Materials in all shades. Lisse Lace, Tulle, and Tarlatan Frillings.

BOOTS, GROCERIES, and GENERAL STOCK
Will be found Well Assorted.

EARLY INSPECTION INVITED.

WOOLPACKS, FULL WEIGHTS.

IRON STORE, NEILL-STREET, BEAUFORT.

BENJAMIN MOORE

BEGS to thank his friends and customers for the liberal support hitherto accorded him, and would take this opportunity of informing them that he is now opening some special lines of SUMMER GOODS, of excellent quality, and which will be offered at very reasonable prices, in order to effect a thorough clearance.

SEASONABLE GOODS of every description, with a Large and Well-assorted Stock to pick from. HATS for Summer Wear in Great Variety. DRESS STUFFS of the Newest and most approved Material for The Summer Season.

The New Stock is now ON VIEW, and Public Inspection is respectfully invited.

BOOTS AND SHOES.
In great variety, and only the best maker's are kept in stock.

A Large Stock of
GROCERIES
WINES AND SPIRITS
Of the Best Brands at Lowest Prices.

CROCKERY, LAMPS, GLASSWARE, OILMEN'S STORES.

THE TIMBER YARD
Is replete with all kinds of Softwood, Doors, Sashes, Mouldings, Skirtings, and Hardwood for building and mining purposes.

HARRIS & TROY,
PRODUCE DEALERS, BEAUFORT
Agents for
Broadbent Bros. and Co.,
Wm. M'Culloch and Co.,
Permewan, Wright and Co.
FORWARDING, COMMISSION & RAILWAY AGENTS & LICENSED CARRIERS.

TO STAND THIS SEASON,
At Eversley,
The Two Well-known Draught Stallions
SURPRISE
and
GARIBALDI.

Surprise, by Surprise, out of Gipsy (imported).
Garibaldi, by Wellington, out of Gipsy; Wellington, out of Matchless (both imported by Neil Black and Co.)

Terms:
For Surprise ... £4 4 0
For Garibaldi ... 3 3 0

Good Grass paddocks. Every care, but no responsibility.
JOHN LITTLE.
Eversley, 31st August, 1878.

SINGING CLASS.

GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR BEGINNERS.

THE SYSTEM TAUGHT will be the *Tonic Sol Fa.* The Adult Class meets every TUESDAY and FRIDAY, at 8 p.m. Juvenile Class meets on the same evenings, at half-past 6.
Terms on application to
JOHN JACKSON.

On Sale
AT
JEREMIAH SMITH'S
TIMBER YARD,
CORNER OF LIVINGSTONE & WILLOBY STREETS—

American shelving boards
Do lumber do
6 x 1 T and G Scotch flooring
6 x ½ do do lining
6 x ¾ do do flooring
American and Baltic deals, all sizes
4 out pine weatherboards
6 do do
American clear pine
¼in., ⅜in., 1 in., 1½in., cedar wide and narrow boards
Cedar table legs, all sizes
French casements, doors, sashes
Mouldings, architraves, skirtings
Broad palings and shingles
A stock of all sizes of hardwood always on hand
Also, GEELONG LIME.
NEXT TO POLICE STATION

HIGHEST PRICE given for SHEEPSKINS, HIDES, TALLOW, &c WM SMITH, Butcher.
Beaufort, March 23rd, 1877

VICTORIA INSURANCE COMPANIES.

United Capital: £2,200,000.
HON. HY. MILLER, CHAIRMAN.
FIRE and MARINE,
LIFE and GUARANTEE
RISKS ACCEPTED at
LOWEST CURRENT RATES.
Offices—Market-street, Melbourne.
JOSEPH COLLIE, Secretary.
Agent for Beaufort—W. E. NICKOLS.

W. E. NICKOLS,
AUCTIONEER,
LAND, ESTATE, AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT,
Havelock-street, Beaufort, and Queen-street, Ararat.
Wool, Grain, and Money Broker,
Valuer for the Ballarat Banking Co. (Limited).
Agent for the Victoria Fire, Life and Guarantee Insurance Company.

OFFICE DAY AT BEAUFORT—MONDAYS, or any other day by appointment.

Agents in all the principal towns in the Colonies.

ROBERT GEMMELL,
UNDERTAKER, WHEELWRIGHT, AND CARPENTER.

Jobbing Punctually Attended to.

FUNERAL REFORM.

FUNERALS conducted with the strictest decorum and punctuality at the following reduced charges:—Infants' Coffin, 15s.; Coffin for Adult (plain), £1 10s.; Mounted Coffin for Adult, £3.

Address: Opposite the Golden Age Hotel, Havelock street, Beaufort.

BONE DUST. BONE DUST.

NOTICE TO FARMERS.

JOHN LITTLE is prepared to supply the Farmers in and around Beaufort with the Best Bone Dust at the following REDUCED PRICES, and on Terms—

For Cash	...	£6 0 0 per ton.
Four months' credit	...	6 5 0 "
Eight " "	...	6 10 0 "
Twelve " "	...	6 15 0 "

A further reduction of 5s. per ton allowed on a parcel of ten tons and upwards.

Address—
JOHN LITTLE, ARARAT.

A VALUABLE DISCOVERY.

The immense service rendered by the chloroform, ether, etc., in the alleviation of pain has been somewhat depreciated by the danger of life incurred in their use, and the numerous fatal cases recorded as the result of their administration. Many efforts had been made to find a certain and rapid antidote, but without success, until a very simple remedy was discovered by the late celebrated surgeon, Dr. Nelaton. His son, while quite a lad, was in the habit of amusing himself by catching mice, and harnessing them to toy carriages like horses. In attaching them to the miniature vehicles they frequently bit him, and he induced his father to give him some chloroform to enable him to perform his operations without the inconvenience of being bitten. On one occasion, having administered the anæsthetic, he raised the little animal by the tail in a perpindicular direction, when it immediately turned to bite him. He mentioned the circumstance to his father, who, upon reflection, considered that the explanation was due to the fact that the brain, while the being is asleep, is almost destitute of blood, but that on the position of suspension, head downwasd being attained, the circulating fluid rushes to the head and awakes the animal. Not long after he had an opportunity of testing his theory. Two eminent surgeons had to perform an operation at Saint Germain-en-Laye, and requested the assistance of Dr. Nelaton. He happened to miss the train, and when he arrived by the subsequent one, the proceedings had already commenced. The patient was under the influence of chloroform, and the medical men feared, from the symptoms, that a fatal result might ensue. Dr. Nealton at once advised that the head of the patient should be hung over the side of the bed and the feet raised in the air. The experiment was successful, consciousness returned, but upon the person being replaced in bed all the somnolency recurred. The trial was repeated, and after a suspension of ten minutes, head downwards, the effects of the chloroform were entirely dissipated. So simple a remedy is one which may be of invaluable assistance to medical men, and may be the means of saving many lives.

A GRIEF-STRICKEN PARENT.

The customer was a stranger, and as he sat down on a coffin box he dropped his arms on his knees, put his fingers together, and his head forward in a bargaining way, forearmed the transfer agent for the coming struggle.

"I'm poor, very poor," the first line of skirmishers in the attack; "I have scarcely enough to carry the poor boy home, that his mother may take one last look at her idol's face"—sniffles making the last column of the advance corps—"I ask you, sir, to pity my condition, and do the best you can for me."

The grave-faced undertaker shook the stranger's hand, and in frenzied and professional sympathy, and in husky tones, said, as he thumped a pine coffin to show its soundness, "Here's a pretty one, strong wood, elegant polish, soft lining, and I'll put it, sir, to you, below cost—eighteen dollars."

"Can't pay it, sir, can't pay it"—disappearance of agitation. "There's a knot there, and you see the pillow is soiled. It's too dear entirely."

They fought sharply and fiercely, and the undertaker fell back to fifteen dollars, swearing it was giving the case away.

"Well, you will pack it in ice for that I suppose?" said that generous, grief-stricken parent."

"Great grave close, no! It will cost three dollars to pack it in ice at the lowest figure."

Hostilities were resumed, and the fight waxed hot, but the threat of seeking another coffin dealer forced the undertaker back to fifteen dollars for coffin and packing.

"Well," said the poor suffrer, "I'm too poor to luxuriate in ice, so we won't pack him. That puts the coffin at twelve dollars."

"No, siree, it don't."

But you say the packing cost three dollars, and taking that from fifteen dollars, leaves twelve dollars."

"But——"

"You wouldn't swindle a poor anguish-smitten father?"—he capped the interrogative with tears, and the undertaker despairing gave in.

"The coffin has no handles," says the parent blowing his nose.

"Of course not."

"Why, man," cried the exasperated dealer, "the handles are worth one dollar fifty cents."

"You must throw them in, or I'll throw up the trade."

"But I've already lost five dollars by this bargin."

"Can't help it. Will you not pity my poverty."

The handles were thrown in at twelve dollars for the rig.

The purchaser paused and meditated, and the salesman's face wore a puzzled "what next?" look.

"I'm too proud, too extravagant," mused the parent, "What matter pomp and show over the dead? Away with vanity. I won't take the handles." To the undertaker: "Take off one dollar fifty cents. I won't take the handles."

"What!" screamed the coffin man.

Mildly and logically the parent put it: "You give the coffin and handles for twelve dollars. You said, moreover, that the handles were worth one dollar fifty cents. I don't want the handles, and that makes the coffin ten dollars fifty cents. If you say now, ten dollars for the coffin I'll take it."

"No!"

Then, adieu, sir adieu. I will go where a poor smitten father, too deep in sorrow for business, can find one who will not take advatage of his situation. Adieu, sir."

"Stop, stop! take it," called the coffin man. "It's ruinous, but you can have it."

Then the parent pulled out his wallet most plethoric, smiled sadly, and paid over his ten dollars to the conquered tradesman—"Memphis Avalanche."

In a telegram from New Zealand on Saturday last, it is stated that the Marquis of Normanby has accepted the Governorship of Victoria, and will enter upon his new duties in January next.

The returns of traffic on the Victorian Railways for the week ending 5th December were £27,191 7s. 9d. as against £27,522 19s. for the corresponding week of last year.

THE BENEFIT OF ADVERTISING.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Ararat Advertiser" has the following:—"The business people of the colony, indeed of Australia, are very chary of advertising. There are a few, however, who believe in throwing a sprat to catch a whale, and just to give the general business public and idea of what can be done by advertising, I will give an insight into the business which has accrued to Dr. L. L. Smith, the only advertising doctor in the colonies, through a liberal use of the public prints. I recently had an opportunity to examine that gentleman's business, but it is no breach of confidence to state that he turns over £40,000 a year, as large a sum as any doctor in the world. Of course his expenses are extremely heavy, for he spends over £10,000 in advertising per annum; but for all that the doctor's income is enormous, and were it not for his inordinate love of speculation, mining, racing, &c., he would be one of the wealthiest men in Australia. Advertisers in Australia mostly shelter the smallness of their patronage behind the plea that the population is too limited, but here is evidence that that plea is absurd. Lord Macaulay said that what steam is to the locomotive, advertising is to business, and it would be well for business men if they acted upon the aphorism."

GENERAL NEWS.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Geelong Advertiser," writes:—"Here is a fact interesting for young men and maidens, and in fact, all who regard matrimony as an inevitable condition. Within 130 miles from Ballarat there lives a green old grandmother and has possessed no less than six husbands. One of her daughters, who is a little but over forty years of age, has twice lorded over two spouses, who is at present bound to a most engaging young man whom she intends to outlive; and another daughter, considerably younger, is now passing through temporary tribulation with her husband. The females of this race are evidently endowed with unusual powers, but I think young bachelors should avoid families so proficient in the business of matrimony."

Harvesting (says the "Ararat Advertiser") has now fairly commenced in this district, and for the next few weeks the farmers will be busily employed. There is a pretty general complaint of the scarcity of men, and although there are a great many reaping machines in the neighborhood, still sufficient hands are not available for binding. During the past few days a number of Chinamen have been engaged as binders.

The "Gippsland Mercury writes:—"One of our able-bodied young men, who is perhaps the best bushman, best shot, and best horseman that Gippsland owns, has gone on his own account to try and get a shot at the Kellys. If he is only as fortunate in his attempt as he has been often in wild-bull hunting, we may yet hear of his claiming the reward, as well as of performing a service to the country of his birth."

Holloway's Pills.—Disorders of the kidneys, known by the deep'y-seated pain of the back and scanty secretion of water, can be arrested in their distressing and rapid course by these regulating Pills. Their highly tonic and strengthening properties prevent the impoverishment of the blood and the derangement of circulation, characteristic of kidney disease, and often ending in partial or general dropsy. Experience has proved the most unvaried success obtained when Holloway's Pills are taken in the earlier stages, and the ease they afford when the complaint is more advanced They relax the hot and parched skin, overcome the attendant costiveness, induce a copious secretion by the kidneys, and are the herbingers of disease departing and health returning.

The funeral of Matilda Stanley, the late Queen of the Gipsies in the United States, took place at Dayton, Ohio, on the 15th of September, in the presence of over 20,000 people. The gipsy queen died in Vicksburg last February, and her body was embalmed in such a manner as still to retain the natural aspect of life. The deceased was a plain, hardy-looking, old woman, with a touch of Meg Merrilies in her appearance, and a manner indicative of a strong and pronounced character. There are stories told of her wonderful faculty of telling fortunes, when she pleased, and her remarkable powers as a mesmerist, both qualities being explained by the assertion that they were handed down to her as the eldest daughter in the Stanley family, and were secrets possessed by her alone. She possessed a singular influence over her people, which has not entirely ceased with her death. The reigning king, Levi Stanley, and his son and heir, known as Sugar Stanley, are members of the I.O.O.F. in good standing.

The New Haven (Connecticut) "Palladium" relates that "Miss Lucy A. Osborne, whose scalp, right ear, and part of the right cheek were torn off in September, 1873, by machinery in which her hair caught, and who has since been at New York Hospital, is now at home. A new scalp has grown upon her head by the grafting thereon of minute bits of skin. The pieces were contributed from the arms of the hospital surgeons. The total number of pieces used in this operation was 12,000. One of the surgeons contributed from his person 1,202 pieces, and another gave 865. The appearance of the scalp now is similar to that of a healed wound. Of course there can be no growth of hair thereon. The eyes still present a slightly drawn appearance. The wounds of the cheek and ear have been neatly dressed, the former leaving scarcely a scar. In the first of the grafting process, bits of skin the size of nickel pieces were employed, but not with success, and at the suggestion of an English surgeon much smaller pieces were substituted, and with excellent results. Miss Osborne is now 22 years old."

It will doubtless be learnt with great satisfaction (says the "Hamilton Spectator") that a large landed proprietor in the Western district has not, as reported, been ruined by the failure of Glasgow Bank. His liberality has, it is said, saved him. Some years ago, some £600 worth of shares were left to the wife of the landed proprietor in question, but knowing the lady had a poor brother at home, he advised her to make over the shares to him. This was accordingly done, and an act of generosity has thus saved the estate-owner from ruin.

GARDENING NOR DECEMBER.

The month of November has been peculiarly favorable to vegetation, and all classes having to do with the culture of the soil have been kept busy. If the proper attention has been paid to hoeing and weeding among advancing crops, the rains will have been particularly useful. If such work is still in arrear, let not a moment be lost in getting it completed, for the weeds will soon spoil the crops by robbing them of nutriment. After rains, finish mulching trees of the season's planting. This may be done with stable litter, or with newly-mown grass laid on the wet soil round the stem to a distance of three or four feet. To keep it from being blown about, a few spadefuls of earth may be spread on the grass or litter. Such plants as the orange, camellia, azalea, rhododendron, should not only be mulched, but should have a few branches secured round them, to check the severity of the scorching hot winds. If for the first year or two a little care is taken of these valuable plants, they speedily get established, and need but little further care; and they richly repay in bloom for the trouble taken with them as tender plants.

For border decoration, plants may be taken from the pots of show pelargoniums, verbenas, and fuchsias; and, the patches of annuals may be divided and planted out. Damp weather should be selected for transplanting, unless water and means of shading be at hand. Sweet peas, nasturtiums, and all climbing plants should be staked and trained before they have grown too much. Picotees and carnations should be neatly pegged, and rambling growths of plants kept under control with a light hoop and pegs. Roses may be budded, and now will be felt the value of our suggestion in the season for putting out cuttings of the common rose.

Hot winds frequently affect growing crops prejudicially this month. Care should be taken that the vines of melons, marrows, cucumbers, etc., are not injured by being blown about. Peg down at intervals. Attend to vines, and re-tie where necessary, great injury generally resulting from neglect in keeping the young, tender shoots tied to the stakes. Should any stakes appear loose, have them driven firmly in without delay, or the loss of the vine may be occasioned by the wind blowing both down together. Writers on vines sometimes advise the removal of foliage from around the the young fruit; but such a practice, unless for very special requirements, is to be condemned, as it too frequently happens that the hot winds scorch the unripe fruit, and spoil the crop, even when no foliage has been removed. Stopping back the shoots is also not advisable; but young lateral or side growth may be rubbed off with advantage. The growing crops of vegetables, however light, among the vines is a very bad plan, and one not defensible on the score of economy.

A few light sowings under shade may be made of peas, kidney beans, celery, cabbage, cucumbers, marrows, and melons.

Keep clean and see that advancing crops do not suffer from drought. Where watering is restored to, be careful that it is thoroughly done. A little care paid to melons, cucumbers, and, indeed, all the members of Cucurbita family, will be well repaid in the fruiting season. Trim up hedges of Cape broom after flowering. Keep a constant look out for blight on apple-trees, and syringe where red spider is found.—"Australian Journal."

OXYGEN IS LIFE.—Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne.—Multitudes of people are hopelessly suffering from Debility, Nervous and Liver Complaints, Depression of Spirits, Hypochondria, Timidity, Indigestion Failure of Hearing, Sight, and Memory, Lassitude, Want of Power, &c., whose cases admit of a permanent cure by the new remedy Phospodyne (Ozonic Oxygen), which at once allays all irritation and excitement, imparts new energy and life to the enfeebled constitution, and rapidly cures every stage of these hitherto incurable and distressing maladies. Sold by all chemists and druggists throughout the globe. ☞ CAUTION.—Phosphorus is sometimes sold in the form of Pills and Lozenges; it should be generally known that every form where solid particles of Phosphorous are in combination is dangerous. It is therefore necessary that the public should be cautioned against the use of any form of Phosphrous not perfectly soluble in water.

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly-whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers. Prepared by Henry C. Gallup, 493 Oxford-street, London.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use "The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it will positively restore in every case Grey or White hair to its original colour, without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful, as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots, where the glands are not decayed. Ask your chemist for "The Mexican Hair Renewer," prepared by Henry C. Gallup, 493 Oxford-street, London, and sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere at 3s. 6d. per bottle.

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the almost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches." These famous "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s. 1½d. per box. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a "slight cold," or bronchial affections, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic affections. See that the words, "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Manufactured by John I. Brown & Sons, Boston, United States. Depot, 493 Oxford-street, London.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by medicine dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Manufactured at 493 Oxford-street, London.

NOTE THIS.—Why should I be without a PIANO or ORGAN, when I can get my choice of a splendid assortment, at FAR LESS than Melbourne prices, and pay for them by monthly instalments, or, if prefering a liberal discount, for cash at R. H. Sutton and Co's. new Pianoforte and Organ Warehouse, 31 Sturt-street, Ballarat. ENQUIRE THE FACT.—[Advt.]

Victorian Railways.

TIME TABLE.

FROM MELBOURNE TO STAWELL

LEAVE—Melbourne 6.30 a.m., 11.10 a.m., 4.10 p.m., 7 p.m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.17 a.m. 12.57 a.m 6.15 p m 8 30 p.m
LEAVE—Geelong 8.27 a.m., 1.12 a.m., 6 35 p m, 8.45 p.m
ARRIVE at Ballarat 10.30 a.m. 3.20 a.m 9.15 p m 10 20 p.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 4 40 a.m 10.5 a.m 3.50 p.m 10.35 p.m
Burrumbeet 5.20 a.m 11.10 a.m, 4 30 p.m
Beaufort 6.10 a.m 12.3 a.m 5 20 p.m 11.43 p m
Buangor, 7 a.m, 12 44 a.m, 6 11 pm
ARRIVE at Ararat 7.45 am 1 25 pm, 6 56 p m, 12.51 a.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 8 a.m, 1.40 a.m, 7.6 a.m, 1.1 a.m
ARRIVE At Stawell 9 a.m, 2.35 p.m, 8.6 a.m, 1.36 a.m

FROM STAWELL TO MELBOURNE

LEAVE—Stawell 6.45 a m, 10.35 a.m, 3 p m., 8.50 p m
ARRIVE At Ararat 7 39 a.m 11.35 a.m 3.54 p.m. 9.50 p.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 7 49 a.m, 11.55 a.m, 4.4 p.m. 10 p.m
Buangor 8.30 am 12.40 a.m 4.45 pm 10 48 pm
Beaufort 9.11 a.m 1.29 p.m 5.26 p m 11 25 p.m
Burrumbeet 9.52 a.m 2.16 p.m, 6.7 p.m, 12.33 a.m.
ARRIVE At Ballarat 10 30 pm 2.58 a.m 6.35 pm 1.18 a.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 6.30 a.m, 11.30 a.m, 3.25 p.m. 7.10 p m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.30 a m 1.37 p.m 6 5 p.m 9.13 p m.
LEAVE—Geelong, 6.50 a.m, 8.45 a.m, 1.51 am, 6.59 a m
9.28 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 9 a.m, 10.30 a m, 3.41 am, 8 35 a.m. 11.15 p.m.

FROM ARARAT to HAMILTON and PORTLAND.

ARRIVE At Ararat, 1.25 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 1.55 p.m.
Wickliffe Road, 3 56 p m.
Glen Thompson, 3.30 p.m.
LEAVE Glen Thompson, 3 35 p m.
ARRIVE At Dunkeld, 3.5 p.m.
Hamilton, 4.55 p m
LEAVE Hamilton, 5.10 p.m.
ARRIVE At Portland 7.25 p.m.

FROM PORTLAND and HAMILTON to ARARAT and MELBOURNE.

LEAVE Portland, 7.15 a.m.
ARRIVE at Hamilton, 10.12 a.m.
LEAVE Hamilton, 10.27 a.m
ARRIVE At Ararat, 1 30 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 4.4 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 11.15 p.m.

FARES.

	First-class	Second-class
Beaufort to		
Trawalla	1s 0d	0s 9d
Burrumbeet	2s 6d	1s 9d
Windermere	3s 6d	2s 3s
Ballarat	5s 0d	3s 0d
Geelong	11s 0d	9s 0d
Melbourne	21s 0d	13s 0d
Beaufort to	First-class	Second-class.
Buangor	2s 6d	2s 0d
Ararat	5s 0d	3s 6d
Armstrongs	6s 0d	4s 0d
Great Western	6s 6d	4s 6d
Stawell	8s 0d	5s 6d

Beaufort Post Office.

TIME TABLE, 1878.

Post Town	Mails arrive at Beaufort	Mails close at Beaufort
Melbourne... ..	6 a.m 12.10 p.m 10 p.m	8.45 a m 5 p.m.
Geelong ...	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat ...	Ditto	Ditto
Trawalla ...	Ditto	Ditto
Raglan ...	4.15 p.m	8 a.m
Charlton ...	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo ...	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead ...	Ditto	Ditto
Sailor's Gully ...	4.15 p.m	Ditto
Stockyard Hill ...	Ditto	Ditto
Ararat... ...	9.31 a.m 5.20 p.m	11.45 a.m 9.20 p.m
Buangor ...	Ditto	Ditto
Eurambeen ...	4 30 p.m	1 p.m
Shirley ...	Ditto	Dittto

The mails for Ararat, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Buangor, and Trawalla are despatched twice daily.

Mails for Shirley, and Eurambeen are despatched three times a week—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

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

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We hereby GIVE NOTICE that in order to prevent a continuance of such proceedings, and To PROTECT the PUBLIC from IMPOSITION,

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The New Curative Agent, and only Reliable Remedy for Nervous and Liver Complaints.

This Phosphatic combination is pronounced by the most eminent members of the Medical Profession to be unequalled for its power of replenishing the vitality of the body, by its supplying all the essential constituents of the blood and nerve substance, and for developing all the powers and functions of the system to the highest degree.

