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Business Notices.

NOTICE.

THE Proprietor of the "Riponshire Advocate," in thanking his numerous patrons for past favors, respectfully solicits a renewal of support, and desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news he will always endeavour to make his columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, he will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.

He has resolved to REDUCE the SUBSCRIPTION to the "ADVOCATE" (with which is published a 12-column supplement containing well-selected reading matter) to 3s 9d per quarter, and trusts that this concession will be largely taken advantage of.

The Advertising Rates have also been considerably reduced, and advertisers will find it to their benefit to avail themselves of the columns of the "Riponshire Advocate," which is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the Shire. As the advocate of the interests and for the welfare of this district, it has a claim for a considerable amount of support, and has a greater scope for extended usefulness than any other journal or journals within a given radius of Beaufort.

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DR. LLEWELLYN, who is duly Qualified and Registered, is aware that by departing from the usual routine practice and devoting himself exclusively to a special branch, which he has done for some time, he is not strictly following the paths of professional etiquette, but, as a considerable body of the profession are still disposed to stand coldly aloof from anyone of their number who acquires popularity in the treatment of certain ailments and is really a Medical Specialist, he does not hesitate to resort to what he considers legitimate means for the purpose of disarming cynical criticism, and of securing as far as he is able the confidence of the public. It is assuredly better to seek assistance from the qualified practitioner in preference to the quack.

The true designation of quackery belongs to those shameless adventurers who, without a particle of medical knowledge or a tittle of claim to the humblest department of the profession, practise extortion and deceit, advertising their nostrums as CURE-ALLS; men of the lowest grade of intellect and responsibility, whose assurance is as unbounded as their promises are specious. Such men abound in Melbourne, Sydney, and other towns in Australia, and by their flaming advertisements attract the attention of the unwary. The mischief to the health by swallowing the nostrums of these persons is oftentimes irretrievable, besides the money totally wasted in purchasing, at exorbitant rates, their so-called curative appliances.

The argument is, that the every-day enlightenment of mankind should protect them from resorting to the unprincipled; that if physic be a science, it should be honoured and respected as such; that the necessary inquiry and reflection should direct the visit from the nostrum-monger to the respectable practitioner. But alas! the dilemma in which a man finds himself when suffering from the follies of his own imprudence, and which he is anxious to conceal, renders him more solicitous to shun the respectable man and to creep into nooks and corners for counsel and consolation. Every member of the profession is too proud of his qualifications to hide them under a bushel. Dr. Llewellyn has passed examinations at the chief Medical Colleges in England: is a legally qualified and registered medical practitioner in Victoria; holds high testimonials, which all patients may inspect; and is, through a complete study, knowledge, practice, and experience of Special Diseases, a most reliable Expert, in whom there can be placed, without doubt, unlimited confidence.

The widespread evils and diseases arising from excess and indiscretion cannot be too generally known, and it is to be hoped that any reader of this paragraph who may suffer from these special complaints, will be awakened to their fearful consequences. If there be any amongst the readers of this letter who have unhappily fallen into objectionable habits, and are suffering in consequence, and are unwilling to hand an enfeebled constitution to their offspring, I would earnestly charge them to lose no time, but seek at once a means of cure, so that they may be restored to pristine health and vigour, before the evil becomes too deeply seated. I adhere strictly to the most approved and modern lines of treatment in my exclusive branch of practice, embracing Chronic Nervous, Skin and Special Diseases in men and women, and can, with confidence, undertake the permanent cure of all cases within the reach of medical skill.

To those about to marry, and who are either conscious or doubtful as to their suffering from a latent taint or weakness, a sense of duty on their part should unquestionably prompt them to seek the advice of a competent medical man. All patients applying to me for counsel and help may rest assured that my treatment will be vigorously directed to cure permanently any local defect or weakness, and place them in that fitting condition of health that they can afterwards honourably marry.

To anyone whose confidence in the possibility of a satisfactory and permanent cure has been shaken by the conduct of various advertising parties who are only medical pretenders with no real knowledge of the human body, and who are in the habit of sending the same so-called Remedy to all who apply to them, or who have been victimised by any of the horde of Quacks, who have for years preyed upon the inexperienced, and whose only object is gain, whose boastful pretensions but veil their ignorance; to any such sufferer I would say, "Do not be desponding, and do not despair of a cure, but apply to me, or to any other reliable medical man, skilled in these special ailments, and the result will be all you could desire."

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DR. J. D. LLEWELLYN,
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Buttoned Kapok Mattress, double size, 34s. 6d., 37s. 6d., 45s. Bolsters, 6s., 7s., 8s. 6d. each; Pillows, 3s. [illegible] 4s. 6d. each.

