







A NEW ZEALAND DUEL.

It is rather a rare thing to bear of a duel in these times, but we ("Ashburton Mail") learn from an undoubted authority that an exciting event of the kind occurred during the past week in Christchurch.

THE EMBASSY VOTE

The "South Australian Advertiser" on this grave subject remarks: "In looking at this case it is difficult to describe the conduct of the Ministers concerned in moderate language.

EXTRAORDINARY PREDICTION.

(From the "Medical Review.") A number of astronomers engaged in observing the sun during the last eclipse agreed that its condition appears to have recently undergone a great change.

revolution of Jupiter round the sun is accomplished in little less than twelve years; of Uranus, in about eighty-four years.

GENERAL NEWS.

Chamber furniture made of ebouised wood, in imitation of the rich "ebony and gold" more common in the Eastern Hemisphere, is quite popular, and there are few fine furniture stores in New York city in which more or less of it is not displayed.

Referring to Ellen Tremay, alias De Laey Evans, the "Bendigo Advertiser" writes: "This remarkable woman has at last attained her liberty, although she will not leave the hospital for a few days.

The German "Moscow Gazette" publishes the following piece of Nihilist vengeance: A young man 19 years old, named Nicholas Gornovich, a student at the Garmannist of Kief, was induced to join the Nihilist circles.

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One feature of the last eruption of Kilaeua, the remarkable volcano in the Sandwich Islands, is the fact that the great molten lake of lava, occupying a huge caldron nearly a mile in width, and known as the "South Lake," was drawn off subterraneously, giving no warning of its movements and leaving no visible indication of its pathway or the place of its final deposit.

A 94-carat diamond, found recently at Mekeke's Bush, in the South African diamond fields was sold on the spot for £7,000. The same "digger" to whose lot this rare find fell unearthed about the same time a fine stone of 26 carats, and another of 10 1/2 carats, besides several smaller gems.

It doesn't do any good to veto a butcher's bill. Bloggys tried it, and the butcher, in defiance of all law and constitutional precedent, absolutely refused to vote any more supplies until the bill passed.

A ganger on the Wallaroo Railway Works named Hunt, hung himself on Monday at Kadina, on receiving a summons for using indecent language, saying that he would rather die than be laughed at.

A water spout in Switzerland destroyed thirteen bridges, and flooded several villages.

GARDENING FOR DECEMBER.

KITCHEN GARDEN.—Sow seeds of cabbage, cauliflower, savoy, etc., in shady places; peas, French beans, turnips, and materials for salad may also be sown.

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The mails for Ararat, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Bannock, and Traralgon are despatched twice daily.

Victorian Railways.

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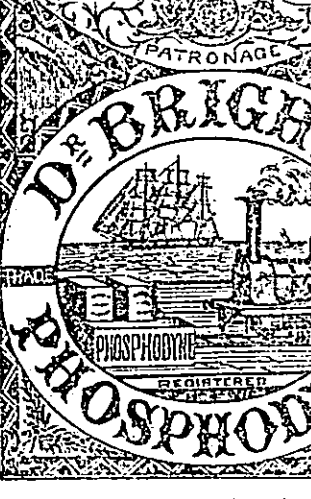
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OF Holloway's Pills and Ointment. I must repeat that it takes time to call the attention of the inhabitants of Australia to the fact that Messrs. Henry, Curran and Co., Wholesale Druggists, of New York, have Agencies in various parts, at that their Travellers are going a over the country vending Spurious

THE same people are circulating a report that my business is about to be formed into a Company, which is utterly false.

Oxygen is Life.

ALTHOUGH the modern Materia Medica include many valuable remedies for human afflictions, it is a matter of certainty that in cases where the vitality is falling, Phosphorus is decidedly superior to every other remedy at present known.



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It is agreeable to the palate, and innocent in its action, whilst retaining all its extraordinary properties; and as a specific, supporting the functions of the system, it is the most powerful blood and flesh generating agent known; therefore, a marvellous medicine for renovating impaired and broken-down constitutions.

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Piles, Fistulas, and Exhortations.

The cures which this Ointment effects in healing piles and fistulas of long standing, after they have resisted all other applications, have been so constant and notorious throughout the world that any effort to give an adequate detailed statement of their number or character would be in vain.

In Disorders of the Kidneys, Stone, and Gravel. The Ointment's ascertained remedy fitly bevelled rubbed twice a day into the small of the back, over the region of the kidneys, into which it will gradually penetrate, and in almost every case give immediate relief.

"Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime; And, departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sands of time."

