

COMMERCIAL. BALLARAT WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET.

There was a fair market on Thursday. We quote as follows:—Barley—English, 4s 6d; Cape barley, 2s 9d; wheat, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; ...

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

An unusually quiet week has been passed through in the local produce market, very little stuff being offered. No local wheat has come in, and little can now remain in growers' hands. ...

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWS-PAPERS.

Alexander, J. Bennett, A. Coggrove, P.; Corker, M. Dutton, W. Ellis, Miss. Ford, J. Gibbons, W. Hall, A. A.; Hankin, J. Kruse, A. P. Murchison, D.; Morland, G.; McKenzie, Mr.; Miller, H.; Morgan, J. B.; Mannars, Thos. Ord, T. H. Parsons, W. Stewart, J. ...

RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 1884. Present: Crs. Thomas (President), Adams, Murray, Smith, Oddie, Wotherspoon, Cushing, McKenzie, and Lewis.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

From H. P. Honningsen, pointing out several obstructions on the footpaths in the township of Beaufort, and asking the Council to remove same.—No action taken. ...

Riponshire Advocate.

Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1884.

Owing to pressure on our space we are compelled to hold over our reports of the Primitive Methodist Sunday School anniversary services, as also of the Beaufort Mutual Improvement Association's "Social" evening. ...

The rainfall at Beaufort during the month of November was 1.24in. The family of Arabians who visited Beaufort last week made their appearance at Ararat on Saturday afternoon. ...

On Wednesday evening last a few of the friends of the Rev. O. Robertson, who has had charge of the Beaufort Presbyterian Church during the past time or ten months, met in the church, and presented him with a purse of sovereigns, as a slight token of their esteem. ...

The Beaufort Police Court will be held on Monday next, when a long list of cases will be disposed of. It is notified in last Friday's "Gazette" that Waterloo has been appointed a polling place for the Lepton Division of the Nelson Province.

Particulars relating to the Railway Department's arrangements for the Christmas and New Year excursions will be found in another column. A well-attended meeting of the Executive Committee of the Fancy Fair to be held on Boxing Day was held on Wednesday evening last in the Shire Hall. ...

The following two clauses comprise the bill to amend the Licensing Act and to preserve to married women the rights they have acquired as holders of publicans' licenses, which was introduced into the Legislative Assembly on Thursday, and passed through all its stages:—1. Any married woman, being the holder of a license, or the transferee of a license granted and issued to her, purporting to have been granted and issued under the provisions of the Licensing Act 1876, in or during the year 1884, shall not be liable to any penalties for selling liquor, and shall not be refused a renewal of such license, or a grant or issue of a license in respect of any such transfer of which she is the transferee, for the year 1885, by reason only on the ground that she is a married woman, any construction of law to the contrary notwithstanding. ...

An Adelaide telegram in Monday's "Argus" says:—An extraordinary case of sheep-stealing is reported from the South-east, near Robe. Mr. Robert Foster a sheep-farmer at Lake St. Clair, on Thursday night found on the selection of Stephen Jeffrey, at Reedy Creek flats, fifty of his sheep, shorn, killed, and placed in a heap ready for burning in the scrub. ...

A cricket match was played on Saturday last at Waterloo, between the local club and a team from Beaufort. The game, which was decided by the first innings, resulted in a win for Waterloo by 16 runs. ...

The annual picnic in connection with the Beaufort St. John's Sunday School was held yesterday, in the Beaufort Recreation Reserve, when a large number of scholars, teachers, parents, and friends enjoyed a thorough good day's outing.

From the Secretary Waterloo Free Library notifying that the committee desire to obtain a license for the hall, so that it can be let to parties wishing to engage it for dancing parties or other public entertainments.—The application for a license was granted. ...

From John B. Hill, Main Lead, pointing out that he had taken advantage of the water being out of the race to clean it out from Mr. Watkins' residence to Mr. Kirkbride's, a distance of three-quarters of a mile, and asking for compensation for the work. ...

From Francis Ormond, stating that immediate steps will be taken to destroy the rabbits on the Borriyalook estate. ...

From Ballant District Survey Office, with reference to the reservation of a piece of land for a reservoir and pipe track at Carngaham, and pointing out that the tracing forwarded cannot be received; also suggesting that the survey could be effected, and a plan prepared by the Department, for which the Council would have to pay.—Cr. Oddie thought that the engineer was capable of surveying the lands. ...

From the Government Statist, stating that the collection of the agricultural, educational, and industrial statistics for the year 1884-5 may be commenced at any time after the 15th November, and must be completed by the 1st March.—Received, and referred to the Collector.

From the Railway Department, notifying that they will bear their moiety of the cost of cleaning out the water race from Mount Cole.—Received.

From the Immigrants' Aid Society, asking for a donation.—Received.

TENDERS. The following tenders were accepted on the recommendation of the tender committee:— NORTH RIDING. Contract No. 300.—Forming a short piece of the boundary road between Raglan and Beaufort, and forming and gravelling 97 chains of the Beaufort and Raglan road, building culverts, etc. ...

Contract No. 301.—Clearing 111 chains of road between John Wright's and Whitta's, Carngaham. ...

Contract No. 302.—Building one small culvert and one pipe culvert in Snake Valley. ...

RABBIT SUPPRESSION. The rabbit inspector reported as follows:—"I have the honor to report that the rabbits are again very numerous on the Euna Creek frontage, at Baanag. ...

Cr. Smith seconded the motion, and in doing so remarked that he knew for a fact that numbers of the rabbits sold to the inspector were not killed on the common at all. He was also aware that numbers of boys made up parties to go rabbit-hunting on Sundays. ...

sons killed rabbits on their fathers' farms, and then sold the scalps to the inspector, as if the rabbits were killed on the common. The motion was carried.

The engineer reported as follows:—"With respect to the Lake Goldsmith and Beaufort road that Mr. Alex. Wilson has asked the Council to make, I have the honor to report that the unmetalled portion in the West Riding is 23 1/2 chains, and in the North Riding the length that requires making, not including Jock's Gully, is 80 chains, and the cost of making it all would be about £1,950. ...

The report was received, and it was resolved that a copy of the first portion of it be forwarded to Mr. Alex. Wilson. The latter portion of the report was adopted, and tenders ordered to be called for metal as recommended by the engineer. ...

At the last meeting of the Council the West Riding members, the President, and the engineer were appointed to investigate a complaint made by Messrs. Matthews and Brooks concerning obstructions on two closed roads running through the Carrambull estate. ...

The letter was received, and a reply ordered to be sent to the effect that the building will only be used in the daytime, and in order to make the necessary alterations, as requested, portion of the brickwork will have to be pulled down; that the plans were prepared before the Act came into force; and that the sacristy door is available for egress should necessity arise. ...

ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING. The secretary read the balancesheet, which was signed by the auditors, and contained the following addenda:—"14th November, 1884. We have examined the above statement of receipts and expenditure, and find the same correct, with the exception of the following, viz.—Dr. balance municipal fund, £629 7s 3d, is a superfluous entry, and the sum set down as expenditure incurred in ridings, North Riding works and charges £1,599 12s 4d; East Riding do. do. £2,030 4s 1d; West Riding do. do. £2,403 3s 4d; do not represent the correct amounts actually expended for these ridings." ...

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THE ESTIMATES. The value presented his estimate of the value of the rateable property in the shire, which was as follows:—North Riding, £20,338; East Riding, £15,039 10s; West Riding, £26,365; total, £61,742 10s. Thereport was adopted.

On the motion of Cr. Murray it was resolved—That the secretary write to the Committee of the Carngaham Mechanics' Institute, drawing attention to the fact that they are liable to a penalty by law for allowing dancing and public entertainments to be carried on in the building without first getting it licensed. ...

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"We would respectfully recommend that the system of keeping the accounts be remodelled, and that each item of revenue, as well as of expenditure, be placed to the accounts, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act. ...

"We also beg to draw your attention to the statement of contracts entered into during the year, which ought to be printed. ... We have the honor to be your most obedient servants, Wm. WEBSTER, Government Auditor. W. R. NICOLL, Local Auditor."

SECRETARY'S REPORT. "Riponshire Office, Beaufort, 1st December, 1884. The President Shire of Ripon.—Sir,—I beg leave to make the following statement in reply to the auditors' report. ...

"The first eight paragraphs may be passed over for verbal explanations, except to remark that Contractor Kimblett's receipt for £20 was received during the audit. ...

"It is alleged that no other municipality in the district abides by the prescribed form, and upon auditors pressing for a more simple one we have told them to apply to the proper quarter for the cancellation of the said order in Council; but, so far as my knowledge extends, this has not been done. ...

"The Council are aware that in the framing of the yearly estimate all the details of revenue for each riding are gone into for the purpose of determining the amount to be apportioned to each ward. ...

"Further, it is complained that these Riding accounts are far from being correct, but they do not afford a single instance wherein the incorrectness lies. None were pointed out to me, nor, that I am aware of, to the President; and I claim that the errors be proved, or the assertion withdrawn. ...

"The arrears of water rates have not been brought forward in the rate book. This book seems to be kept in a loose manner. The general rates received for the year 1883 and entered in Collector's cash book are only partially posted into the rate book. ...

"In the annual statement of receipts and expenditure three amounts are set down purporting to be sums expended on works, etc., in each riding, but they are far from being correct. We have noted this on the face of the balance sheet previous to signing it. ...

"Separate ledger accounts are kept of each contractor in the names of the contractors, which show the original amount of contract, deposit and extras, also the advance payments made; and it is not required that in addition to these, there should also be the debit entries in the Riding accounts of the full amount of each contract as it is let, but simply the actual amounts paid on them during the municipal year." ...

The Daily News

PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY H. P. HENNINGSEN.

Poetry.

A Pretty Sight to See.

It is a pretty sight to see,
This happy, loving band,
The father with his manly form,
And firm yet gentle hand...

Novelist.

"INTRIGUE."

By Brigadier General Henry Ronald McIver.

CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

"Pray spare me your rhapsodies on my
elderly cousin, and remember the blood in
my veins is as blue as Lady Claudia's," she
said, pettishly...

slowly back to life, the doctors shook their
heads as they spoke. "The evil likely to
attack the brain. For many dreary months
by night and by day, the dark cruel face of
the man who so nearly caused her death...

something horribly familiar in the shape of
the man's head and outline of his face.
Could it be that the fatigue and excitement of
the journey was bringing back her old delu-

yielding to my persuasions, and my well-
founded fears of interfering relations, you
secretly became my wife some weeks ago."

CHAPTER XI.

"For Lilo so lovely yet."

A large announcement in the daily papers of
marriage of Lady Disney and Signor
Romano...

from the life which had become so hateful.
When she returned to Disney Manor, the old
retainer who had been very indignant at
her mistress's marriage with an obscure
foreigner...

have only her yet, but I will have more next
week if I can."
"More—more what?"
"Mark, papa, of course."

have nothing to do with the parties and
meetings, it is the Daney Railway or En-
gineers Committee."

CHAPTER X.

Lady Claudia, though she found herself
compelled to best such a hasty retreat, was
determined not to see her pet project for the
aggrandizement of her family defeated with-

Miss Dering was gazing into the eyes of
the Italian as if to read his very soul, when
she said to her: "The fact of the Italian's
hood in her peach-colored dress, with its
billowy lace and fluttering ribbons, ran into
the room."

But gradually, after a pause of first three
minutes and then five, she felt that she must
change in their hearts' content, a change
which would be the opinion, a change
which would be the opinion, a change
which would be the opinion...

Adam Johnstone.
By Janet Carroll.

(Continued.)

Among the Daney acquaintances I made
was Gipsy Wain, the only daughter of a
grazier-farmer living two miles away among
the green slopes that were the only pretty
thing of the place. Gipsy had seven brothers,
and was what her name told, a nut-brown,
rollicking little maiden. We became good
friends, and I always felt glad to spend long
warm afternoons at their spacious and happy
home; but I never saw her again until the
autumn of my last year in the colony.

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Tricks of the Telephone.

"There is no doubt that sometimes the sen-

Stationers.

This word stationer, as applied to sellers of

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of ascertaining whether they could point out any errors, and it was in his presence that I furnished them with what I deem to be the proper balance sheet, together with the memo. referred to. In their report they do not mention this.



GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS. Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and from all stations (Suburban lines excepted) from the 15th December, 1884, to the 5th January, 1885, both dates inclusive (Sunday excepted), available for return on any calendar month from date of issue.

SYDNEY EXCURSION TICKETS.—From the 15th December to the 5th January, both dates inclusive, Excursion Tickets will be issued at Melbourne to Sydney at the following return fares:—1st Class, £3 6s. 6d.; 2nd Class, £4 1s.

Commercial Travellers' Samples.—From the 22nd December to the 5th January, commercial travellers' samples will not be taken to or from roadside stations, except by mixed or goods trains.

North Melbourne and Newmarket Stations.—From the 24th to the 26th December and on 31st December and 1st January, tickets will not be issued at North Melbourne or Newmarket Stations, and down-country trains will not stop there.

Education Act Amendment Act, 1876. PRIVATE SCHOOLS. PROPRIETORS AND PRINCIPALS are reminded that by section 10 of the Education Act Amendment Act 1876 they are required to furnish to the Education Department each year, in the month of January, a return showing the name and surname, age, last locality, residence, and number of school days' attendance of each child who attended their respective schools during the preceding year.

Grand Cricket Match. All-England Eleven versus Ballarat.

RACES! RACES! Will be held at CHUTE on NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Watches. Watches. Watches. Clocks. Clocks. Clocks. Jewellery. Jewellery. Jewellery. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. ALL NEW. ALL NEW.

M. HAMBURGER, Next the Bank of Victoria, Beaufort, and Victoria street, Ballarat.

FOR SALE, A SECOND-HAND READING MACHINE, in Beaufort. SHIRE OF RIPON. Beaufort Town Water Supply. NOTICE is hereby given that the night supply will be cut off during the cleaning of the water race.

SPRING, 1884.

CHEMICALS AND DRUGS. STANDARD PATENT MEDICINES, Hair and Tooth Brushes, TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMERY, SOAPS, SHOULDER BRACES, TRUSSES, SPONGES, AND ALL VARIETIES OF DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES.

Opening of the Beaufort Public Park.

BOXING DAY, 1884. MONSTER PROCESSION. GRAND FANCY FAIR.

Proceeds to be devoted to the Improvement of the above Park. FULL PARTICULARS will be published shortly. DONATIONS are solicited.

TICKETS for GIFT DISTRIBUTION everywhere. Only a small number to be disposed of, and Early Application is necessary.

HARRIS & TROY, PRODUCE DEALERS BEAUFORT

Broadbent Bros. and Co. Wm. McCulloch and Co. Permewan, Wright and Co., FORWARDING, COMMISSION & RAILWAY AGENTS & LICENSED CARRIERS.

On Sale AT JEREMIAH SMITH'S TIMBER YARD,

CORNER OF LIVINGSTONE & WILLOBY STREETS—American shelving boards, 1 1/2 inch wide, 3 1/2 inch long; 2 inch wide, 3 1/2 inch long; 3 inch wide, 3 1/2 inch long.

J. W. HARRIS, MINING AGENT AND SHARE BROKER, BEAUFORT. Member of the Ballarat Stock Exchange

THE IMPORTED PURE-BRED SUPERIOR FOLK-PUNCH STALLION DUKE Will stand this season at his owner's Farm, TRAWALLA.

DUKE is a rich blood chestnut, without white, standing over 16 hands 2 inches high. He was imported to South Australia by Mr. E. M. Bago; bred by Mr. James Lambert, of Mendlesham, his dam by Mr. Galin's Royal Duke, the winner of many prizes, his sire by Mr. John Bloemfield's Briton, the winner of many prizes.