It is agreeable to the palate, and innocent in its action, while retaining all its extraordinary properties; and as a specific, surpassing all the known therapeutic agents of the present day for the speedy and permanent cure of—

Nervous Prostration	Shortness of Breath
Liver Complaints	Trembling of the hands and limbs
Palpitation of the Heart	Impaired Nutrition
Dizziness	Mental and Physical Depression
Noises in the Head and Ears	Consumption (in its first stages only)
Loss of Energy and Appetite	Timidity
Hypochondria	Eruptions of the Skin
Female Complaints	Impaired Sight and Memory
General Debility	Nervous Fancies
Indigestion	Impoverished Blood
Flatulence	Nervous Debility in all its Stages
Incapacity for Study or Business	Premature Decline
Sick Headache	
Lassitude	

And all morbid conditions of the system arising from whatever cause. The action of the Phosphodyne is twofold—on the one hand increasing the principle which constitutes nervous energy, and on the other the most powerful blood and flesh generating agent known; therefore, a marvellous medicine for renovating impaired and broken-down constitutions It quickly improves the functions of assimilation to such a degree, that were for years an emaciated, anxious, cadaverous and semi-vital condition has existed, the flesh will rapidly increase in quantity and firmness, and the whole system return to a state of robust health. The Phosphodyne acts electrically upon the organisation; for instance, it assists nature to generate that human electricity which renews and rebuilds the osseous, muscular, nervous, membranous and organic systems. It operates on the system without exciting care or thought upon the individual as to the process. It moves the lungs, liver, heart, kidneys, stomach, and intestines, with a harmony, vigour, yet mildness unparallelled in medicine.

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THERE is no medicinal preparation which may be so thoroughly relied upon in the treatment of the above ailments as Holloway's Ointment Nothing can be more salutary than its action on the body both locally and constitutionally. The Ointment rubbed around the part affected enters the pores as salt permeates meat. It quickly penetrates to the source of the evil, and drives it from the system.

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Burns	Glandular Swellings	Scurvy
Bunions		Sore Heads
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Chapped Hands	Piles	Ulcers
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	Scalds	

The Pills and Ointment are sold at Professor HOLLOWAY'S Establishment, 533, Oxford street, London; and 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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Bilious Complaints	Retention of Urine
Blotches on the Skin	Scrofula, or King's Evil
Bowel Complaints	Sore Throats
Debility	Stone and Gravel
Dropsy	Secondary Symptoms
Female Irregularities	Tic-Doloreux
Fevers of all kinds	Ulcers
Gout	Venereal Affections
Headache	Worms of all kinds
Indigestion	Weakness from whatever cause, &c., &c.
Liver Complaints	
Lumbago	

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"Is there no hope? the sick man said;
The silent doctor shook his head."
"While there is life there's hope, he cried,"
Ægroto, dum, animus, est, spes est."

Dr. L. L. SMITH,

(The only legally-qualified medical man advertising)

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On all affections of the Nervous System, (no matter from what cause arising).

On all broken-down constitutions.

On all diseases arising from early indiscretions.

On Gout.

On Rheumatism

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Before negotiating with a merchant, before engaging with a confidential clerk; before employing a barrister, a careful man makes enquiries as to their standing, their length of occupancy or residence; and, in the case of a legal adviser, both as to his legal qualifications and as to his capabilities of transacting the individual business he consults him upon. Strange to say, however, in the selection of a medical man, the sufferer frequently omits these necessary precautions, and without regard to fitness, qualification, experience, and ability for the particular ailment requiring treatment, he consults the nearest man, whose experience and practice, perhaps, lies in quite an opposite direction.

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Loss of Power and Debility,
Syphilitic Diseases,
Want of Condition,
Gout and Rheumatism.

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The "Riponshire Advocate,"

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY,

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

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TUESDAY and THURSDAY

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We are also prepared to Ship Wool on owners' account, either consigned to our own or other agents, and to advance on same if required; the facilities for shipping wool from Geelong being much greater than from any other port in the colony.

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WE beg to announce that in view of the yearly increased support awarded to this market, it has been found necessary to establish a second day's sale. We shall therefore hold Public Auction Sales of Wool on each

TUESDAY and THURSDAY

throughout the coming season. The latter day will be set apart for the sale of small lots of greasy wool (four bales and under), only suitable for the local demand from manufacturers, scourers, and staplers, whose purchasing power is showing a marked improvement each season.

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ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

The first of the new season's wheat arrived in town during the week, forty-eight bags of a very fair quality being purchased by the company's mill. Another lot of 100 bags was offered at 4s 9d, but a purchaser could not be found at a higher figure than 4s 4d, which is still the buyers' price for new wheat, old commanding 2d per bushel more. Flour is still firm at our rates, sales being restricted to the supply of immediate wants. Oats are obtainable at our quotations, although an extra good sample might secure an increase. Warrnambool potatoes are still quoted at L7 10s, but as the crop was seriously injured by a heavy frost about a fortnight ago, it may be anticipated that a high price will prevail. New locally grown peas came forward towards the end of the week, and were quitted at 5s 6d per bushel, and onions also grown in this neighborhood were disposed of at 22s per cwt. In dairy produce fresh butter is not so plentiful, which may probably be attributed to the hot weather of the last few days, eggs are still coming in freely, and cheese is both plentiful and of fair quality. We quote :—Wheat, (new) 4s 4d; old, 4s 6d; oats, 4s 9d; pollard, 1s 5d; bran, 1s; barley, 5s; maize, (whole), 6s 9d; crushed do, 7s; flour, L10 5s; potatoes, Warrnambool (new), L7 10s; Ballarat (old), L3 10s; fresh butter, 8d; potted butter, 6d; hams, 10d; bacon, 8d; cheese, 7d; eggs, 10d; hay, (new) L3; old, L4; straw, oaten, L2; chaff, 4s; onions, 22s; peas, 5s 6d; carrots, none.—"Advertiser."

GEELONG PRODUCE MARKET,
December 17th.

MESSRS. DAVID GUTHRIE AND Co. report the following sales:—Sheepskins—We offered a good supply of skins at our warehouse to-day, the bulk being station lots, and as usual for superior merinoes there was lively bidding. Crossbreds brought from 3s 9d to 5s 8d, by the lb. from 5¼d to 6¼d; merinoes, 3s 6d to 5s 5d; by the lb. to 7¼d, lambskins from 1s 5d to 2s 4d, and pelts from 8½d to 15½d. Hides.—At this sale there was a full attendance of buyers, and for extra heavies, well taken care of, there was keen competition, one lot bringing 2d per lb. Butchers' light hides brought from 2¾d to 3½d; heavy and in good condition, to 4d; calfskins to 2½d per lb. Tallow.—We have sold a parcel of mixed at from 26s 10d to 29s 1d per ton.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.
December 17th.

MESSRS. DAVID GUTHRIE AND Co. report the following sales :—There was a large attendance of buyers at the sale to-day, and, notwithstanding the telegrams from home quoting a firm market there, prices here were about on a par with late rates; in fact, washed and scoured wools were difficult to sell, even at latest quotations. We passed several lots, but as the offers came close to owners' reserves, we shall, no doubt, be able to clear our catalogue.

MESSRS. GEORGE SYNNOT AND Co. report the following sales :—Wool.—At our sale on Tuesday we catalogued 1204 bales. There was a full attendance of buyers, but we are unable to report any improvement at prices at previous sales There was a lack of spirit indeed in the biddings, which indicated slightly the reverse of improvement. In washed and scoured wool this was more decided than in greasy. We sold merino from 9½d to 10d; crossbred, from 7d to 9d; pieces, 4d to 7d; washed, 13d to 18d; scoured, 14d to 18d.

Five young ladies, in attempting to cross the River Namoi, at Narrabri, slipped off a log and were drowned.

Ten women have been killed and many persons injured by a panic in an American church, caused by the fall of a piece of plaster from the roof.

Farmers in this neighborhood are in the middle of the harvesting work, the hot weather of the past week having done much towards the early ripening of the crops. At Maroona several of the large fields are partially cut, and in some instances carting has commenced. The crops are estimated at a fair average, those fields planted during April being much superior to the late sown ones. At Mr. Gull's farm, Jackson's Creek, there is a large area under crop and now being cut, that it is expected will excel last year's yield of thirty bushels to the acre. Laborers are scarce and two gentlemen, came into town yesterday, and took out a number of Chinamen as harvesters. Last week Mr Lewis had several Europeans and Chinamen engaged for him at 6s per day, but the former induced the Celestials to strike for a rise in wages of a shilling, but after a delay of some hours, work was resumed by the Chinese at the old rate, and the Europeans were paid off. At Opossum Gully a good portion of the stuff is already in the stack, and Mr Gulay, of Six Mile Creek, intends to start threshing this morning. A correspondent at Werracknabel has been good enough to forward the following :—Farmers are busy harvesting, and the yield is expected to run an average of fifteen bushels per acre. The hot winds did some damage. Produce is quoted at :—Wheat, 3s 2d; oats, 4s 6d; potatoes, nil; flour (best Rupanyup), 20s per 200 lbs.; best butter, 6d; cheese, 8d.—"Advertiser."

The London "Graphic" says :—"A fresh flying machine has been invented by a Oregon electrican. The machine is egg-shaped, made of sheet-iron, measures 8ft. by 5ft. at its greatest diameter, and is to be propelled by electricity produced by a generator of 500 horse-power. The inventor declares that the electricity will carry the traveller from New York to San Francisco in ten minutes."

There is a class of farming that pays, says the Ballarat "Star," and there is another class that does not pay. At Burrumbeet, not far from the post office, there can be seen fifty acres of oats some five feet in height which is a pleasure to look at; but then the owner is a farmer, albeit a very modest one, and accounts for the goodness of his crop by stating that he used two bushels of bone dust to each acre, and hence the secret of his success.

The Canadian fisheries (excluding Newfoundland, which does not yet form part of the Dominion) employ some 1,400 vessels, 22,000 boats, over 52,000 men, and 3,535,000 dollars of capital.

The railway mileage of Canada, in proportion to population, is far ahead of any European country, as she has one mile of railway for each 690 persons; while in Great Britain there is only mile to every 1,859, and in France one mile to every 2,860 of the population.

A painful scene occurred at Sydney on Thursday morning, at a marriage ceremony which was about to be celebrated in one of the cathedrals. A Government official was to essaying the bonds of wedlock with a young lady very highly connected, when a maiden he had jilted appeared on the scene and stopped the ceremony, as she demanded a fulfilment of the promise made by him to her some time previously.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWS PAPERS.

Armstrong, Mrs.
Blackmore, P.; Bertram, Peter.
Crosbie, R.; Cerf, E.; Cox, G.; Cameron, John.
Dunn, J.
Etherton, W.
Gordon, R.
Inchbold, H.
Lyttle, S.; Lynch, Mr.
M'Intosh, N.; M'Leod, Donald; Mathison, Jas.; Murray, W.; M'Leod, Sarah; Mayhew, Mr.; M'Millan, Miss; Muchison, Donald, M'Lish, A.
Tempest, Miss; Taylor, Thos.; Sopper, G.

THOMAS LEWIS, Postmaster.
Beaufort, December 20th, 1878.

Bank of Victoria.

THIS Bank will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, 25th, and THURSDAY, 26th inst., for the Christmas Holidays, and on WEDNESDAY, 1st January, for the Half-yearly Balance.

W. A. JENNINGS,
Manager.

Beaufort, 20th December, 1878.

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BEFORE we issue another impression of this journal the Christmas festivities of 1878 will be a thing of the past, and the inhabitants of our sunny clime will be consoling themselves with the reflection that they have got through another Christmas. The festive board will have been removed, and preparations being made for taking leave of the old year, and for the reception of 1879. The usual picnic parties are being organised for Christmas Day, bound for Ferntree Gully, that beautiful natural retreat, at the foot of Mount Cole, there to inhale the beautiful aroma arising from the ferns and undergrowth, and feast their eyes on the matchless scenery here held out to view. The usual Boxing Day sports have given way to a bazaar and sale of gifts in aid of the local Presbyterian Church building fund. Bazaars, although, perhaps, very pleasant when the business is enlivened with some singing and music, are not what may be termed a Christmas pastime. They savour too much of "shop," too much of the same old thing that we have been at all the year round—business. However, we wish our Presbyterian friends every success. Many of our townspeople will avail themselves of the "iron horse" for a trip to the metropolis, or pay some distant friends a visit. And thus each, after his or her own desire, will plunge into some enjoyment, and, "the world forgetting, by the world forgot," will one and all go in for enjoying themselves. As is usual at this season, many pleasant re-unions will take place, and while hoping that none of our readers' enjoyment will be blunted by sorrow or misfortune, we wish them all A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

THE way in which the Local Land Board is conducted at present at Beaufort renders the proceedings a perfect farce as far as the Mining Board members are concerned. Previous to appearing at a land board all that they know of the applications to come before them is the name of the applicant, the parish in which the land is situated, and the area applied for. When the surveyor's plan is laid before them, in a majority of cases, it is found that the land is auriferous, or is supposed to be. The usual verdict is then given—"Recommended subject to special reference to the Mining Board," which literally means that the application is refused. An inspection of the ground is then made by the Mining Board members, and ultimately, after the applicant has been strung on for a few months, he is informed that his application is refused. To remedy this, which, to us, seems an evil, the Mining Board members should be supplied with tracings of the land applied for, and which is to come under their notice at the Local Land Board, a few weeks previous to the sitting of the board, which would thus enable the members to prepare their objections and be ready with a decided answer as to whether the various applications be entertained or not. If this were done it would greatly facilitate matters, and would be much more satisfactory both to the applicants for land and those whose duty it is to inquire into their claims.

While on this subject it may be as well to mention that Mr. G. Manners, at the last Local Land Board held on Beaufort, drew attention to the fact that there were a number of applicants who applied for land, knowing the same to be auriferous, and that all the diggers seriously object to such land being alienated from the Crown, and expected to have the land granted to them. Some of these would-be selectors referred to have applied for land time after time, and have been refused, and yet will persist in taking up the time of the Board in useless talk. When they know full well that they will never get the land, why they continue in applying for it is one of those queries it would take a wiser head than ours to solve.

The President of the Beaufort Agricultural Society desires us to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of £5 in aid of the funds of the society, from Mr. R. Simson.

A cricket match will be played at Buangor this afternoon between the Beaufort and Buangor clubs. The Beaufort team will be selected from the following :—Trompf (4), Grenfell, Tompkins, Graves, J. Day, Barnes, Jackson, Whiting, and Harris. They are requested to meet at the railway station at 12 oclock noon.

Mr. John Wotherspoon offers a reward of £10 for information that will lead to the conviction of the person who broke the necks of three of his sheep at Trawalla one day last week.

Mr. Joel Tompkins was the successful tenderer on Thursday, for the work of additions and repairs at the Beaufort Post-office, at £247.

The cricket match Australian Eleven v. Twenty-two of the Ballarat Cricket Club resulted in a win for the former. The attendance was not so large as was expected, but a fine display of cricket was shown. The following are the results :—Australian Eleven—First Innings, 124; second innings, 154. Ballarat Twenty-two—First innings, 104; second innings, 25 (for nine wickets.) The game was decided by the first innings.

A monster meeting was held in Melbourne on Thursday of those in favor of the seamen on strike in Sydney, and it was unanimously decided to afford them all the assistance possible.

Public attention is directed to the business advertisement of Messrs. Wotherspoon Bros. which appears elsewhere, in which they announce the arrival of Christmas novelties.

Sportsmen are reminded that the close season for Australian game, with the exception of quail, lyre birds, and hares, closed yesterday. We have noticed several wild turkeys and flocks of wild duck hovering about the township lately, and we have no doubt sportsmen will avail themselves of a day's sport during the first few days of the season, when the game is supposed to be tame.

The attention of proprietors and principals of private schools is directed to an announcement which appears in another column, emanating from the Education Department.

The New Victoria Company, Waterloo, obtained 30oz. of gold last week, and 70oz. 7dwt. for the first five days of this week.

Public attention is directed to Mr. Best's announcement in another column. The Great Western Vineyard is too well known for its production of excellent wine to require any praise at our hands, and we would recommend our wine-loving friends to give it a trial.

The English mails will be despatched from Melbourne on Saturday, 28th December. The mails will close at the Beaufort Post Office on Friday, 27th December, as under:—Registered letters, 4.45 p.m.; ordinary letters and newspapers, 5 p.m. Money orders on the United Kingdom will be issued up to 4 p.m. Attention is drawn to the regulations that letters and newspapers for transmission *via* Brindisi must be so endorsed, and must bear the full rates of postage, viz.: Letters, under half-ounce, 8d.; newspapers, not exceeding four ounces, 1d., and for every additional four ounces or fraction of four ounces, 1d.

Wednesday's "Ballarat Courier" says:—"A black tracker who had been engaged by Detective Esson from this district to proceed to Mansfield in aid of the pursuit of the Kelly gang, was lodged in the Town lock-up last night on a charge of drunkeness. It appears that the tracker was at Cohen's dining-rooms, and a number of young roughs, it is said from sympathy with the Kellys, enticed the tracker away to Ballarat East and made him intoxicated, in order to prevent him taking part in the pursuit. The tracker will be sent on to Mansfield to-day." [The tracker referred to is the aboriginal James Miller, well-known in this district, and who it will be remembered did good service in the case of Searle and Ballar, some years back, and recently in the case of Wallace.]

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Ararat Advertiser" has the following:—"Just while I am dealing with the Kellys I may as well relate a little incident which occurred at Essendon a few days since, to show how courageous the police are. A woman was taken up for lunacy and was confined in one of the cells of the local lock-up. She became violent, and taking up a broomstick, thoughtlessly left in the cell, she proceeded to smash the windows. The constable in charge looked on in a state of terror, and dared not interfere. He went away to his senior officer and reported the occurrence. That gentlemen arrived on the scene, and took about an hour to consider what he would do. Eventually he entered the cell and was received with a well directed blow from the broomhandle which laid him low. It took these gallant people three hours to handcuff the lunatic, and the result was that one constable was obfuscated, another got a black eye, and a justice of the peace was battered. With such Dutch courage what need we expect. Truly our police require 'baptism of fire' to enable them to be at all courageous."

Yesterday's "Courier" says:—A child of Mr. Sleep's the jeweller in Lydiard street, had a narrow escape from death the other day. The little thing, who is only three years old, fell out of a window in the top story of the house and alighted on the top of the verandah. Strange to say, the child sustained no injury, but at once jumped up and ran through the French window of the front floor, none the worse for the misadventure.

The "Ballarat Star" says:—"Curious tales have been repeatedly told how needles have entered living bodies at certain points, and in the course of time worked their way out at very remote places from their points of entrance, but never have we heard of a dog swallowing a large iron skewer and still surviving. Yet such a thing has occurred to a pointer dog belonging to R. Gibbings, of this city. The dog ate a wing of a fowl, which was pinned together by a skewer some four or five inches long, with a ring at the end of it, and as may well be imagined, the animal soon began to show signs of decided indigestion. It sickened and grew very thin, till, some time after the feat of swallowing the skewer had been performed, the point appeared sticking out of the dog's stomach. Mr. Gibbings, not caring to lose his dog, took desparate measures to save its life, and plucked the iron pin out of its body. Prior to this the dog did not appear to be in much pain, but the extracting process made it wince, and now the dog is as well as ever, save that it exhibits a decided objection to jump fences, a thing it was particularly partial to before.

DOINGS IN GENERAL.

BY "SPLITTER."

The all-absorbing topics of the day are the bushrangers and the embassy, more especially the former. Everybody is talking about the Kellys, and wondering why they are not caught before now. All the available police force, together with numbers of civilians, black trackers, etc., have been out hunting for these four men for weeks, and cannot drop across them. Everybody in the Mansfield and Benalla district (so I am told) sleep with one eye open and a revolver in each hand, so great is the terror that these ruffians have struck into the inhabitants of the district. There must be something wrong somewhere, or the Kellys would have been hung or shot before this. The police can hear of plenty of people who have seen the Kellys, and they can hear any amount of rumours of their whereabouts, but yet they cannot find them. Did I hear anyone say the police are afraid to face them? I hardly think it, although it could hardly be wondered at, when it is considered that many of the troopers in search of them are young inexperienced men, some of whom have never fired out of a rifle in their lives. Serious evils require serious remedies, and the only way that ever the Kelly gang will be brought to bay will be by the authorities arresting every person, let them be who they may, heard sympathising with them. The newspapers, too, have shown a want of thought and reflection in making public every move of the police. Cut off their supply of information and bodily requisites by arresting all known, or even supposed sympathisers, and the Kelly gang will soon turn out of their lair.

The embassy is going to cost £5,000. I have an idea that this embassy is an encroachment on the rights of the community at large, inasmuch as it is taking the government of the colony out of the hands of the colonists. If Mr. Berry and his colleagues cannot manage the affairs of the colony without going home to mammy England for advice, then they had better let somebody else have a try at it. If the £5,000 were spent in capturing the outlaws, then it would be productive of some good. If the Government would just split up the embassy money into fivers, and distribute them among the members of the Victorian volunteer force, on the condition that each recipient enter the service for a week; provide each man with arms and ammunition, and place the whole under the command of an efficient officer. It would then be only necessary to proceed to the scene of action, place the men in skirmishing parties, and we would have 1 000 armed men in pursuit at once. What a show the Kellys would have! And even supposing they did not find the Kellys the money would then be spent in the colony, which would be better than spending it in London. I would just like to have all over the £5,000 that will be spent of the country's money before Messrs. Berry and Pearson return. I shouldn't wonder if it would take another £5,000 to cover the "sundries."

The banquet railway free passes hardly came off. Some of the newspapers seem to be making a wonder out of the affair, as if it was something new for the Berry Company to do. The idea is a thoroughly original one. Get up a banquet, and the country pay for it. Feed up a whole lot of the people's friends (!) at the cost of the people, and give them a nice railway trip at the country's expense, so as to enable them to be present on the occasion of wishing Messrs. Berry and Pearson *bon voyage*, and hoping they will enjoy themselves on the people's money. They talk about the credit of the colony going bad, and yet a colony that can spare £5,000 on such an errand as going from home to settle home affairs ought to be good enough for a few millions.

To my Readers,—If you have waded through the above, and had the misfortune to peruse any of my previous efforts, I would ask you to stay awhile before putting the paper aside, and allow me to wish you A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year (when it comes.)

RAGLAN PROSPECTING PARTY.

We take the following particulars of the progress made by the above party from the "Report of Progress," by the Secretary for Mines :—

The members of this party were J. Humphreys (foreman), J. Armstrong, J. Egan, A. Bone, and J. Smith.

They began operations on the 10th of March in a gully at the Langi Kal Kal Ranges, about six miles north-east from Beaufort. In the locality eight shafts were sunk and bottomed at depths varying from 6 to 55 feet. In the deepest shaft a drive was put in. No wash was found, but colors of gold were obtained at several shafts.

The prospectors then moved west to the parish of Eurambeen, and camped about three miles north-west from Beaufort, on the Main Lead. From this point they prospected the gullies lying between it and within a short distance of Beaufort. In the aggregate fifty-seven shafts were sunk, varying in depth from 5 to 19 feet Except at a shaft that bottomed at a depth of 17 feet, nothing more favorable than colors of gold was obtained. The shaft referred to was sunk in a gully west of the railway, and from it a drive was made which when a distance of 12 feet cut a wash yielding gold. From the quantity taken out in cutting through it half a pennyweight of gold was obtained. The foremen eventually concluded that it would not pay to work, and reported—"We have not met with sufficient encouragement to spend more time in this locality, the gold being very fine, and in quality very light, that if worked, would not, I think give payable results."

They next tried ground situated about one and a half miles south-east from Beaufort, and sank seventeen shafts which bottomed at from 12 to 13 feet in depth; only a few of them proved even slightly auriferous.

The party was disbanded on the 30th June.

The following will represent the Exelsior (Beaufort) Cricket Club on Christmas Day against the Sebastopol Club, on the ground of the latter :—R. Grenfell, C. Tompkins, H. Noble, Trompf (3), J. M'Keich, C. Graves, J. Richardson, J. Jackson, T. Peddar, C. Trompf, and J. Butler. The above are requested to meet at half-past 6 on Christmas morning for practice, after which they will proceed to Sebastopol by the 9.10 a.m. train.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

MIKE ON THINGS IN GENERAL.