The above is read with great interest by thousands of young men. It inspires them with hope, for in the bright lexicon of youth there is no such word as fall.

To parents, medical men, and educators of youth pay sufficient attention to this subject. Do they ever ascertain the cause of this decay; and having done so, do they (as a strict sense of duty demands) seek the skilled advice of the medical man, who has made this branch of his profession his particular study, who has been devoted to the treatment of these cases?

Holloway's Pills.

No family should without these Pills. Their long-continued efficacy in curing disorders of the liver and stomach, stimulating the bowels, and purifying the blood, has secured for them an imperishable reputation throughout the world.

How to Enjoy Life.

It is only known when the blood is pure, its circulation perfect, and the nerve in good order. The only sound and certain method of expelling all impurities is to take Holloway's Pills, which have the power of expelling the blood from all noxious matters, expelling all humors which taint or impervish it, and thereby purify and invigorate and give general tone to the system.

Our Mothers and Daughters.

The functional irregularities peculiar to the weaker sex are invariably corrected without pain or inconvenience by the use of Holloway's Pills. They are the safest and purest medicine for all diseases incidental to females of all ages, and most tedious, as the renal, or when entering into womanhood.

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- Ague, Piles, Rheumatism, Bilious Complaints, Retention of Urine, Blisters on the Skin, Scrofula, or King's Evil, Bowel Complaints, Sore Throat, Debility, Scrofula, Scalding, Dropsy, Female Irregularities, The Dolors, Fevers of all kinds, Ulcers, Cuts, Venereal Affections, Headache, Worms of all kinds, Indigestion, Weakness from whatever cause, Liver Complaints, Inflammation of the Kidneys, &c., &c., &c.







A TERRIBLE MASSACRE BY BLACKS.

(From the "Cooktown Courier," Nov. 18.) The s.s. Ocean brings news of a horrible murder by the bloodthirsty savages at Kaine Island, situated about 60 miles from the mainland.

On his return to the island on the 5th November, Robinson found only the boy, who returned him that on the night he had left Kaine Island English sent two boys to sleep in the boat, so as to be able to bring the canoe to the shore in the morning.

From the above it will be seen that the slayers selected the hour of sleep for their murderous work, and Robinson states that he found the bodies of the victims in what was apparently the position they were in when asleep. Death was no doubt instant.

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A CURIOUS ENCOUNTER.

A telegram to the "Chicago Times" from Greenville, N.C., says:—One of the most novel contests known to the sporting world took place here on the 22nd July. With a death to overthrow the white people, the negroes arranged a cutting match for a prize of 150 dollars and the champion cap.

An inimic condition of the system is engendered by the absence of the red corpuscles of the blood, and these being the carriers of nutriment to the body, it is essential that they should be kept up to the proper standard of health. Physicians are prone, in these cases, to administer such tonics as gentian, quinine, quassia, cinchona, iron, calumba, or acids, and these, being strictly inert, sometimes affect delicate stomachs.

A rather amusing incident occurred a few days since in connection with an offender who gave the name of Smith, and who was fined heavily for the rowdy conduct at the hospital sports on Monday last. After paying the fine Mr. Smith, who, it appears, resides at Watonga, proceeded home on foot, and near the bridge was overtaken by a conveyance, the driver of which, being a benevolently-disposed party, gave him a lift.

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Verily conscience is a curiously-contradictory thing in some specimens of humanity. One would think that when a man has escaped justice for twenty years after committing a terrible crime, and when, during all that time, the love of life and freedom has been too much for conscience, that the secret will be kept till death.

This is an old saying, every day proved to be correct, that truth is, stronger than fiction. About the most recent exemplification of the adage which we came under our notice is, contained in a letter received lately by a gentleman living upon a ledge-word from a friend in London. The writer of the letter details various items of news to his friend, and amongst these is the information that a mutual friend, supposed to be not overburdened with intellect, and in receipt of a very small salary (not £50 a year), had very foolishly paid his addresses to his landlady's servant girl, and had gone so far as to fix the wedding day.

KITCHEN GARDEN.—Sow seeds of cabbage, cauliflower, savoy, etc., in shady places; peas, French beans, turnips, and materials for salad may also be sown. Plant out celery in trenches and attend to watering. Take up early potatoes, storing those that are required for table in some cool shed where the light can be excluded by covering of straw, those wanted for seed may be greened by exposure to the light. Keep growing crops clear of weeds.

FLORIST GARDEN.—Dahlias can still be planted out to flower late. Attend to weeding and watering. Lift bulbs as they mature, storing them in dry sand in some cool place with their names attached.