WOLF'S SCHNAPPS THE PUREST STIMULANT IN THE WORLD

THE PUREST SPIRIT IN THE WORLD. UNDELPHO WOLF'S SCHNAPPS AROMATIC SCHNAPPS has been a quarter of a century before the public, and its sale is steadily increasing, while hundreds of imitations have appeared and disappeared, leading only ruin and disgrace to all connected with them.

M. MOSS & CO., MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY, SOLE AGENTS WOLF'S SCHNAPPS

A SAVING IN CHARGES AND FREIGHT. on, as compared to Melbourne, of about SEVEN SHILLINGS PER BALE.

THE ATTENDANCE of all the EUROPEAN and AMERICAN BUYERS, and in addition, a LARGER LOCAL CONSUMPTION Of Wool than is in any other Australian Town.

THE CAREFUL VALUATION and Personal Attention of each Member of the Firm.

Dennys, Lascelles, Austin and Co. Geelong, 20th August, 1884.

W. BAKER, Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer.

W.B. has ON SALE the following lines:—Pine Shelving, Flooring, and Lining Boards; Californian, Kauri, and Clear Pine, up to 36 inches; Cedar, all thicknesses and widths; Table Legs, Sashes, Doors, Architrave and other Moldings, Window Glass, White Lead, Oil, Turps, and all other Building Requisites.

Advances on Wool, Grain, etc., Stock, Stations, and Station Produce of all kinds.

NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY (Limited), Capital, £3,000,000, Reserve Fund, £200,000.

Make Liberal Cash Advances ON STATION SECURITIES, ENSUING CLIPS OF WOOL, GRAIN, Etc., FOR SALE IN MELBOURNE OR SHIPMENT TO LONDON.

Auction Sales of Wool held every week through the season. Auction Sales of Tallow, Hides, Sheepskins, Leather, etc., three times a week throughout the year.

DAVID ELDER, Manager. I. YOUNGUBAND, Wool and Produce Manager. Melbourne Wool and Grain Warehouses, Collins street west.

Geelong Wool Sales. GEORGE HAGUE & CO.

Will hold Sales of Wool every Tuesday during the ensuing season.

To keep pace with the rapid strides their business has been making they have been compelled to greatly extend their Warehouse accommodation by the addition of a large building at the rear, 170 feet long, which will be completed in time for the ensuing season, and will make their Warehouse one of the largest and most convenient in the Colony.

CHARGES the lowest ruling in the colony, and accounts will not be due until they effect a Saving of Seven Shillings per bale by selling at Geelong instead of Melbourne.

ACCOUNT SALES and proceeds forwarded invariably three days after sale.

Woolpacks and station stores supplied at lowest market rates. Only One Shilling per bale is charged for Receiving, Weighing, Warehousing, and Delivering Wool intended for shipment to the London market.

Special arrangements have been made with Permewan Wright & Co. and Broadbent Bros. to receive and forward Wool from all railway stations in the colony to our store.

WOTHERSPOON BROS. & CO., BEAUFORT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Grocers, Wine & Spirit Merchants, Drapers and Outfitters, BOOTS AND SHOES.

Ironmongery, Furniture, and Earthenware. MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

W. B. & Co are Importers of Drapery, Earthenware, Glassware, Bedsteads, &c., &c., and, being Large Cash Buyers, are enabled to sell all goods at Lowest Possible Prices.

Customers may rely upon getting as good value for their money as in any house in the colony. Goods delivered within 14 miles FREE OF CHARGE.

N.B.—Our NEW SHOWROOM for FURNITURE, EARTHENWARE, &c., is now open.

HAWKES BROS., Next Bank of Victoria, Beaufort,

Wholesale and Retail Iron Merchants, Ironmongers, Furniture Brokers, Dealers in Glassware, Crockery, etc.

HAWKES BROS., Being Importers of Iron, Ironmongery, Bedsteads, Furniture, Oils, Colors, etc., are enabled to offer to the public their goods at PRICES WHICH CANNOT BE BEATEN.

HAWKES BROS., Are prepared to supply FURNITURE and all HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES upon the TIME-PAYMENT SYSTEM.

HAWKES BROS., CHEAPEST HOUSE in the district for Ironmongery, Furniture, Crockery, Paperhangings, Canvas, House Lining, Oils, Colors, etc.

SPORTS DEPOT FOR OUTDOOR & INDOOR SPORTS & GAMES. Includes illustrations of cricket bats, balls, tennis rackets, and bowling balls. Text: CRICKET • TENNIS BOWLING • CROQUET. 62 ELIZABETH ST. MELBOURNE 64.

Agent for Beaufort: F. DE BAERE, Watchmaker, etc.

WOOL. WOOL. WOOL. NOTICE. POISON is laid down in the Langi Kal Kat paddocks during lambing. Trespassers with dogs will be prosecuted.

E. J. STRICKLAND'S Ballarat. WOOL, HIDE, SKIN AND TALLOW AUCTION ROOMS, Lydiard-street north, near Railway Station. Established 1869.

ACTS AS SELLING BROKER ONLY. E. J. S. is again thanking his numerous constituents, the Sheep Farmers and selectors (whose business he makes a specialty) for their liberal support during the past season, can confidently recommend this market as the best in the colony for the SALE OF SMALL CLIPS, as past seasons' prices will show.

SALE DAY—THURSDAYS. Any of the forwarding agents will receive consignments, pay all charges, and forward with despatch.

VICTORIA INSURANCE COMPANY Limited. Capital—ONE MILLION STERLING. Chairman—HON. HENRY MILLER.

ON SALE, CAMERON'S CELEBRATED TOBACCO, "VICTORY" brand, at 3s. per lb., or 4d. per plug.

H. P. HENNINGSEN, Havlock Street, Beaufort. Note the Address: W. EDWARD NICKOLS, AUCTIONEER BEAUFORT.

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AN OCEAN RACE.

The latest ocean race across the Atlantic has been won by the "Standard"...

THE BAD AND WORTHLESS

Are never imitated or counterfeited. This is especially true of a family medicine...

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness...

FREE GIFTS!—The proprietors of WOLFE'S SCHIEDAM AROMATISCH SCHNAPPS...

Victorian Railways.

Table with columns for routes (Melbourne to Stawell, etc.) and times.

FARES.

Table listing fares for various routes and classes.

Imported Discovery.

GREEN BANK ALKALI CO'S PATENT POWDERED DOUBLE REFINED CAUSTIC SODA...

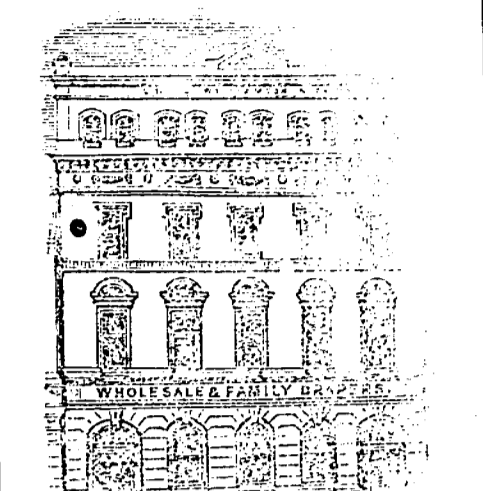
Beaufort Post Office.

TIME TABLE, 1884.

Table showing mail arrival and departure times for Beaufort.

THE COMMON CAUSTIC SODA SOLD IN DRUMS WILL BE SOAPED BY THE ABOVE DIRECTIONS.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth?



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO HEADS OF FAMILIES AND OTHERS.

Drapers, Woollens and Clothing, Carpets, Floorcloths and Linoleums, Bedsteads and Bedding...

CRAIG, WILLIAMSON, AND THOMAS

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Synnot, Everingham, & Co., WOOL BROKERS, STOCK AND STATION AGENTS, (Established in 1833).

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For cleansing and clearing the blood from all impurities cannot be too highly recommended.

READ THE FOLLOWING: "Carton, near Nottingham, February 27, 1883. Messrs. the Midland Counties Drug Company, Leicester."

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"P.S.—You may make what use of the above you think fit, but in the event of advertising it kindly keep back my name. You can, however, refer any making private inquiries to my address as follows:—

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How to Enjoy Life. It is only known when the blood is pure, its circulation perfect, and the nerves in good order...

Our Mothers and Daughters. The functional irregularities peculiar to the entire system are invariably corrected without pain or inconvenience by the use of Holloway's Pills...

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any future use of the Crown land will not probably be for any length of time. It was resolved that Mr. Beggs be informed that as the piece of land referred to him does not belong to the run, it having been surrendered years ago, the managers cannot regard it as an equivalent for the piece of common fenced in, and that they therefore request that the fence complained of be removed without any unnecessary delay. It was resolved that a new receipt book be given to the herdsman, and that he be requested to attend to his duties in a more careful manner. The following accounts were passed for payment:—Herdsmen's percentage, £8; Secretary, £2; Henningsen and Klunder, £14s. The meeting then adjourned.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

The anniversary of the Beaufort Primitive Methodist Sunday School was celebrated on Sunday, 30th ult., and two following days, and the services were the most successful yet held in connection with the school. The Rev. W. H. Youton, of Talbot, conducted three services on Sunday in the Societies' Hall, which were each largely attended, and the Rev. gentleman gave a very impressive and instructive discourse in each occasion. The children also recited some suitable pieces, and sang some specially selected hymns. On Monday the usual tea meeting was held, when there was a large attendance, and the good things provided by Mr. James Cowans were freely discussed with a good cup of tea. After the tea a public meeting was held, when the Rev. R. Allen occupied the chair, and it is needless to say filled it in his usual capable and happy style. The Rev. W. H. Youton gave a short but interesting address, and Mr. J. Prentice, treasurer for the school, gave a neat report of the doings of the school during the past year, and referred in feeling terms to the loss the school had sustained through the death of Mr. John Day. The report showed the school to be in a flourishing condition in every respect, the scholars taking special interest in answering Biblical questions given to them by their teachers. The principal part of the evening was devoted to recitations and singing by the children, many of the former being really good, and rendered in fine style, reflecting great credit on Mr. W. G. Stevens, who takes a lively interest in this part of the services. The singing was, however, undoubtedly the feature of the whole affair, and too much praise cannot be bestowed upon Mr. J. Jackson for the time and trouble he must have expended in instructing the teachers and scholars, and in bringing the singing to such a pitch of excellence, while his pupils appeared to be very apt, as they answered to the baton very readily. Miss Heatherhaw and Mr. W. C. Thomas, jun., presided at the organs with their usual success. After votes of thanks had been accorded all those who took part in the services, the meeting was brought to a close by the Chairman pronouncing the benediction. The pecuniary result of the services was very satisfactory, being £35 15s 10d. On Tuesday the children's picnic was held in Mr. Cochran's paddock, when a large number of children and adults congregated, and enjoyed a good day's outing.

Fancy Fair.

The Begging Committee beg to thankfully acknowledge the following donations in aid of the fancy fair, to be held on Boxing Day, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the improvement of the Beaufort Public Park:—Per Wotherspoon Bros. & Co.—Messrs Drew and Slater—Hansome album. Messrs Swallow and Aird—Wedding cake. From Dr. Johnston—Silver-plated crust, and silver-plated biscuit barrel.

Funeral Notice.

THE FRIENDS of the late HENRY EDMONDS EDDY are respectfully invited to follow his remains to their last resting place, the Beaufort Cemetery. The funeral will leave Beaufort at One o'clock on SUNDAY, December 14th. WM. BAKER, Undertaker, Beaufort.

Stolen or Strayed

FROM the Beaufort Common, three MILKING COWS, of the following description—Red cow, white face, branded H near rump; strawberry cow, MF branded on off rib; roan cow, M on near rump. A reward will be paid for such information as will lead to the recovery of the said cattle. GEORGE MORRIS, Main Lead.

Strayed

INTO my paddock, about last Easter, a white heifer CALF, branded like H or K of rump. If not found and expenses paid within one month from this date, will be sold to pay expenses. PATRICK O'HEHIR, December 11th, 1884.

£3 Reward.

LOST from Mount Mitchell on or about 23rd November, two HORSES (one bay and one black) both branded K, and one bay MARE, branded A near shoulder. The above reward will be paid to anyone bringing them to Mount Mitchell. JAMES G. ROBERTSON, December 5th, 1884.

For Sale,

A SECOND-HAND REAPING MACHINE, in good order. Apply WM. SMITH, Butcher, Beaufort.

Grand Cricket Match.

All-England Eleven versus Ballarat. On Boxing day following day, 26th and 27th December, on Eastern Oval, Ballarat.

SPRING, 1884.

NEW DRESS GOODS, NEW PRINTS, NEW SATTEENS, SAILOR STRAW HATS, MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING, HATS, SHIRTS, TIES, COLLARS, At Prices to Suit the Times.

BOOTS, BOOTS, BOOTS.

A Large Assortment just to hand, Cheaper than any other house in the district, at GEO. H. COUGLES' Cash Drapery Store, HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT. ONE TRIAL WILL PROVE THE FACT. N.B.—Men's Tweed Suits made to order at Lowest Cash Prices.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

Beaufort Water Supply. NOTICE is hereby given that the night supply will be cut off during the cleaning of the water race. By order, D. G. STEWART, Shire Secretary. Riponshire Office, Beaufort, 14th November, 1884.

Fancy Fair.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH, 1884, At Two o'clock.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, instructed by the Executive Committee, will submit to Public Auction, as above, at Mr. J. Humphreys' Office, No. 1 Pallion's Booth, in connection with the Fancy Fair to be held on Boxing Day, 1884, in the Beaufort Recreation Reserve:—No. 1 Pallion's Booth, No. 2 Pallion's Booth, Luncheon Room, Fruit Stall. Terms at Sale.



V. R. GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS. Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and from all stations (Suburban lines excepted) from the 19th December, 1884, to the 5th January, 1885, both dates inclusive (Sunday excepted), available for return for one calendar month from date of issue. Example.—An excursion ticket issued on the 24th December will be available till the 24th January. When available by the next day, the ticket will be the last day falls on a Sunday, the journey must be commenced on the day the ticket is issued, but after a distance of fifteen miles has been travelled, the journey may be broken at the discretion of the passenger. Sydney Excursion Tickets.—From the 15th December to the 5th January, both dates inclusive, Excursion Tickets will be issued at Melbourne to Sydney at the following return fares:—1st Class, £5 6s. 6d.; second Class, £4 1s. These tickets will be available for two calendar months from date of issue, but will not be available by the express trains on the New South Wales line. The second class tickets will be available by the Victorian Railways express as far as Wodonga only. Luggage.—Excursion Passengers will only be allowed to carry such luggage free as can be stowed under the seats without inconvenience to other passengers, and those who have luggage for the van must be at the station half an hour before the train starts, and pay excess luggage-rates for it. Horses and Vehicles.—From the 22nd December to the 8th January, both dates inclusive, the Department cannot engage to forward horses and vehicles by any particular train. Commercial Travellers' Samples.—From the 22nd December to the 5th January, commercial travellers' samples will not be taken to or from roadside stations, except by mixed or goods trains. Parcels.—On the 24th and 31st December parcels must be at the Melbourne Parcels Office thirty minutes before starting time of ordinary trains. North Melbourne and Newmarket Stations.—From the 24th to the 26th December and on 31st December and 1st January, tickets will not be issued at North Melbourne or Newmarket Stations, and down-country trains will not stop there. On the same dates the up North-Eastern train will not stop at Newmarket. The 5.3 p.m. down and the 6.43 a.m. up mixed trains are excepted from the foregoing arrangement. Good Sheds Holidays.—The 25th and 26th December and 1st January will be observed as holidays in the Goods Branch, and goods trains will not run. Perishable goods will, however, be delivered at all stations on application. Consignees of powder can ascertain from the station-master at Footscray when explosives will be received in lieu of these dates. By Order of the Commissioners, P. P. LABERTOUCHE, Secretary for Railways.