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

SIR,—Myself and mates present our best thanks for your leading article about the splitters, and beg to say that it is ourselves that is proud of having such an independent journal in our midst, and edited by a gentleman that is able and willing to take the working man's part as well as his own; and, bedad, when you want the boys they will stand to you like bricks. Thady's compliments for an answer to the following query: Is splitters' flesh more tender and delicious than that of other mortals? Thady handed me a letter on Monday last, received from a firm in Ballarat in answer to an application for orders for firewood :—

Ballarat, December 14, 1878.

Dear Sir,—I received yours, and at the present I have more wood people on hand than what I can consume. At some other time I may give you a turn.

Yours, truly,
A. B., per B. C.

I don't give the names, but this is a true copy. Thady is in a great way, swearing milla murder at the cannibals. He is seasoning a stick, and says he will have it out of them before they give him a turn on the spit.

If this should catch the eye of the thieving spalpeen who stole my new axe on Sunday last from the camp, I trust he will return it. It is too bad that decent boys like us cannot go to prayers on Sunday without being robbed. What with thieves, bushrangers, outlaws, and would-be cannibals in our midst I don't know what will become of us. We wish you and your readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours, truly,
MIKE.

Splitters' Camp, December 19, 1878.

CROWN LAND SALE.

A Crown land sale was held at the courthouse on Tuesday. There was a fair attendance of the public, but the purchasers generally were occupiers, or applicants for ground to be offered for sale. The sale was conducted by Mr. C. C. Shoppee, Government auctioneer, and attended by Mr. H. O. Bennett, paymaster, Ballarat. The following is the result:—Town lots.—main Ballarat road—Upset price L3 16. per lot, lots 1, 2, 3, and 4; no offer. Lot 5, area 28p, allotment 39A, M. Kozminsky, upset. Lot 6, area, 33p, allotment 40A, valuation L50; M. Kozminsky, upset. Lot 7, area 19p, allotment 41A; M. Kozminsky, upset. Lot 8, area 20p, allotment 42A,; no offer. Lot 9, area 21p, allotment 43A; John Wotherspoon, upset. Lot 10, area 23p, allotment 44A; John Wotherspoon, L9 10s. the lot. Lot 11, area 24p, allotment 45A; withdrawn. Lot 12, area 12p, allotment 46A; withdrawn. Lot 13; no offer. Suburban Lot.—Parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, adjoining township—Upset price L1 10s. per acre, lot 14, area 4a 0r 35p, allotment 76; John Ware, L1 16s. per acre. Country Lots.—Parish of Raglan, county of Ripon, on the road from Raglan to Charlton—Upset price L1 2s. 6d. per acre, lot 15, area 16a 0r 16p, allotment 1A, section Y; J. F. Watkin, upset. Parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, 49th section block of Mr. John Playle—Upset price L1 per acre, lot 16, area, lot 12a 2r 13p, allotment 40B, valuation L15; George Pearson, L1 2s. per acre. Parish of Eurambeen county of Ripon, 19th section block of Mr. Chas. Pryke—Upset price L1 per acre, lot 17, area 12a, allotment 3c, valuation L75; Chas. Pryke, upset.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

The December number of the "Australian News" is to hand, and with it is published two supplements, a bird's-eye view of Sandhurst and a colored picture entitled "The Stockrider." Both are excellently got up, as are the other illustrations, the principal of which are as follow :—"Reception of the Australian Eleven at Spencer street;" "The Kellys at Euroa;" "Our Children's Picnic;" "Port Sorrell, Tasmania;" "Christmas Recreations;" "A trip down the Murray River from Wentworth to Goolwa;" "Old Bendigo in 1853;" and sketches of the Ven. Archdeacon Davies and Alderman Macarthur, M.P. Mr. Henningsen is the local agent, and copies may be obtained from him at the moderate charge of 1s., including the two supplements.

The "Australasian Sketcher" for December is an excellent number, and a large colored supplement, entitled "Christmas Day under Uncle Sam," is presented with it. The following are the subjects of the other illustrations :—Outlaws in Camp;" "A Maori Fishing Camp;" The Erskine Falls, Cape Otway Ranges;" "Sir George Grey, K.C.B., Premier of New Zealand;" Reception of the Australian Eleven at Sydney; "Twofold Bay, New South Wales;" "Scenes and Incidents of the Bushranging Tragedy;" and an excellent group of portraits of the English Eleven. Copies may be had from the local agent, Mr. Henningsen.

We have received from the editor of "Words of Grace" a large illustrated scripture text almanac. It is very nicely compiled, and the printing is also very good. The almanac reflects great credit on its publisher, and those engaged in its compilation.

From Allan and Co. (Wilkie's) Music Warehouse, Melbourne, we have received a complete catalogue of new vocal and instrumental music, compiled under Mr. Allan's personal superintendence. The catalogue should prove invaluable to the music-lovers of the colony, and it shows unmistakable signs of careful and untiring work in its compilation.

A proclamation in a "Gazette Extraordinary" announces that Sunday has been appointed as a day of general mourning for the death of H.R.H. the Princess Alice, and her Majesty's subjects are invited to wear mourning in token of their sympathy in her great affliction. In Melbourne the flags at the public buildings and shipping are to be hoisted half-mast high from eight a.m. until sunset, and immediately before sunset a salute of thity-five minute guns (corresponding to the age of the illustrious deceased) will be fired.

The steamer Somersetshire left Plymouth on the 17th instant.

DEATH OF THE PRINCESS ALICE.

With unfeigned sorrow the public will learn of the death of the Princess Alice of England, the second daughter of Her Majesty. Born in 1843, the Princess was scarcely nineteen when Prince Louis of Hesse-Darmstadt became her husband. The marriage took place very quietly at Osborne, in the Isle of Wight, where the Queen was spending the early days of her first bereavement, and shortly after Princess Alice left England for the Continent, from whence she has only returned at intervals of some length. To the British nation the name of this princess was associated with everything tender and true. The unwearied way in which she nursed her father, the late Prince Consort, during his fatal illness at Winsdor, when many far older than herself were prostrate with grief, first brought her unobstrusive gentleness into prominence. She was the favorite daughter of the Royal Family, and hers was the hands that closed her father's eyes; then, and not till then, she yielded her place at the bedside. How the princess Alice came over Sandringham from the Continent and nursed her brother, the Prince of Wales, in his dangerous illness in 1871 will be fresh in the minds of our readers. With unflagging energy she superintended everything, carrying out the directions of the royal physicians herself, and permitting no other hand but her own to administer the medicines to what all thought to be the dying heir to the throne. Nor was it in the land of her birth alone her name was reverenced. During the Franco-Prussian war, in which her husband took an active part, she went to the hospitals for the wounded at Darmstadt, organised chiefly by herself, and assisted by her ladies, she nursed Uhlan and Zouave alike until the longed-for peace came at last. In Germany to-day the mourning for this young princess will be as full and genuine as it will be throughout the lands where the English tongue is spoken. All will join with deep sympathy with the Queen, who has now received a second heavy blow by the hand of death. The peerage gives the following particulars :—"Second daughter of the Queen Victoria. She married July, 1862, Prince Louis of Hesse-Darmstadt, and cousin to the present Emperor of Germany. The result of the marriage has been seven children, five of whom are daughters, the other two being sons, only one of whom has survived; the other, Prince Victor, having been accidentally killed by falling out of a window in the Palace at Darmstadt in 1870." The cause of Princess Alice's death is diptheria, a disease which has a name on the Continent for being more fatal than elsewhere.—"Age."

THE FARMERS AND PROTECTION.

(From the "Goulburn Valley Advocate.")

Hundreds of farmers will no doubt be asking themselves the question. "Does farming pay?" at the present time, when rust has made its appearance in the crop, and every prospect of a bad harvest is staring them in the face for the third time in as many successive seasons. It is also a question, in the solution of which capitalists, storekeepers, and tradespeople in the country districts are largely interested.

In our opinion, the only answer that can be given to it is a decided, "No, it does not pay;" and in support of our statement we would point to the fact of there being hundreds of farms in the market for sale, and no purchasers to make a single bid for them. It is not a case of a solitary farm here and there, but look where you will and you will meet with abundant evidence that some poor fellow has found to his cost that farming does not pay, and is forced to sell out; and further, it is the opinion of many, that under the present aspect of affairs, many more farms in the Gouldurn Valley alone will, during the next 12 months, be thrown on the market. Again, if farming pays, how can the fact that the value of agricultural land has depreciated fully 50 per cent. within the last two years be accounted for?

Taking all this into consideration, it is surely time for the farmers to fully consider their position. Many of them will no doubt blame the rust as the sole cause of their troubles, and in many instances the rust will no doubt have the same effect on the farmer that the proverbial straw is said to have had on the camel's back; but in our opinion the present Government must bear the blame of the general depression that now exists, as, owing to their fiscal policy and misgovernment, they have succeeded in driving capital out of the country; and this leads to the following questions, which we would seriously ask every farmer conscientiously to put to himself :—

1. Can I, in justice to myself and others dependent on me, afford to give £20 out of every £100 (in other words four shillings in the pound), that I receive in support of native industries, which were to have kept the money in the country, and found me a market for my surplus produce, but which have failed in both respects?

2. Am I acting justly with my own laborers, tradesmen, etc., in my neighbourhood, in giving four shillings out of every pound I receive in support of town industries, while my own laborer is compelled to wander through the country like a pack-horse, in search of some farmer who can afford to pay him a few shillings for odd jobs, and when they are done to trudge on again?

3. Would it not be better for me to be able to spend this money on my own farm in improving it, and in that way give constant employment to the real working man of the community, the farm hand, than to pay it to the Government to enable them to help themselves to large salaries to encourage (so called) native industries, consisting of a few factories here and there; to squander £20,000 on goldfields; and finally to take a trip to England at a cost of the country of £5,000

In conclusion we would point out that it is this burden of taxation that now hangs like a mil stone round the struggling farmer's neck; and if it were removed, not only would the cloud that now hangs above his head disappear, but would give a tone of prosperity to all connected with the greatest native industries in the country—the agricultural.

We ("Argus") learn that a telegram has been received from the Marquis of Normanby intimating his intention of arriving in Melbourne on the 23rd or 24th of February next. Sir George Bowen will take his departure by the mail which leaves on the 22nd February, so that no interregnum will take place.

THE BUSHRANGERS.

(FROM THE ARGUS SPECIAL REPORTER.)

BENALLA, Thursday.

The case of sticking-up on the Kilfera-road, which was reported to the police authorities at an early hour this morning by the son of a selector named Bamford, turned out to be a simple enough matter, but was greatly magnified by the fears of the informant, who has made himself the laughing-stock of the whole place in consequence. The facts of the affair are as follows:—About five miles from here resides an old one-legged selector named Bamford, having with him his wife, two sons, and a daughter, all of whom are grown up, the sons being about 23 and 25 years respectively. At no great distance from them resides another selector, who has staying with him at present a stepson, an engineer, named George Cunningham, aged 21 years. About 9 o'clock last evening he proceeded towards Bamford's house with the intention of having some talk on business matters, and thinking that he would possibly get a shot at an opossum or native bear, he took his gun with him. When he got to the hut, he saw one of the sons standing outside, and it being then dark he called out "bail up," and at the same time clicked the lock. The other son, who was inside the house, without making any remark to the family, or waiting to see what was at the door, rushed out of the back door, and made his way straight across country to Benalla to inform the police. He was in a most excited state when he reached here, and had kept as far from the road as possible. He was under the impression that he was being followed by one of the gang on horseback, and on more than one occasion he lay down amongst the trees to evade pursuit, and to allow the fancied horseman to pass him. He says that a horseman did overtake and pass him while he was hiding on one occasion Even when he got to the vicinity he was not reassured' and he made his entry into the camp in such an erratic manner that he was near receiving the contents of a rifle. Instead of going to the front gate he climbed over the fence belonging to the grounds of the sergeant's quarters, and thence climbed over the other fence into the police camp reserve. The sentry on duty at once covered him with his rifle, and it was not until he had fairly recovered breath that he was able to give an intelligible account of what had happened. As soon as the police authorities were made aware of what had taken place, a party of seven troopers under Senior-Constable Johnson was despatched to the spot, taking Bamford with them as a guide. It should be stated that some little credence was given to the story, as the Bamfords are known to be very respectable people. In the meantime the cause of the alarm had been recognised by the Bamfords, and entered the house, where he remained for some time before returning to his own residence. No particular notice was taken of the absence of the other son, as it was thought he had gone to bed, none of the party having any idea that he had run away to Benalla to give the alarm. When Johnson's party arrived at the place everything was in darkness, the family having all gone to bed. The trooners not being aware of this, took al necessary precautions to secure the prisoners they expected to take, only to find the whole affair was a hoax. When the old people were awakened they were astonished to learn what had brought the troopers out, and soon explained the whole affair, much to the discomfiture of the frightened individual who had taken so much trruble to give a false alarm. Constable Johnston considered it was his duty to arrest Cunningham, and much to his surprise he was roused out of bed and brought in to the Benalla lock-up. Of course these stupid practical jokes must be put a stop to, and the young fellow will have to undergo a short incarceration for his lark. There is a growing opinion in some quarters that the gang have separated into two parties, and that they are making for the Murray in two directions, with the view of crossing over in New South Wales. It is this, probably, that has given rise to the rumours that two men answering the description of Steve Hart and Jos. Byrne, were seen near Tarrwingee a few days since, while another similar report gives the locality as Howlong, which would place them across the River Murray. It is said that they were driving a light springcart, and were ostensibly travelling for the purpose of purchasing hides and skins. I fancy this information is just as good as many other rumours that flying about of late. In my opinion the whole gang are not far away from their old haunts, and this is strengthened by an ominous statement I heard to-day, to the effect that Mr. Healey, of Strathbogie Station, has been missing for the last three days. I have been unable to ascertain whether this is true or not, but it itwell known that the outlaws were near his place a day or two after the bank robbery, and that he rode into Euroa to give information to the police of having seen their tracks in the ranges. The railway authorities appear to attach considerable importance to the statement in Ned Kelly's letter, that some damage would yet be done to the railway line. It is not likely that the gang will ever risk the danger of attacking the railway station, or take the trouble to damage the permanent way, as there is nothing to be gained by such a proceeding. However, several detectives have been placed at different stations alongthe line, while a great many of railway *employes* carry arms, and may be seen utilising their spare time by practising pistol shooting at a mark.

THE SAFETY CAGE EXPERIMENTS.

The Safety-Cage Board, consisting of Messrs. A. K. Smith (chairman), Clark, and Williams, M.L.A.'s, continued the series of experiments on Thursday at the City of Sandhurst Company's shaft. A start was made at half-past 1 a.m., and an old rope was fixed on the drum of the engine and attached to Seymour's cage, and Messrs. Nicholas and Stewart, mining inspectors, and Mr. Thomson, secretary of the board, stationed themselves at the 250ft. level. Seymour's cage was then run up and down the shaft, and the distance on the rope measured so that it should run off the drum when the cage was opposite the 250ft. level. While raising the cage at slow speed from the bottom, and when about 30ft. above, the rope broke at the winding drum, flew over the poppet heads, and rushed down the shaft with a frightful clatter, the crowd around scattering in all directions. On examination the cage was found to have stuck fast without slipping, and the inventor claimed that the test was severe enough. However, a new rope was sent down and connected with the old one; the cage was drawn up to the surface, and everything made ready for the real trial. When everything was in readiness, the word was given to the engine-driver, and the cage lowered away from the surface at the rate of 540ft. per minute. Immediately the tension was taken off the rope by its parting at the drum, the gripping machinery of the cage caught at once. In the meantime the rope flew over the poppet heads with great violence, and sent the hand-rail at the brace and round the top of the poppet-heads flying into space. The rope ran down the shaft, and took some considerable time to fish up again. The cage was then raised to the surface, and was found intact, it not having suffered in the slightest, although subjected to more tests than any of the others so far. Mann's cage was slung in the shaft with a full truck on. It was let go by the run at the same speed as Seymour's and took about 30sec. in descending the 280ft. It stuck fast when the rope ran off the drum and the rope fell to the bottom of the shaft as in the other trial. Mann's cage was being hauled up when the rope parted, and wound its end round one of the cross-pieces of the poppet-heads and there hung, the cage sticking in the shaft.—From the "Argus"

Cable News.

(FROM THE ARGUS CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Dec, 18.

Mr. Elliston, the late chief officer of the Avoca, who was accused of being an accomplice in the gold robbery by his confederate, Martin Wyberg, the ship's carpenter, has been remanded till the 6th January, on bail, in order to enable the law officers of the Crown to consider whether the offence had been committed on the high seas.

The London colonial wool sales closed today. There was a slight recovery in prices towards the close of the series.

A review of the series establishes a comparative decline of from 7 to 15 per cent. on the September prices. The fall is most strongly marked in respect to Sydney and Cape fleece crossbreds.

Of the 164,000 bales of Australian catalogued during the entire series, 35,000 bales have been unoffered; 5,000 bales have been taken for export; 4,000 bales of the new clip have been sold favorably. The trade is seriously depressed.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Dec 17 (Evening.)

At the wool sales to-day 6,200 bales were offered. Biddings were firm. The total quantity catalogued since the opening of the sales exceeds 162,000 bales. The auction has now closed.

December 18.

The funeral of Her Royal Highness the Princess Louis of Hesse-Dramstadt (Princess Alice) took place to-day.

BOMBAY, Dec. 19.

An official despatch has been received to the effect that General Brown is marching upon Jellalabad, and intends to occupy it on the 20th December.

BRUTAL OUTRAGE.

At about half-past ten o'clock on Wednesday evening a most brutal assault was committed by a man named Charles O'Brien, residing in a right-of-way off Coventry-street, Emerald-hill. It appears that the man, who is a well-known ruffian, and has been imprisoned on several occasions for wife-beating, had been ill-using his wife during the day to such an extent that the unfortunate woman was obliged to apply for another summons against him. This appears to have aggravated O'Brien, and during the evening he assaulted her several times, and finally seized hold of one of her ears with his teeth, and bit the greater portion of it clean off. The unfortunate woman eventually got away from her cowardly assailant, and went to the Emerald-hill lock-up, where she reported the circumstance. On being examined, the woman was found to be in a fearful state, and suffering excruciating pain from the wounds on her head and face. Two constables were accordingly despatched to arrest O'Brien, who had in the meantime made his escape from the house and secreted himself. Two constables failing to find him, Sergeant Routledge went in search, and whilst passing by an archway near the Mile-end Hotel, the man, who was concealed behind the wall, rushed at the sergeant, exclaiming, "I'll rip you open;" and before the sergeant had time to face the man, he made a blow at the sergeant's breast with a knife, but fortunately the weapon having no point did not penetrate his clothing, although the blow almost knocked him down. A struggle then took place between them, and after some time the sergeant managed to overpower the ruffian and convey him to the lock-up. In the meantime Mrs. O'Brien's injuries were attended to, but the poor woman is in a very weak state from pain and loss of blood.—"Argus."

A very sad and fatal event (says the "St. Arnaud Times"), involving the death of two promising boys, occurred on Sunday, the victims being sons of Mr. Kelly, a selector on the East Charlton road, about three miles from St Arnaud, and named Henry and William, one being nine and the other eleven years of age. At 8 o'clock in the morning the boys went out with their father's cows, and no more was seen or heard of them until about 7 p.m., when Mr. Byerly, a neighbor, having to go to the dam near the Blink Bonny mine, saw the body of one of the lads in the water. Having procured the assistance of W. Wilson, the body first seen, and subsequently that of the other boy, were drawn out of the water; but both had evidently been dead for a considerable time. Both were fully dressed, with the exception of their hats, which were found lying on the bank. The bodies of the poor lads were taken to the home of their parents, where the scene on their arrival was indeed heart-rending. It is surmised that the deceased were bathing their heads—the day being intensely hot—and that one slipping into the water, the other attempted to save him, and so both were drowned together.

BLASPHEMY PUNISHED.

Monday's "Herald" says:—One of those extraordinary occurrences which many persons will be disposed to regard as a manifestation of Divine Providence, and others less credulous as a simple coincidence, or a physiological phenomenon, happened on Sunday in Little Collins street. A married woman named Margaret Taylor, who is living with a man in Coormandel place, was suddenly struck blind under circumstances of a peculiar nature. The afflicted person, who we learn is a woman of extremely violent temperament, and has never, as far as can be ascertained, shown any ocular weakness before the occurrence, while in a paroxysm of anger, called on God to strike her blind. In about five minutes afterwards she found herself unable to see, and it was discovered that the organ of vision was totally destroyed. As soon as her father, who is a waggoner, heard of the occurrence, he took his daughter to his place of residence, where she is now, no doubt, under medical treatment.

Referring to the above, the "Ballarat Star" Melbourne correspondent writes as follows:—"With reference to the paragraph in last night's "Herald" headed 'Blasphemy punished,' I went to-day to the house wherein the woman resided at the time of the occurrence, and although those living there wish to conceal the facts, from enquiries made in the neighborhood I feel convinced of there being some truth in the statement. The woman was removed yesterday from the house by a person who claims her as his daughter, and with closely-bandaged eyes she was conveyed to the Spencer street railway station. The neighbors distinctly state that immediately she uttered the blasphemous expression her eyes at once assumed the appearance of balls of red fire, and she immediately exclaimed, 'I am blind,' and 'I cannot see.' One of the neighbors was some years a well-known resident in Ballarat, whose veracity is indisputable."

A TIGER AT LARGE IN SANDHURST.

The "Bendigo Evening News" of Friday, contains the following rather tall story:—"It may not be known to all our readers that a gentleman, formerly a resident of Punjaub, India, is now a citizen of ours. When coming to Australia he brought with him several native animals. Among them was a Bengal tiger whelp. This interesting quadruped arrived safely, and in due course found its home at Sandhurst. Its owner, a fatherly man, with many olive branches, allowed his children to play with it, so that familiarity with the animal led the children sometimes to leave the cage open. On Thursday afternoon, as the youthful tiger had finished his dinner, which consisted of raw beef given by Masters Johnny and Theodore, finding his cage door open, he came out for a sunning. Soon he jumped the garden fence; afterwards espying a goat, he cautiously followed, sprung at it, and quickly devoured the poor animal. The warm blood of the goat having given a fillip to his appetite, he started for other plunder of like sort. He went down View-street, and when at the reserve gate, beside the Survey office, saw a perambulator with a baby in it going through the wicket. He sprang at the child, but the nurse-girl instantly got the vehicle through the gate. The tiger, enraged at its quarry's escape, started growling most furiously. The strange sounds soon brought a lot of dogs about, which barked and yelped round the fierce brute. This evidently had the effect of putting the tiger off the scent of the baby, for he instantly attacked the curs, and before leaving, he doomed four of them; one of the dogs was a lady's lap-dog, a beautiful and costly Prince Charlie. By this time a crowd had gathered around, and one of the spectators fortunately had a revolver with him and with cool aim soon despatched the brute. The incident is extremely curious, and were it not so well authenticated by so many witnesses, would be past belief. We sincerely hope that gentlemen from India will, in future, leave their tigers behind them."

Importations of Liquid Rubbish are being made and false tonics are being brought out, with the view, in some instances, of supplanting, in others of imitating, a medical beverage which the inhabitants of Australia know to possess genuine invigorative, depurative and diuretic efficacy. The article is Udolpho Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps. Buy it and repudiate the shams.

It is reported that Midwinter is going to India to coach the Parsee cricketers.

The Emperor of Japan has adopted his boy cousin as heir to the throne of Japan.

Impoundings.

BEAUFORT—Impounded at Beaufort.—1 red heifer, white face and belly, indescribable brand near rump, top off near ear; 1 bay horse, ES near shoulder. If not claimed and expenses paid, to be sold on 18th January, 1879.

W. G. STEVENS, Poundkeeper.

For Sale,

A FIRST-CLASS WAGGONNETE Comp'ete, not to be surpassed for quality and appearance. W. LOFT, Railway Hotel, Beaufort.

£10 REWARD.

TEN POUNDS will be paid to any person giving such information as will lead to the conviction of the person who broke the necks of three of my Sheep at Trawalla on Monday night or Tuesday morning, the 9th and 10th instant.

JOHN WOTHERSPOON.

Beaufort, 19th December, 1878.