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There is no preparation for salutory effects comparable to this remedy. It would be well rubbed over the affected parts after their due purification with warm water. It acts by stimulating the absorbents to increase activity, by improving congestion and promoting a free and copious circulation in the parts affected, thence speedily and effectually it ensures a cure.

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COMMERCIAL.

BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

There was a fair supply of produce brought into the market yesterday. The following are our quotations...

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No alteration has taken place in the price of breadstuffs since our last report, and as no wheat has yet been received from the Wimmera district...

GEELONG WOOL MARKET.

Messrs. GEORGE HAGUE and Co. report:—Wool.—We held our usual weekly sale at Mack's hotel to-day, when we submitted a catalogue of 313 bales to a full attendance of buyers...

Messrs GEORGE SYNNOT and Co. report:—We held our eighth and last sale for the present year at Mack's Hotel to-day, and offered a first-rate catalogue for public competition...

TRIAL OF HARVESTERS.

A great demonstration is taking place here to-day; the occasion being the trial of the harvesting machines entered for competition for the bonus of £4000 given by the Government...

The following is from the "East Charlton Tribune":—Many editors have had experience of being told by dissatisfied subscribers to stop their papers, but our experience last week transcends anything we have read of...

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWS-PAPERS.

- Andas, J. W.; Agnew, A. Boyd, M.; Blair, Mrs. A.; Briody, Mr.; Beaton, A. Cusson, Mr. Cyer, J.; Dann, J.; Donnelly, M. Ellis, H.; Edwards, C. Henderson, Bros. Johnston, J.; James, John. Kelly, M.; Kirkham, J. Maibaeker, J. F.; Mackay, Jas.; Mitchell, P.; McMillan, M.; McCormick, P.; McIntosh, Miss Oddie, J. Parsons, W. G. Ramsay, Chas. Stephens, W. M.; Stokes, John; Scamlan, P.; Sunderland, John; Smith, L. W.; St. Clair, Mrs.; Stevens, W. G.; Shaw, T. Thompson Wm. Vovels Wm.; Vance W. F. Wallace, J. B. Young, Jas. E. M. KILDAHL Postmistress. Beaufort, 19th December, 1879.

Death.

BRUCE.—On the 6th inst. at Ballarat East, Joseph, only son of Joseph and Sarah Bruce, of Beaufort, aged eight months.

Bank of Victoria.

THIS BANK will be CLOSED ON THURSDAY, 25th, and FRIDAY, 26th inst., for the Christmas holidays.

THE Riponshire Advocate.

Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1879.

Dissolution! This is the cry which now carries dismay to the hearts of many of those Ministerial followers who so loudly and so confidently yelled out that they were prepared to go to the country at any moment...

Owing to the late hour at which the public meeting was held last evening, and pressure on our space, we are compelled to condense our report.

The cow nuisance is still prevalent in Beaufort, and if owners of these quadrupeds do not be careful they will find their milkers gone to pound some of these fine mornings.

The English mails will be despatched from Melbourne on Wednesday next, 24th December. The mails will close at the Beaufort Post Office on Tuesday, 23rd December, as under:

A correspondent sends us the following:—The concert and dramatic entertainment held at Vovels' new hall on Friday, the 12th inst., proved a grand success, both financially and otherwise.

The French Minister of war authorises soldiers on duty to wear spectacles when medical certificates are forthcoming as to their necessity.

But little interest was taken in the Beaufort election on Monday last, and the result of the poll was the return of Messrs. Sinclair and Thomas, the total number polled being—Sinclair, 127; Thomas, 101; Williams, 28. Particulars of the number polled at each booth will be found in our advertising columns.

A notice of importance to school teachers, emanating from the Education Department, appears in another column.

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An old woman (seventy-three years of age) was attacked (says the "Creswick Advertiser") by a cow on Tuesday, whilst crossing one of Mr. Parkin's paddocks near Kingston.

At a public dinner in one of the Australian colonies a learned judge of sprightly disposition, in response to a complimentary toast, spoke of his own strict impartiality.

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BEAUFORT MINING ITEMS.

New Victoria.—Yield for week, 120oz. 144lbs. Victoria No. 2.—Men are busy cleaning up and will be in solid ground next week.

Waterloo.—Steam up on Thursday, and the winding gear on. Everything working well. Expect to start lailing early next week.

Hobart Tasha.—Yield for the first five days, 42oz. No alteration in reef drive, except that the water is slightly increasing.