RACES! RACES!

Will be held at CHUTE on NEW YEAR'S DAY. For Particulars see Posters.

Watches. Watches. Watches. Clocks. Clocks. Clocks. Jewellery. Jewellery. Jewellery. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. ALL NEW. ALL NEW.

M. HAMBURGER,

Next the Bank of Victoria, Beaufort, and Victoria street, Ballarat. IN returning thanks to the residents of Beaufort and district for their liberal support of his business, M. Hamburger begs to announce that he has just received his CHRISTMAS STOCK, comprising hand-some Jewellery of the finest quality and latest fashion. Watches and Clocks by the best makers of the Day. Concave, Sun, Folding, Pebble, and Ordinary Spectacles, enabling any customer to obtain precisely that which is required. Remember, a good spectacle is worth a fortune, and one who will ruin the sight. M. H. in order to meet the prompt requirements of his patrons, has engaged one of the best workmen in the colony, and is now enabled to turn out the most difficult work at a comparatively short notice, and will guarantee every article so repaired by proper legal forms. N.B.—Mr. Hamburger will endeavor to be in Waterloo every Friday.

CHEMICALS AND DRUGS,

STANDARD PATENT MEDICINES, Hair and Tooth Brushes, TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMERY, SOAPS, SHOULDER BRACES, TRUSSES, SPONGES, AND ALL VARIETIES OF DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES. Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded, and orders answered with care and despatch.

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Martin and Co.'s Homeopathic Medicines.

A. A. wishes to notify that he has been appointed Agent for the above preparations by Messrs. MARTIN and CO., Collins street, Melbourne.

Opening of the Beaufort Public Park.

BOXING DAY, 1884.

MONSTER PROCESSION. GRAND FANCY FAIR. MAMMOTH LOTTERY. GIFT DISTRIBUTION. GAMES OF CHANCE AND SKILL. ATHLETIC SPORTS (Including Cycling, Footracing, etc.) BOATING EXCURSIONS ON THE RESERVOIR. Proceeds to be devoted to the Improvement of the above Park. FULL PARTICULARS will be published shortly. Donations are solicited. TICKETS for GIFT DISTRIBUTION everywhere. Only a small number to be disposed of, and Early Application is necessary. JOHN HUMPHREYS, Hon. Secretary. Neill Street, Beaufort.

HARRIS & TROY,

PRODUCE DEALERS BEAUFORT Agents for Broadbent Bros. and Co. Wm. McCulloch and Co. Pernewan, Wright and Co. FORWARDING, COMMISSION & RAILWAY AGENTS & LICENSED CARRIERS.

On Sale

JEREMIAH SMITH'S

TIMBER YARD,

CORNER OF LIVINGSTONE & WILLOBY STREETS—American shelving boards 2 1/2 x 12 and 6 Scotch flooring 6 x 4 do do flooring 6 x 4 do do flooring American and Baltic deals, all sizes 4 out pine weatherboards 6 do do American clear pine 2 in, 3 in, 4 in, cedar, wild and narrow boards Cedar table legs, all sizes French casements, doors, sashes Mouldings, architraves, skirting, bread panelling and slings. A stock of all sizes of hardwood always on hand also, GEBLONG LINE. NEXT TO POLICE STATION

J. W. HARRIS,

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BEAUFORT. Member of the Ballarat Stock Exchange THE IMPORTED PURE-BRED FOLK-PUNCH STALLION DUKE Will stand this season at his owner's Farm, TRAWALLA. DUKE is a rich blood chestnut, without white, standing over 16 hands 2 inches high. He was imported to Australia by Mr. E. M. Bogot, bred by Mr. James Lambert, of Mendlesham, his dam by Mr. Catlin's Royal Duke, the winner of many prizes, his sire by Mr. John Bloomfield's Briton, the winner of many prizes. The horse was purchased by his previous proprietor from Mr. C. B. Fisher, and selected as the class of horse best adapted to benefit the farmers and breeders of this district. The fact of his having been used by Mr. Fisher as a stud horse for some years past is the best guarantee of his excellence as a sure foal-getter and producer of first-class stock. Mr. Walsh (Stonehenge), editor of "The Field," one of the greatest authorities on the subject in England, when speaking of the Suffolk Punch in his work, "The Horse in the Stable and the Field," says:—"His admirers maintain that no other horse is so hardy, and that he will do more work in the same time, and on the same amount of food, than any other." Terms: £2 if led to the horse. If pad-docked, £2 10s. Good grass paddock provided, with a plentiful supply of water. RICHARD WILKINSON, Proprietor.

Geelong Wool Sales.

We shall hold AUCTION SALES of WOOL on each TUESDAY AND THURSDAY, throughout the coming season (excepting Tuesday the 4th November, Melbourne Cup Day). To keep pace with the rapid growth of our consignments we have again added to our Warehouses by the erection of Two Floors, measuring 60 x 132 feet. This makes our New Sample Room the LARGEST in Victoria and will enable us to display every lot to the best advantage. We draw attention to some of the advantages we have to offer for the sale of Western and Wimmera clips:—A SAVING IN CHARGES AND FREIGHT, on, as compared to Melbourne, of about SEVEN SHILLINGS PER BALE. The ATTENDANCE of all the EUROPEAN and AMERICAN BUYERS, and in addition, a LARGER LOCAL CONSUMPTION of Wool than in any other Australian Town. THE SITUATION of OUR WAREHOUSE, within a stone's throw of the SHIPPING, and in close proximity to the Sale Room, thus enabling buyers, at a minimum inconvenience, to re-examine any lots which may have been passed in at auction. THE CAREFUL VALUATION and Personal Attention of each Member of the Firm. Trusting that our efforts to provide Growers with every facility for the Sale of their Wool in the Colony, will meet with a correspondingly increased support. We are, etc., DENNIS, LASCHELLES, AUSTIN and CO. Geelong, 20th August, 1884.

W. BAKER, Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer.

W.B. has ON SALE the following lines:—Pine Shelving, Flooring, and Lining Boards; Californian, Kauri, and Clear Pine, up to 36 inches; Cedar, all thicknesses and widths; Table Legs, Sashes, Doors, Sashtrave and other Mouldings, Window Glass, White Lead, Oils, Turps, and all other Building Requisites. Sashes, Doors, and all kinds of Joiner's Work made to order at the Lowest Possible Prices. Hardwood supplied at Timber Yard Prices.

Advances on Wool, Grain, etc.,

Stock, Stations, and Station Produce of all kinds.

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Capital, £3,000,000, Reserve Fund, £200,000, Make Liberal Cash Advances on STATION SECURITIES, ENSUING CLIPS OF WOOL, GRAIN, ETC., FOR SALE IN MELBOURNE Or SHIPMENT to LONDON.

Melbourne Wool and Grain Warehouses, Collins street west

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Will hold Sales of Wool every Tuesday during the ensuing Season.

To keep pace with the rapid strides their business has been making they have been compelled to greatly extend their Warehouse accommodation by the addition of a large building at the rear, 170 feet long, which will be completed in time for the coming season, and will make their Warehouse one of the largest and most convenient in the Colony. Every improvement that experience can suggest has been adopted in the new buildings, and the new show-rooms are admirably adapted for the exhibition of Clips to the best possible advantage. A steady south light, which is so necessary to the efficient display of the superior Western Wools, being a special feature. Every lot, no matter how small, is carefully examined prior to sale, and protected up to full market value. They act as SELLING BROKERS all consignments, which is a further guarantee that all consignments will be placed at utmost market value. CASH ADVANCES made on the ensuing clip. CHARGES the lowest ruling in the colony, and growers will find they effect a Saving of Seven Shillings per bale by selling at Geelong instead of Melbourne. ACCOUNT SALES and proceeds forwarded invariably three days after sale. WOOLPACKS and station stores supplied at lowest market rates. Only One Shilling per bale is charged for Receiving, Weighing, Warehousing, and Delivering Wool intended for shipment to the London market. Separate Warehouses have been provided for the sale of SHEEPSKINS, HIDES, TALLOW, and other station produce. Special arrangements have been made with Pernewan Wright & Co. and Broadbent Bros. to receive and forward Wool from all railway stations in the colony to our store. GEORGE HAGUE & CO. Wool Brokers. Geelong, 1st July, 1884.

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Goods delivered within 14 miles FREE OF CHARGE.

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Price Sixpence, By Post Eightpence. A NEW WORK ON THE REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS BY R. J. POULTON.

The above work is a popular treatise on THE REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS, showing their CONSTRUCTION, FUNCTIONS, and the DEGENERATIONS to which they are liable. This little book is one which may be perused with advantage by all who are desirous of obtaining information on a subject which ought to form a portion of

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The "Riponshire Advocate,"
PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY,
CONTAINS a complete summary of local and general news for the week.
Subscribers who do not receive their papers regularly should immediately forward their names to the office of the Advocate, Lawrence Street, Beaufort, in order that such errors may be corrected. We are most desirous of securing for our subscribers a regular and early delivery, but it will be impossible for our measures to prove effective unless we are warned by them when defect takes place.
Advertisements sent in without a written order as to the number of insertions, will in all cases be continued until the advertisement is cancelled, and no advertisement can be inserted on the day previous to publication.
Advertisements for this paper cannot be received after 7 o'clock on the evening previous to publication.
New subscribers are only charged from the time of entering the paper.
Orders to discontinue subscriptions to the paper must be in writing, delivered at the office and for the current quarter.
Communications of a literary nature must be addressed to the Editor, and must bear the signature and address of the writer—not necessarily for publication, but as a pledge of good faith. An observance of this rule will be the means of preventing disappointment to contributors.
All advertisements coming under the heads of Wanted, Missing Friends, For Sale, Rewards, if not exceeding twenty-four words, will be inserted for 6s. 6d. a shilling and sixpence.
Deaths, Births, Marriages, and Deaths, will be charged 2s. 6d. for each insertion.
Displayed advertisements, and advertisements above one inch, four shillings per inch for the first two insertions, and two shillings per inch for all subsequent insertions.
Business and double column advertisements, if ordered or extended periods, will be charged on a reduced scale, in proportion to the number of insertions.
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Established in the Colonies 1862.
Capital, £1,400,000 fully subscribed.
The undersigned having been appointed Agent for Beaufort, it is prepared to receive proposals for all descriptions of insurance at the LOWEST CURRENT RATES.
Risks accepted on Freshing Machines, Stocks, and Agricultural Produce.
Sum insured for the year, £485,365 or £67,870 over 1884.
The additions to Reserve Funds now amount to £283,729 to meet fire losses only, in addition to the Capital of £110,736, only £16,997 was paid to Shareholders in Dividends, the balance being added to Reserve Fund.
H. P. HENNINGSEN

WANTED KNOWN.
I having come to my knowledge that Subscribers to Daily Papers are charged Nine Pence (9d.) a week, for the benefit of the public, with to inform them that the "Ballarat Star," "Age," and "Daily Telegraph" can be had and will be delivered in the town of Beaufort at 6d. a week, or 6d. per copy.
GRATEFUL—COMFORTING.
EPPS'S COCOA.
BREAKFAST.
"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has prepared our breakfast tables with a delicately flavored beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal ailment by keeping ourselves well fortified with pure food and a properly nourished frame."—See article in the "Civil Service Gazette."
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GENUINE "WERTHEIM"
Machines on a similar principle, but of a far inferior make, I beg to
INFORM THE PUBLIC
That EVERY
GENUINE WERTHEIM SEWING MACHINE BEARS THE TRADE MARK
Of the
WERTHEIM Sewing Machine Manufacturing Company, a GNOME,
Representing the Dwarf of German Fable, in a sitting posture, with a mallet resting on his shoulder, and long flowing beard reaching to his feet.
Besides this Trade Mark the NAME "WERTHEIM" IS PAINTED IN GOLD ON THE PLATE of each Machine.
As a further SECURITY TO GUARD AGAINST IMPOSITION every GENUINE WERTHEIM SEWING MACHINE IS SHIPPED TO AUSTRALIA HAS STAMPED ON THE SHUTTLE-SLIDE the NAME OF THE SOLE AGENT for Australasia, viz.—
HUGO WERTHEIM,
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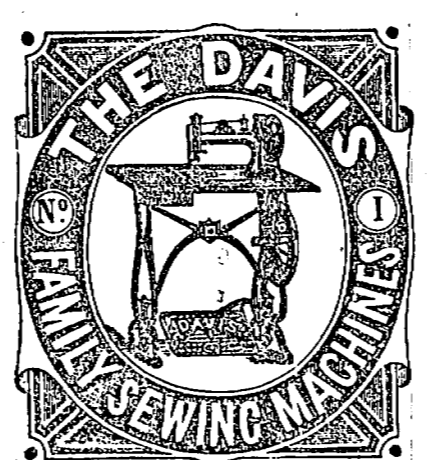
I hereby inform Vendors of Sewing Machines in Victoria and the other Australasian Colonies that the WERTHEIM "GENOME" TRADE MARK, as well as the name "WERTHEIM," have been properly REGISTERED in Australia; and that any infringement upon the said registration will be at once proceeded against according to law.
Hugo Wertheim,
39 FLINDERS LANE EAST, MELBOURNE,
Sole Representative and Agent in Australia for the Wertheim Sewing Machine Manufacturing Company.
PETUS DE BAERE,
Agent for Beaufort and District.
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"WHEELER AND WILE"
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Is far superior to the "Singer."
The W. and W. will do more work, and do it better. The W. and W. is much more durable. It will last a lifetime, and run for years without repair. The W. and W. is easier to work than the Singer. The W. and W. is not so liable to get out of order.
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The W. and W. has no heavy machinery to tire and weary the feet, as the Singer.
The W. and W. is more simple in construction.
The W. and W. has less wear and tear.
The W. and W. is better finished.
The W. and W. has been awarded more prizes.
If any further proof is required of the superiority of the Wheeler and Wilson, it is found in the fact that Singer's agent has never accepted our challenge to have the machines publicly tested.
We warrant every genuine W. and W. machine to give entire satisfaction.
LON & CO., Australian Agents for Wheeler and Wilson's Machines.
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Instruction Given Gratis.
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W A T C H M A K E R,
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Directions for Use.—For every 3 gallons of cold water add one-half pint of the liquid, wet and soap the clothes, place in the boiler, and boil for half an hour, then rinse in plenty of water; blue and dry as usual. Soap and soak flannels in warm water, and place in boiler when the white clothes are taken out, and allowed to remain 15 or 20 minutes; then dry and time as usual.
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SOLE AGENTS,
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Dr. Casimiro, Health Officer for the City of Sandhurst, certifies to the extract being the most reliable remedy for external inflammation, bronchitis, diphtheria, affections of the lungs, chest, all swellings, bruises, sprains, wounds, dislocations, the bowels, diarrhoea, etc.
PROFESSOR DR. MOSLER, at the University of Greifswald, Germany, reports astonishing cures of Diphtheria, Lung and Throat Diseases by inhaling the vapors of Sander and Sons' Eucalypti Extract.
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BALLARAT WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET.