SHIRE of RIPON, Colony of Victoria.—Notice of Application for a Billiard Table License.—To the Bench of Magistrates at Beaufort.—I, GEORGE MANNERS, of Beaufort, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain, and will at the next Licensing Meeting, to be holden at Beaufort on the 30th day of December, 1878, apply for a certificate authorising the issue of a Billiard Table License for premises at Beaufort.

Dated the 16th day of December, A.D. 1878.

GEORGE MANNERS.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

NOTICE is hereby given that the shire Offices will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 28th instant, both days inclusive, and on the 1st day of January.

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held on the SECOND THURSDAY in January next.

By order

D. G. STEWART, Secretary.

Riponshire Offices,
Beaufort, 16th December, 1878.

A Promenade Quadrille

Will be held in the BEAUFORT SOCIETIES' HALL
On
NEW YEAR'S NIGHT,
In aid of the Funds of the West End Cricket Club.
Tickets, 2s. each, to admit Lady and Gentleman.

V. R.

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

Christmas and New Year Holidays.

On the 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 30th, and 31st December, and the 1st and 2nd January passengers will be booked to and from all stations at HOLIDAY EXCURSION FARES. Tickets will be available for return for thirty days, including day of issue, day of return, and Sundays.

Passengers will only be allowed to carry such luggage free as can be stowed under the seats without inconvenience to other passengers, and the Department will not be responsible for any loss, damage, or detention thereof in transit.

Excursionists will not be allowed to break their journey, and the first half of ticket must be used on day of issue.

For trains, fares, and further information see Time Tables and Posters.

From the 23rd December to 4th January the Department cannot engage to forward HORSES and VEHICLES by any particular train.

On the 25th and 26th December and 1st January the Goods Sheds at the various stations will be CLOSED, and goods trains will not run.

Arrangements will be made for the receipt and despatch of perishable goods.

JOHN WOODS,
Commissioner of Railways.

Education Act Amendment Act, 1878.
Private Schools.

PROPRIETORS and PRINCIPALS are reminded that by Section 10 of the Act above quoted they are required "to furnish to the Education Department each year, in the month of January, a return showing the name and surname, sex, age last birthday, residence, and number of school days attendance of each child who attended his (or her) School during the preceding year."

Forms for the purpose may be obtained from the Head Office upon personal or written application.

N.B.—Before transmitting the returns to the Department Proprietors and others should be careful to see that the forms are properly filled up, and SIGNED.

G. WILSON BROWN,
Secretary.

Ballarat District Benevolent Asylum and Lying-in Hospital.

THE Following CONTRIBUTIONS received from the Riponshire District during the months of October and November are hereby gratefully ACKNOWLEDGED with thanks:—

Collection by Mrs. H. Millar, Beaufort, per Mr. D. G. Stewart, £1 1s. 6d. Proceeds of concert, Carnghan, by Ethiopian Minstrels, per Mr G. Prentice, £6. Collection by Mrs. J. Linton, Mount Bute, £2 5s.; Mr. W. Lewis and Employees, Stoneleigh, £10; estate of the late A. Russell, per Mr. W. Lewis, £5; the Hon. P. Russell, Carnghan, £20.

PETER CAZALY,
Secretary and Collector.

Trustees Beaufort Racecourse.

IN Compliance with the request of the Stewards of the Beaufort Race Club I hereby convene a MEETING of the residents of this district, to be held at the Camp Hotel on TUESDAY, 24th December, 1878, for the purpose of selecting gentlemen to fill the vacancies now existing in the trustees for the Beaufort Racecourse.

JOEL TOMPKINS, Trustee.

Notice of Application for a Billiard Table License.

I, JEREMIAH SMITH, of Beaufort, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain, and will at the next Licensing Meeting, to be holden at Beaufort on the 30th day of December, 1878, apply for a certificate authorising the issue of a Billiard Table License for premises situate at the Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort.

Dated the 13th day of December, 1878.

JEREMIAH SMITH.

A BAZAAR
AND
SALE OF GIFTS

WILL be held on Boxing Day, in the Societies' Hall, in aid of the Building Fund of the Presbyterian Church.

Contributions will be received at the Manse, and by Mesdames Wotherspoon, Gunn, Jackson, Cathie, M'Leod, Smith, Whiteomb, Tempest, Ison, and Nicoll, of Beaufort; M'Kenzie, of Trawalla; and Drummond, of Middle Creek.

For particulars see posters.

W. R. NICOLL, Hon. Sec.

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Philadelphia Exhibition, 1876, first-class certificate and medal.
London International, gold medal.
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Melbourne Intercolonial, 1873, silver medal.
Also 32 first prizes, 16 second prizes, 2 third prizes, 5 honorable mentions, at Stawell, Ararat, Geelong, and other places.

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BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Beaufort and district, that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Saph, Neill street (next door to the Methodist Church), as Barber, Hairdresser, etc., and trusts, by strict attention to business, combined with moderate charges and skilful workmanship, to merit their patronage.

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Beaufort, November 29th, 1878.

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DRESS STUFFS, 6d. per yard; Linen Washing Ginghams, 4d.; Boys' Washing Tweeds, 8d., etc., etc.; Ladies' Silk Scarves, from 6d.; and some of the very choicest to be procured. The most beautiful FRENCH FLOWERS, REAL LACES, New Bonnet Fronts. All the novelties in Hats and Bonnets. The very Fashionable GOLD CORD, so much used for trimming. The new Millinery Materials in all shades. Lisse Lace, Tulle, and Tarlatan Frillings.

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Eversley, 31st August, 1878.

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THE CALIFORNIAN MAIL.

[AUSTRALIAN PRESS AGENCY.]

AUCKLAND, Tuesday.

The steamer Zealandia, with the European and American mails *via* San Francisco, arrived here this morning. She brings dates to the 25th November.

LONDON, Nov. 25.

Invading columns crossed the Afghan frontier on 1st instant, and found the fort of Kapli Ani abandoned; only three children in it. General Roberts' force immediately moved forward five miles further up the valley.

The force from Quettah has arrived at Kushlac, where the cold is intense. They have gone forward to Fort Mahommed, at Azin, twenty miles ahead. They were intercepted by the hill tribes and 500 Afghan soldiers, and deprived them of a quantity of arms and clothing.

LONDON, Nov. 24.

The Ameers' master of the horse has been captured. He was the chief instigator of hostilities.

The American fishery award of 550,000 dollars has been paid to Canada by America, under protest.

Nearly 60,000 men of the Ameer's forces are sick.

England has received official information of a moderate tone being assumed by Russia.

The Russian army has been largely increased since the late war.

The Duke of Edinburgh has been made a Rear-Admiral.

The Kent and Sussex Union has accepted an offer of the Canadian Government for the purchase of 500 acres for locked-out laborers.

The Blackburn operatives have held an indignation meeting respecting the paucity of out-door relief.

The Irish Home Rule party has arranged for a series of demonstrations in the large towns of England.

The ship Fifeshire, bound to Liverpool, has been lost, with all hands.

The Oldham cotton operatives are on strike. Twenty thousand men and 8,000,000 spindles are affected.

Earl Beaconsfield is attacked with gout.

Large numbers of failures of leading firms in Glasgow and London have occurred.

The revenue cutter Fanny has been sunk, and seventeen persons were drowned.

1200 persons are on strike at Preston. Great distress prevails.

The London correspondent of the "Tribune" says that all signs which usually precede a great crash are now observed all over England.

Norwich has been inundated by a freshet, and 4000 dwellings were swept away. Many deaths by drowning occurred.

The Farness Iron Company has closed operations, thus throwing 2000 men out of work.

The marriage of Margaret Rothschild to the Duke of Guise is denied.

Disaffection to a large extent exists in the Spanish army, and fears of an insurrection are entertained.

The Socialist organisations have been disbanded throughout Germany. Several of the Socialist newspapers are suppressed.

It is believed a plot exists to assassinate all the Sovereigns in Europe.

Russian troops are concentrated at Adrinople.

Russia proposes to raise the army in Turkey to 200,000 men.

At Bourgas 5000 Russian troops are landed weekly.

Mahometan refugees are not allowed to return to Roumelia, and many are being exiled from the Balkans by Russia.

Prominent Turks say that a second war is inevitable, owing to the attitude of Russia.

Russian papers are extremely hostile.

A SELL.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Ararat Advertiser" has the following:—And in regard to these same Kellys everything that the police have done is not allowed to come out. However, I have heard of a little adventure which I belive to be true, and which is too good to be left untold. In a certain town in the Benalla district there was congregated a large number of police under the charge of an officer—I wont indicate of what rank. To that officer came one of the inhabitants of the ranges near hand with information to the effect that the outlaws were on the ranges, and were camping in a splitter's hut. The officer "swallowed" the information and imparted it to his men, giving orders for a forced march with guides in the early morning. There was hurrying and scurrying, and the special reporters of the Melbourne papers sent down sensational telegrams to the effect that "the police had received important information, which, however, they would not impart, as they kept their movements secret, and were very mysterious, but there was no doubt that an encounter between the police and the bushrangers would take place next day." Before dawn the police marched away as silently as they could, taking a contrary direction to that intended on approved strategic principles and then doubling back upon the ranges. The lone hut was approached with great caution, and the hearts of the "bould soger boys" palpitated with fear or joy when smoke was seen issuing out of the dilapidated chimney. Everything was prepared for a rush, when it was noticed that the party within had noted the affray, and soon the barrels of rifles were seen. To look upon these bristling death-dealing tubes was indeed a frightful thing, and the worthy officer began to think of the charge at Balaclava, when, by the greatest good fortune, he caught a glimpse of a pale terror-stricken face at one of the paneless windows. He at once recognised a familiar face, that of another officer, and then it dawned upon him that he had been sold, and that the party inside were police. To say he felt relieved was, however, inadepuate—he was overjoyed. A parley ensued, the parties fraternised and took breakfast together. The only gentlemen who were not satisfied were the reporters, who were *not* able to telegram a sensational account of an encounter.

Governor Hennessy has received from Mr. Bolilios, a director of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, the sum of £1000 for the erection of a statue to the Earl of Beaconsfield at Hong Kong.

GENERAL NEWS.

We ("Argus") learn that the departure of Sir Geo. Bowen has been postponed for a month. The present Governor of Mauritus, Sir A. Phayre, is to leave in December, and consequently, Sir George Bowen had decided to leave Melbourne by the January mail; but the Secretary of State has just informed his Excellency by telegram that it is not desired that he should relinquish this Government before the departure of the February mail, and consequently his departure is delayed until that date. Lord Normanby has been instructed to arrive at Melbourne immediately after Sir George Bowen's departure, so there will be no interregnum in the Governorship.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Sores, wounds, and ulcers.—Every variety of sore, ulcer, eruption, boil, and carbuncle is safely stopped in its destructive course by the timely application of this healing Ointment. It arrests unhealthy and substitutes healthy action, thus caring the inflamed, irritable, and spreading diseases affecting the skin. Holloway's Ointment has gained an imperishable fame for its facility in healing old inflammatory sores about the shins and ankles, and for bad legs and old wounds it cannot be equalled. Nor is it less efficacious in gathered breasts and abscesses. When the complaint has been of long continuance, Holloway's Pill's will expedite recovery when taken in doses which act as alteratives on the stomach and tonics on the constitution.

An act of honesty on the part of two young lads has been reported to Inspector Montford, which is certainly deserving of notice. On Friday morning last Constable Moylan, who was on duty at the Parliament-houses, was handed two £1-notes by two little boys which they stated they had found rolled together in the water-channel in Victoria-parade. Constable Moylan, who reported the matter to his superior officer, forgot at the time to ascertain the names of the lads who had thus behaved so honestly, and as no person has come forward to claim the money the lads are justly entitled to it, and will receive the same on presenting themselves to Inspector Montford, at the Russell-street police barracks.

The prisoner Ruben Regent, who escaped from the Sandridge works on Saturday (an "Argus" correspondent writes), is one of the most depraved and dangerous criminals who has been in Pentridge since the early days of the department. He was first transported to Norfolk Island, and was subsequently a convict in Van Diemen's Land, where it is said he was connected with a gang of bushrangers. In the early days of the gold-fields he came to Victoria, and commenced a career of crime which made him the terror of society. After serving a number of years on the hulks and Pentridge, he was discharged from the old Collingwood Stockade in the year 1863, and shortly afterwards was arrested and sentenced to 15 years imprisonment, with hard labor. Some years ago he was detected committing a horrible crime at Pentridge, and was sentenced to two years' additional imprisonment, and to receive 50 lashes.

A curious incident occurred at Albury a few days since (says the "Banner.") Upon the arrival of the Sydney mail on the 11th inst. a coach drew up to the Rose Inn, and the driver inquired of Mr. Powell, the landlord of the house, whether a man of the name of Glynn was staying there. Mr Powell replied that no one of that name was known to him. "Oh," said the driver, "he must be here, as he came in by the coach, and was to stay with you. At any rate I have a parcel for him from Tarcutta." Mr. Powell still maintained that he knew of no Mr. Glynn, but intimated his willingness to take charge of the parcel. The driver then dived down into the recesses of "the boot," and thence, from among the litter of mailbags, spare swingle-trees, odds-and-ends of ropes, etc., drew forth a poor forlorn little girl about four years old, and looking about as woebegone as might have been expected after undergoing a ride from Tarcutta under such circumstances. A little inquiry elicited the fact that the mother of the child had bolted, that the father had done likewise, and that the unfortunate little creature had been packed off on a kind of wild-goose chase after one of its unnatural parents. This, at any rate, was all that the driver knew of the affair, except that he had received the child in the ordinary way of business, and that it was booked from "The people of Tarcutta." Upon making inquiry, Mr. Powell found that the police could not interfere unless the child were turned into the street. This he declined to do, remarking that he had five children already, and "one more would not make much difference."

The military balloon experiments conducted by the officers of the Royal Engineer department at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, were brought to the close of their first stage on October 11th. The problem set several years ago was to find a balloon which could be thoroughly independent of gasworks, and capable of raising a man with a certain quantity of ballast to a height of 200ft. In the experiments the substitution of hydrogen gas for the ordinary products of the gasworks has enabled a comparitively small balloon to ascend with one passenger in the car; and, leaving the question of making the gas in the field for further investigation, the officials have devoted the last few days to testing the power of the envelope to retain the gas for a considerable time Accordingly, the balloon was filled with about 10,000ft. of hydrogen gas, produced in a open-air furnace, at the rate of 1,500ft. per hour, and of a lifting power of 70lb. per 1,000ft. For three days of very severe weather, the balloon thus filled. was exposed on the east wharf of the Royal Arsenal, under heavy pressure from the winds and the weights by which it was held to the earth; but no diminution of gas had been perceptible, and it is therefore regarded as admirably adapted for its purpose.

The following paragraph appears in an American engineering paper:—"An exchange says that the chief engineer of the Chicago and North-Western, to test the smoothness of the track, placed a full glass of water on the seat of a Pulman palace car the other day, and carried it right through from Chicago to Omaha without losing a drop. Thinking that specific gravity might have something to do with it, next trip he tried a glass of whiskey, and when he examined the glass at the first station out he found it as dry as the Desert of Sahara at high noon."

Great interest is manifested in Adelaide in [illegible]

GARDENING FOR DECEMBER.

THE month of November has been peculiarly favorable to vegetation, and all classes having to do with the culture of the soil have been kept busy. If the proper attention has been paid to hoeing and weeding among advancing crops, the rains will have been particularly useful. If such work is still in arrear, let not a moment be lost in getting it completed, for the weeds will soon spoil the crops by robbing them of nutriment. After rains, finish mulching trees of the season's planting. This may be done with stable litter, or with newly-mown grass laid on the wet soil round the stem to a distance of three or four feet. To keep it from being blown about, a few spadefuls of earth may be spread on the grass or litter. Such plants as the orange, camellia, azalea, rhododendron, should not only be mulched, but should have a few branches secured round them, to check the severity of the scorching hot winds. If for the first year or two a little care is taken of these valuable plants, they speedily get established, and need but little further care; and they richly repay in bloom for the trouble taken with them as tender plants.

For border decoration, plants may be taken from the pots of show pelargoniums, verbenas, and fuchsias; and the patches of annuals may be divided and planted out. Damp weather should be selected for transplanting, unless water and means of shading be at hand. Sweet peas, nasturtiums, and all climbing plants should be staked and trained before they have grown too much. Picotees and carnations should be neatly pegged, and rambling growths of plants kept under control with a light hoop and pegs. Roses may be budded, and now will be felt the value of our suggestion in the season for putting out cuttings of the common rose.

Hot winds frequently affect growing crops prejudicially this month. Care should be taken that the vines of melons, marrows, cucumbers, etc., are not injured by being blown about. Peg down at intervals. Attend to vines, and re-tie where necessary, great injury generally resulting from neglect in keeping the young, tender shoots tied to the stakes. Should any stakes appear loose, have them driven firmly in without delay, or the loss of the vine may be occasioned by the wind blowing both down together. Writers on vines sometimes advise the removal of foliage from around the the young fruit; but such a practice, unless for very special requirements, is to be condemned, as it too frequently happens that the hot winds scorch the unripe fruit, and spoil the crop, even when no foliage has been removed. Stopping back the shoots is also not advisable; but young lateral or side growth may be rubbed off with advantage. The growing crops of vegetables, however light, among the vines is a very bad plan, and one not defensible on the score of economy.

A few light sowings under shade may be made of peas, kidney beans, celery, cabbage, cucumbers, marrows, and melons.

Keep clean and see that advancing crops do not suffer from drought. Where watering is restored to, be careful that it is thoroughly done. A little care paid to melons, cucumbers, and, indeed, all the members of Cucurbita family, will be well repaid in the fruiting season. Trim up hedges of Cape broom after flowering. Keep a constant look out for blight on apple-trees, and syringe where red spider is found.—"Australian Journal."

OXYGEN IS LIFE.—Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne.—Multitudes of people are hopelessly suffering from Debility, Nervous and Liver Complaints, Depression of Spirits, Hypochondria, Timidity, Indigestion Failure of Hearing, Sight, and Memory, Lassitude, Want of Power, &c., whose cases admit of a permanent cure by the new remedy Phospodyne (Ozonic Oxygen), which at once allays all irritation and excitement, imparts new energy and life to the enfeebled constitution, and rapidly cures every stage of these hitherto incurable and distressing maladies. Sold by all chemists and druggists throughout the globe. ☞ CAUTION.—Phosphorus is sometimes sold in the form of Pills and Lozenges; it should be generally known that every form where solid particles of Phosphorous are in combination is dangerous. It is therefore necessary that the public should be cautioned against the use of any form of Phosphorus not perfectly soluble in water.

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Victorian Railways.

TIME TABLE.

FROM MELBOURNE TO STAWELL

LEAVE—Melbourne 6.30 a.m, 11.10 a.m, 4.10 p.m. 7 p.m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.17 a.m 12.57 a.m 6.15 p.m 8.30 p.m
LEAVE—Geelong 8.27 a.m, 1.12 a.m, 6.35 p.m, 8.45 p.m
ARRIVE at Ballarat 10.30 am 3.20 a.m 9.15 p.m 10 20 p.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 4 40 a.m 10.45 a.m 3.50 p.m 10.35 p.m
Burrumbeet 5.20 a.m 11.19 a.m, 4.30 p.m
Beaufort 6.10 a.m 12.3 a.m 5.20 p.m 11.43 p.m
Buangor, 7 a.m, 12.44 a.m, 6.11 pm
ARRIVE at Ararat 7.45 am 1.25 pm, 6 56 p.m, 12.51 a.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 8 a.m, 1.40 a.m, 7.6 a.m, 1.1 a.m
ARRIVE At Stawell 9 a.m, 2.35 p.m, 8.6 a.m, 1.46 a.m

FROM STAWELL TO MELBOURNE

LEAVE—Stawell 6 45 a.m, 10.35 a.m, 3 p.m, 8.50 p.m
ARRIVE At Ararat 7 39 a.m 11.35 a.m 3.54 p.m 9.50 p.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 7.49 a.m, 11.55 a.m. 4.4 p.m, 10 p.m
Buangor 8.30 am 12.40 a.m 4.45 pm 10.48 pm
Beaufort 9.41 a.m 1.29 p.m 5.26 p m 11 35 p.m
Burrumbeet 9.52 a.m 2.16 p.m, 6.7 p.m, 12.33 a.m.
ARRIVE At Ballarat 10.30 pm 2.58 a,m 6.45 pm 1.18 a.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 6.30 a.m, 11.30 a.m, 3.25 p.m. 7.10 p m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.30 a.m 1.39 p.m 6.5 p.m 9.13 p.m.
LEAVE—Geelong, 6.50 a.m, 8.45 a.m, 1.54 am, 6.30 a.m 9.28 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 9 a.m, 10.30 a m, 3.41 am, 8.35 a.m. 11.15 p.m.

FROM ARARAT to HAMILTON and PORTLAND

ARRIVE At Ararat, 1.25 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 1.55 p.m.
Wickliffe Road, 3.56 p m.
Glen Thompson, 3.30 p.m.
LEAVE Glen Thompson, 3.35 p.m.
ARRIVE At Dunkeld. 3.45 p.m.
Hamilton, 4.55 p.m
LEAVE Hamilton. 5.10 p.m.
ARRIVE At Portland, 7.25 p.m.

FROM PORTLAND and HAMILTON to ARARAT and MELBOURNE.

LEAVE Portland, 7.15 a.m.
ARRIVE at Hamilton, 10.12 a.m.
LEAVE Hamilton, 10.27 a.m.
ARRIVE At Ararat, 1.30 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 4.4 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 11.15 p.m.

FARES.

Beaufort to	First-class	Second-class
Trawalla	1s 0d	0s 9d
Burrumbeet	2s 6d	1s 9d
Windermere	3s 0d	2s 0s
Ballarat	5s 0d	3s 0d
Geelong	14s 0d	9s 0d
Melbourne	21s 0d	13s 6d
Beaufort to	First-class	Second-class.
Buangor	2s 6d	2s 0d
Ararat	5s 0d	3s 6d
Armstrongs	6s 0d	4s 0d
Great Western	6s 6d	4s 6d
Stawell	8s 0d	5s 6d

Beaufort Post Office.

TIME TABLE, 1878.

Post Town	Mails arrive at Beaufort	Mails close at Beaufort
Melbourne...	6 a.m 12.10 p.m 10 p.m	8.45 a m 5 p.m.
Geelong	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat	Ditto	Ditto
Trawalla	4.15 p.m	8 a.m
Raglan	Ditto	Ditto
Charlton	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead	4.15 p.m	Ditto
Sailor's Gully	Ditto	Ditto
Stockyard Hill	9.31 a.m 5.20 p.m	11.45 a.m 9.20 p.m
Ararat...	Ditto	Ditto
Buangor	4 30 p.m	1 p.m
Eurambeen	Ditto	Dittto
Shirley		

The mails for Ararat, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Buangor, and Trawalla are despatched twice daily.

Mails for Shirley, and Eurambeen are despatched three times a week—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

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Hypochondria	Eruptions of the Skin
Female Complaints	Impaired Sight and Memory
General Debility	Nervous Fancies
Indigestion	Impoverished Blood
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Sick Headache	
Lassitude	

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During the season.

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TUESDAY and THURSDAY
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Trusting to a continuance of support,
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COMMERCIAL.

BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

There was an exceptionally small supply of produce brought into the market on Tuesday. Quotations :—Oats, 5s to 5s 3d; wheat, 4s 6d to 4s 8d; flour, L10 7s 6d to L10 10s; Cape barley, 5s 3d; English do, 6s to 7s; peas, 5s 6d; manger hay, L4 to L4 5s; new hay, L1 15s to L2 10s; sheaves, L2 to L2 5s; straw, L1 15s to L2; potatoes, L3 10s to L4; bone-dust, L6 15s; rye-grass, 5s to 7s; bran, 1s; pollard, 1s 4d; maize, 5s 4d.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

The wholesale market during the past week has been very inactive, doubtless owing to the fact that farmers have been too busily engaged at harvest work to bring stuff forward. Retail business has however been brisk, the Christmas season tending to give trade a start. Scarcely any wheat has been offered during the past week, but the arrivals from the Wimmera district to Stawell had a depressing effect on local prices. Wheat from Murtoa can be landed at Stawell from 4s 2d to 4s 3d per bushel, and there is every probability that the Wimmera rates will rule the market here. The price given for oats is merely nominal, as only small lots of old are changing hands at present. As we anticipated, potatoes have hardened a little, but this is no doubt merely temporary, as at present teams cannot be spared to bring them to market. In dairy produce fresh butter is not quite so plentiful, although good potted comes forward freely, whilst really good cheese is hard to procure. The following are our quotations :—Wheat, 4s 4d to 4s 5d; oats, 4s 9d; pollard, 1s 6d; bran, 1s; barley, 5s; maize (whole), 6s 9d, crushed do., 7s; flour, L10 5s; potatoes, Warrnambool, L8; Ballarat, L4; fresh butter, 8d to 9d; potted butter, 6d to 7d; hams, 11d; bacon, 8d to 9d; cheese, 7d; eggs, 10d to 1s; hay, sheaves, L3; ditto, trussed, L3 10s; straw, oaten, L2; ditto, wheaten, 35s; chaff, 4s; onions, 22s; peas, 5s 6d; carrots, none.—"Advertiser."

A RATHER TALL YARN.

The Deniliquin correspondent of the "Riverine Herald" tells the following story:—"The subjoined information was given to me by a gentleman of undoubted veracity at Deniliquin. A resident here has an artificial trout pond with, at least, 3000 fish, each weighing from ½lb. to 3lb., more or less. He also has a little girl, five years old, who has succeeded in training the fish so that she can go to the edge of the pond, and with a handful of crumbs, feed the fish from her chubby hands. They also learned to jump out of the water, and snatch worms from her fingers, and they are extremely fond of their mistress. One day last week she lost her balance and pitched headlong into the water where it was deep. She says that when she went 'away down' she called lustily for help. Her cries quickly attracted her parents, and they were horrified at seeing the little darling floating upon the surface of the pond. The father rushed to the water and reached out for his pet, and as he raised her from off the water a perfectly solid mass of trout were found beneath her. These faithful subjects of the little queen, as she fell, quickly gathered beneath her, and thus showed their love for their mistress by bearing up her body until aid arrived, thus preventing her from finding a watery grave. I think snake stories may now cease, or only play second fiddle."

The schooner Willem Barents has returned from her Arctic expedition. Gravestones were placed on the spots where celebrated Dutch explorers are believed to have perished, and scientific experiments have been made.

The Ashburton (N.Z.) butchers have formed themselves into a novel combination, to call for no orders, and to supply meat only at their shops, and for cash alone.

I heard a capital story the other day of a Cockney betting man, passing his holidays at Dover, who was not aware of or had forgotten the existence of the twin ship, the Calais-Douvre, now running between Calais and Dover. Standing on the pier with his glass he watched with much interest the vessel on her return from the French port. On she came with her two prows and four funnels, sending out a volume of smoke, The Cockney watched the progress with great excitement and delight, and as the vessel moved up to her berth and slacked steam he shouted out, "Good race; good race; dead heat, by Jove!"

Around Wedderburn and East Charlton the wheat crops (says the agricultural reporter of the "Leader,") although not yielding up to expectation, owing to rust, are better than last season. Stripping and threshing which are in progress, shows returns of from 8 to 24 bushels per acre; a few late crops will yield under 8 bushels, but many of the early ones will run from 14 to 18 bushels, so that a general average of 12 bushels per acre for Wedderburn, and 15 for East Charlton, may be expected. In the far north, about Corack and Towanninie, the yield will be good where the rabbits have been kept off, but many fields have been destroyed by these pests; a general average for the Avoca river district, however, of 14 bushels is likely to be obtained, and the area under crop about one-fourth more than last year.

A most providential escape from instantaneous death was experienced by the mate of the Undaunted, Wm. Stone, at the Echuca wharf on Friday afternoon. The "Riverine Herald" relates that "he had been stooping down superintending stevedoring operations in the barge of that vessel, and was just raising himself to a standing attitude, when a bundle of goods, or 'sling' as it is termed by those engaged in the business was being conveyed by one of the steam cranes into the barge. The 'sling' struck Stone on the back and sent him headlong into the Murray, the distance of the fall being fully 30ft. The wharf was crowded at the time, and everyone anticipated that he would be dashed to pieces against the barge below. However, the barge just happened to swing out from the wharf, leaving a sufficiently wide aperture for the passage of Stone, who escaped the barge's deck by not more than a foot of space. He went to the bottom of the river, and on again reaching the surface was pulled on board the barge by one of the crew of a vessel handy."

Pleasant Information—It is pleasant for us to be able to communicate to persons suffering from weakness, dyspepsia, nervousness, want of sleep, urinary difficulties, to the aged decrepid, and those who have impaired their physical, or intellectual powers by overwork, the fact that there is a safe, certain and agreeable remedy for there various ills which the most experienced physicians concur in recommending. The article is Udolpho Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps.

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Adams, John jun.
Bertram, P.
Corkhill, T.; Chellew, E. Miss; Carf, E.; Cumming, A.
Lynch, P.
M'Intosh, M. Miss; Mathison, James; Murray, W.; Miller, H. Mrs.; M'Lea, D.; M'Leish, A.
Newlin, Paul.
Stewart, Mr.
Topper, Mr.

THOMAS LEWIS, Postmaster.

Beaufort, December 27th, 1878.

Marriage.

CRANAGE—FITZPATRICK.—On 11th December, at the residence of the bride's parents, Nerring, by the Rev. Father Hogan, Edward, second son of W. H. Cranage, of Edenhope, to Johanna, eldest daughter of Martin Fitzpatrick, of Nerring. Sydney papers please copy.

Bank of Victoria.

THIS Bank will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, 1st January, for the Half-yearly Balance.

W. A. JENNINGS, Manager.

Beaufort, 27th December, 1878.

THE

Riponshire Advocate.

Published every Saturday Morning.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1878.

THE year 1878 is fast expiring, and before it and its doings fade from our vision let us cast a retrospective glance at the past. From a political point of view it has been a year of much wrangling, many words, and little good deeds. The stumbling block of the session has been constitutional reform, or as Mr. Berry calls it, the question of finality of legislation. To the consideration of this question the good Government of the colony has had to bow its head. The question is now being carried home to be settled, and we will see whether Mr. Berry does not get deeper into the mud than he has been in the mire. As the year in which those black deeds were perpetrated, when many before happy homes were broken up, and the despotic hand of party spleen held sway, when the working man had to go his way, while a select few affluent nobodies were yet fattened on the State, 1878 should never be forgotten. The doings of Black Wednesday will be handed down from generation to generation, and let us hope that in this the land of our adoption we never shall have to writhe under such a despotic yoke again. The iron horse is fast walking through the land. The St. Arnaud, Sale, and Horsham lines have been opened during the past year, and the Gordons, Oakleigh, and several others will soon follow. In a few years we will be able to go to any part of Victoria in 24 hours, while it does not seem so long ago since to go from Beaufort to Melbourne was a week's journey. Australia has also achieved a triumph over the old country at cricket, their "pet" game, and now throughout Australia every little boy plays cricket, and how can it be wondered at if Australia produces the best cricketers in the world when there are such facilities offered for practising the game, and it is entered into with such spirit by both old and young. In this year the colony has been the scene of perhaps the most bloodthirsty and despicable crime ever perpetrated. We refer to the brutal murder by the Kelly gang of outlaws. The country is turned upside down by those ruffians and their friends. Terror reigns in the district in which they have made their appearance, and people are afraid to call their souls their own. The Government have offered large rewards for their capture, all the available police are in pursuit, and all to no avail. The culprits still enjoy their liberty, but their time will come sooner or later, and let us hope it will come very soon.

Now let us turn to our own sphere of labor, and see how time has dealt with us. We think we may say we are still in the same old place. We cannot say that we have prospered to any extent, nor have we retrograded. It is a long lane that has no turning, and as Beaufort has been, as it were, standing still for some time, we may hope for a forward move at no far distant time. Mining is on the move. The New Victoria Company at Waterloo have been and are getting some very fair yields. The Hobart Pasha Company will soon be under way, and the Richmond reef is to be given another trial. The Telegraph Company are now in working order, and we may soon expect to hear of them getting some gold. So that we imagine we may reasonably predict that affairs in general will assume a more lively aspect in a month or two on Beaufort. The stern hand of death has dealt lightly with our community, the principal departures from amongst us being three of our old diggers, men who have worked together for years on Beaufort, viz., Messrs. John Hosking, Joseph Armstrong, and William Grant. The former died suddenly, and was a man admired and respected by all classes and grades, for his always consistent and manly conduct as a townsman, and as a Christian man, and his death is deeply regretted by all who knew him. Joseph Armstrong died after a lingering illness, and Wiliam Grant was accidentally killed at the New Victoria Company's mine, Waterloo, by a fall of earth. Beyond the above and the death of our respectable townsman, Mr. Thomas Wilson, butcher, our social circle has been undisturbed, and we sincerely hope we may yet hold together to witness the death of many years. For ourselves we cannot grumble, and we will now conclude wishing our readers health, wealth, and prosperity, and A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

An accident happened at Lake Goldsmith on Chrismas Day which resulted in the death of a valuable horse. It appears that Mr. R. Buchanan went out from Beaufort on the morning named, driving a mare, the property of Mr. G. Exell, of Stockyard Hill, in Mr. J. Pruce's mail van, and a heavy hailstorm coming on, he took shelter in Mr. Hugh Cushing's homestead, leaving the horse and trap on the road. The horse, apparently frightened by the noise of the hailstones, bolted off, and had not gone far before coming in contact with a fence, overturned the vehicle, and somewhat damaged it. The horse was soon got on its legs again, but no sooner had it been got up, than it fell down dead. It is thought that it ran against the fence with its chest, which caused some internal injury, and hence its death.

A serious gun accident happened on Christmas Day, at Nerring, near Beaufort. Two lads named Thomson, and M'Cracken had borrowed a gun from a Chinaman for the purpose of bird shooting. It seems that M'Cracken had the gun in his hand, while Thomson was standing about 12 yards away from him, when by some means it went off, the charge consisting of No. 2 shot, entering the fleshy part of Thomson's left arm, above the elbow. He was at once brought in to Beaufort to Dr. Johnston, who on examination of the wound, found that no bones were broken, and the patient is now on a fair way to recovery.

The attention of tenderers for work in the shire is directed to an important announcement which appears in our advertising columns.

There is nothing new to hand concerning the Kelly gang, and they seem as far from being captured as ever. Miss Kelly is being closely watched, as she is supposed, from her mysterious movements, to be in personal communication with her brothers.

As will be seen by the communication which we publish elsewhere from our Charlton correspondent, the financial affairs of the Charlton State School have been so well managed at the late school picnic as to leave the handsome sum of £7 in hand to be expended in prize books for the pupils, which gives the average of 3s. 6d. to each scholar attending the school, and some handsome prizes may therefore be expected. We wish to commend the committee on their management, and while doing so would compare such a favorable state of affairs with that of a neighboring school, situated at Livingstone, between Charlton and Lexton. This being a new school, donations had even been more liberally made, we are informed, but on the breaking up of the Livingstone school the pupils' parents and innumerable friends were invited, dancing was carried on, refreshments indulged in, and a general carouse took place, and the money which should have been expended in purchasing prizes for the pupils as a reward for their study and attendance and as an inducement for still greater exertions, was frittered away. The reflections of those who took part cannot be of the brightest when they see the way in which the Charlton people utilise the money at their disposal.

Chrismas Day was characterised by heavy showers of rain, interspersed with hail, and hence all idea of picnicing was given up, and those who did not go for a trip by the train had to content themselves with indoor amusement, with an occasional stroll between the showers. On Boxing Day, however, the weather was all that could be desired, and all hands turned out to enjoy themselves, the bazaar being the principal attraction, although the cricket match—Beaufort v. Ararat—drew a good crowd, many also paying Ballarat a visit.

The Ballarat Christmas Handicap was won by W. B. Freeman, W. Carter second, O'Brien third, and Ricketts fourth.

The "Federal Standard" states that it will probably be necessary to appeal to Melbourne liberality to assist the numerous losers by the destructive hurricane which devastated Chiltern on Friday last.

The following is a conundrum which is propounded at the Opera-house pantomine in Melbourne, and which is worthy of notice:—"Why are the members of the embassy like the Kelly gang? Because there is a black tracker on their trail."

Tuesday's "Ararat Advertiser" says:—"It is anticipated that a large quantity of wheat from the Wimmera district will be forwarded this season by the Railway Department in consequence of the opening of the new line of railway as far as Murtoa. It was stated to Mr. John Woods by a member of a deputation at the opening of the line, that if accommodation was provided that 300,000 tons, or over one million bushels of wheat, would be despatched to market. The commissioner assured them that with the quantity to convey, nothing would be neglected by the department, and accommodation would be promptly provided. The first truck of wheat from that station was forwarded to Beaufort on Thursday last by Mr. Thomas. It is stated that the wheat is of good quality, and will average about fifteen bushels to the acre, the present price being from 3s. 4d. to 3s. 8d. per bushel. On Tuesday 3000 bushels of new wheat were despatched from Murtoa."

Ministers are working the free-pass dodge very freely. The Sandhurst correspondent of the "Argus" says:—"A telegram from 'the Major' was received by Hallas' City Band last week intimating that free passes would be furnished to the members if they would proceed to Melbourne and assist in 'playing off' the ambassadors on the never-to-be forgotten day when they will take their departure from the colony. The passes, it was stated, would be made available for three or four days, and if the members of the band desired to prolong the trip, this might easily be arranged. Of course the prospect of a cheap trip to Melbourne at a season when the metropolis offers so many attractions as it does at present has quite overcome the band, and I understand that the members, without making any inconvenient enquiries as to whether they will be required to play the 'Rogue's March' or a hymn of praise, have determined thankfully to accept the offer."

A collision occurred in the yard of the Spencer-street station on Tuesday afternoon of a character which indicates want of management, if not carelessness. The train from Essendon which left the Spencer-street station at 5.35 p.m., was proceeding across the network of rails just outside the station, when an empty train was sent out from the opposite platform. The trains ran almost parallel for some distance, and then at the intersection of the rails the engines came into collision. Though the trains were not travelling at a great pace the shock was a sharp one, and several of the passengers were a good deal shaken, and still more alarmed. One passenger, Mr. Whales, of Kensington, was so much shaken that he was sent back to his home by the department, as he preferred that course to being taken to a medical man in town. Another passenger, whose name was not known, sustained a graze on the leg below the knee from a splinter off the carriages. None of the other passengers were hurt, though several had their clothes torn. Owing to the delay occasioned by this accident the trains entering the station were considerably delayed up till 8 o'clock. The officials at the Spencer-street station are extremly reticient on the matter, but from what we can learn one of the engines and two of the carriages were thrown off the rails. The traffic on the Essendon line was a good deal hampered by the trains having to enter and leave the station by the one line for the rest of the evening. The engines are reported not to have sustained any serious damge, but the carriages next to the engine on each train are much damaged.—"Argus."

The embassy burlesque took a new turn on Tuesday (says the "Argus.") In the morning Henderson, accompanied by his private secretary, presented himself at the offices of the P. and O. Company to engage a passage by the Assam, and met with a refusal. Mr. F. R. Kendall was interviewed subsequently, but he would not commit himself to any reply as to whether pressure had been brought to bear upon him by the Government to keep Henderson off the Assam. The ire of Henderson knew no bounds, and the private secretary received orders on the spot to arrange for an indignation meeting to be held on Friday evening to protest against the alleged interference with the liberty of the subject. Henderson visited Government-house in the morning, but His Excellency was "engaged," and requested the delegate to communicate his business in writing. Henderson's private secretary is now occupied in drafting a protest, which His Excellency is to be requested to forward to the Secretary of State, calling attention to the circumstances under which Henderson is denied egress from the colony.

A very sad story comes from Wilcannia (reports the "Riverine Herald.") It appears that an unfortunate widow named Winter left Mount Mania station with her two sons, aged respectively nine and seven year's intending to walk into the town. When a distance of sixteen miles had been journeyed, the woman was informed she was travelling in a wrong direction, and attempted to retrace her steps. After going four miles back, they were so fatigued, that they camped alongside the road, and the next day her two sons died for want of water. Leaving her dead children, the mother managed to traverse the short distance of a mile, when her strength gave out, and she too lay down in anticipation of death. Fortunately at this time a horseman came by and gave her some water, which eventually brought her round. He then took her back to Mount Mania station. Next day Mr. Hay went out and buried the children. It came out in the evidence that on the first day a man whom they met promised to bring them water, but he went away and did not return.

A great many persons (says the "Cornwall Chronicle," Launceston) assembled round the window of Mr. Henry Weymouth's tobacco establishment on Saturday evening to inspect one of the most peculiar figures worked by machinery that has been seen for some time. It is supposed to represent a blue jacket of Her Majesty's navy, and while smoking a genuine Havanna plays one or two patriotic tunes, which come very mysteriously from some unseen part of his body. One of the most curious things about the figure is that as long as the music continues the eyelids move very naturally, as evidently enjoying his cigar, from which big puffs of smoke are issuing. The figure is of French invention, and well worthy of a visit from those who take an interest in novelties.

The agricultural reporter of the "Leader" writes:—"In the districts immediately around Donald, including Mount Jeffcot, Laen, Watchman and Cope Cope, the wheat crops will yield about fourteen bushels on the average; but in the extensive districts on the plains for many miles around St. Arnaud great disappointment is experienced at the results which have so far been obtained from stripping and threshing. While there are a few good yields in these extensive districts, including Avon Plains, Swanwater, Conoor and Gooroc, the majority of the crops are light. Many fields are being stripped for three and four bushels per acre, and others are yielding from eight to ten, which were expected to return from twelve to sixteen bushels. The area under crop is about one fourth more than last season, but the average is not so high, eight or nine bushels per acre being all that can now be reckoned upon. The sample, however, will be good."

The following is from the "Argus":—An inquest was held by Mr. Candler on Monday, concerning the death of James Cain, an infant, aged seven months, who met his death by suffocation in a peculiar manner on Saturday last. Esther Cain, the mother of the child, deposed that the deceased had been very restless on Saturday morning, and about 10 a.m. she laid him in bed asleep, and placed a newspaper over his face in order to keep the flies away. In about an hour and a half afterwards she went to the bed and found the child lifeless. There were no bedclothes over him, and the newspaper covered him loosely. Dr. Shields, who made the *post mortem* examination of the body, found that the cause of death was asphyxia from suffocation. A sheet of paper so placed over the face of the deceased would cause slow asphyxiation on a very hot day, and in his opinion the child had been suffocated by the newspaper as been described by his mother. A verdict was returned by the jury that the deceased died from suffocation caused by a newspaper having been placed over his face for the purpose of keeping the flies off him.

CHARLTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The breaking up of the Charlton State School for the Christmas holidays took place on Friday, the 20th inst. During the afternoon the children enjoyed themselves most heartily, and it may be said the parents and friends did so likewise. A cricket match between the Charlton and Waterloo boys was played, which was won by the former, the scores being 56 and 27 respectively. If I might say a word to the youngsters, I would say to the Charlton boys, "Wear your laurels modestly; don't crow;" and to the Waterloo boys I would say, "Take your beating without murmuring, determining to do better next time;" and to all of them I would recommend the old copy book teaching, "Steady application conquers." It conquers not only at cricket, but everything else. After the amusements tea, cake, and other good things were done ample justice to. The cost was defrayed by subscriptions, after paying which a surplus of over £3 will be left. This, added to the handsome donations of £3 from the Hon. R. Simson, and £1 from Mr. T. Downie, of Newcastle, N.S.W., will be spent on prize books, to be given to the pupils on their reassembling after Christmas. For the credit of the Charlton school district it may be said that there is not a non-attending child of school age. The progress made by the pupils under the able tuition of Mr. and Mrs. Stephens is now so well known that it does not require a word of comment.

CRICKET.

BEAUFORT V. BUANGOR.

A match was played at Buangor on Saturday last between the above clubs, when the former secured a very easy victory, E. Trompf (38), H. Tromp (19), J Day (24), and C. Graves (16), for Beaufort, and C. Campbell (16), and A. Campbell (18), for Buangor, being the only ones that reached double figures. The following are the scores:—Beaufort—First innings, 125. Buangor—First innings, 27; second innings, 42; total, 69.

BEAUFORT V. SEBASTOPOL.

A return match was played at Sebastopol on Christmas Day between the above clubs, and resulted in another victory to the former with 20 runs to spare, the game being decided by the first innings. The brothers Trompf did yeoman service for Beaufort, and H. M'Knight was the only one of Sebastopol who reached double figures. After the match the players sat down to an excellent dinner provided by Mr. Bateman. The following are the scores:—

BEAUFORT—First Innings.

E. Trompf, c Borlase, b Martin ...	18
H. Trompf, run out	18
H. Nettle, b Martin	1
F. Trompf, c M'Knight, b Bowerman	19
J. Day, run out	6
J. Richardson, st Lawson... ...	4
R. Grenfell, not out	7
J. M'Keich, b Martin	0
C. Graves, b Martin	4
C. Tompkins, st Lawson	5
T. Peddar, b M'Knight	1
Byes	8
Total	91

SEBASTOPOL—First Innings.

Borlase, c M'Keich, b F. Trompf	3
Williams, run out	1
M'Knight, b Richardson	37
Geddies, c Richardson, b F. Trompf	1
Bowerman, c Richardson, b F. Trompf	4
David, b Grenfell	2
Palethorpe, l b w, b Richardson ..	5
Birch, c Nettle, b Richardson ...	6
Lawson, b F Trompf	8
Martin, b F. Trompf	2
Cartledge, not out...	1
Byes	1
Total	71

The Beaufortites scored 29 in their second innings, and eight of the Sebastopol were out for 46, when time was called, and the match was decided by the first innings.

BEAUFORT V. ARARAT.

The old cricket ground presented quite a lively appearance on Boxing Day on the occasion of the above match. The play was witnessed by a large number of people, and a good deal of intesest was taken in the game by the onlookers. R. Cadden and W. Nesbitt did good service for Ararat, and H. Nettle (Beaufort) played an excellent innings for 34. The following are the scores of the first innings, by which the match was decided:—

BEAUFORT—First Innings.

F. Trompf, run out...	4
J. Jackson, run out...	4
H. Nettle, b Nesbitt	34
J. M'Leod, c Chisolm, b W. Chisolm	0
H. Trompf, b Gamson	1
Jas. M'Leod, b Nesbitt	7
E. Trompf, b Gamson	6
J Richardson, b Nesbitt	0
R. Grenfell, c T. Chisolm, b Gamson	1
C. Graves, c Stokes, b Gamson ...	5
J. M'Keich, not out	0
Byes	8
Total	70

ARARAT—First Innings.

Gamson, b F. Trompf	1
R. Cadden, c Jas. M'Leod, b F. Trompf	10
A. Fenton, l b w, b Jas. M'Leod...	7
A. Stokes, b F. Trompf	2
T. Chisolm, l b w, b H. Trompf ...	8
T. Grano, b H. Trompf	6
F. Batty, c Nettle, b H. Trompf...	0
W. Nesbitt, c E. Trompf, b Richardson	13
— Flynn, b H. Trompf	1
W. Chisolm, not out	0
F. Grano, c H. Trompf, b Richardson	0
Total	48

In their second innings the Beaufort players scored, 72 and the Ararat had scored 14 with the loss of three wickets when the stumps were drawn.

A match was played at Waterloo on Christmas Day between eleven juveniles of Beaufort and eleven of Waterloo, which resulted in a decided win for the former, the scores being:—Beaufort—First innings, 70. Waterloo—First innings, 11; second innings, 23; total, 34.

The return match between Waterloo and Beaufort will be played this (Saturday) afternoon. The following will represent Beaufort:—Trompf (4), Grenfell, Graves, Peddar, Tompkins, Barnes, Harris, and Whiting.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BAZAAR.