Waterloo Consols.—Main drive extended 32 feet, and cross-cut 30 feet for the week. Water coming freely overlaths on both drives.

King Charlie.—No. 5 bore down about 70 feet. Ballarat and Deafort Consols.—Busy erecting housing over machinery.

Beaufort.—Shaft down 165 feet. Propose opening out about 150 feet, and drive south so as to intercept the old workings and the western reef, where gold is left.

South Victoria.—No. 19 bore down 150 feet, still in black clay. Frusher's Freehold.—Erection of machinery proceeding satisfactorily.

South Defence shaft down 140 feet on Thursday. Opening out at 120 feet. Directors intend to make a permanent start before Christmas.

MELBOURNE. FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. Thursday. In the Assembly yesterday Mr. Berry informed the House that he had come to an agreement with the leader of the Opposition to the effect that a Supply Bill should be granted, and an adjournment should take place until January 20th.

RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18TH, 1879. Present: Crs. Lewis (president, in the chair), Wotherspoon, Adams, Cushing and Thomas.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

A letter was read from Cr. Beggs, apologising for his absence owing to ill-health, and complaining of the high rate of valuation placed on his property at Ennambreen.—Left over for the consideration of the full meeting of the Council.

VALUATION. The secretary complained that the valuation returns were not placed in alphabetical order, but as it was in accordance with the schedule, it was received, on the motion of Cr. Wotherspoon, seconded by Cr. Cushing.

ESTIMATES. The secretary presented a statement of the probable receipts and expenditure, based on a shilling rate, for the year 1880, making provision only for half-year's endowment of £2,500. Cr. Wotherspoon moved, and Cr. Thomas seconded.—That the estimate be approved.

Cr. Cushing said that he was in favor of a ninetynity rate in the West Riding, but owing to the sparse meeting he felt delicacy in moving in the matter. After some discussion, the matter was allowed to drop.

GENERAL RATE. Cr. Wotherspoon moved, and Cr. Thomas seconded.—That the secretary be empowered to give notice of intention to strike a rate of one shilling in the £.

SLAUGHTERING LICENSE. A renewal of slaughtering license was granted to W. Phillips, and Quince and Morcombe, of Snake Valley, on the motion of Cr. Thomas, seconded by Cr. Cushing.

UNPAID RATES. It was resolved, on the motion of Cr. Wotherspoon, seconded by Cr. Cushing.—That the name of J. G. Goller be struck out of the rate-book, and the name of David Cullwell be inserted, as occupier of the Glut Sawmill, at Mount Cole.

REPORT. The Valuer reported as follows:—"Herewith I have the honor to hand you my return in accordance with the 16th schedule of the local Government Act, 1874, showing the total valuation at £67,224, and a decrease from last year amounting to £4,968.

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ESCAPE OF FRENCH COMMUNISTS FROM NEW CALEDONIA.

The Noumea correspondent of the Sydney Morning Herald writes on December 4, giving the following particulars of this event:—

The dull routine of Noumean existence was broken this evening by the painful intelligence that between 4 and 5 p.m. some convicts had escaped from Isle Nou in a schooner, the captain of which they murdered.

The Moudewai, cutter, 35 tons, owner and master F. Boutny (French), chartered by the Government to take provisions, etc., to Poya—scene of the revolt to the north of Bourail—having completed taking in cargo, all but some bags of lime, proceeded for these to-day to the Government time-kiln at the south end of Point Sud, of Isle Nou, going alongside the small quay there for the purpose of slipping the line.

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The judges of the Queen's Bench strongly condemned Mr. Labouchere's attacks on Levy Lawson, and it is expected will convict him.

A scheme for the external alteration of the Roman Catholic Church in England, to facilitate the return to Catholicism of an important section of English Protestants.

Hostilities are believed to be imminent between the people of Egypt and Abyssinia, owing to the threatening attitude assumed by King John. Gordon Pasha, who has been on a mission to the King, reports that his right is acknowledged to the Sudan and Nubia, in addition to the payment of two million pounds sterling.

Terrible storms took place on the 18th and 19th instant on the North American lakes, causing large loss of life and immense destruction of property.

The farmers who lately went to Texas are returning home. They declare they have been deceived in reports of the land, which is bad.

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Beaufort Post Office. TIME TABLE, 1879. Table with columns for Post Town, Mails arrive at Beaufort, and Mails close at Beaufort.

Victorian Railways. TIME TABLE. FROM MELBOURNE TO STAWELL. Table with columns for Station, Time, and Direction.

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