There was a fair market on Thursday. We quote as follows:—Barley—English, 4s 6d; Cape barley, 2s 9d; wheat, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; oats, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; hay, sheaves, L3 to L3 10s; do., mangle, L4 to L4 10s; potatoes, L3 10s; do., straw, 1s 2d; do., do., L3 17s 6d; straw, 1s 2d; do., do., L3 17s 6d; peas, 3s to 3s 6d; bran, 1s; pollard, 1s 2d; bonedust, L6 10s; flour, L7 15s.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

We have again to report a quiet week in the produce market. The unseasonable weather has no doubt to some extent had the effect of checking trade, whilst farmers are now too busy hay making, or pushing forward preparations for that work to permit of them carting in supplies. We have no change to report in wheat, and are not aware of any sales having been made, whilst flour has had limited trade at 2s to 2s 3d for luxury milled. At Horsham the wheat market is easier, the quotation for prime having been reduced to 3s 2d. At St. Arnaud 3s 2d and 3s 3d is given. Wheat is beginning to come in steadily at Donald, being sold at 3s 2d. At Landborough wheat is 3s 2d and flour 27 10s. In this district a few small sales of oats have been made at from 3s 8d per bushel. Warrnambool potatoes are arriving slowly at 1s per ton, any lots forward being readily taken up; Ballarat varieties being out of the market, as also are onions and carrots. There has been a lull in the delivery of hay. Fresh butter is firm at 8s 4d, no potting being offered. Cheese is advancing, and prime realises up to 8d, though inferior sells for less. Eggs are scarcer and are worth 10d. We quote:—

Wheat, 3s 6d per bushel; oats, 3s 6d to 3s 8d per bushel; pollard, 1s 1d per bushel; bran, 1s; Cape barley none; English barley, none; peas, 3s 6d; flour, L3 to L3 10s per ton; Warrnambool potatoes, new, 3s per cwt; old, L9; Ballarat, do. none; hay, (sheaves), L2 15s to L3; hay (russed) L3 to L3 5s per ton; straw, 1s 10s; do. straw, wheat, 1s 10s; chaff, 3s per cwt; carrots, none; onions, none; butter (fresh), 8s 4d per lb; butter, (poiled) none offering; hams, 1s per lb; bacon, 11d per lb; cheese, 8d to 9d per lb; eggs, 10d per dozen.—Advertiser.

NEW RAILWAY LINES.

With regard to the construction of the railway lines authorised by the (Railway Bill of last session, it may be mentioned (says the "Argus") that the lines that have been permanently surveyed, and respecting with accurate information is to hand, are the short extension of the Bacchus Marsh and Gordon line, about three miles; the lines from Dimboola to the South Australian border, 63 miles; from Murrtoa to Warracknabeal, 31 miles; St. James's to Yarrawonga, 20 miles; Hespfield to Bairnsdale, 50 miles; Ballarat castle branch, 5 miles; Bacchus Marsh, junction to Newport, 5 miles; Creswick to Daylesford, 23 miles; Moe to Nerranun, 10 1/2 miles; from the Great Southern line from Dandenong to Deeth, 33 miles; Campdown to Warrnamboul, 43 miles; Hamilton to Coleraine, 23 miles; Wodonga to Tallangatta, 25 miles. The suburban lines are those from the Royal-park to Olifton-hill, and Alphington to Heidelberg, together a little more than five miles. The Railway Commissioners intend to proceed at once with the preparation of the necessary details, and contracts will be let as these details are completed. The strongest efforts will be made to push the work forward, the commissioners being fully impressed with the necessity of proceeding with the construction of the lines, notably that from Dimboola to the South Australian border, as soon as possible.

GERMANY ANNEXATION IN THE PACIFIC.

A telegram from Sydney in the second edition of yesterday's "Age" supplies the following:—The special correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" at New Britain wires as follows:—"The German war vessels Elizabeth and Hyera have arrived here under instructions from the German Imperial authorities to establish a Protectorate over all the islands in this part of the Pacific occupied by German citizens or held by German capitalists. The Imperial Protectorate has been established over the north coast of New Britain, and the German flag formally hoisted and saluted. The same ceremony of hoisting the German flag over all German property has been performed by these vessels at New Britain, New Ireland, and the Admiralty Islands. A steamer from Samoa, supposed to be in the service of the German Government, has been visiting various portions of the north coast of New Guinea and the adjoining islands for the purpose of concluding treaties with the native inhabitants for the transfer of land to the German Government. So far as I have been able to learn, the object of these purchases is to establish German claims to the territory in northern New Guinea and the neighboring islands in preference to any other nation. Already large tracts of territory have been acquired in this way, and wherever this has been done the German flag has been hoisted. The German authorities here have also notified that they will not acknowledge the interests of the citizens of any other nationality than Germany in connection with territory on the northern shores of New Guinea, or in New Britain, New Ireland, or the Admiralty Islands."

The R.M.S. Clyde, with the incoming English mail, was sighted off Cape Horn on Thursday. She should reach Hobson's Bay on Sunday.

A CARD.—TO ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM the errors and indiscretion of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c. I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope and express to postpaid to the Rev. Joseph T. Inman, Station D, New York City, U.S.A.

Consumers of Wolfe's Schnapps especially those taking it medicinally, should purchase it only by the bottle, and thus ensure the genuine article, as there is a fraudulent imitation in the market. Large and small bottles are obtainable at every respectable Hotel and Wine and Spirit Merchants in the colony. The name of M. Moss and Co. is on the top label of the yellow wrapper.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND PAPERS.

Bennett, Adam; Bennett, Robert. Dutton, W.; Dunn, J. Hall, A. A. Ingram, Miss. M'Kenzie, R.; M'Pherson, A.; Miller, J.; Maibacker, J.; M'Millan, E. Notnagel, C. Phelan, Mr. Rausay, H. Topp, W.; Tuddenham, Dennis. Williams, Capt.; Williams, C. Young, H. E. M. KILDAHL, Postmistress. Beaufort, December 19th, 1884.

Marriage.

BENNETT-KIRKPATRICK.—On the 5th December, at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. A. Adam, assisted by the Rev. C. Robertson, Richard, second son of Joseph Bennett, farmer, Banjorec, to Agnes, second daughter of Robert Kirkpatrick, farmer, Stockyard Hill.

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BEFORE our next issue the festivities of Christmas tide will have been entered into by the residents of all civilised portions of the world. Friends will have met, and exchanged good wishes, the toil and trouble of business will have been laid aside for a few days, and that time which should be "peace on earth goodwill to all men" will have come and gone.

In looking back over the year, which is now about expiring, we find that in our social circle, many old faces have faded for ever from this earthly scene, and others have come amongst us, and the old whilidig of time still goes on unflinchingly. Commercially but little progress has been made in this immediate neighborhood, and yet it cannot be said that there has been any retrogression. The popular saying is, "Beaufort is much about the same old thing," but it is not altogether true. A number of extensive additions have been made to the business places, some of which now compare very favorably with the largest establishments out of Melbourne. The Roman Catholics have erected a substantial and handsome new church, which is a decided improvement to the town. Cottages have also sprung up like mushrooms in portions of the town. There are also the improvements made at the Beaufort Recreation Reserve, which are more fully dealt with in another column. At Waterloo, the mines, with the exception of the South Victorian, have yielded well, and it is hoped that during the next year several more gold-producing mines will be in full swing in that locality. Speaking generally of the colony we find that progression is the rule. The Legislature has passed a number of new and useful bills, some of which may be open to dissent, but there are no burning questions, at least not prominent questions, and the colony, from a political point of view, is in a tranquil state. The all-important federation scheme has been advanced several stages, and the British nation have taken under their protection some new territory in New Guinea. There are no complaints of scarcity of labor, and the man who is willing to do a fair day's work for a fair day's pay need not want a meal or a place to lay his head in Victoria. The wool clip throughout the colony has been an excellent one, and the yield of gold has been quite up to the average. The seasons have been propitious, and the colonists have cause to be thankful for many blessings denied less favored lands. Having thus briefly taken a retrospective glance, we hope that prosperity will still continue to attend our fair land, and in conclusion we have pleasure in wishing our readers and the public generally A MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

PARLIAMENT was prorogued on Friday, 13th inst., with the usual form and ceremony. The prorogation, according to our Melbourne contemporaries, was witnessed by a large and brilliant assemblage, the interest being enhanced not only by the presence of His Excellency the Governor (and it is some since the colony had such a popular Vice-Regal representative), but by that of Lady Loch, who has won golden opinions since her brief sojourn in Victoria through the suitability and courtesy of her disposition, and the deep interest she evidently feels in the well-being of those charitable institutions, the existence of which is certainly creditable to a community yet comparatively young. The galleries in the Legislative Council chamber in which the ceremony took place were crowded to excess, principally by ladies, whose varied and tasty costumes were an agreeable contrast to the sombre garb of officialdom. The Governor's speech alluded to the successful passing of an Amending Land Bill, Railway Construction Bill, and the measure dealing with the long vexed question of mining on private property. In addition to these three principal measures, allusion was made to a large number of other bills of scarcely less importance, which had been passed during the session. Also, to the fact that the Imperial Government had promised legislative action to authorize the establishment of a Federal Council on the resumption of Parliament. It was promised too that the effect of the earnest protests of all the colonies of Australasia against the declaration of intention of the French Government to transport large numbers of released criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific,

will be carefully watched. The session altogether, has been distinguished by a fair amount of legislative work, and at times dignified with a quantity of irrelevant talk. It may be said, however, that the measures which have been passed, were between the Council and the Assembly carefully and fully considered, so that the legislation of the session of Parliament just brought to a close should benefit the country. A rather important announcement was made in the Governor's speech, to the effect that the Government intend to appoint a Royal Commission to make an exhaustive enquiry into the water supply of the colony with the object of submitting practical suggestions for future consideration. "To ensure the success in the matter (the "Daily Telegraph" says) it is intended that a responsible Minister of the Crown should take advantage of the recess to visit the United States with the object of acquiring such information and assistance as may aid in a solution of the important problem of irrigation. The Minister chosen for the expedition is Mr. Deakin, the Solicitor-General and Commissioner of Public Works, who will be accompanied by an engineer belonging to the Department. The engineer has not yet been selected, but it is understood that either Mr. Gale or Mr. Christy will be chosen to occupy the position. Mr. Deakin will leave Melbourne in a fortnight, accompanied by Mrs. Deakin, and will proceed by the first out-going mail. It is anticipated that the undertaking will occupy the Minister for a period of about four months." A pleasant trip for the Minister, no doubt, but we doubt whether the country generally will be satisfied with the arrangement. Mr. T. K. Dow (of the "Australasian," and Mr. J. L. Dow (of the "Leader," have given an exhaustive report of the methods of irrigation adopted in California and other American states, as well as able analyses of the financial bearings of the process, so that we can hardly see what benefit is likely to arise from a projected tour. Not that we wish in any way to deprecate the benefits which certainly accrue from a judicious system of irrigation where water could be obtained, but we think that, if it is considered necessary to collect data and evidence for the proposed Royal Commission, the best engineering talent available should have been procured. In this way, say that two competent engineers had been appointed, accustomed to such work, and they had compared their notes and discussed their notions about what they had seen, we think that something more tangible would have been threshed out than is likely to be the case with Mr. Deakin and his coadjutor. It is, however, cheering to find that the Government is taking up a subject that should have engaged its attention a long while since, namely, the best means of storing water, the most advantageous way of utilising it after it is saved.

Owing to the Christmas holidays, and in order to afford our employes an opportunity of enjoying the same, this paper will be published on Saturday evening, 27th inst., instead of Saturday morning, as usual.

The half-yearly meeting of the Beaufort Mutual Improvement Association was held on Tuesday evening last, Mr. Lugg, presiding. The financial and business secretaries read very encouraging and satisfactory reports for the past half-year, and the balance sheet showed a credit balance of over £3. A motion was carried to the effect that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. G. A. Eddy owing to his late bereavement through the death of his father. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. G. A. Eddy; Vice-presidents, Rev. R. Allen and Mr. J. B. Humphreys; business secretary, Mr. G. Congie; financial secretary, Mr. C. W. Tompkins (re-elected); Committee, Messrs. T. G. Archard, J. M'Keich, J. W. H. Lugg, and A. Andrews. A vote of thanks having been accorded the retiring officers, the members indulged in readings, recitations, and songs until the hour of closing arrived, when a vote of thanks to the chair brought the meeting to a close.

The express mail train, which reaches Beaufort at midnight, ran through the gates at the Lawrence street crossing, Beaufort, on Thursday night. The gatekeeper, Mr. Anderson, had left half of the gates open for the convenience of the nightman, and going inside, fell asleep. The result was the train went through the gate. Mr. Anderson did not even hear the train arrive. He is a very careful man, and during the time he has been in charge of the gates he has served the public well, having paid every attention to his duties. There is, however, no wonder that he went to sleep, as he has to attend to the gates both night and day. From 6 o'clock in the morning and frequently before, till after 12 at night he has to attend to the gates, and very often he is called up during the night. He is compelled to stand out at the gates in all weathers, in the rain and cold, and in the burning sun, without any protection whatever, as there is no gatekeeper's box provided for him. If the District Traffic Superintendent would attend to such urgent necessities as this case presents, he would only be doing his duty to the public, whose servants he is. Mr. Anderson, of course, has no excuse to offer, but we do think that the Department are to blame for accidents such as these by compelling their servants to keep at their work for such long hours. One of the edicts of the District Traffic Manager is that the gatekeeper shall exhibit a flag during the day, and a lamp at night, to all trains. Considering that the gate is in the station yard, 180 yards from the platform, and is protected by two sentinels, one on each side of the station, the necessity of a signal at the gate appears to favor very much of red-tapism. The gatekeeper at the King street crossing, on the Ararat side of the station, similarly situated to that in Lawrence street, is not required to display any signal, notwithstanding that there is a very steep incline on the Ararat side of the gate. This fact appears to make the red-tapism the more apparent.

The following are the reported yields from the mines at Waterloo for the past week:—Royal Saxon, 65oz.; Hobart Pasha, 50oz.; New Victoria, 41oz.; Waterloo, 37oz. The No. 3 Tribute at the New Discovery have obtained a good prospect, and they intend to erect a puddling machine. The secretary of the fancy fair to be held on Boxing Day requests us to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following donations:—Mr. Norman Wilson, L5; Dr. Croker, L1 ls. For Mr. W. Smith—Messrs. Hepburn and Rowe, L2; Messrs. Young and Lascelles, M'Leod and Booth, Powers, Rutherford, and Co., and Fiskin, Gibson, and Co., L1 ls each. Per Mr. W. Schlicht—Messrs. Tulloch and M'Laren, 10s 6d. Total donations up to date, L68 1s 6d. Persons interested are reminded that the annual licensing meeting will be held at Beaufort to-day (Saturday).

The rifle match which was to have taken place on Saturday last, between the "native" and the "imported" members of the Beaufort Club was postponed, owing to the death of Mr. Eddy's father. A scratch match amongst the members, however, was first off, a silver medal being awarded the highest scorer. The winner turned up in Mr. J. Chapman, who made a total of 36 out of a possible 50, which, with his handicap of 18, brought his score up to 54. Mr. J. M'Rain was next with an actual score of 39, and Mr. H. Smith was third with 35 points actual. The weather was boisterous, and rain was threatening, and the shooting generally was very poor. The total rainfall at Beaufort from the 13th to the 19th instant, both dates inclusive, was 1.2 in.

A cricket match was played at Beaufort on Wednesday last, between a local team and representatives from Ararat. The visitors were placed under a disadvantage through having three men short, whose places were filled up by three Beaufort players. The visitors went to the wickets first, and were all disposed of for 44 runs. A. Gunson being the only one who got into double figures, his total being 13. The Beaufort team went in and scored 48, J. David being top scorer with 11 runs. After a short interval the visitors went in for their second innings, and put together a score of 45, Gunson again being highest scorer with 14. This left the Beaufort 42 to get to win, which they got with the loss of 4 wickets. At the conclusion of the match the teams adjourned to the Beaufort Fire Brigade room, where they entered into a little conviviality, and several toasts, including that of the Ararat Cricket Club, were duly honored.

The Christmas card, as a welcome souvenir of remembrance, has of late years developed into a work of art. Letter stamps, however, are no respecters of art, so that many cards of chaste and unique design are damaged during the operation of stamping in the post-offices. Last year there were many complaints on this point. In order to prevent a recurrence of this annoyance, the postal authorities wish the public to be informed that the postage stamp "counter" or "cancel" or "perforated" stamp position that its obliteration by the stamper will not injure the card. The words "stamp here" should also be legibly written to show the place where the receiving stamp mark is to be made without injury to the contents. This rule has been in force in America for several years, and has answered extremely well, and there is no doubt that if followed here the result will be satisfactory alike to the postal authorities and the public.