The bazaar held on Boxing Day in the Societies' Hall in aid of the building fund of the Presbyterian Church, both from point of attendance, and from a pecuniary point of view was a most pronounced success. On the opening of the bazaar the hall looked decidedly well, being well filled with all sorts of useful and ornamental goods. The various stalls were loaded with all sorts of things, some of them being particularly costly and handsome. A large Christmas tree erected in the centre of the hall was loaded down with lollies and toys of all descriptions, and, of course, was the centre of attraction to the children. The various stalls were presided over by ladies who seemed to understand the business, as a most pushing trade was indulged in, and the public responded well. Towards evening the stalls commenced to look bare, the choicest articles having all disappeared. The proceedings were enlivened with some songs under the direction of Mr. J. Cathie, and some selections on the piano by Miss M. Adam, a young lady who displayed a talent of no mean order as a pianist and vocalist. Several rounds and glees were also sung, the following ladies and gentlemen taking part:—Mesdames Wotherspoon and Cathie, and Misses Adam, Baker, and Wilson, and Messrs. Cathie, Harris, Adam (2), and Prentice. Miss Wilson (of Ballarat) created a very favorable impression by her singing, and she was deservedly encored for her first song. The ladies were particularly fascinating and vivacious, especially when engaged in getting up the lotteries, and they came down upon the poor innocents like birds of prey, extracting the coppers out of the recesses of their pockets, in which they were ably assisted by gentlemen friends. The cake in which was concealed the wedding ring, together with the right of being married gratis, was soon disposed of, and was found to be much too small. Altogether the bazaar was an unqualified success, even beyond the most sanguine expectations of its promoters, and the ladies of the congregation worked hard, and were ably assisted by the Misses Simson (2), from Melbourne, Patterson, Ware, and Campbell. The following ladies of the congregation assisted:—Mesdames Adam, Wotherspoon, Gunn, M'Leod, Cathie, Ison, Wm. Smith, Jackson, Drummond, and Peddar, and Misses Tempest and Baker. The amount of duty devolving upon a hon. secretary to an affair of this kind can well be imagined, and we need hardly say Mr. W. R. Nicoll fulfilled these duties in a highly satisfactory manner.

Cable News.

(FROM THE ARGUS CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Dec. 24.

The Italian exhibits for Australia will be conveyed in a war ship, of which the Duke of Genoa will be the commander.

The Hon. Eliot Yorke, who was equerry to the Duke of Edinburgh during his visit to Australia, is dead.

The firm of Eosworth, Son, and Co., merchants, of Corbert-court, Gracechurch street, have failed for £98,000.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

BOMBAY, Dec. 22 (Evening.)

Intelligence has just reached here that General Browne's force occupied Jellalabad yesterday, and found all quiet. The inhabitants of the town show a friendly disposition towards the British.

The flight of Shere Ali has been fully confirmed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 22.

The Sultan has to-day issued an Imperial iradi authorising the conclusion of the convention between Turkey and Austria regarding the occupation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by the troops of the latter power.

The Porte has also appointed commissioners for the rectification of the Turco-Grecian frontiers, recommended by the Berlin Congress, and in regard to which so many difficulties have since been raised.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The large amount of £1,000,000 was paid into the bank of England to-day.

Tenders are publicly invited for the balance of the South Australian loan.

The weather is unusually cold for the season of the year, and a heavy fall of snow has taken place in London and other parts of the country.

H. . . H. the Duke of Edinburgh has been promoted to the rank of rear-admiral.

VIENNA, Dec. 24.

The semi-official "Neue Freie Presse" of to-day announces that the Sultan has authorised the settlement of the questions so long pending in regard to the rectification of the frontiers between Turkey and Montenegro.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

The Porte is now engaged in discussing a proposal for raising a new Turkish loan under the joint guarantee of the great European powers.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Coughs, influenza. The soothing properties of these medicaments render them well worthy of trial in all diseases of the respiratory organs. In common cold and influenza, the Pills taken internally, and the Ointment rubbed over the chest and throat are exceedingly efficacious. When influenza is epidemic, this treatment is the easiest, safest, and surest. Holloway's Pills purify the blood, remove all obstacles to its circulation through the lungs, relieve the over-gorged air-tubes, and render respiration free, without reducing the strength, irritating the nerves, or depressing the spirits; such are the ready means of escaping from sufferings inflicted by colds, coughs, bronchitis, asthma, and other chest complaints, by which the health of many people is seriously and permanently injured in every country.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Star" is responsible for the following:—"In connection with the extraordinary rumours now being made about the intended departure of Henderson Africanus, and which are to be heard of in all places of public resort, the following, I am assured, is a fact:—That yesterday (Sunday) a member of a religious body sent to the officiating clergyman a letter, asking that a special prayer should be offered for the safe voyage to, and return from, England of one who is now known as the 'third ambassador,' and it was accordingly done. Whether good taste upon the part of the requestor, or strictly within ecclestiastical law upon the part of the clergyman, I will allow others to express an opinion."

COMMERCIAL.

BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

There was an exceptionally small supply of produce brought into the market on Tuesday. Quotations :—Oats, 5s to 5s 3d : wheat, 4s 6d to 4s 8d ; flour, L10 7s 6d to L10 10s ; Cape barley, 5s 3d ; English do, 6s to 7s ; peas, 5s 6d ; manger hay, L4 to L4 5s ; new hay, L1 15s to L2 10s ; sheaves, L2 to L2 5s ; straw, L1 15s to L2 ; potatoes, L3 10s to L4 ; bone-dust, L6 15s ; rye-grass, 5s to 7s ; bran, 1s ; pollard, 1s 4d ; maize, 5s 4d.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

The wholesale market during the past week has been very inactive, doubtless owing to the fact that farmers have been too busily engaged at harvest work to bring stuff forward. Retail business has however been brisk, the Christmas season tending to give trade a start. Scarcely any wheat has been offered during the past week, but the arrivals from the Wimmera district to Stawell had a depressing effect on local prices. Wheat from Murtoa can be landed at Stawell from 4s 2d to 4s 3d per bushel, and there is every probability that the Wimmera rates will rule the market here. The price given for oats is merely nominal, as only small lots of old are changing hands at present. As we anticipated, potatoes have hardened a little, but this is no doubt merely temporary, as at present teams cannot be spared to bring them to market. In dairy produce fresh butter is not quite so plentiful, although good potted comes forward freely, whilst really good cheese is hard to procure. The following are our quotations :—Wheat, 4s 4d to 4s 5d ; oats, 4s 9d ; pollard, 1s 6d ; bran, 1s ; barley, 5s ; maize (whole), 6s 9d, crushed do., 7s ; flour, L10 5s ; potatoes, Warrnambool, L8 ; Ballarat, L4 ; fresh butter, 8d to 9d ; potted butter, 6d to 7d ; hams, 11d ; bacon, 8d to 9d ; cheese, 7d ; eggs, 10d to 1s ; hay, sheaves, L3 ; ditto, trussed, L3 10s ; straw, oaten, L2 ; ditto, wheaten, 35s ; chaff, 4s ; onions, 22s ; peas, 5s 6d ; carrots, none.—"Advertiser."

A RATHER TALL YARN.

The Deniliquin correspondent of the "Riverine Herald" tells the following story :—"The subjoined information was given to me by a gentleman of undoubted veracity at Deniliquin. A resident here has an artificial trout pond with, at least, 3000 fish, each weighing from ½lb. to 3lb., more or less. He also has a little girl, five years old, who has succeeded in training the fish so that she can go to the edge of the pond, and with a handful of crumbs, feed the fish from her chubby hands. They also learned to jump out of the water, and snatch worms from her fingers, and they are extremely fond of their mistress. One day last week she lost her balance and pitched headlong into the water where it was deep. She says that when she went 'away down' she called lustily for help. Her cries quickly attracted her parents, and they were horrified at seeing the little darling floating upon the surface of the pond. The father rushed to the water and reached out for his pet, and as he raised her from off the water a perfectly solid mass of trout were found beneath her. These faithful subjects of the little queen, as she fell, quickly gathered beneath her, and thus showed their love for their mistress by bearing up her body until aid arrived, thus preventing her from finding a watery grave. I think snake stories may now cease, or only play second fiddle."

The schooner Willem Barents has returned from her Arctic expedition. Gravestones were placed on the spots where celebrated Dutch explorers are believed to have perished, and scientific experiments have been made.

The Ashburton (N.Z.) butchers have formed themselves into a novel combination, to call for no orders, and to supply meat only at their shops, and for cash alone.

I heard a capital story the other day of a Cockney betting man, passing his holidays at Dover, who was not aware of or had forgotten the existence of the twin ship, the Calais-Douvre, now running between Calais and Dover. Standing on the pier with his glass he watched with much interest the vessel on her return from the French port. On she came with her two prows and four funnels, sending out a volume of smoke, The Cockney watched the progress with great excitement and delight, and as the vessel moved up to her berth and slacked steam he shouted out, "Good race ; good race ; dead heat, by Jove !"

Around Wedderburn and East Charlton the wheat crops (says the agricultural reporter of the "Leader,") although not yielding up to expectation, owing to rust, are better than last season. Stripping and threshing which are in progress, shows returns of from 8 to 24 bushels per acre ; a few late crops will yield under 8 bushels, but many of the early ones will run from 14 to 18 bushels, so that a general average of 12 bushels per acre for Wedderburn, and 15 for East Charlton, may be expected. In the far north, about Corack and Towanninie, the yield will be good where the rabbits have been kept off, but many fields have been destroyed by these pests ; a general average for the Avoca river district, however, of 14 bushels is likely to be obtained, and the area under crop about one-fourth more than last year.

A most providential escape from instantaneous death was experienced by the mate of the Undaunted, Wm. Stone, at the Echuca wharf on Friday afternoon. The "Riverine Herald" relates that "he had been stooping down superintending stevedoring operations in the barge of that vessel, and was just raising himself to a standing attitude, when a bundle of goods, or 'sling' as it is termed by those engaged in the business was being conveyed by one of the steam cranes into the barge. The 'sling' struck Stone on the back and sent him headlong into the Murray, the distance of the fall being fully 30ft. The wharf was crowded at the time, and everyone anticipated that he would be dashed to pieces against the barge below. However, the barge just happened to swing out from the wharf, leaving a sufficiently wide aperture for the passage of Stone, who escaped the barge's deck by not more than a foot of space. He went to the bottom of the river, and on again reaching the surface was pulled on board the barge by one of the crew of a vessel handy."

Pleasant Information—It is pleasant for us to be able to communicate to persons suffering from weakness, dyspepsia, nervousness, want of sleep, urinary difficulties, to the aged decrepid, and those who have impaired their physical, or intellectual powers by overwork, the fact that there is a safe, certain and agreeable remedy for there various ills which the most experienced physicians concur in recommending. The article is Udolpho Wolfe's Schiedam Aromatic Schnapps.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWS PAPERS.

Adams, John jun.
Bertram, P.
Corkhill, T. ; Chellew, E. Miss ; Carl, E. ; Cumming, A.
Lynch, P.
M'Intosh, M. Miss ; Mathison, James ; Murray, W. ; Miller, H. Mrs. ; M'Lea, D. ; M'Leish, A.
Newlin, Paul.
Stewart, Mr.
Topper, Mr.

THOMAS LEWIS, Postmaster.

Beaufort, December 27th, 1878.

Marriage.

CRANAGE—FITZPATRICK.—On 11th December, at the residence of the bride's parents, Nerring, by the Rev. Father Hogan, Edward, second son of W. H. Cranage, of Edenhope, to Johanna, eldest daughter of Martin Fitzpatrick, of Nerring. Sydney papers please copy.

Bank of Victoria.

THIS Bank will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, 1st January, for the Half-yearly Balance.

W. A. JENNINGS, Manager.

Beaufort, 27th December, 1878.

THE

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1878.

THE year 1878 is fast expiring, and before it and its doings fade from our vision let us cast a retrospective glance at the past. From a political point of view it has been a year of much wrangling, many words, and little good deeds. The stumbling block of the session has been constitutional reform, or as Mr. Berry calls it, the question of finality of legislation. To the consideration of this question the good Government of the colony has had to bow its head. The question is now being carried home to be settled, and we will see whether Mr. Berry does not get deeper into the mud than he has been in the mire. As the year in which those black deeds were perpetrated, when many before happy homes were broken up, and the despotic hand of party spleen held sway, when the working man had to go his way, while a select few affluent nobodies were yet fattened on the State, 1878 should never be forgotten. The doings of Black Wednesday will be handed down from generation to generation, and let us hope that in this the land of our adoption we never shall have to writhe under such a despotic yoke again. The iron horse is fast walking through the land. The St. Arnaud, Sale, and Horsham lines have been opened during the past year, and the Gordons, Oakleigh, and several others will soon follow. In a few years we will be able to go to any part of Victoria in 24 hours, while it does not seem so long ago since to go from Beaufort to Melbourne was a week's journey. Australia has also achieved a triumph over the old country at cricket, their "pet" game, and now throughout Australia every little boy plays cricket, and how can it be wondered at if Australia produces the best cricketers in the world when there are such facilities offered for practising the game, and it is entered into with such spirit by both old and young. In this year the colony has been the scene of perhaps the most bloodthirsty and despicable crime ever perpetrated. We refer to the brutal murder by the Kelly gang of outlaws. The country is turned upside down by those ruffians and their friends. Terror reigns in the district in which they have made their appearance, and people are afraid to call their souls their own. The Government have offered large rewards for their capture, all the available police are in pursuit, and all to no avail. The culprits still enjoy their liberty, but their time will come sooner or later, and let us hope it will come very soon.

Now let us turn to our own sphere of labor, and see how time has dealt with us. We think we may say we are still in the same old place. We cannot say that we have prospered to any extent, nor have we retrograded. It is a long lane that has no turning, and as Beaufort has been, as it were, standing still for some time, we may hope for a forward move at no far distant time. Mining is on the move. The New Victoria Company at Waterloo have been and are getting some very fair yields. The Hobart Pasha Company will soon be under way, and the Richmond reef is to be given another trial. The Telegraph Company are now in working order, and we may soon expect to hear of them getting some gold. So that we imagine we may reasonably predict that affairs in general will assume a more lively aspect in a month or two on Beaufort. The stern hand of death has dealt lightly with our community, the principal departures from amongst us being three of our old diggers, men who have worked together for years on Beaufort, viz., Messrs. John Hosking, Joseph Armstrong, and William Grant. The former died suddenly, and was a man admired and respected by all classes and grades, for his always consistent and manly conduct as a townsman, and as a Christian man, and his death is deeply regretted by all who knew him. Joseph Armstrong died after a lingering illness, and Wiliam Grant was accidentally killed at the New Victoria Company's mine, Waterloo, by a fall of earth. Beyond the above and the death of our respectable townsman, Mr. Thomas Wilson, butcher, our social circle has been undisturbed, and we sincerely hope we may yet hold together to witness the death of many years. For ourselves we cannot grumble, and we will now conclude wishing our readers health, wealth, and prosperity, and A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

An accident happened at Lake Goldsmith on Chrismas Day which resulted in the death of a valuable horse. It appears that Mr. R. Buchanan went out from Beaufort on the morning named, driving a mare, the property of Mr. G. Exell, of Stockyard Hill, in Mr. J. Pruce's mail van, and a heavy hailstorm coming on, he took shelter in Mr. Hugh Cushing's homestead, leaving the horse and trap on the road. The horse, apparently frightened by the noise of the hailstones, bolted off, and had not gone far before coming in contact with a fence, overturned the vehicle, and somewhat damaged it. The horse was soon got on its legs again, but no sooner had it been got up, than it fell down dead. It is thought that it ran against the fence with its chest, which caused some internal injury, and hence its death.

A serious gun accident happened on Christmas Day, at Nerring, near Beaufort. Two lads named Thomson and M'Cracken had borrowed a gun from a Chinaman for the purpose of bird shooting. It seems that M'Cracken had the gun in his hand, while Thomson was standing about 12 yards away from him, when by some means it went off, the charge consisting of No. 2 shot, entering the fleshy part of Thomson's left arm, above the elbow. He was at once brought in to Beaufort to Dr. Johnston, who on examination of the wound, found that no bones were broken, and the patient is now on a fair way to recovery.

The attention of tenderers for work in the shire is directed to an important announcement which appears in our advertising columns.

There is nothing new to hand concerning the Kelly gang, and they seem as far from being captured as ever. Miss Kelly is being closely watched, as she is supposed, from her mysterious movements, to be in personal communication with her brothers.

As will be seen by the communication which we publish elsewhere from our Charlton correspondent, the financial affairs of the Charlton State School have been so well managed at the late school picnic as to leave the handsome sum of £7 in hand to be expended in prize books for the pupils, which gives the average of 3s. 6d. to each scholar attending the school, and some handsome prizes may therefore be expected. We wish to commend the committee on their management, and while doing so would compare such a favorable state of affairs with that of a neighboring school, situated at Livingstone, between Charlton and Lexton. This being a new school, donations had even been more liberally made, we are informed, but on the breaking up of the Livingstone school the pupils' parents and innumerable friends were invited, dancing was carried on, refreshments indulged in, and a general carouse took place, and the money which should have been expended in purchasing prizes for the pupils as a reward for their study and attendance and as an inducement for still greater exertions, was frittered away. The reflections of those who took part cannot be of the brightest when they see the way in which the Charlton people utilise the money at their disposal.

Chrismas Day was characterised by heavy showers of rain, interspersed with hail, and hence all idea of picnicing was given up, and those who did not go for a trip by the train had to content themselves with indoor amusement, with an occasional stroll between the showers. On Boxing Day, however, the weather was all that could be desired, and all hands turned out to enjoy themselves, the bazaar being the principal attraction, although the cricket match—Beaufort v. Ararat—drew a good crowd, many also paying Ballarat a visit.

The Ballarat Christmas Handicap was won by W. B. Freeman, W. Carter second, O'Brien third, and Ricketts fourth.

The "Federal Standard" states that it will probably be necessary to appeal to Melbourne liberality to assist the numerous losers by the destructive hurricane which devastated Chiltern on Friday last.

The following is a conundrum which is propounded at the Opera-house pantomine in Melbourne, and which is worthy of notice:—"Why are the members of the embassy like the Kelly gang? Because there is a black tracker on their trail."

Tuesday's "Ararat Advertiser" says:—"It is anticipated that a large quantity of wheat from the Wimmera district will be forwarded this season by the Railway Department in consequence of the opening of the new line of railway as far as Murtoa. It was stated to Mr. John Woods by a member of a deputation at the opening of the line, that if accommodation was provided that 300,000 tons, or over one million bushels of wheat, would be despatched to market. The commissioner assured them that with the quantity to convey, nothing would be neglected by the department, and accommodation would be promptly provided. The first truck of wheat from that station was forwarded to Beaufort on Thursday last by Mr. Thomas. It is stated that the wheat is of good quality, and will average about fifteen bushels to the acre, the present price being from 3s. 4d. to 3s. 8d. per bushel. On Tuesday 3000 bushels of new wheat were despatched from Murtoa."

Ministers are working the free-pass dodge very freely. The Sandhurst correspondent of the "Argus" says:—"A telegram from 'the Major' was received by Hallas' City Band last week intimating that free passes would be furnished to the members if they would proceed to Melbourne and assist in 'playing off' the ambassadors on the never-to-be forgotten day when they will take their departure from the colony. The passes, it was stated, would be made available for three or four days, and if the members of the band desired to prolong the trip, this might easily be arranged. Of course the prospect of a cheap trip to Melbourne at a season when the metropolis offers so many attractions as it does at present has quite overcome the band, and I understand that the members, without making any inconvenient enquiries as to whether they will be required to play the 'Rogue's March' or a hymn of praise, have determined thankfully to accept the offer."

A collision occurred in the yard of the Spencer-street station on Tuesday afternoon of a character which indicates want of management, if not carelessness. The train from Essendon which left the Spencer-street station at 5.35 p.m., was proceeding across the network of rails just outside the station, when an empty train was sent out from the opposite platform. The trains ran almost parallel for some distance, and then at the intersection of the rails the engines came into collision. Though the trains were not travelling at a great pace the shock was a sharp one, and several of the passengers were a good deal shaken, and still more alarmed. One passenger, Mr. Whales, of Kensington, was so much shaken that he was sent back to his home by the department, as he preferred that course to being taken to a medical man in town. Another passenger, whose name was not known, sustained a graze on the leg below the knee from a splinter off the carriages. None of the other passengers were hurt, though several had their clothes torn. Owing to the delay occasioned by this accident the trains entering the station were considerably delayed up till 8 o'clock. The officials at the Spencer-street station are extremly reticient on the matter, but from what we can learn one of the engines and two of the carriages were thrown off the rails. The traffic on the Essendon line was a good deal hampered by the trains having to enter and leave the station by the one line for the rest of the evening. The engines are reported not to have sustained any serious damge, but the carriages next to the engine on each train are much damaged. —"Argus."

The embassy burlesque took a new turn on Tuesday (says the "Argus.") In the morning Henderson, accompanied by his private secretary, presented himself at the offices of the P. and O. Company to engage a passage by the Assam, and met with a refusal. Mr. F. R. Kendall was interviewed subsequently, but he would not commit himself to any reply as to whether pressure had been brought to bear upon him by the Government to keep Henderson off the Assam. The ire of Henderson knew no bounds, and the private secretary received orders on the spot to arrange for an indignation meeting to be held on Friday evening to protest against the alleged intereference with the liberty of the subject. Henderson visited Government-house in the morning, but His Excellency was "engaged," and requested the delegate to communicate his business in writing. Henderson's private secretary is now occupied in drafting a protest, which His Excellency is to be requested to forward to the Secretary of State, calling attention to the circumstances under which Henderson is denied egress from the colony.

A very sad story comes from Wilcannia (reports the "Riverine Herald.") It appears that an unfortunate widow named Winter left Mount Mania station with her two sons, aged respectively nine and seven year's intending to walk into the town. When a distance of sixteen miles had been journeyed, the woman was informed she was travelling in a wrong direction, and attempted to retrace her steps. After going four miles back, they were so fatigued, that they camped alongside the road, and the next day her two sons died for want of water. Leaving her dead children, the mother managed to traverse the short distance of a mile, when her strength gave out, and she too lay down in anticipation of death. Fortunately at this time a horseman came by and gave her some water, which eventually brought her round. He then took her back to Mount Mania station. Next day Mr. Hay went out and buried the children. It came out in the evidence that on the first day a man whom they met promised to bring them water, but he went away and did not return.

A great many persons (says the "Cornwall Chronicle," Launceston) assembled round the window of Mr. Henry Weymouth's tobacco establishment on Saturday evening to inspect one of the most peculiar figures worked by machinery that has been seen for some time. It is supposed to represent a blue jacket of Her Majesty's navy, and while smoking a genuine Havanna plays one or two patriotic tunes, which come very mysteriously from some unseen part of his body. One of the most curious things about the figure is that as long as the music continues the eyelids move very naturally, as evidently enjoying his cigar, from which big puffs of smoke are issuing. The figure is of French invention, and well worthy of a visit from those who take an interest in novelties.

The agricultural reporter of the "Leader" writes:—"In the districts immediately around Donald, including Mount Jeffcot, Laen, Watchman and Cope Cope, the wheat crops will yield about fourteen bushels on the average ; but in the extensive districts on the plains for many miles around St. Arnaud great disappointment is experienced at the results which have so far been obtained from stripping and threshing. While there are a few good yields in these extensive districts, including Avon Plains, Swanwater, Conoor and Gooroc, the majority of the crops are light. Many fields are being stripped for three and four bushels per acre, and others are yielding from eight to ten, which were expected to return from twelve to sixteen bushels. The area under crop is about one fourth more than last season, but the average is not so high, eight or nine bushels per acre being all that can now be reckoned upon. The sample, however, will be good."

The following is from the "Argus":—An inquest was held by Mr. Candler on Monday, concerning the death of James Cain, an infant, aged seven months, who met his death by suffocation in a peculiar manner on Saturday last. Esther Cain, the mother of the child, deposed that the deceased had been very restless on Saturday morning, and about 10 a.m. she laid him in bed asleep, and placed a newspaper over his face in order to keep the flies away. In about an hour and a half afterwards she went to the bed and found the child lifeless. There were no bedclothes over him, and the newspaper covered him loosely. Dr. Shields, who made the *post mortem* examination of the body, found that the cause of death was asphyxia from suffocation. A sheet of paper so placed over the face of the deceased would cause slow asphyxiation on a very hot day, and in his opinion the child had been suffocated by the newspaper as been described by his mother. A verdict was returned by the jury that the deceased died from suffocation caused by a newspaper having been placed over his face for the purpose of keeping the flies off him.

CHARLTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The breaking up of the Charlton State School for the Christmas holidays took place on Friday, the 20th inst. During the afternoon the children enjoyed themselves most heartily, and it may be said the parents and friends did so likewise. A cricket match between the Charlton and Waterloo boys was played, which was won by the former, the scores being 56 and 27 respectively. If I might say a word to the youngsters, I would say to the Charlton boys, "Wear your laurels modestly ; don't crow ;" and to the Waterloo boys I would say, "Take your beating without murmuring, determining to do better next time ;" and to all of them I would recommend the old copy book teaching, "Steady application conquers." It conquers not only at cricket, but everything else. After the amusements tea, cake, and other good things were done ample justice to. The cost was defrayed by subscriptions, after paying which a surplus of over £3 will be left. This, added to the handsome donations of £3 from the Hon. R. Simson, and £1 from Mr. T. Downie, of Newcastle, N.S.W., will be spent on prize books, to be given to the pupils on their reassembling after Christmas. For the credit of the Charlton school district it may be said that there is not a non-attending child of school age. The progress made by the pupils under the able tuition of Mr. and Mrs. Stephens is now so well known that it does not require a word of comment.

CRICKET.

BEAUFORT V. BUANGOR.

A match was played at Buangor on Saturday last between the above clubs, when the former secured a very easy victory, E. Trompf (38), H. Tromp (19), J. Day (24), and C. Graves (16), for Beaufort, and C. Campbell (16), and A. Campbell (18), for Buangor, being the only ones that reached double figures. The following are the scores:—Beaufort—First innings, 125. Buangor—First innings, 27 ; second innings, 42 ; total, 69.

BEAUFORT V. SEBASTOPOL.

A return match was played at Sebastopol on Christmas Day between the above clubs, and resulted in another victory to the former with 20 runs to spare, the game being decided by the first innings. The brothers Trompf did yeoman service for Beaufort, and H. M'Knight was the only one of Sebastopol who reached double figures. After the match the players sat down to an excellent dinner provided by Mr. Bateman. The following are the scores :—

BEAUFORT—First Innings.

E. Trompf, c Borlase, b Martin ...	18
H. Trompf, run out	18
H. Nettle, b Martin	1
F. Trompf, c M'Knight, b Bowerman	19
J. Day, run out	6
J. Richardson, st Lawson... ...	4
R. Grenfell, not out	7
J. M'Keich, b Martin	0
C. Graves, b Martin	4
C. Tompkins, st Lawson	5
T. Peddar, b M'Knight	1
Byes	8
Total	91

SEBASTOPOL—First Innings.

Borlase, c M'Keich, b F. Trompf	3
Williams, run out	1
M'Knight, b Richardson	37
Geddies, c Richardson, b F. Trompf	1
Bowerman, c Richardson, b F. Trompf	4
David, b Grenfell	2
Palethorpe, l b w, b Richardson ..	5
Birch, c Nettle, b Richardson ...	6
Lawson, b F. Trompf	8
Martin, b F. Trompf	2
Cartledge, not out...	1
Byes	1
Total	71

The Beaufortites scored 29 in their second innings, and eight of the Sebastopol were out for 46, when time was called, and the match was decided by the first innings.

BEAUFORT V. ARARAT.

The old cricket ground presented quite a lively appearance on Boxing Day on the occasion of the above match. The play was witnessed by a large number of people, and a good deal of intesest was taken in the game by the onlookers. R. Cadden and W. Nesbitt did good service for Ararat, and H. Nettle (Beaufort) played an excellent innings for 34. The following are the scores of the first innings, by which the match was decided :—

BEAUFORT—First Innings.

F. Trompf, run out...	4
J. Jackson, run out...	4
H. Nettle, b Nesbitt	34
J. M'Leod, c Chisolm, b W. Chisolm	0
H. Trompf, b Gamson	1
Jas. M'Leod, b Nesbitt	7
E. Trompf, b Gamson	6
J Richardson, b Nesbitt	0
R. Grenfell, c T. Chisolm, b Gamson	1
C. Graves, c Stokes, b Gamson ...	5
J. M'Keich, not out	0
Byes	8
Total	70

ARARAT—First Innings.

Gamson, b F. Trompf	1
R. Cadden, c Jas. M'Leod, b F. Trompf	10
A. Fenton, l b w, b Jas. M'Leod...	7
A. Stokes, b F. Trompf	2
T. Chisolm, l b w, b H. Trompf ...	8
T. Grano, b H. Trompf	6
F. Batty, c Nettle, b H. Trompf...	0
W. Nesbitt, c E. Trompf, b Richardson	13
— Flynn, b H. Trompf	1
W. Chisolm, not out	0
F. Grano, c H. Trompf, b Richardson	0
Total	48

In their second innings the Beaufort players scored, 72 and the Ararat had scored 14 with the loss of three wickets when the stumps were drawn.

A match was played at Waterloo on Christmas Day between eleven juveniles of Beaufort and eleven of Waterloo, which resulted in a decided win for the former, the scores being :—Beaufort—First innings, 70. Waterloo—First innings, 11 ; second innings, 23 ; total, 34.

The return match between Waterloo and Beaufort will be played this (Saturday) afternoon. The following will represent Beaufort :—Trompf (4), Grenfell, Graves, Peddar, Tompkins, Barnes, Harris, and Whiting.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BAZAAR.

The bazaar held on Boxing Day in the Societies' Hall in aid of the building fund of the Presbyterian Church, both from point of attendance, and from a pecuniary point of view was a most pronounced success. On the opening of the bazaar the hall looked decidedly well, being well filled with all sorts of useful and ornamental goods. The various stalls were loaded with all sorts of things, some of them being particularly costly and handsome. A large Christmas tree erected in the centre of the hall was loaded down with lollies and toys of all descriptions, and, of course, was the centre of attraction to the children. The various stalls were presided over by ladies who seemed to understand the business, as a most pushing trade was indulged in, and the public responded well. Towards evening the stalls commenced to look bare, the choicest articles having all disappeared. The proceedings were enlivened with some songs under the direction of Mr. J. Cathie, and some selections on the piano by Miss M. Adam, a young lady who displayed a talent of no mean order as a pianist and vocalist. Several rounds and glees were also sung, the following ladies and gentlemen taking part :—Mesdames Wotherspoon and Cathie, and Misses Adam, Baker, and Wilson, and Messrs. Cathie, Harris, Adam (2), and Prentice. Miss Wilson (of Ballarat) created a very favorable impression by her singing, and she was deservedly encored for her first song. The ladies were particularly fascinating and vivacious, especially when engaged in getting up the lotteries, and they came down upon the poor innocents like birds of prey, extracting the coppers out of the recesses of their pockets, in which they were ably assisted by gentlemen friends. The cake in which was concealed the wedding ring, together with the right of being married gratis, was soon disposed of, and was found to be much too small. Altogether the bazaar was an unqualified success, even beyond the most sanguine expectations of its promoters, and the ladies of the congregation worked hard, and were ably assisted by the Misses Simson (2), from Melbourne, Patterson, Ware, and Campbell. The following ladies of the congregation assisted :—Mesdames Adam, Wotherspoon, Gunn, M'Leod, Cathie, Ison, Wm. Smith, Jackson, Drummond, and Peddar, and Misses Tempest and Baker. The amount of duty devolving upon a hon. secretary to an affair of this kind can well be imagined, and we need hardly say Mr. W. R. Nicoll fulfilled these duties in a highly satisfactory manner.

Cable News.

(FROM THE ARGUS CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Dec. 24.

The Italian exhibits for Australia will be conveyed in a war ship, of which the Duke of Genoa will be the commander.

The Hon. Eliot Yorke, who was equerry to the Duke of Edinburgh during his visit to Australia, is dead.

The firm of Bosworth, Son, and Co., merchants, of Corbert-court, Gracechurch street, have failed for £98,000.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

BOMBAY, Dec. 22 (Evening.)

Intelligence has just reached here that General Browne's force occupied Jellalabad yesterday, and found all quiet. The inhabitants of the town show a friendly disposition towards the British.

The flight of Shere Ali has been fully confirmed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 22.

The Sultan has to-day issued an Imperial iradi authorising the conclusion of the convention between Turkey and Austria regarding the occupation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by the troops of the latter power.

The Porte has also appointed commissioners for the rectification of the Turco-Grecian frontiers, recommended by the Berlin Congress, and in regard to which so many difficulties have since been raised.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The large amount of £1,000,000 was paid into the bank of England to-day.

Tenders are publicly invited for the balance of the South Australian loan.

The weather is unusually cold for the season of the year, and a heavy fall of snow has taken place in London and other parts of the country.

H. . H. the Duke of Edinburgh has been promoted to the rank of rear-admiral.

VIENNA, Dec. 24.

The semi-official "Neue Freie Presse" of to-day announces that the Sultan has authorised the settlement of the questions so long pending in regard to the rectification of the frontiers between Turkey and Montenegro.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

The Porte is now engaged in discussing a proposal for raising a new Turkish loan under the joint guarantee of the great European powers.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Coughs, influenza. The soothing properties of these medicaments render them well worthy of trial in all diseases of the respiratory organs. In common cold and influenza, the Pills taken internally, and the Ointment rubbed over the chest and throat are exceedingly efficacious. When influenza is epidemic, this treatment is the easiest, safest, and surest. Holloway's Pills purify the blood, remove all obstacles to its circulation through the lungs, relieve the over-gorged air-tubes, and render respiration free, without reducing the strength, irritating the nerves, or depressing the spirits: such are the ready means of escaping from sufferings inflicted by colds, coughs, bronchitis, asthma, and other chest complaints, by which the health of many people is seriously and permanently injured in every country.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Star" is responsible for the following :—"In connection with the extraordinary rumours now being made about the intended departure of Henderson Africanus, and which are to be heard of in all places of public resort, the following, I am assured, is a fact :—That yesterday (Sunday) a member of a religious body sent to the officiating clergyman a letter, asking that a special prayer should be offered for the safe voyage to, and return from, England of one who is now known as the 'third ambassador,' and it was accordingly done. Whether good taste upon the part of the requestor, or strictly within ecclesiastical law upon the part of the clergyman, I will allow others to express an opinion."

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT BRIGHTON

A shocking accident occurred at Brighton about midnight on Friday, by which an elderly man named Robert Lamont Muir and a woman named Mrs. Jeannette Smith, aged 38 years, lost their lives. Mr. Muir formerly carried on business as a butcher in Toorak-road, South Yarra, but he retired from business some time since, and resided in New-steeet, Middle Brighton, near the railway gates, with his wife and large family. Mrs. Smith was employed in the house as a cook. It appears that about a quarter to 12 o'clock on Friday night, Mr. Muir, accompanied by his cook, called at Stuckey's Hotel, Church-street, Brighton, where they had something to drink, and left about five minutes to twelve, the woman taking a bottle of gin with her, and the man a bottle of lemonade. They walked along the railway line, beside which there is a footpath, towards his residence in New-street. The last train arrived at the beach station shortly afterwards, and on Henderson the gatekeeper going along the line to his home, he found Mr. Muir lying between the 5ft. way, his left leg being over the rail and severed at the ankle, and his body lying between the rails doubled up. He could not speak intelligibly. Henderson went back and brought Mrs. Muir, and in doing so met the guards and stoker returning from the beach. One of the guards proceeded to the police station and gave information, and returned accompanied by Sergeant Finnegan and Mr. Woolhouse, who bandaged Mr. Muir's wounds. The wounded man was then taken in a conveyance to the Alfred Hospital. In the meantime search was made for the missing woman, but no trace except her hat and shawl was found until the following morning about 20 minutes to 6, when a platelayer named Butler, proceeding to his work, came upon her body lying beside the line, about 290 yards from where Mr. Muir was found. All the flesh was torn from her right leg, and portions of her clothing were found all along the line even to the beach. The clothes appeared to have caught the step of the engine, which dragged her along, dividing her stays into two parts. In one portion of her dress was found £3 3s., in money, and a pair of wollen socks. The body had dropped from the train some 20 yards on the beach side of New-street, whilst Mr. Muir was found between New-street and Well-street. The footpath beside the rails is not open for the public, though much used. Mr. Muir was received at the Alfred Hospital by Dr. Colquhoun, who attended to his injuries. He, however, remained insensible, and died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, of shock and exhaustion. The engine-driver (Scott) and the guard (Stewart) of the last train to Brighton saw no object on the line, and it is, therefore, supposed that the deceased persons had fallen down and gone to sleep on the rails.

THE ESCAPE OF WEIBERG.

Inspector-detective Secretan arrived in town on Monday evening from the Tarwin River, and fully confirms the astounding intelligence already received as to the escape of the man Martin Weiberg. The narrative, as told by Mr. Secretan, is terribly suggestive of a scene in a Chrismas harlequinade, or one of Maddison Morgan's farces. It appears that the gallant escort, consisting of Inspector Secretan and Detectives Duncan and Mahony, the latter being selected by his chief for his "great running and staying powers," started on Tuesday last with their prisoner for Weiberg's selection, where the latter, who probably feeling the monotony of his detention in the gaol, promised to discover the stolen treasure taken from the R.M.S. Avoca. The party arrived at their destination on Wednesday last, and rested from the fatigues of their journey at the homestead of a person named Laycock for the night. An early start was effected on the next morning in Laycock's boat, and the party proceeded up Anderson's Inlet, at the mouth of the Tarwin River, near Wieberg's selection. At this spot they disembarked, after being solemnly assured by Wieberg that the plunder, concealed in an iron pot, was dropped into the creek. All rubbed their hands as they got ashore, and assisted by their accommodating prisoner, they manufactured some drags. Weiberg pointed out the spot where he said he had thrown the pot into the river, and the party got to work without delay. The prisoner was exceedingly anxious to assist the detectives in their search, and explained that the labor of the party would be lessened if they waited for the ebb of the tide, when the river was only 6 feet high. They dragged all day Thursday, but, strange to say, although the officers' work was under the immediate superintendence of Wieberg, their efforts were not successful. A pleasant sail down the river as far as Tarwin Jack's hut, and a hearty supper, brought the day's proceedings to a close. The dragging was resumed early on the following morning. Mr. Secretan and Laycock basked in the sun on the waters of Tarwin's River, whilst Weiberg and detectives Duncan and Mahoney resumed the dragging operation. The prisoner called out that his drag had struck the pot in the river, and he called Mahony to give him assistance with the drag. Mahony willingly lent a hand, and in return received Wiberg's hand in the pit of the stomach, which sent him to the ground, rendering him speechless for the time. As soon as he could recover his breath, Mahony called upon Duncan to shoot at Weiberg, who had by this time obtained a good start. Duncan pulled the trigger of his revolver, which of course missed fire. Mahony then essayed a shot, but his weapon also refused to go off. Detective Mahony put his running powers to the proof, and a long chase ensued, but Weiberg managed to get away into the scrub, leaving his hat in the hands of his pursuers as a trophy of victory. It is stated that Weiberg was seen by some settlers at Waratah Bay on Saturday night. Detectives Duncan and Mahony remain on the spot, and are, it is said, sanguine of recapturing the fugitive. "Telegraph."

Writing on Monday last the "Star" Melbourne correspondent says—"To-day an old pensioner who had been in many a hard-fought fight—India and elsewhere—was at his own request, removed or about being removed to the Hospital, being ill of bronchitis. At starting he said he would be able yet to get his next pension pay, on 1st proximo, but the poor old fellow died in the waggonette before he could reach the Hospital."

WALKING EXTRAORDINARY.

The feat which W. Edwards, the champion long-distance walker, commenced at 6 o'clock on Friday evening last, was concluded by him successfully on Saturday evening at six minutes before six o'clock. As was stated in Saturday's issue, he had engaged to walk 100 miles in 24 hours, and the place selected for the task was a small temporary enclosure on the Melbourne Cricket ground, where planks were laid to compose an oblong walk 117yds. 1ft. 0½in. in measurement. He had to go 1.650 times over this walk, and a number of respectable gentlemen well-known in Melbourne kept watches of three hours each during the whole time to see that the performance was faithfully carried out. The first 10 miles were done in 1h. 51m., the second in 1h. 52m., the third in 2h., the fourth in 2h. 21m., the 5th in 1h. 59m., and the sixth in 1h. 52½m. Edwards rested for six minutes at the end of 50 miles, and when 60 were completed he rested for a longer time, and took some light food and refreshment. At twenty minutes to 9 a.m. he had completed his seventh 10 miles, and he did the next ten in 2h. 3m. He rested for about 15 minutes at that stage, and then re-commenced walking, and by 11 minutes to 4 p.m. had accomplished 100 miles of his arduous task. There was then over two hours in which to do the last 10 miles, and so he consented to stand for the purpose of being photographed. The remaining ten miles were travelled at an average of about 12 minutes per mile, the last lap being finished at 5.44 p.m., or six minutes before the 24 hours had elapsed. As might be expected, Edwards showed some fatigue from his exertions towards the latter end of his arduous task, but he seemed far from being thoroughly exhausted, and could have probably gone on walking at the same speed for an hour or two longer. The attendance of the public was not nearly so large as was anticipated, and Edwards would have been poorly rewarded had not several gentlemen collected about £15 for him, principally from the members of the Melbourne Cricket Club, who were on their ground watching the English cricketers.—"Argus."

THE BUSHRANGING SCARE.

The managers of all the banks in Hamilton district have received a caution from the police department. It is thought, says the "Spectator," that a raid may be made on some of the financial establishments between Hamilton and Warrnambool. Managers are therefore requested to keep their powder dry, and otherwise place themselves in readiness to give the bushrangers a warm reception at this festive season of the year.

"The Gippsland Times" states that in consequence of the fear that the Kelly gang were making their way over the mountains to the south-eastern districts, and that their presence might be looked for in some of the smaller and unprotected towns of North Gippsland, measures have been taken to remove the "treasure" lying in the banks in the Gippsland district to the Metropolis. On Friday last large quantities of gold, specie, bank notes and other valuable property were brought into Sale from the banks at Bairnsdale, Stratford, Maffra, and other places, and conveyed by Saturday's train to Melbourne. The same precautions were adopted with regard to the surplus cash in the banks at Rosedale, and the other towns along the line towards Melbourne.

An individual apparently suffering from "Kelly" on the brain, caused some astonishment (says the "Clunes Guardian") on Sunday afternoon, by reporting that he had been bailed up by the redoubtable outlaws on the road between Clunes and Creswick. It appeared that he was bringing some horses from Melbourne for a resident of Clunes, and when half-way from Creswick he was met by four mounted men, one of whom said to him, "bail up," and thereafter had some conversation with him as to the distance to Creswick and Clunes respectively, both parties thereupon proceeding on their way. The solitary traveller, still believing it was the Kellys, arrived in Clunes in due course, and reported his adventures to the gentleman owning the horses. The gentleman at once informed Senior-constable Nolan, and that officer having heard the description given by the drover, was at once satisfied that the "gang" existed, so far as this district was concerned, solely in the imagination of the person describing them. However, the senior-constable, with one of his men, instituted a search, and in the evening managed to secure "the gang" in the outskirts of the town, and found them to be respectable inhabitants of Clunes, one of whom seeing the traveller view him with a peculiar stare, guessed at once the nature of his fears, and played thereon by uttering the dreaded command, "bail up." The horsemen were subsequently introduced to the frightened wayfarer by Senior-constable Nolan, who succeeded in satisfying him that he was not entitled to the reward offered for the Kelly gang, dead or alive.

THREATENED OUTBREAK IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

Referring to the large number of Chinese recently arrived to take service under the Australian Steam Navigation Company, the Sydney correspondent of the "Herald" telegraphed on Thursday to that journal:—"Great fears are entertained that bloodshed will ensue unless the Government interferes to prevent the landing of the Chinese. A monster meeting was held at Hyde Park on Thursday evening, at which it was decided to assemble several thousand persons, who will proceed as a deputation to Government House next Saturday to ask the Governor either to prevent the landing of the Chinese in quarantine, or otherwise detain them until the Legislature has had time to deal with the Mongolian influx. If the Governor refuses, or declares his inability to act, the deputation is instructed to inform him that all legal means of resisting the Chinese invasion having been exhausted, other means must be immediately devised. It was announced during the meeting that the regular artillery will side with their own countrymen in any conflict arising out of the present embroilment. The situation is most serious, and there are no indications of a compromise being arrived at."

Lord Falmouth has this year won in stakes £30,000, and in bets one hat.

KILLED BY A CRICKET BALL.

A man was killed at Bannaby, near Goulburn, New South Wales, on Saturday last, by a blow of a cricket-ball. It was elicited at the inquest (says the "Goulburn Herald") that the deceased, John Bogg, was a farmer. He was acting as umpire at a cricket match on Saturday. The ball was hit by a man named Whitehead, and struck deceased under the left ear. He fell instantly, but he rose to his feet and then fell again. After the deceased fell the second time he neither moved nor spoke, and in a few minutes after the ball struck him he died. He was an old cricketer. When struck he was not more than seven yards from the wicket. Rowland Whitehead deposed that deceased was standing near the short-leg in the capacity of umpire. Mr. John Hilas was bowling. He bowled witness a leg-ball, which came to him on the hop. He hit the ball to leg with all his strength. As soon as he struck it he ran for the other wicket, and did not watch the ball. When he was turning at the other wicket to come back he saw deceased staggering, and some of the men running towards him. He looked to see whether there was any mark under or behind deceased's ear, but there was none, nor any sign of a blow. The ball played with was one of Duke's usual cricket-balls. The deceased stood nearer the wicket than umpires usually do, and was cautioned. The jury found that deceased died from the effects of a blow from a cricket-ball accidentally received.

A SINGULAR ACCIDENT.

A few days ago (says the "Dubbo Despatch") a strange adventure befel Mr. Richard Ridge, superintendent for Messrs. Richardson, at Moonagee. He was returning from an inspection of some country at and beyond Cooper's Creek, belonging to Mr. W. W. Richardson. In his buggy were two cattle puppies, a number of charts of the country he had been examining and taking over, 125 revolver cartridges, a pound cannister of powder, and a five-barrelled revolver loaded in all the chambers. Whilst driving along the Warrego, 20 miles or so from Cunnumalla, he heard one of the dogs growling, and looking down discovered the buggy was on fire. He jumped out at once, unharnessed the pair of horses, and lead them away from the vehicle. Coming back to the buggy, he found that while he was taking the horses out the puppies had been burnt to death. He then attempted to save some of the luggage, but just as he was leaning over the buggy the cartridges commenced going off right and left. Bullets were flying about in all directions, and he was hit in three places—on the shoulder, shin, and thumb. The wounds were not severe, fortunately only breaking the skin; but under the circumstances Mr. Ridge was remarkably fortunate that he was not dangerously or mortally wounded. About this time Mr. Robert Neal, of Cooper's Creek, who was travelling in company with Mr. Ridge, came up in his buggy. Mr. Ridge waved his hand for him to keep back, but Mr. Neal did not understand what was meant, and the first intimation he received of the state of affairs was from a bullet which whizzed past his ear. The revolver had by this time commenced to discharge its leaden load, and in the meanwhile Mr. Ridge (who went to the horses) had to remain in close proximity—the animals being too frightened by the report of the cartridges to move. The canister of powder now exploded, and shattered the body of the buggy, pieces of it flying in all directions. Nothing was now left but the wheels and undercarriage, and Mr. Ridge had to travel the remainder of his journey in Mr. Neal's buggy.

UTILISING THE FALLS OF NIAGARA.

Among other plans in prospect with reference to Niagara Falls, is a scheme for utilising the immense water-power of the Falls for the purpose of transmitting compressed air to Buffalo. A company has been formed (the "New York Bulletin" states) with the object in view, and operations have already begun. The principal part of the machinery will be planted near the water's edge below the Falls, in the vicinity of the Bridal Veil. The remainder will be on the banks immediately above. The principal working will be as follows:—After the water in the reservoir on the top of the bank is high enough to reach the bend of the syphon, it will escape down a pipe to the air cylinders below. The pressure thus obtained very soon closes automatic valves. There being no escape for the water, which continues to pour into the cylinder, the air which it contains is compressed by the volume of water above, until it has as much expansive power when released as steam. The capacity of the reservoir and of the cylinders will be exhausted by the time the desired compression has been obtained below. While the reservoir is again filling with water, that in the cylinder is escaping, so that when the head in the syphon is reached, the contents of the cylinder are exhausted, and it is ready for another charge. The operation is reported at regular intervals in each cylinder, and there being several of them, a continuous charge of highly compressed air is secured. With this the projectors propose to supply Buffalo with an almost unlimited supply of compressed air by means of pipes, and at a merely nominal cost.