In connection with the recent death of Mr. Joseph Bragg Slack, who was so well-known in the Melbourne law courts as a litigant, and who was believed to have committed suicide, a well-known criminal named William Baines, who is now undergoing a sentence in Pentridge, made an extraordinary statement on Sunday (says the "Argus") to the effect that he broke into Mr. Slack's house and cut his throat while he was in bed, and then placed the razor in the hand of the dying man, where it was found, and left his watch untouched on the dressing-table to avert suspicion. The confession is being enquired into, and Sub-Inspector Brown on Tuesday obtained corroboration in an essential part of Baines's statements. The consul of the United States has brought under the notice of the Chief Secretary a proposal made by the promoters of the exhibition to be held at New Orleans, to have a huge glass globe placed in the exhibition to represent all the countries in the world. The globe will be 50ft. in height, and the space on the surface which is to show the shore outline of Australia will be filled with the products of the continent. The same will be done with all the countries. At Mr. Berry's request, Mr. Bosisto has enquired into the matter, and has found that it will cost £150 to collect and transport the exhibits for this colony. Mr. Berry intends consulting the Premier with a view to seeing if the expenditure may be incurred.—"Argus."

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Ararat Advertiser" supplies the following:—It is so seldom that the public to be informed that one of the high places that when one does come across an instance there is a decided inclination to something that happened a few days since, but the opening scene of which was held in a Government department many years ago—before Black Wednesday was even thought of. At that time the said department had a gentleman well up in the service famed for his kindness and courtesy. Unto him came a party in trouble over certain property. From the officer, however, he obtained such advice as must, on a moderate computation, have saved him at least £2000. The obliged one was profuse in his expressions of gratitude, but the officer would allow of no other recompense to be made. Years rolled on. The officer left the service and experienced hard times. But the transaction has not been forgotten by the other party to it, who had in the meantime become wealthy. The two met the other day, when the rich man remarked "Look here, old fellow, you did me a good turn once, for which I could make no return at the time as you were a Government official. Now, however, I am determined you shall not refuse." And the result was that the ex-officer was made the recipient of a very handsome Christmas box. And, be it remembered, his bread of courtesy was cast on the waters over ten years ago.

A telegraph office was opened yesterday in conjunction with the post office at Cowles, Phillip Island. A case of considerable importance under the Travelling Stock Act was decided on Thursday at the Campdown Police Court. Mr. E. Dowling, manager for Mr. J. G. Ware, at Koort Koort, proceeded against a youth named Drummond, under the 10th section of the Land Act 1869, for not driving a flock of sheep through the estate more than three miles in one day. The defendant is in the employment of Mr. J. Hetherington, of Ballarat, who is said to have about 6000 sheep travelling in the Campdown district. There was no defence, and a fine was inflicted of £10, with £5 costs; in default two months imprisonment. The chairman of the bench, Mr. Heron, P.M., said his attention had been drawn that morning to two or three large flocks of sheep on the roads. The bench were determined to put the travelling sheep nuisance down with a strong hand.

The Melbourne correspondent of the "Ararat Advertiser" writes:—A crusade has at last been commenced with those retailers of milk, who, allowing their conscience to become more and more elastic, have at length come to supply their customers with the maximum of water to the minimum of lactical fluid. I remember when a similar crusade was made at home "London Punch" came out with a cartoon in which a cow was depicted as entering a dairy and nearly frightening the lives out of the keeper and his wife, who had never before seen a strange beast. Now I don't say that matters are quite as bad as that here, but I do think that if some of the sickly pale blue fluid, with a sediment of dirt a quarter of an inch thick, were shown to any imported "Alderney," that honest animal would repudiate its authorship with scorn. The matter has a very serious aspect, too, for who shall say what percentage of infantile mortality has been laid to the charge of the absence of nourishing components from this so-called milk. I shall be curious to see the effect the times of 40s and 40s costs imposed will have on the milk vendor of the future.

Unpleasant Dreams and General Unrest arise more frequently from indigestion than from any other impairment of the organic functions. Indigestion means mal-assimilation of food, and the pancreas that breaks up this internal revolution is the cure for the malady. This will be found in Wolfe's Schnapps. Be sure you obtain Wolfe's Schnapps. The Railway Commissioners propose to shortly adopt the course which has been followed on the English Railways for some time of allowing the sale of accident insurance tickets at all the booking offices on the various lines throughout the colony. Under an arrangement entered into with one of the Accident Insurance companies passengers may, on the payment of 3d, obtain an insurance ticket securing the payment of £1000 on their death, or an allowance of £3 a week for 26 weeks if disabled by accident during the journey for which they have been booked. The payment of 1d will entitle a passenger to a return ticket for the same journey, in the event of death, or an allowance of £2 weekly in the event of disability by accident. These are the same rates as are charged in England. Passengers who are daily traveling on the suburban or other lines will be able to obtain periodical tickets, for a small consideration, insuring them against accidents on the particular lines which they are in the habit of using.—"Argus."

Notice has been given by the postal authorities that after New Year's Day "postal notes" will be obtainable, and will be payable at any money order office in the colony. The value of the note has been so arranged that any sum of shillings and sixpences up to 20s. may be remitted by not more than two notes, and for odd pence unobliterated stamps may be affixed to the back of a note. The postage fee for 1s. or 1s. 6d. notes is 4d., for notes from 2s. to 4s. 6d. the fee is 1d., for 5s. and 7s. 6d. notes 2d. will be charged, and for larger amounts the fee will be 3d. Should the spaces in a postal note for the names of the payee and the paying office not be filled in, the note will be payable to the bearer at any money order office in the colony. If a note is payable to any specified person, the note must be receipted on payment, and the notes may be crossed like cheques, so as to necessitate their payment into a bank.

While crossing the railway line near Christchurch, N.Z., on Monday, a vehicle containing a picnic party was run into by a passing train. One man and a woman were killed, and several other persons were seriously injured. The two men M'Neil and Williams, found guilty of the murder of natives in the South Seas, will be executed at Brisbane on the 29th inst. A petition, bearing between 5000 and 6000 signatures, praying for their reprieve, was presented on Monday.

The Minister referred to in the Governor's address at the prorogation of Parliament as being about to visit the United States for the purpose of investigating and reporting on the various systems of irrigation carried out in that country, is understood to be Mr. Deakin, the Commissioner of Public Works. Mr. Deakin will be accompanied by an experienced officer connected with the Water Supply Department, and will leave for San Francisco in about a fortnight.

TRIAL OF HARVESTERS. [BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.] EAST CHARLTON, Friday. The trial of harvesters took place to-day at Darkebourne. Weather beautiful, and there were about 800 persons present. There were only three entries, Rupert Smith, Beaufort, two, and Bowman, South Australia, one. The latter did not bag, but simply stripped. Smith's machines had double stripper, with winnowers and elevators for bagging attached. The public were greatly disappointed at the trial. The judges deferred the award till after a further trial, at which other machines are expected to compete. The general opinion is that the machines are no improvement, in saving labor or time, on M'Glassen's stripper.

At the trial of strippers to-day, held at Barkeake, under the auspices of the Charlton Agricultural Society, Nicholson's machine took first prize with 60 points out of a possible 70. M'Glassen, St. Arnaud, and Munro, Ballarat, were also represented in the competition. Munro took first prize for winnowers.

OPENING OF THE BEAUFORT RECREATION RESERVE.

Friday next, Boxing Day, will mark an epoch in the history of Beaufort, and that day the Beaufort Recreation Reserve will be opened to the public. A few weeks since some of the leading spirits of Beaufort, amongst whom Mr. J. Wotherspoon was conspicuous, kneced their heads together to devise some plan of providing the people of the district with some suitable resort for recreation purposes. The old Beaufort reserve, as selected as the most suitable site, on account of the natural formation of the locality, and the presence of the reservoir, a chain of water about 50 acres in extent. The aid of the North Riding members of the Riponshire Council was enlisted, and they with the consent of the Council, called tenders for the fencing in of about 8 acres of ground, on the western side of the reserve. The fence is 6ft. in high, and is closely netted, and most substantially built. These fence timber and scrub within the reserve then cleared off and a circular path, 16 feet wide, and 440 yards in circumference, constructed; soil was carted into the low-lying places in the reserve, in which English grass were sown, and, thanks to the propitious weather, it is now quite green. A space of about 12 feet wide was ploughed all round the reserve, near the fence, where it is intended to plant trees and shrubs, some of the mature trees were trimmed, and the whole surface of the reserve was cleared of rubbish. The plan described above was encircled with red posts, and it is intended to run a chain across it at some future date. The next step the Council took was to erect a number of substantial buildings in the reserve, consisting of a luncheon room, two publican's booths, a bazaar booth, a fruit booth, and a secretary's room and two dressing rooms, besides a ladies' office at the entrance gates, which are a decidedly ornamental but substantial nature. The buildings are all built together, and occupy a frontage of 160 feet. The reservoir or lake forms the eastern side of the reserve, which is so nicely situated that in a few years, when the trees and shrubs, which are already planted, and those which are to be planted, mature, it will form one of the prettiest resorts in the colony. The cost of these improvements amounts up to the present, to something over £400, out of which the Athletic Club's sports on Easter Monday contributed £30. It is confidently expected that the result of the gathering on Boxing Day, together with the Government grant aid, will defray the remainder of the cost following to the programme for Boxing Day. We find that it is of such a varied character that it should please the most fastidious. The proceedings will be opened by a large procession, which will start from the westward at 10 a.m. On the arrival of the procession on the grounds, Mr. Uren, M.L.A., will declare the reserve open to the public. His sports will then commence, and the various pedestrian and bicycling events will all be well, so that some exciting contests may be expected. A number of amusing events have also been included in the programme, including horse-race, and a tug race. The grounds, and the lucky winners of the prizes will be able to get them at the conclusion of the drawing. The bazaar will contain a large stock of useful and ornamental articles. A brass band has been engaged for the occasion, and dancing on the green may be indulged in. Mr. Watkin has erected a large stand for the adults, and smaller ones for the children have also been erected close by. We have not the space to enumerate the hundreds and one other novelties which will be provided for the amusement of the people. We feel sure the various committees have left a stone unturned to make their party comfortable, as they have even constructed a number of seats in various parts of the grounds for their convenience. Mr. J. Wotherspoon and Mr. William Lewis have kindly placed their large pleasure boats at the disposal of the committee, and a number of competent gentlemen have undertaken a charge of them to convey excursionists for a row or sail round the lake. At night the Beaufort Minstrels will appear at the Societies' Hall, and will produce an excellent programme. There are several twenty performers engaged, and a number will be introduced in four corners. A ball will wind up the day's proceedings. The promoters of the affair are to be congratulated on the manner in which they have labored to bring it to a successful issue, and they, in turn, have to be thankful for the universal support they have obtained from the public. So heartily have they responded to their call, that it must have the effect of energizing them to make even greater efforts to carry out their project. Goods to the value of about £150 have been presented to the committee, besides cash donations amounting up to the present, to £25. Providing that the weather is fine, the demonstration on the occasion of the opening of the Beaufort Recreation Reserve should be of such a character that it will long be remembered by those who are present at the witness it.

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OUR PARDNER.

A GOLD DIGGER'S STORY.

Guess we was about as rough a sampling of human nature up at Gubbins' Creek Mining Camp as most any part could show. For property, family, 'most dirt, dirt an' rags we should have took the prize at any show we workin' the same there was four on us workin' the same claim—me, Tery Bill, Sam Coley, an' a darned great African nigger called Jubero Tom.

Cap'n Preece could never say no to the little 'un; an' he says, 'Yes, Tom, take her ashore.' 'Tom jumps in the boat alongside, an' 'olde out 'is long, black arms for the piccaninny, 'is eyes glistenin' with pleasure.



BY THE LORD ABOVE ME YOU ARE HE, 'IS WHAT HE SHOUTED. 'YOU ARE CHARLES MEREDITH.

'Way down ole Virginny; the girl he'd waited for, an' worked for so long an' so wearily. But 'is arm is gettin' so weak now, 'is eyes are growin' misty, an' 'is mighty 'ear 'is sinkin' at 'is side.

shaggy grey brows that hung over them. The sea was breaking monotonously on the beach, an' the noise of the approaching footsteps, so that the gentlemen stood before him ere he heard them.

At the show that fell across his knees he looked suddenly up, an' stared in unpleasant wonder at the visitors. When his face was lifted it showed the light brown, wrinkled visage of a man who seemed sixty, and in his faded, faded eyes there was the wild, treacherous examination of an animal at bay.

subject is, I dare say, naturally a painful one to him. 'Why?' 'He was suspected at the time. I have heard, though he was acquitted of all blame at the inquiry, but he took it to heart and went away from the place. He was away for several years, and then came back and settled in the fishing and boat-building trade.

Till the roar of the Limited woke me, and I nearly died with fright. Then I thought of the lives in peril, and what might have been their fate had I sprung to the points that evening.

LIKE'S SIN: A STORY OF THE SEA. BY WAIF WANDER. The steamer had just moved away from the end of the long pier, and was noisily splashing her way across the gleaming, wavy water, and the two gentlemen had landed were standing on the pier, looking on at the boat as it went, and from point to point of the wide-stretching shores.

A writer in Nature on the subject of 'The Conscious Bias in Walking' shows that in some cases it may be very marked, especially in returning home after a banquet, when there was a feast of food and a flow of conversation, and that it is not called a 'conscious bias in walking' in this country. It is called 'whooping it up with the boys.'

THE RESIDENCY BALL.

A STORY OF THE INDIAN MUTINY, IN FIVE PARTS.

By CAPTAIN R. D. BEESTON.

PART I.

Of all the wars and rumors of wars that have... the strain that he had to bear, and that he had to bear...

Seven o'clock on an August morning, and the... of Alingee, its minarets, mosques, places, and bazaars...

The 7th were an old corps bearing on their... the words Serpentine, Pambh, and Maharajah...

"Yes, there, that will do," Mr. Colvin... have a pointed out to you time and again that at the present crisis...

"The native gentlemen," continued the lady... "I will be glad to see you, but I cannot do so at this juncture..."

"Yes, and I am relieved of my duties,"... "The day, being purely to matters of a private nature, replied the resident..."

"What a lovely girl!" exclaimed the lady... "I have never seen a more beautiful creature..."

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"IN AN INSTANT ALL WAS CONFUSION. THE LADIES RUSHED TERRIFIED FROM THE DANCING-FLOOR TO THE BALL-ROOM."

are to-day. I hope you will be more lively at the... ball on Thursday. I shall come on Friday."

"These dogs of Kaffer give a match, what... the night on Thursday, some forty-eight hours hence..."

Jack Dalton, the hero of my latest story, was a... fair sample of one of John Company's subalterns...

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Original Poetry.

"When My Guid Mon's Awa." The new born day smiles bright and fair, And softly on the summer air...

Winter on Earth, but June in the Sky.

By EDITH M. THOMAS.
Slow through the light and silent air,
Up climbs the smoke on its spiral stair...

FATHER FOGARTY'S FRONT TEETH.

A MYSTERY, BY ROBERT P. WHITWORTH.

"Ye don't believe in ghosts at all, then," said Host Regan, as he sat round the huge fire in his comfortable hostelry in Beechworth...

beside he wouldn't give him drink, and two or three others they'll pull him away.
"Wha's this?" says Father Fogarty; "clear out o' this, every mother's son of ye, pointed at the same time to the door..."

places as the Rocky River diggings was more or less now, and this distasteful business was more in the way of taking out teeth than putting them in.
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building is the old Bridewell to which prisoners were consigned before being sent to Hobart, and Heaven help us, it was rarely without a tenant.
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different from the supernatural. The Lure-tian doctrine of a present mind in matter seemed to me to satisfy all the demands of so-called spiritual phenomena, and where we could not comprehend we could take that doctrine as the basis of our investigations.
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While these thoughts crossed my mind the mass before me became more and more distinct, as the obscure forms of more lantern gradually assume shape on the illuminated floor, and there stood out in relief a face with the features of a human face...

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GHOSTS OR NO GHOSTS.

By J. C.

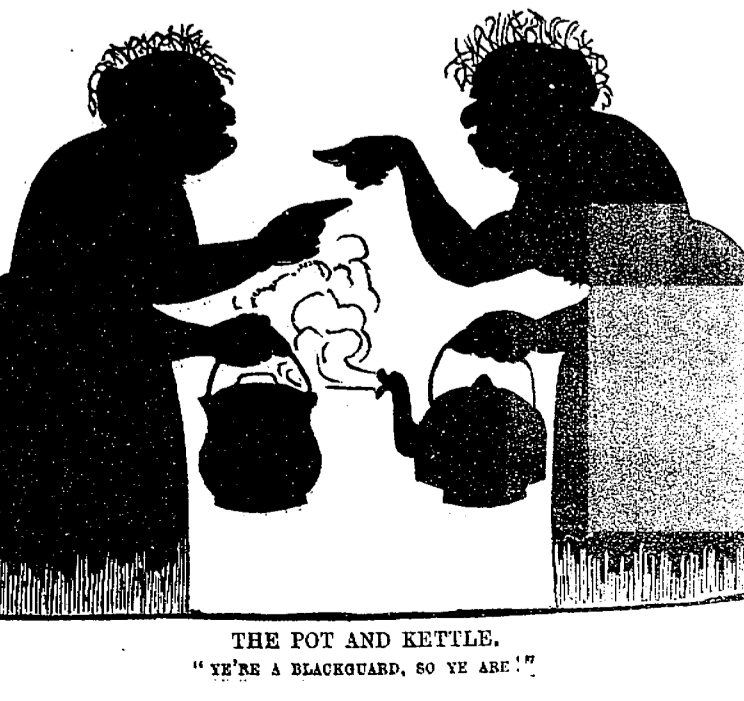
"On, I don't believe in ghosts and haunted houses at all," said the stout man, and he looked at me with a steady gaze...

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THE POT AND KETTLE. "YE'ER A BLACKGUARD, SO YE ARE."

BOXING-DAY SPORTS.

The following are the nominations and handicaps for the principal events to be competed for on Boxing Day, 1884, at the Beaufort Recreation Reserve.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Yds., Odds. Includes Bicycle Race (Two miles) and Handicap (One mile).

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£3 Reward. LOST from Mount Mitchell on or about 23rd...

For Sale, A SECOND-HAND REAPING MACHINE, in good order.

Grand Cricket Match. All-England Eleven versus Ballarat.

On BOXING and following days, 26th and 27th December, on Eastern Oval, Ballarat.



GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS. Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued...

Sydney Excursion Tickets. From the 15th December to the 31st January...

Loggins. Excursion Passengers will only be allowed to carry luggage free...

Horses and Vehicles. From the 23rd December to the 31st January...

Commercial Travellers' Samples. From the 22nd December to the 31st January...

Parcels. On the 24th and 31st December parcels must be at the Melbourne Parcel Office...

North Melbourne and Newmarket Stations. From the 24th to the 31st December...

Good Stalls' Holidays. The 25th and 26th December and 1st January will be observed...

By Order of the Commissioners. P. P. LABRETTOUCHE, Secretary for Railways.

RACES! RACES! Will be held at CHUTE on NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Watches, Watches, Watches. Clocks, Clocks, Clocks. Jewellery, Jewellery, Jewellery.

M. HAMBURGER, Next the Bank of Victoria, Beaufort, and Victoria street, Ballarat.

CHEMICALS AND DRUGS. STANDARD PATENT MEDICINES. Hair and Tooth Brushes.

A. ANDREWS, PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST, NELL STREET, BEAUFORT.

Martin and Co's Homeopathic Medicines. A. A. wishes to notify that he has been appointed...

Opening of the Beaufort Public Park.

BOXING DAY, 1884.

MONSTER PROCESSION. GRAND FANCY FAIR. MAMMOTH LOTTERY.

GIFT DISTRIBUTION. GAMES OF CHANCE AND SKILL. ATHLETIC SPORTS.

BOATING EXCURSIONS ON THE RESERVOIR.

Proceeds to be devoted to the Improvement of the above Park.

FULL PARTICULARS will be published shortly.

Donations are solicited.

TICKETS for GIFT DISTRIBUTION everywhere. Only a small number to be disposed of...

HARRIS & TROY, PRODUCE DEALERS, BEAUFORT.

Broadbent Bros. and Co. Wm. McCulloch and Co. Fermewan, Wright and Co.

On Sale AT JEREMIAH SMITH'S TIMBER YARD.

CORNER OF LIVINGSTONE & WILLOBY STREETS.

American shelving boards. Do 1/2 inch wide...

Next to POLICE STATION.

J. W. HARRIS, MINING AGENT AND SHARE BROKER.

Member of the Ballarat Stock Exchange.

THE IMPORTED PURE-BRED SUFFOLK-PUNCH STALLION DUKE.

Will stand this season at his owner's Farm, TRAWALLA.

DUKE is a rich blood chestnut, without white, standing over 16 hands 2 inches high.

Terms: £2 if led to the horse. If pad-docked, £2 10s.

Richard Wilkinson, Proprietor.

Geelong Wool Sales. We shall hold AUCTION SALES OF WOOL on...

TUESDAY AND THURSDAY, the 4th November, Melbourne (Cap Day).

To keep pace with the rapid growth of our consignments...

A SAVING IN CHARGES AND FREIGHT.

THE ATTENDANCE of all the EUROPEAN and AMERICAN BUYERS...

THE SITUATION of OUR WAREHOUSE, within a stone's throw of the SHIPPING...

THE CAREFUL VALUATION and Personal Attention of each Member of the Firm.

Dennys, Lascelles, Austin and Co. Geelong, 20th August, 1884.

W. BAKER, Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer.

W.B. HAS ON SALE the following lines: Pine Shelving, Flooring, and Lining Boards...

Advances on Wool, Grain, etc., Stock, Stations, and Station Produce of all kinds.

NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY (LIMITED).

Make Liberal Cash Advances on STATION SECURITIES.

ENSURING CLIPS OF WOOL, GRAIN, ETC., FOR SALE IN MELBOURNE.

Auction Sales of Wool held every week through the season.

DAVID ELDER, Manager. I. YOUNGHEARD, Wool and Produce Manager.

Geelong Wool Sales. GEORGE HAGUE & CO. Will hold Sales of Wool every Tuesday during the ensuing Season.

To keep pace with the rapid strides their business has been making...

They act as SELLING BROKERS ONLY, which is a further guarantee...

CHARGES the lowest ruling in the colony, and growers will find they effect a...

ACCOUNT SALES and proceeds forwarded invariably three days after sale.

WOOLPACKS and station stores supplied at lowest market rates.

Separate Warehouses have been provided for the sale of SHEEPSKINS, HIDES, TALLOW...

Special arrangements have been made with Fernewan, Wright & Co. and Broadbent Bros.

Geelong, 1st July, 1884.

WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS THE PUREST STIMULANT IN THE WORLD.

INFINITELY SUPERIOR to Brandy or Whisky, and is now the Most Popular Drink throughout the Colonies.

Certified by the Medical Profession as "THE PUREST STIMULANT PROPERLY MADE."

As a Tonic and Stimulant cannot be surpassed, giving tone and life to the system.

UNIMPROVED WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS AROMATIC SCHNAPPS has been a quarter of a century before the public...

THE PUBLIC are strongly advised to purchase original unopened bottles...

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WOTHERSPOON BROS. & CO., BEAUFORT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Grocers, Wine & Spirit Merchants, Drapers and Outfitters.

BOOTS AND SHOES. Ironmongery, Furniture, and Earthenware.

MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

W. B. & CO are Importers of Drapery, Earthenware, Glassware, Bedsteads, &c., &c., and being Large Cash Buyers...

Customers may rely upon getting as good value for their money as in any house in the colony.

Goods delivered within 14 miles FREE OF CHARGE.

N.B. Our NEW SHOWROOM for FURNITURE, EARTHENWARE, &c., is now open.

HAWKES BROS., Next Bank of Victoria, Beaufort.

Wholesale and Retail Iron Merchants, Ironmongers, Furniture Bakers, Dealers in Glassware, Crockery, etc.

HAWKES BROS., Being Importers of Iron, Ironmongery, Bedsteads, Furniture, Oils, Colors, etc., are enabled to offer to the public their goods at PRICES WHICH CANNOT BE BEATEN.

HAWKES BROS., Are prepared to supply FURNITURE and all HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES upon the TIME-PAYMENT SYSTEM.

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Agent for Beaufort: P. DE BAERE, Watchmaker, etc.

WOOL, WOOL, WOOL. TO SHEEP FARMERS, SELECTORS, AND OTHERS.

E. J. STRICKLAND'S Ballarat WOOL, HIDE, SKIN AND TALLOW AUCTION ROOMS.

Lydiard-street north, near Railway Station. Established 1859.

ACTS AS SELLING BROKER ONLY.

E. J. S. is again thanking his numerous constituents, the Sheep Farmers and selectors...

LIBERAL CASH ADVANCES MADE, whether in sale here, Melbourne or Geelong.

SALE DAY—THURSDAYS.

Any of the forwarding agents will receive consignments, pay all charges, and forward with despatch.

NOW ON SALE—Victorian Almanac for 1885.

Punch Almanac (just issued). Gordon's Poems. A Splendid Collection of Christmas and New Year Cards.

H. P. HENNINGSEN, NEWS AGENT, ETC., HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

NOTICE. POISON is laid down in the Long Kal Kal regulations...

NOW READY. Price Sixpence, By Post Eightpence. A NEW WORK ON THE REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS BY R. J. POULTON.

The above work is a popular treatise on THE REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS, showing their Construction, Functions, and the arrangements to which they are liable.

R. J. POULTON, 186 BOURKE STREET EAST, MELBOURNE.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, AUCTIONEER, King street, Beaufort, and Queen street, Arara Estate and Financial Agent, Arbitrator and Valuer...

A WHOLESOME MURDER.

The St. Petersburg "Novoe Vremya" publishes some details of a frightful tragedy recently committed in the parish of Balakovo...

THE BAD AND WORTHLESS

Are never imitated or counterfeited. This is especially true of a family medicine, and it is positive proof that the remedy initiated is of the highest value...

FLORINE.—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A drop of the liquid "Florine" upon a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather...

SUFFERERS FROM WIND ON THE STOMACH, Indigestion, Costiveness, Giddiness, Sick Headache, Heartburn, Disturbed Sleep, Palpitation of the Heart...

GARDENING FOR DECEMBER.

KITCHEN GARDEN.—Cabbage, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, and savor may be sown in shady places; peas, kidney beans, lettuce, spinach, and turnips can also be sown...

Wheat harvest will be getting general in earlier district: both wheat and oats should be cut before being thoroughly ripe...

FOR COUGHS AND COLDS. KAY'S COMPOUND OF LIMESEED, Aniseed, Senega, Squill, Tolu, &c., with Chloroform.

REMEDIY FREE.—A victim of youthful infirmitude, suffering from Nervous Debility, Loss of Manhood, &c., having tried in vain every known remedy, has discovered a simple self-cure...

Table with columns: Post Town, Mails arrive at Beaufort, Mails close at Beaufort. Lists times for Melbourne, Geelong, Ballarat, Traralgon, Raglan, Chute, Waterloo, Main Lead, Sailor's Gully, Stockyard Hill, Ararat, Bunagar, Euraubeer, Shirley.

The mails for Ararat, Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, Bunagar, end Traralgon are despatched twice daily.

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"...

FREE GIFTS.—The proprietors of WOLFE'S SCHIEDAM AROMATIC SCHNAPPS, to induce the destruction and prevent the improper use of their wrappers and labels...

Table titled "Victorian Railways. TIME TABLE." Lists routes and train times for Melbourne, Geelong, Ballarat, Traralgon, Ararat, Hamilton, and Portland.

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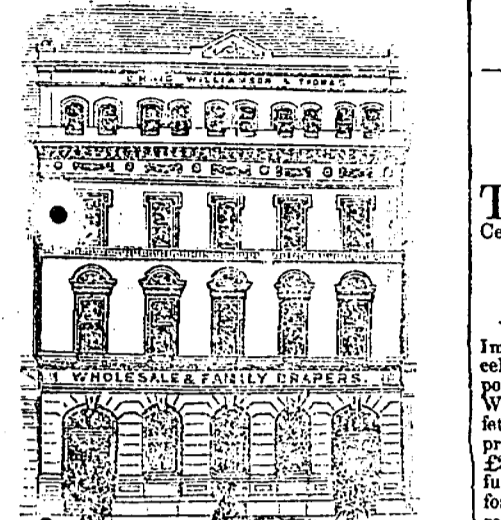
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COMMERCIAL.

BALLARAT WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET.

There was a fair market on Wednesday. We quote as follows:—Barley—English, 4s 6d; Cape barley, 2s 9d; wheat, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; ...

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

The produce market during the past week has been characterised by a fair amount of activity, but work in the harvest fields has been so much delayed by the unseasonable weather which has of late prevailed that farmers were too busy to bring in supplies. A little wheat has come down from the Wimmera district. One parcel was received in Ararat about the middle of last week from Murtos, where it was purchased at 3s per bushel bags in. This is about equal to 3s 1d bags returned, and from 3s to 3s 1d may be quoted as the value here. No locally grown wheat need, however, be looked for about a fortnight yet, though preparations for harvesting their crops are now being pushed forward by most growers. We quote local flour at 1s 3d, at which figure a limited trade is being done. One parcel of an up-country brand was purchased here during the week at 17s 5d. At Horsham new wheat is not yet in the market. Buyers are offering at 3s 2d for old, but very little is being done. It is expected from this quotation that from 2s 10d to 2s 11d will be the opening rates for the new wheat. Very little new wheat is coming in at Donald at 3s, and the season is not yet opened at St. Arnaud, where 3s 2d is given for old. At Landborough wheat changes hands at 3s 2d per bushel, and flour at 17s 10s per ton. In this district there are enquiries just now for both bran and pollard at our quotations. Oats are a trifle weaker, two small parcels having changed hands at 4s 6d. A good number of new potatoes have come in from the Warrnambool. At the beginning of the week LS rated, but to-day LS was given. Old varieties are dull of sale at 1s. A little new hay is coming in at 40s to 45s. New onions have come in during the week, and were sold at 10s per cwt. A good demand exists for fresh butter at 7d to 8d, but it is not asked for. Two loads of cheese in at the end of the week sold at 6d to 6 1/2d. Eggs are scarce at 10d per dozen. We quote:—Wheat, 3s to 3s 1d per bushel; oats, 3s 6d per bushel; pollard, 1s per bushel; bean, 1s; Cape barley 2s 6d; English barley, 2s 9d; peas, 3s 6d; flour, 17s to 18s per ton; Warrnambool potatoes, new, LS per ton; old, 14d; Ballarat, old, LS 15s; hay (sheaves), LS 10s; hay (straw), LS 10s; straw, wheat, LS 15s; chaff, 3s per cwt; carrots, 2s; onions, 10s; butter (fresh), 7d to 8d per lb; butter (salted), none offering; beans, 10d per lb; bacon, 9d per lb; cheese, 6d to 6 1/2d per lb; eggs, 10d per dozen.—"Advertiser."

OSTRICH FARMING.