A servant girl named Jane Dick, aged 18 years, was nearly choked on Saturday (writes the "Geelong Advertiser"). She was eating cherries, when she incautiously tried to swallow a couple of the stones of the fruit. The cherry-stones stuck in the girl's throat, and she had to be at once taken to the hospital where immediate relief was afforded.

A violent thunderstorm passed over Chiltern on Tuesday, and did a considerable amount of damage.

Impoundings.

BEAUFORT—Impounded at Beaufort.—1 red heifer, white face and belly, indescribable brand near rump, top off near ear; 1 bay horse, ES near shoulder. If not claimed and expenses paid, to be sold on 18th January, 1879.

W. G. STEVENS, Poundkeeper.

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VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

Christmas and New Year Holidays.

On the 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 30th, and 31st December, and the 1st and 2nd January passengers will be booked to and from all stations at HOLIDAY EXCURSION FARES. Tickets will be available for return for thirty days, including day of issue, day of return, and Sundays.

Passengers will only be allowed to carry such luggage free as can be stowed under the seats without inconvenience to other passengers, and the Department will not be responsible for any loss, damage, or detention thereof in transit.

Excursionists will not be allowed to break their journey, and the first half of ticket must be used on day of issue.

For trains, fares, and further information see Time Tables and Posters.

From the 23rd December to 4th January the Department cannot engage to forward HORSES and VEHICLES by any particular train.

On the 25th and 26th December and 1st January the Goods Sheds at the various stations will be CLOSED, and goods trains will not run.

Arrangements will be made for the receipt and despatch of perishable goods.

JOHN WOODS,
Commissioner of Railways.

Education Act Amendment Act, 1876.
Private Schools.

PROPRIETORS and PRINCIPALS are reminded that by Section 10 of the Act above quoted they are required "to furnish to the Education Department each year, in the month of January, a return showing the name and surname, sex, age, last birthday, residence, and number of school days attendance of each child who attended his (or her) School during the preceding year."

Forms for the purpose may be obtained from the Head Office upon personal or written application.

N.B.—Before transmitting the returns to the Department Proprietors and others should be careful to see that the forms are properly filled up, and SIGNED.

G. WILSON BROWN,
Secretary.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS sent in to this Council being frequently filled up incorrectly, Notice is hereby given that unless the tender-forms are correctly filled up, with the Schedule prices given, carried out, and added up, they will not be entertained.

By order.
H. H. JACKSON,
Shire Engineer.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Shire, enclosing 5 per cent. deposit, will be received till 11 a.m. on THURSDAY, 9th January, 1879, for the following works:—

NORTH RIDING.

Contract No. 283.—Supplying 108 dressed bluestone pitchers in Beaufort.

Contract No. 284.—Clearing 161 chains of road between the Main Lead and the Raglan and Eurambeen road.

Contract No. 285.—Building a small timber bridge over the creek below the old mill, Mount Cole.

Contract No. 286.—Forming 17 chains of road, and clearing 57 chains, between Jesse's and Dunn's farm, Middle Creek.

EAST RIDING.

Contract No. 213.—Clearing 34 chains, and forming 43 chains, of the Caringham and Beaufort road at Lillirie, and building two culverts.

Contract No. 214.—Forming 41 chains of the Snake Valley and Mount Emu road by the Mortchup State School.

WEST RIDING.

Contract No. 141.—Making 161 chains of lightly metalled road over stony rises between St. Enoch's and Mahkwallok.

Contract No. 142.—Building a small stone and timber bridge and approaches at the Cross Roads

Contract No. 143.—Building a small timber bridge by Hogan's land at Mahkwallok.

Plans and specifications for the North and West Ridings can be seen at the Shire Hall, Beaufort; and those for the East Riding at the Greyhound Hotel, Snake Valley.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. H. JACKSON,
Shire Engineer.

Beaufort, 27th December, 1878.

Notice of Application for a Billiard Table License.

I, JEREMIAH SMITH, of Beaufort, do hereby give notice that I desire to obtain, and will at the next Licensing Meeting, to be holden at Beaufort on the 30th day of December, 1878, apply for a certificate authorising the issue of a Billiard Table License for premises situate at the Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort.

Dated the 13th day of December, 1878.

JEREMIAH SMITH

FOR SALE,

A CHAFFCUTTER and HORSEWORKS. Apply

WILLIAM SMITH,
Butcher, Beaufort.

HIGHEST PRICE given for SHEEPSKINS, HIDES, TALLOW, &c WM SMITH, Butcher. Beaufort, March 23rd, 1877

GREAT WESTERN VINEYARD.

JOSEPH BEST

INVITES Attention to his large and varied Stock of

WINES:

CLARETS,
HOCKS,
BURGUNDIES,
SAUTERNES.

The following Prizes have been awarded to the wines, the produce of the above vineyard:—

Paris Exhibition, 1878, silver medal.
Philadelphia Exhibition, 1876, first-class certificate and medal.
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Melbourne Intercolonial, 1873, silver medal.
Also 32 first prizes, 16 second prizes, 2 third prizes, 5 honorable mentions, at Stawell, Ararat, Geelong, and other places.

Hairdresser and Barber.

W. T. NOLES

BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Beaufort and district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Saph, Neill street (next door to the Methodist Church), as Barber, Hairdresser, etc., and trusts, by strict attention to business, combined with moderate charges and skilful workmanship, to merit their patronage.

Dr. D. W. EATON,

M.A., OXON. (Late) STAFF SURGEON in H.M. ARMY,

HAVING COMMENCED PRACTICE in Beaufort, may be consulted at his Consultation Room, next Mr. GLYDE'S, Neill street.

Beaufort, November 29th, 1878.

For Sale.

THE Undersigned, believing it a good opportunity to start a business at Waterloo, is willing to SELL the ground, and premises erected thereon, formerly known as the Pavilion Hotel, and now occupied by Mrs. Duncan, Postmistress, together with the adjoining allotment. Apply

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALITIES!

On and after SATURDAY, the 21st DECEMBER,
We shall make our

SECOND GENERAL SHOW for the SEASON
OF NEW SUMMER DRAPERY GOODS,

Including many NOVELTIES just introduced, together with a Large Stock of Ready-made CLOTHING, BOOTS and SHOES, Etc., Etc.

In all Departments we have made Extensive Purchases on the most Favorable Terms.

HAT DEPARTMENT.

In this Department we hold a Large, Well-assorted Stock, selected from the best English and French Manufacturers, including various New Shapes.

SPECIAL LINES.—300 Men's and Boys' Summer Hats, 1s. each; 250 Boys' Black Cloth Caps, 9d. each; 5 dozen Boys' Felt Hats, 2s. each.

We wish to direct Special Attention to our **Millinery and Fancy Departments,** which are now Replete with a full Assortment of the **Latest Novelties.**

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BEAUFORT HOUSE.

ARRIVAL OF CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES.

MRS. GUNN

BEGS to inform her PATRONS and the PUBLIC generally that she is just opening a Splendid Variety of CHRISTMAS GOODS, Seasonable, Durable, and Tasty, and all at Remarkably Low Figures.

DRESS STUFFS, 6d. per yard; Linen Washing Ginghams, 4d.; Boys' Washing Tweeds, 8d., etc., etc.; Ladies' Silk Scarves, from 6d.; and some of the very choicest to be procured. The most beautiful FRENCH FLOWERS, REAL LACES, New Bonnet Fronts. All the novelties in Hats and Bonnets. The very Fashionable GOLD CORD, so much used for trimming. The new Millinery Materials in all shades. Lisse Lace, Tulle, and Tarlatan Frillings.

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BEGS to thank his friends and customers for the liberal support hitherto accorded him, and would take this opportunity of informing them that he is now opening some special lines of SUMMER GOODS, of excellent quality, and which will be offered at very reasonable prices, in order to effect a thorough clearance.

SEASONABLE GOODS of every description, with a Large and Well-assorted Stock to pick from. HATS for Summer Wear in Great Variety. DRESS STUFFS of the Newest and most approved Material for The Summer Season.

The New Stock is now ON VIEW, and Public Inspection is respectfully invited.

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In great variety, and only the best maker's are kept in stock.

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Surprise, by Surprise, out of Gipsy (imported). Garibaldi, by Wellington, out of Gipsy; Wellington, out of Matchless (both imported by Neil Black and Co.)

Terms:
For Surprise.....£4 4 0
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Good Grass paddocks. Every care, but no responsibility.

JOHN LITTLE.

Eversley, 31st August, 1878.

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GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR BEGINNERS.

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Do lumber do
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American and Baltic deals, all sizes
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Mouldings, architraves, skirtings
Broad palings and shingles
A stock of all sizes of hardwood always on hand
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For 1879

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Havelock street, Beaufort.

CRICKET IN AMERICA.

The "Californian News Letter" has the following amusing skit in reference to the match of the Australian Eleven at San Francisco:—

Grand excitement out at the cricket grounds—Australian Eleven plays the Californian Twenty-two—Fourteen thousand people present—Twenty-six thousand get fooled by going to Badger's Park—Popular impression that all violent and sanguinary pastimes take place over there—Crowd very much disgusted to find the admission one dollar, and so two-thirds incontinently climb over the fence—Game advertised to be called at 11.30; everybody therefore seated at 10.30 so as to be in time—56 people carried out with the sunstroke at 1.15—At 2.25 Australian team drives up—Captain finds only ten players present—Old man went fishing early in the morning, and now becalmed on other side of Alcatraz—Substitute put on, and game called at 3.11 sharp—Reporter takes secretary aside, and wants to know when the lunch will begin—Young lady says she's sorry all the players have their legs broke—Young man, with bent thumb, says baseball's the only game after all—Umpire calls a bye—Band plays Sweet By-and-bye—Fat man on the top of seat melts, and runs down like a stage waterfall—Australian player wonders what makes the ground so rough—Thinks the 22 must be afraid of his balls, and have been throwing up breastworks—Millionaire sits in the 4-bit place for economy, and tears seat out of 16 dollars pair of pants on nail—Young man with bent thumb says cricket's slow—baseball's the game. Ball hits umpire on funny bone—Has a fit among the bats—Old gentleman says he never laughed so much in all his life—Ball hits old gentleman on the back of the neck—Old gentleman yell "Fire!" twenty-five times, and goes out to telegraph for Chief of Police—Reporter takes president aside and wants to know about this lunch anyway—Matron says if she knew the players were going to walk round in their drawers, she would not have brought Maria—Maria says she wishes the young man on the seat below would quit and behave—Long field misses a high foul, falls and kills a blue poodle—Infuriated old lady chases long field four times round the grounds with a green umbrella—Policeman discolors his uniform trying to put her out—Reporter sends his card to the treasurer, and wants to know if there is anything authentic about this lunch business—The Oakland Brothers is not to be trifled with—Young man with bent thumb says there is no dash about cricket—baseball wakes a feller up, you bet. Sides change—Man with white hat open valise, and says he wants to call attention to the only Genuine Carbolic Anti-Corrosive Corn Salve—He is killed with a bat Californian bowler bursts a blood vessel; he's carried into a club house to bleed, amid deafening applause—Waiter takes four sandwiches and a pint freezer of cream into cricket tent amid great excitement. Sarcastic Californian captain tells his fielders that little round thing is the ball—Funny man of twenty-two says he thinks he could do better if they'd let him tie a string to it—Broker bets five hares of Washoe that——L-U-N-C-H.

A remarkable instance of the fulfilment of a dream has been reported to the "South-Eastern Star." It appears that some time ago a gentleman named Davie, a resident of Kooringa, S.A., was suffering from opthalmia, which had caused total blindness. While in this state, one night he dreamed that his mother and sister (who resided at some considerable distance) appeared to him, and told him to go to Mount Gambier, where he would be cured of his blindness. So deep an impression did the dream make upon his mind that he at once made arrangements. Arriving in due course, he lost no time placing himself under the care of Dr. Jackson, who, however, expressed doubts as to being able to do anything for his patient, but so firmly did Mr. Davie believe in the fulfilment of his dream that he submitted to a dangerous operation, and the result is that the patient is gradually but surely recovering his sight; and hopes soon to retrace his steps homeward and be able to resume his usual occupation.

The Eastern unsettlement threatens to create yet another nuisance—a new European language. The Albanians, in asserting their nationality, claim that Albanian shall be the official language of their country. The Albanians have two chief languages, the Tosk and the Guegh, and they cannot read them when other people write them, so they use Greek for written communications.

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly-whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers. Prepared by Henry C. Gallup, 493 Oxford-street, London.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use "The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it will positively restore in every case Grey or White hair to its original colour, without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful, as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots, where the glands are not decayed. Ask your chemist for "The Mexican Hair Renewer," prepared by Henry C. Gallup, 493 Oxford-street, London, and sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere at 3s. 6d. per bottle,

OXYGEN IS LIFE.—Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne.—Multitudes of people are hopelessly suffering from Debility, Nervous and Liver Complaints, Depression of Spirits, Hypochondria, Timidity, Indigestion Failure of Hearing, Sight, and Memory, Lassitude, Want of Power, &c., whose cases admit of a permanent cure by the new remedy Phospodyne (Ozonic Oxygen), which at once allays all irritation and excitement, imparts new energy and life to the enfeebled constitution, and rapidly cures every stage of these hitherto incurable and distressing maladies. Sold by all chemists and druggists throughout the globe. ☞ CAUTION.—Phosphorus is sometimes sold in the form of Pills and Lozenges; it should be generally known that every form where solid particles of Phosphorus are in combination is dangerous. It is therefore necessary that the public should be cautioned against the use of any form of Phosphrous not perfectly soluble in water.

GARDENING FOR DECEMBER.

THE month of November has been peculiarly favorable to vegetation, and all classes having to do with the culture of the soil have been kept busy. If the proper attention has been paid to hoeing and weeding among advancing crops, the rains will have been particularly useful. If such work is still in arrear, let not a moment be lost in getting it completed, for the weeds will soon spoil the crops by robbing them of nutriment. After rains, finish mulching trees of the season's planting. This may be done with stable litter, or with newly-mown grass laid on the wet soil round the stem to a distance of three or four feet. To keep it from being blown about, a few spadefuls of earth may be spread on the grass or litter. Such plants as the orange, camellia, azalea, rhododendron, should not only be mulched, but should have a few branches secured round them, to check the severity of the scorching hot winds. If for the first year or two a little care is taken of these valuable plants, they speedily get established, and need but little further care; and they richly repay in bloom for the trouble taken with them as tender plants.

For border decoration, plants may be taken from the pots of show pelargoniums, verbenas, and fuchsias; and the patches of annuals may be divided and planted out. Damp weather should be selected for transplanting, unless water and means of shading be at hand. Sweet peas, nasturtiums, and all climbing plants should be staked and trained before they have grown too much. Picotees and carnations should be neatly pegged, and rambling growths of plants kept under control with a light hoop and pegs. Roses may be budded, and now will be felt the value of our suggestion in the season for putting out cuttings of the common rose.

Hot winds frequently affect growing crops prejudicially this month. Careshould be taken that the vines of melons, marrows, cucumbers, etc., are not injured by being blown about. Peg down at intervals. Attend to vines, and re-tie where necessary, great injury generally resulting from neglect in keeping the young, tender shoots tied to the stakes. Should any stakes appear loose, have them driven firmly in without delay, or the loss of the vine may be occasioned by the wind blowing both down together. Writers on vines sometimes advise the removal of foliage from around the the young fruit; but such a practice, unless for very special requirements, is to be condemned, as it too frequently happens that the hot winds scorch the unripe fruit, and spoil the crop, even when no foliage has been removed. Stopping back the shoots is also not advisable; but young lateral or side growth may be rubbed off with advantage. The growing crops of vegetables, however light, among the vines is a very bad plan, and one not defensible on the score of economy.

A few light sowings under shade may be made of peas, kidney beans, celery, cabbage, cucumbers, marrows, and melons.

Keep clean and see that advancing crops do not suffer from drought. Where watering is restored to, be careful that it is thoroughly done. A little care paid to melons, cucumbers, and, indeed, all the members of Cucurbita family, will be well repaid in the fruiting season. Trim up hedges of Cape broom after flowering. Keep a constant look out for blight on apple-trees, and syringe where red spider is found.—"Australian Journal."

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the almost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches." These famous "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s. 1½d. per box. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a "slight cold," or bronchial affections, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic affections. See that the words "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Manufactured by John I. Brown & Sons, Boston, United States. Depot, 493 Oxford-street, London.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by medicine dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Manufactured at 493 Oxford-street, London.

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The same people are circulating a report that my business is about to be formed into a Company, which is utterly false.

I must earnestly appeal to that sense of British justice, which I feel sure I may venture upon asking from my kind countrymen and countrywomen in their distant homes, to assist me, as far as may lay in their power, in denouncing this shameful American Fraud, by cautioning their friends lest they be duped into buying villanous compounds styled "Holloway's Pills and Ointment" with any New York label thereon.

Each Pot and Box of the Genuine Medicines bears the British Government Stamp, with the words "Holloway's Pills and Ointment, London" engraved thereon. On the label is the address, 533, Oxford-street, London, where alone they are Manufactured.

Signed
THOMAS HOLLOWAY
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Dr. D. Jayne's Ague Mixture an unfailing Curative for Fever and Ague, Intermittent and Remittent Fevers, and all complaints of a like nature. It breaks up the chills, and assists in restoring the Liver and Digestive organs to a healthy condition; it also exercises a tranquilising effect on the nerves, and has a most excellent tonic properties, which enable it when taken in conjunction with the Sanative Pills, to eradicate the disease.

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Victorian Railways.

TIME TABLE.

FROM MELBOURNE TO STAWELL
LEAVE—Melbourne 6.30 a.m, 11.10 a.m, 4.10 p.m. 7 p.m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.17 a.m 12.57 a.m 6.15 p.m 8.30 p.m
LEAVE—Geelong 8.27 a.m, 1.12 a.m, 6.35 p.m, 8.45 p.m
ARRIVE at Ballarat 10.30 am 3.20 a.m 9.15 p.m 10 20 p.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 4 40 a.m 10.45 a.m 3.50 p.m 10.35 p.m
Burrumbeet 5.20 a.m 11.19 a.m, 4.30 p.m
Beaufort 6.10 a.m 12.3 a.m 5.20 p.m 11.43 p.m
Buangor, 7 a.m, 12.44 a.m, 6.11 pm
ARRIVE at Ararat 7.45 am 1.25 pm, 6 56 p.m, 12.51 a.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 8 a.m, 1.40 a.m, 7.6 a.m, 1.1 a.m
ARRIVE At Stawell 9 a.m, 2.35 p.m, 8.6 a.m, 1.46 a.m
FROM STAWELL TO MELBOURNE
LEAVE—Stawell 6 45 a.m, 10.35 a.m, 3 p.m, 8.50 p.m
ARRIVE At Ararat 7 39 a.m 11.35 a.m 3.54 p.m 9.50 p.m
LEAVE—Ararat, 7.49 a.m, 11.55 a.m. 4.4 p.m. 10 p.m
Buangor 8.30 am 12.40 a.m 4.45 pm 10.48 pm
Beaufort 9.11 a.m 1.29 p.m 5.26 p m 11 35 p.m
Burrumbeet 9.52 a.m 2.16 p.m, 6.7 p.m, 12.33 a.m.
ARRIVE At Ballarat 10.30 pm 2.58a,m 6.45 pm 1.18 a.m
LEAVE—Ballarat 6.30 a.m, 11.30 a.m, 3.25 p.m, 7.10 p m
ARRIVE at Geelong 8.30 a.m 1.39 p.m 6.5 p.m 9.13 p.m.
LEAVE—Geelong, 6.50 a.m, 8.45 a.m, 1.51 am, 6.30 a.m 9.28 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 9 a.m, 10.30 a.m, 3.41 am, 8.35 a.m. 11.15 p.m.
FROM ARARAT to HAMILTON and PORTLAND
ARRIVE At Ararat, 1.25 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 1.55 p.m.
Wickliffe Road, 3.56 p m.
Glen Thompson, 3.30 p.m.
LEAVE Glen Thompson, 3.35 p.m.
ARRIVE At Dunkeld, 3.45 p.m.
Hamilton, 4.55 p.m.
LEAVE Hamilton, 5.10 p.m.
ARRIVE At Portland, 7.25 p.m.
FROM PORTLAND and HAMILTON to ARARAT and MELBOURNE.
LEAVE Portland, 7.15 a.m.
ARRIVE at Hamilton, 10.12 a.m.
LEAVE Hamilton, 10.27 a.m.
ARRIVE At Ararat, 1.30 p.m.
LEAVE Ararat, 4.4 p.m.
ARRIVE At Melbourne, 11.15 p.m.

FARES.

	First-class	Second-class
Beaufort to		
Trawalla	1s 0d	0s 9d
Burrumbeet	2s 6d	1s 9d
Windermere	3s 6d	2s 0s
Ballarat	5s 0d	3s 0d
Geelong	14s 0d	9s 0d
Melbourne	21s 0d	13s 6d
Beaufort to	First-class	Second-class.
Buangor	2s 6d	2s 0d
Ararat	5s 0d	3s 6d
Armstrongs	6s 0d	4s 0d
Great Western	6s 6d	4s 6d
Stawell	8s 0d	5s 6d

Beaufort Post Office.

TIME TABLE, 1878.

Post Town	Mails arrive at Beaufort	Mails close at Beaufort
Melbourne...	6 a.m 12.10 p.m 10 p.m	8.45 a m 5 p.m.
Geelong	Ditto	Ditto
Ballarat	Ditto	Ditto
Trawalla	Ditto	Ditto
Raglan	4.15 p.m	8 a.m
Charlton	Ditto	Ditto
Waterloo	Ditto	Ditto
Main Lead	Ditto	Ditto
Sailor's Gully	4.15 p.m	Ditto
Stockyard Hill	Ditto	Ditto
Ararat...	9.31 a.m 5.20 p.m	11.45 a.m 9.20 p.m
Buangor	Ditto	Ditto
Eurambeen	4 30 p.m	1 p.m
Shirley	Ditto	Dittto

The mails for Ararat, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Buangor, and Trawalla are despatched twice daily.

Mails for Shirley, and Eurambeen are despatched three times a week—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

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

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It is agreeable to the palate, and innocent in its action, while retaining all its extraordinary properties; and as a specific, surpassing all the known therapeutic agents of the present day for the speedy and permanent cure of—

Nervous Prostration	Shortness of Breath
Liver Complaints	Trembling of the hands and limbs
Palpitation of the Heart	Impaired Nutrition
Dizziness	Mental and Physical Depression
Noises in the Head and Ears	Consumption (in its first stages only)
Loss of Energy and Appetite	Timidity
Hypochondria	Eruptions of the Skin
Female Complaints	Impaired Sight and Memory
General Debility	Nervous Fancies
Indigestion	Impoverished Blood
Flatulence	Nervous Debility in all its Stages
Incapacity for Study or Business	Premature Decline
Sick Headache	
Lassitude	

And all morbid conditions of the system arising from whatever cause. The action of the Phosphodyne is twofold—on the one hand increasing the principle which constitutes nervous energy, and on the other the most powerful blood and flesh generating agent known; therefore, a marvellous medicine for renovating impaired and broken-down constitutions It quickly improves the functions of assimilation to such a degree, that were for years an emaciated, anxious, cadaverous and semi-vital condition has existed, the flesh will rapidly increase in quantity and firmness, and the whole system return to a state of robust health. The Phosphodyne acts electrically upon the organisation; for instance, it assists nature to generate that human electricity which renews and rebuilds the osseous, muscular, nervous, membraneous and organic systems. It operates on the system without exciting care or thought upon the individual as to the process. It moves the lungs, liver, heart, kidneys, stomach, and intestines, with a harmony, vigour, yet mildness unparallelled in medicine.

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Bad breasts	Gout	Skin Diseases
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Chapped Hands	Piles	Ulcers
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Contracted and Stiff Joints	Sore Nipples	
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Debility	Stone and Gravel
Dropsy	Secondary Symptoms
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Fevers of all kinds	Ulcers
Gout	Venereal Affections
Headache	Worms of all kinds
Indigestion	Weakness from whatever cause, &c., &c.
Liver Complaints	
Lumbago	

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