"We learn," says the "Hamilton Spectator," that the Messrs. Officer, who took over the ostriches from the Acclimatisation Society and were so successful in breeding the birds at Murray Downs, are not going to relinquish the experiment now that all the preliminary difficulties have been overcome. The Murray Downs estate has been sold, but Mr. Officer intends bringing the birds across the border into Victoria and placing them on land purchased for the purpose at Kerang. There are about 20 birds belonging to the Acclimatisation Society, and 80 others which are the property of Messrs. Officer, who have already exported several shipments of feathers sufficient to yield a fair profit on the venture. The authorities of the Cape of Good Hope have placed an export duty of £100 per pair on ostriches, so that the birds now in this colony ought to be rendered more valuable than before, from the expense of procuring additional ones. The few birds imported by the Acclimatisation Society were originally located at the Messrs. Wilson's station in the Wimmera district, but their numbers did not increase so rapidly as was the case when the birds were removed to the warmer climate of Murray Downs. The shifting of the ostriches to Kerang will further test the suitability of our northern plains to the growth of the ostrich, and as the climate of Kerang is very similar to that of Murray Downs, and the distance between the two places not very considerable, it is to be hoped that we are on the eve of the successful acclimatisation amongst us of an industry which at one time seemed likely to be banished to the neighboring colonies.

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Adamthwaite, T.; Baird, J.; Bennett, Richard; Campbell, N.; Condiok, J.; Etherton, I.; Gullich, S.; Glenister, G. A. Humpreys, R.; Hall, A. A. Ingram, Miss; McIntosh, N.; Miller, J.; McKenzie, R. O'Callaghan, J.; Rogers, Miss; Roycroft, J.; Stokes, Mr.; Topper, G.; Tuddenham, D.; Ward, Mr.; Woods, E.; Williams, T.; Williams, Capt. Young, Hugh. E. M. KILDAHL, Postmistress. Beaufort, December 27th, 1884.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1884.

A distribution of prizes took place at the Stockyard Hill State School on Friday, 19th instant. Mrs. J. D. Adams, of St. Knoch's, kindly handed the prizes to the scholars, and personally presented some very handsome books and a work-box, the latter for needle-work, with which Mrs. Adams expressed herself as being greatly pleased. Much credit is due to Miss O'Neill, the teacher, for the kindly interest she has taken in her pupils since her appointment to the school.

On Monday last three children named Toman, residents of Main Lead, were brought up as neglected children. The father of the children is at present an inmate of the Ararat Lunatic Asylum, with no hope of recovery, and the mother is unable to earn a livelihood for herself and her five children. After hearing the evidence, the Bench, Messrs. Prentice and Thomas J.P.'s committed the children to the Royal Park Industrial School. The Rev. R. Allen interceded on behalf of the children, and obtained permission from the authorities to board them out with their mother.

The following are the reported yields from the mines at Waterloo for the week ending Wednesday last:—New Victoria, 55oz.; Waterloo, 55oz.; Hobart Pasha, 20oz.; Royal Saxon, 23oz.; South Saxon Company, yield for 9 days, 33oz.

A cricket match was played at Waterloo on Christmas Day, between an eleven from the Jalata Cricket Club, Ballarat, and a Waterloo eleven. The match resulted in a win for the Waterloo team, the scores being:—Waterloo, first innings, 97; second innings, 131 for seven wickets. Galatas, first innings, 78.

On Christmas night a number of the Ballarat Reserve cricketers made the streets of Beaufort ring with loud songs and jests, and all sorts of rowdiness, much to the disgust of the respectable portion of the community. Besides this they openly insulted a number of females who had the misfortune to be in the streets at the time. It does seem inexplicable how a number of young and, to all appearances, respectable men can so far forget themselves as to carry on in such a disgraceful manner. When they got into the train at Beaufort they smashed one of the lamps in a carriage, and carried on in a shameful manner. Their names were taken, so that it is possible that they will be called upon to answer for their rowdy conduct. However the police allowed them to carry on in the way they did seem to want some explanation, as there was not the slightest warrant for such ruffianly conduct.

A change in what has been unseasonable weather took place on Christmas Day, which was quite an Australian summer's day, and this continued until the evening of Boxing Day, when the weather became cold again, and slight showers of rain fell. To-day the weather has been inclined to be cold and showery.

The current number of the "Illustrated Australian Sketches" contains a number of interesting sketches, including a colored supplement, entitled "Innocents Abroad." An eight-page supplement also accompanies the paper, which contains several holiday sketches appropriate to the season. Mr. Henningsen is the local agent, from whom copies may be obtained.

The public are reminded that races will be held at Chute on New Year's Day.

The English mail closes at Beaufort on Wednesday next, at the usual hour.

A man named George Schmidt was brought before Messrs. Croker and Prentice, J.P.'s on Wednesday, charged with assaulting James Thompson at Lof's Hotel the previous evening, and using obscene language. The accused was very rowdy when arrested, and had to be handcuffed and tied down in the cell. The offence with which he was charged was fully proved, and he was fined an aggregate sum of £5, or fourteen days' imprisonment.

The Ballyrogan State School broke up for the holidays on the 19th instant, on which occasion Mr. Thomson, of the Chalmers station, kindly presented each of the children with a nice packet of lollies and nuts. Such kind and thoughtful actions cannot be too highly commended.

Dan Barry's Dramatic Company will commence a short season in Beaufort on Saturday next, at the Societies' Hall. Mr. Barry's popularity as a versatile actor and enterprising manager is so assured that crowded houses should be almost certain during the two nights the troupe appears here. The piece to be produced on Saturday night is the latest London sensation-drama, "London by Night," which recently created a furore in England and the United States, and which Mr. Dan Barry has purchased the sole right of playing in the provincial towns of Australia, and he has been producing it with great success for some months past. The piece will be mounted with new and beautiful scenery, and the play is intensely interesting from beginning to end. The piece will be supported by the full company, twenty-two in number. This sensational drama, "A Soldier's Bride," will be produced on Monday 5th January.

An eleven from the Reserve Cricket Club, Ballarat, met a Beaufort eleven on the ground of the latter on Christmas Day. The match resulted in favor of the Beaufort team, but we have not been favored with the scores and cannot give them.

The "Argus" London correspondent forwards an important statement published in Monday's "Standard." It is to the effect that Germany has notified to the European powers that she has annexed a number of islands in the Pacific and also the northern portion of New Guinea. A glance at the map will show the wide range covered by the annexations. The list includes the large islands of New Britain and New Ireland, together with the small island of New Hebrides and the Admiralty group, a little further to the west, all of which are only a short distance from New Guinea. A long way to the north-east is the extensive group of the Marshall Islands situated about 10deg. north of the Equator, while Otafo or Duke of York Island is not far from the Samoan group, which is not mentioned in the list, being doubtless regarded as already virtually under German protection. The "Standard" adds that the British Government has been aware of the proposed German annexations since last July. Mr. Service has received no further information on the subject.

A Christian widow, living in Ezelegel, in Upper Hungary, recently sent a boy to a certain Moritz Hirschler, with a letter, requesting him to come to her at once to receive some Christian blood, which he would be able to sell at a high price for the ensuing Jewish holidays. Hirschler very rightly took the boy to the police station, and accompanied by a detective and a doctor, hastened to the woman. They found that, labouring under the belief that the Jews would require Christian blood for the holidays, she had opened one of her own veins so as to sell the blood to Hirschler for a good price, and thus to be enabled to pay her debts.

The next annual united fire brigades demonstration will be held in Russell-square, Ballarat, in March next. The prize for the principal event is a silver cup and eight gold medals, of the guaranteed value of £100, presented by the American Hop Bitters Company, per Mr. M. H. Van Bergh. It will become the property of the brigade that has the most prizes for eight men. There are several other cups for competition, amongst which the Master Butchers' Cup, value 30 guineas, and the Licensed Victuallers' Cup, of the same value, occupy leading places. The official programme of events and prizes will shortly be issued.

The telegram reporting the annexation by Germany of the unprotected portion of New Guinea intensely surprised Mr. Service (says the "Argus"). He immediately took steps to ascertain how far the statement was correct by telegraphing to the agent-general for information, at the same time strongly protesting against the reported action of Germany. His message was replied to yesterday by Mr. Murray Smith in the following terms:—"I have seen Sir Robert Herbert, Permanent Under-Secretary for the Colonies and read your telegram to him. He says that the British Government is in communication with Germany, who are regarded as pledged against any annexation steps, at least in New Guinea. The newspapers of to-day state that the German Embassy here has received official intelligence from Berlin declaring that the report is quite unfounded." This telegram, Mr. Service says, has completely altered the state of affairs.

The "Ararat Advertiser" says:—"A novel feat was performed on Sunday last by a retriever owned by Mr. W. Rumping, of the Poms. Mr. Rumping had walked down to the Green Hill Lake, which now contains but little water, and was throwing in sticks for his dog to retrieve. One of the pieces of wood sank and the animal dived to recover it, but disappeared with a lively perch in its mouth which it succeeded in safely landing upon the bank at its master's feet. The fish measured about fourteen inches long.

The Police at the Russell street barracks, Melbourne, were interviewed on Tuesday last (says the "Telegraph") by a lady-like person, who has come to the colony on a somewhat peculiar mission from South Australia where she is well connected. About eighteen months ago she avers she accepted an engagement with a person who styled himself "Dr. Brown," a medical practitioner, and who subsequently, by means of certain articles obtained possession of her, including a valuable diamond ring. There was litigation between the present visitor to Melbourne and the "doctor," against whom, the visitor says, warrants of commitment for the non payment of the value of the jewellery and for perjury were issued. She was informed in Adelaide recently that he was serving as a member of the Victorian Police, and was advised to follow him on parade, but failed to recognise the "doctor" amongst them.

The cable brings the report of a terrible fire which was attended with shocking loss of life as having occurred at a large Roman Catholic Orphanage, in Brooklyn, New York, on Saturday. The Orphanage contained 700 children, and was totally destroyed, many of the inmates being burnt to death before they could be rescued. When the despatch left New York, 30 bodies had been recovered from the ruins, and 90 children were still missing.

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—More precious than Gold.—During summer and autumn, the prevailing diseases are diarrhoea, dysentery, fevers and English cholera, particularly dangerous to children and young people. In these acute cases, where internal medicines cannot be retained, the greatest relief will immediately result from rubbing Holloway's soothing Ointment over the abdomen. The friction should be frequent and a brisk, to ensure the penetration of a large portion of the Unguent. This Ointment calms the excited peristaltic action, quickly allaying the pain. Both vomiting and griping yield to it; where fruits or vegetables have originated the malady, it is proper to remove all undigested matter from the bowels by a moderate dose of Holloway's Pills before using the Ointment.

A Zulu belle is like the proverbial prober; she has not much on her own country.

A new rush (says the "Telegraph") has broken out at Kingower, about a mile and a half from the township. The sinking is about four feet. The prospector, a miner, noticed Fry, found a nugget of 14awt., besides some fine gold on the bottom. About a hundred men are on the ground.

BEAUFORT ANNUAL LICENSING COURT.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 1884.

(Before Messrs. J. C. Thomson, P.M., and H. Cushing, and J. Prentice, J.P.'s, Licensing Magistrates.)

The following renewals were granted:—Mark Barnes, Travalla hotel, Travalla; Sarah Brierley, Brierley's hotel, Eurambeen; Sarah Frusher, Waterloo hotel, Waterloo; Mary Huton, Fisherie hotel, Waterloo; William Hindle, Victoria Junction hotel, Waterloo; Matthew Kelly, Eurambeen hotel, Eurambeen; Robert Kirkpatrick, Stockyard Hill hotel, Stockyard Hill; William Lof, Railway hotel, Beaufort; Charles Lof, Lof's hotel, Chute; Nathaniel Lucas, Royal Saxon hotel, Waterloo; James Mitchell, Sailor's Gully hotel, Nering; Elizabeth M'Lennan, Main Lead hotel, Main Lead; Wilhelmina Scharp, Beaufort hotel, Beaufort; Jeremiah Smith, Golden Age hotel, Beaufort; Tennis Vanderstoel, Victoria Hotel, Beaufort; Thomas Voyles, Richmond hotel, Waterloo; Rudolph Wangler, Working Miners' hotel, Waterloo; Thomas Welsh, Camp hotel, Beaufort; Thomas Witherden, Alhion hotel, Waterloo; Joseph Woods, Woods' hotel, Waterloo; G. Carver, Commercial hotel, Beaufort; H. Luchbold, George hotel, Beaufort.

The police objected to the renewal of the license of the Reglan Hotel, held by Mrs. H. Fripp, until the premises were put in a better state of repair, and the Bench granted a renewal on condition that the premises were painted and renovated.

Inspector Parkinson objected to the renewal of the license for the All Nations Hotel, Beaufort, held by William Schicht, as the drink was served over the grocery counter, and the business of the hotel was carried on in the same room as the grocery business. The application was granted, providing that the license provides a separate entrance for the hotel bar, and a separate room in which to carry on the business.

Phillip Mielch applied for a renewal of the license for Mielch's Family Hotel, Beaufort, which was but on due on the 28th July last. Mr. Mielch stated that he had only received the insurance money on Tuesday last, and he intended to erect a new hotel on the site of the old one as early as possible. The application was granted, providing a new building is erected within four months.

Billiard Table Licenses were granted to Sarah Frusher, George Carver, William Lof, Wilhelmina Scharp, Jeremiah Smith, Tennis Vanderstoel, and Thomas Voyles.

Wine and spirit licenses were granted to Helen Gunn, C. J. Leadcarter, and Wouter-spoon Bros. and Co.

Temporary licenses were granted to Thomas Welsh and Tennis Vanderstoel for sports at the Beaufort Recreation Reserve on Boxing Day, and to C. Lof for races at Chute on New Year's Day.

Sarah Frusher applied for a temporary license for sports at Waterloo on Boxing Day. Joseph Woods objected to the granting of the application, and stated that the sports committee had called for tenders for the night, and he was the only tenderer. Mr. Leadcarter, one of the committee, however, stated that Woods's tender was considered to be too low, and Mrs. Frusher was asked to make an offer, and her tender was accepted. The Bench granted the license to Mrs. Frusher.

The Court then adjourned.

OPENING OF THE BEAUFORT RECREATION RESERVE.

The opening of the Beaufort Recreation Reserve, which took place yesterday (Boxing Day), is an event which has been looked forward to with pleasure by a large number of people in this district for some time past, and one which will long be remembered by those who were present on the occasion. The weather was all that could be desired, with the exception that perhaps there was a breeze a little too much wind, inasmuch as it caused the newly-prepared surface of the reserve to rise in unpleasant clouds of dust. During the past three or four months the various committees have been hard at work preparing the monster demonstration which was to mark the opening of the reserve, and as the successful issue of the gathering proves each and all did their duty well. Not a single hitch occurred from first to last. The receipts at the gates were mounting near £80, and there about 1800 people on the ground. To give a short outline of the day's proceedings we must commence with the procession, which started from the weighbridge about 10.15, and after the allotted time, 10 a.m., in the following order:—Cyclists, allegorical car, in which Neptune and his attendants were represented, His Majesty being seated on a sea-horse; the brass band; Robabables, adult and juvenile; Oddfellows; the general public; Mr. Oren, M.L.A., was driving in the procession, as also was Mr. J. Wotherpoon, chairman of the Executive Committee. When the procession arrived on the ground Mr. J. Wotherpoon gave some particulars relative to the scheme for creating the reserve had been brought about, and the manner in which every-body had assisted in bringing it to a successful issue. He stated that he never had experienced so much pleasure in connection with anything as he had in connection with the getting up of this demonstration, so readily getting up of this demonstration. He then he ardently had everybody assisted. He then called upon Mr. Oren, M.L.A., who, in a short, but appropriate speech, complimented the people of the district on having such a splendid reserve for recreation purposes. He then declared the reserve open to the public. Three ringing cheers were given for Mr. Oren and three for Mr. Wotherpoon. The sports were then commenced, and each event was warmly contested, the result being some excellent sport. The sea-horse race and the tug race created roars of laughter and the margin of the lake was lined with spectators while these events were being decided. The boats were well patronised, and a large number of people availed themselves of the opportunity of taking a trip round the lake. The swings were kept going all day, and were patronised by old and young alike. The mammoth lottery was drawn during the afternoon, and was managed in a very satisfactory manner. The bazaar had a large number of patrons, and a good stock of goods were disposed of. About 5000 were sold by a number of people, but the old lady had fared far worse than her pipe. The

gentlemen who had charge of the "bunkypark" games succeeded in doing a good business. The public were catered for well, both as to eatables and drinkables, and to sum the whole affair up briefly, it must be pronounced a grand success. To individualise any persons who took part in the demonstration would be invidious, but we would not be doing that gentleman justice if we did not mention the name of Mr. John Wotherpoon, to whom too much praise cannot be given for the untiring manner in which he has worked to bring the affair to a successful issue. Next week probably we will be prepared to publish the receipts in detail, but at present it is roughly estimated that the receipts from all sources will be about £400. The following are the results of the sports:—

- MAIDEN RACE. H. DeBeere, Beaufort ... 1 G. L. Calvell, Reglan ... 2
- Bicycle Race. Two miles. Alfred Andas, 23yds ... 1 John Andas, 15yds ... 2 Henry Smith, 20yds ... 3
- PARK HANDICAP. 130 yards. J. Hoeking, Beaufort, 10yds ... 1 G. L. Calvell, Reglan, 5yds ... 2 T. A. Edward, Melbourne, 11yds ... 3
- HURDLE RACE. 200 yards. G. L. Calvell, Reglan, 5yds ... 1 M. Kirkpatrick, Stockyard Hill, 15yds ... 2
- TUG RACE. First, £1; second, 10s. R. Davis ... 1 H. Smith ... 2
- SOCCETTES RACE. 130 yards. Richard Thomas, 6yds ... 1 William Tropp, 15yds ... 2
- Bracelet Handicap. One mile. Alfred Andas, 120yds ... 1 J. McNeill, 160yds ... 2 John Andas, ser. ... 3

- OLD BUFFERS' RACE (over 40 years), 150 yards. First, Bag of Flour; second, mechanical pipe. H. Flower, 1; E. Smith, 2; P. DeBee, 3.
- RUNNING HIGH JUMP. First, £1; second, 10s. R. Paterson and W. O'Shea divided.
- BOYS' RACE (under 14 years), 200 yards. First, 10s.; second, 5s.; third, 2s. 6d. F. Holdsworth, 1; G. Smith, 2; A. Wilson, 3.
- SEA-HORSE RACE. First, £2; second, £1; third, 10s. Carmichael, 1; H. Smith, 2; John Andas, 3.

- Hamburger Trophy. Three miles. A. Andas, 20yds ... 1 J. Murray, 20yds ... 2 R. Schickel, ser. ... 3
- GO-AS-YOU-PLEASE, for fifteen minutes. First, £1; second, 10s. J. Maddon, 1; C. L. Calvell, 2. Distance traversed, about 2 miles and a half.
- Bicycle Race. One mile. A. Andas, 120yds ... 1 A. L. Saunau, 145yds ... 2 L. Moccay, 150yds ... 3

THE CONCERT.

In the evening in the Societies' Hall was filled to overflowing, and a large number of people were unable to gain admission. The Beaufort Minstrels appeared in their new programme, and apparently succeeded in pleasing the audience. The singing was very good, while the jokes and comedians were greatly relished. Space will not allow of us giving the programme in its entirety, but suffice it to say that no time nor trouble had been spared by the members of the company in placing a good programme before the public, in good style, and the public were not slow in expressing their satisfaction at the excellence of the performance.

The concert was followed by a ball, when the hall was again uncomfortably filled, and dancing was kept up till early on Saturday morning to the excellent music provided by the Jackson family.

"While good temperance people are degrading liquor," says a leading American physician, "they seldom stop to think how much harm is being done by an abuse of a beverage to which many of them are devoted. I just came from attending a case of a five-year-old babe, who is ruined for life by his parents indulging in tea-drinking. The child became very nervous and dyspeptic, and they sent for me. I asked them how much tea the child drank. 'About two cups at each meal, and several between meals,' was the reply. 'You see,' the physician continued, 'that the teapot stands on the stove all day. Thus the tannic acid is extracted, which serves to irritate the linings of the stomach into leather, and brings on dyspepsia and kindred diseases. Yes, you will find hundreds of women, young girls, and aged women, and occasionally a man, who have completely ruined their nervous system by the excessive use of common tea. It will be a blessing to mankind when a temperance crusade can spare wind enough from its attack on alcohol to assalt tea.'

A terrible scene was witnessed at Moruya on Sunday night. The Rev. Father Pollard fell dead at the altar rails. As he was imagined there was great consternation in the church and many people fainted from emotion and fear. The deceased priest had been in indifferent health.

A man named Hennat, for trying to ride his horse into a schoolhouse to the disturbance of a Salvation Army meeting, has been found £5 or six weeks' imprisonment at Parnewille.

Five Salvation Army soldiers and two Hallelujah lasses have been prosecuted for playing a band in the streets at Strathalbyn. The men were fined £5 and £6 7s costs, while the women were cautioned.

Mr. Oscar Wilde (says the "New York Herald") has written to say that he should like ladies to leave off stays and "dress improvers" and take to corsets. He does not—as one might at first infer—mean that they are to be the only article of apparel, for he advises Turkish trousers, but he would like to see them form part of every lady's dress. He would like also to see men adopt the dress of Charles I. If Mr. Wilde could get his great admirer, Mrs. Langtry, to take to corsets, while he donned the doublet and hose, there is no knowing how large a following they might obtain.

The detective police (says the "World") are now investigating a case which will cause a good deal of sensation in society, if the facts, as they now appear, are proved. Some six months ago a well-known actress was married to a gentleman who gave himself out as a squatter. It now turns out that the squatter was previously married, and that his first wife was at present living. Pending the confirmation or otherwise of the unpleasant rumors, the principals are living apart.

AN IMPROVED THRESHING MACHINE.

Mr. Hill, a farmer at Bolwarra, has invented an addition to Clayton and Shuttleworth's threshing-machine which will prove of considerable advantage to farmers, saving both time and labor. It consists of a self-acting lander and feeder. A trial was made on Monday in the presence of farmers and agriculturists from the surrounding district, who pronounced the new invention to be an unqualified success. It is the first invention of the kind in the colony, and Mr. Hill intends applying for a patent. The addition consists of a small elevator, which carries the sheaves to the machine, they then pass under a number of knives similar to those of reaping-machines, so fixed as to revolve in a band. They are cut, and then passed by another elevator, carried by two 5in. belts, to a drum, into which they are forced by a swinging rake, preventing chock. The apparatus can be shifted to either side of the machine for convenience. The knives are divided into two portions, and will cut a width of 2ft. They can be raised or lowered according to the size of the sheaves. The whole of the improvement made by Mr. Hill can be packed ready for removal in ten minutes.—"Argus."

Cable News.

LONDON, Dec. 22. It is announced that the cholera, which a few days ago was reported to have reappeared in Paris, has now ceased.

The Queensland gunboat Palamoa, which is to be employed by the Admiralty in the survey of the Northern coast of Australia, has sailed under the command of Lieutenant George E. Richardson.

A fire occurred yesterday in the parcels office of the Windsor railway station, resulting in the destruction of the office.

On the debris being examined, an infernal machine was discovered, when it was found that the fuse instead of exploding ignited the box which contained it, thus setting fire to the building.

No clue has yet been found to the perpetrators of the outrage.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 21. The latest advices from the Transvaal report that an armed force of Boers has assembled on the borders of Bechuanaaland, with the intention of making a raid on that country.

Mr. Kruger, the President, declares that he is powerless to prevent the invasion.—"Argus" and Reuters' cablegrams.

THE GERMAN ANNEXATIONS.

LONDON, Dec. 23. It is understood that negotiations are now going on between England and France with a view to the cession of the New Hebrides to France.

With respect to the German annexations in the Pacific, it has transpired that the German Government gave a pledge to Lord Derby not to annex any portion of New Guinea.

Mr. Murray Smith, the agent-general for Victoria, has communicated with the Colonial Office to ascertain whether England intends to recognise the action of Germany.

It is now stated that the British Government have previously rejected the suggestion of the German Government that the stationing of a Pacific by Lord Derby with regard to the Pacific deserves the severest censure.—"Argus" cablegram.

A TELEGRAPHIC CONTEST.

A remarkable contest for fast telegraph transmission took place recently at New York, at the offices of the Western Union Telegraph Company, says "Iron." The prizes offered for competition were three in number, the first being a gold medal, the second a silver medal, and the third a decorated telegraph key. They were given by Messrs. J. H. Bunnell and Co. of New York, and the only condition was that the Morse steel lever key should be the one used. The prizes were for clearness of character and speed combined. At 11 o'clock, when the contest began, over 100 leading operators and telegraph managers were present. On a printed slip was the work to be done. This consisted of 500 words, 15 periods, and 4 commas—2,368 characters. There were ten concurrent coal circuits. The remarkable work of the competitors all of whom did not rest was finished, and at 1 o'clock the judges announced shortly afterwards the first prize to Mr. W. L. Waugh, for superior work, each letter and character being perfect, time 11min. 27sec.; the second prize to Mr. W. M. Gibson, for good work, time 11min. 38s. and third prize to Mr. F. J. Kilm, for fair work, time 10min. 32sec. Mr. Waugh belongs to the Commercial Telegram Company, long to the Bankers' Stock Exchange, and Mr. Gibson to the United Press Association. The most remarkable time on record was that of Mr. J. W. Rolson, an operator of the Bankers' and Merchants' Company. His time was 10min. 10sec., or at the rate of about 50 words per minute, but his was too individual and unreadable to obtain a prize.

GERMAN ANNEXATION IN NEW GUINEA.

The extensive annexations by Germany in the Pacific, which were detailed in our telegram from London yesterday, have been telegraphically confirmed. The agent-general, telegraphing to Mr. Service under date London, December 22, 7.40 p.m., says:—"I have seen Sir Robert Herbert, Permanent Under-Secretary for the Colonies, by whom the German annexations were officially confirmed. There was some hope, he said, that further negotiations would be open in regard to New Guinea. I have written to Lord Derby, calling his attention to the first three resolutions of the Sydney Convention, and asking whether the Government means to recognise the annexations." The three resolutions were:—"1. That further acquisition of the German dominion in the Pacific, south of the equator by any foreign power would be highly inimical to the safety and well-being of the

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Poetry

A Little White Bear.

As the little white bear went glimmering by... The man on the coal-car jerked his lines...

Novelist

DAN LYONS' DOOM.

By WAIF WANDER.

CHAPTER III.—(CONTINUED).

But there was that in the woman's face, especially in her dark, deep-set eyes, that was a warning to a closer observer...

When he reached the hut there was no one in front of it and the door was shut. He looked at the lock, and saw that it was a simple one...

"Welcome, Tady Connor," said the hag, as she advanced and stood before him, her old, wrinkled face lit up with a smile...

Tady, believing in Nan Griffiths with all his little heart, went down the hill rejoicing and looking all around him for a sign of the girl...

alone, though he did not turn his eyes toward it. "Yes, didn't you know?" Resignation asked wonderingly...

Next morning I intended to visit Dipon, as the township about 15 miles from the Kingstons railway, for the purpose of inspecting another property...

The Hades of Hawaiian Mythology. These Sandwich Islands boast of two natural wonders—the largest extinct and the largest active volcano in the world...

Agriculture.

Utilizing Corners and Waste Patches.

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The small oval variety, known in Australia... the Paj lemon, is the best, containing the smallest...

This went on for years. For long weary years I walked the earth a miserable slave...

latter respect being impressed upon the world... don't just about how down and worship him...

Cement for Connecting Glass and Brass. According to Paster (Glasnik Zetings), a patent...

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Beaufort College. FIRST QUARTER commences Monday, January 12th, 1885, in old R.C. Church building. Pupils enrolled and classified on Thursday, 5th January, between 10.30 and 11.30 a.m.

For Sale. A SECOND-HAND REAPING MACHINE, in good order. Apply W.M. SMITH, Butcher, Beaufort.



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VICTORIAN RAILWAYS. CHEMIST AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS. Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and from all stations (Suburban lines excepted) from the 15th December, 1884, to the 5th January, 1885, both dates inclusive (Sunday excepted)...

School District West Riding of the Shire of Ripon.

NOTICE is hereby given that an ELECTION of two persons to act as members of the Board of Advice for the above-named School District will be held on the 11th January, 1885...

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Watches. Watches. Watches. Clocks. Clocks. Clocks. Jewellery. Jewellery. Jewellery. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

LOST. A GOLD LOCKET, shield shaped, with sardonyx and diamonds. Finder rewarded on leaving same with JAMES B. TOMPKINS, Beaufort.

SHIRE OF RIPON. ISSUE OF LICENSES. The Shire Treasurer's Office will be open on the 30th and 31st instant for the issue of Licenses.

BEAUFORT. WEDNESDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 1885. At One o'clock.

To Spectators, Building Societies, and others. Sale by Public Auction.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS will sell, as above, the following valuable allotments, all in the township of Beaufort.

ANDREW'S PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST, NEIL STREET, BEAUFORT.

Martin and Co's Homeopathic Medicines.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Auctioneer.

To Let, A COTTAGE, near the Court-house, Beaufort. Apply to H. F. HENNINGSEN.

RACES! RACES! Will be held at CHUXE on NEW YEAR'S DAY. For Particulars see Posters.

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American shoring boards, Do lumber, 6 x 12 and 6 Scotch flooring, 6 x 4 do flooring, 6 x 4 do flooring, American and Baltic deals, all sizes, 4 cut pine weatherboards, 6 do do, American clear pine, 4 in., 3 in., 1 1/2 in., cedar, white 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, GEOLONG LIME.

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DUKE is a rich blood chestnut, without white, standing over 16 hands 2 inches high. He was imported to South Australia by Mr. E. M. Bage, bred by Mr. James Lambert, of Mendlesham, his dam by Mr. Catlin's Royal Duke, the winner of many prizes, his sire by Mr. J. Bloomfield's Briton, the winner of many prizes. The horse was purchased by his previous proprietor from Mr. C. B. Fisher, and selected as the class of horse best adapted to benefit the farmers and breeders of this district. The fact of his having been used by Mr. Fisher as a stud horse for some years past is the best guarantee of his excellence as a pure foal-getter and producer of first-class stock.

Mr. Walsh (Stonehenge), editor of "The Field," one of the greatest authorities on the subject in England, when speaking of the Suffolk Punch in his work, "The Horse in the Stable and the Field," says:—"His admirers maintain that no other horse is so hardy, and that he will do more work in the same time, and on the same amount of food, than any other."

Terms: £2 if led to the horse. If pad-docked, £2 10s. Good grass paddock provided, with a plentiful supply of water. RICHARD WILKINSON, Proprietor.

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To keep pace with the rapid growth of our consignments we have again added to our Warehouse by the erection of Two Floors, measuring 60 x 132 feet. This makes our New Sample Room the LARGEST in VICTORIA and will enable us to display every lot to the best advantage.

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To keep pace with the rapid strides their business has been making they have been compelled to greatly extend their Warehouse accommodation by the addition of a large building at the rear, 170 feet long, which will be completed in time for the coming season, and will make their Warehouse one of the largest and most convenient in the Colony. Every improvement that experience can suggest has been adopted in the new buildings, and the new show-rooms are admirably adapted for the exhibition of Clips to the best possible advantage. A steady south light, which is so necessary to the efficient display of the superior Western Wools, being a special feature. Every lot, no matter how small, is carefully examined prior to sale, and protected up to full market value.

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