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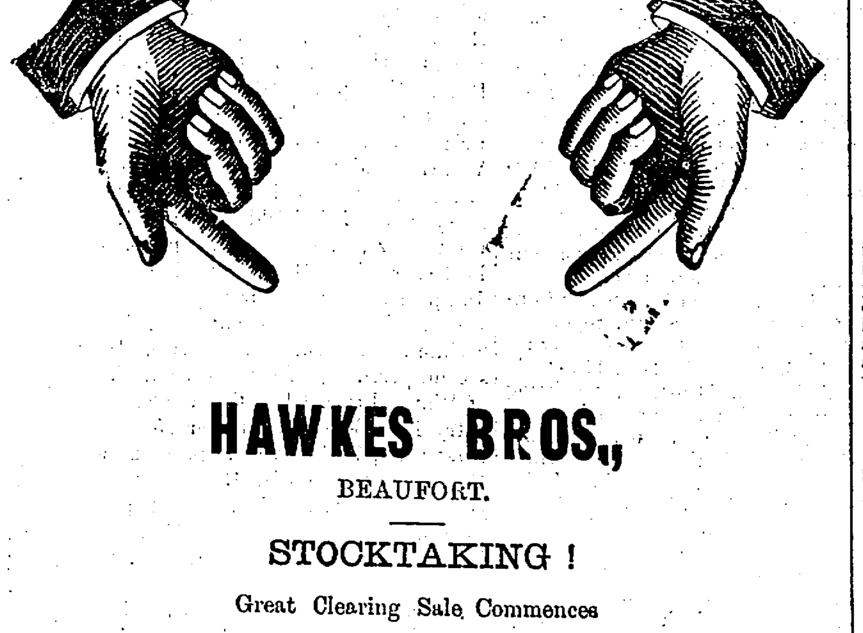

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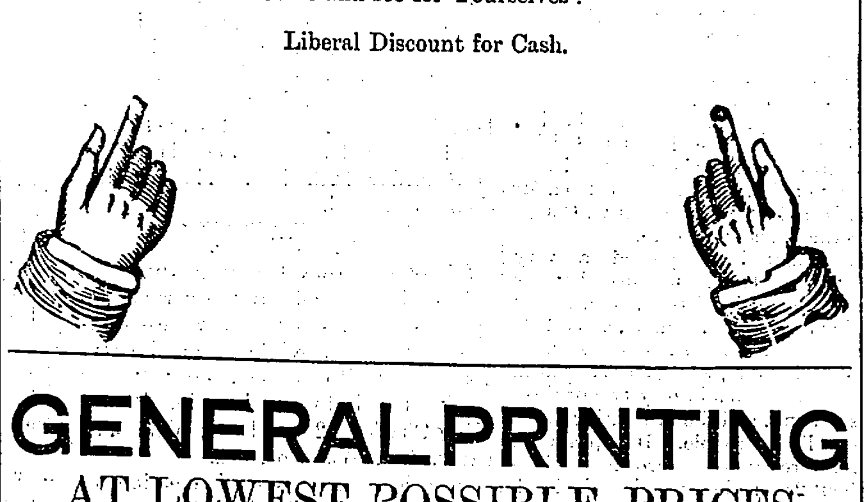

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Let such person (he or she) sit quietly down in the privacy of their own apartments, and with calm minds describe each symptom of their case. A clear statement thus written, and laid before me, is far preferable in nervous diseases to a personal consultation. Where, however, a disease is of a peculiar and exceptional character, a personal consultation may become necessary; but my success in correspondence is so great, that of the thousands upon thousands whom I have treated during the last thirty-two years, not a single mistake has ever occurred, not a case has ever been made public—in fact, the very simplicity of my system of correspondence prevents publicity.

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How many have been enabled to enter into the marriage state through consulting me?

How many after marriage have privately consulted me and been blessed, and their married lives made fruitful and happy?

How many wasted ruined youths of both sexes have also been restored to health, and thanked their manhood for having consulted me by letter?

How many questions arise where the family physician is unable to unravel the case, and where, often, the patient lingers on, not daring to tell his family medical adviser the nature of his complaint, until consumption, wasting, or mental diseases set in, and the sufferer gets beyond the curable curable stage, and is left a hopeless wreck?

A letter, written in the privacy of the room and dropped in the post box, reaches me quietly. The answer is returned as quietly and unostentatiously, and the patient, without stepping from his chamber, except to post his letter, is by return of post put in full possession of the nature of his case. His hopes are raised; his doubts removed; and he is comparatively a new man—in fact, in many cases, a new being altogether.

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BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

Wheat, to 5s 2d; oats, 2s 5d for stout; Danish, 2s 1d to 2s 2d, Algerian, 2s; peas, 2s 2d; barley, to 3s 3d; hay prime chaffing, L2 12s 6d to L2 15s; medium, L2 5s to L2 7s 6d; manger hay, L2 15s to L3; straw, to 35s; flour, roller, L12 10s; stone, L11 to L12; potatoes, 15s to L1.

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Tuesday.

Fat cattle—428 head, being a much larger supply than usual, came forward for to-day's sale, consisting chiefly of useful to good quality beef, only a small proportion being prime. There was a fair attendance of the trade, and competition throughout was decidedly dull, prices realised showing a decline on last week's values. Quotations—Prime pens of bullocks, £8 2s 6d to £9 2s 6d; good do, £6 to £7; medium do, from £4 10s. Store Cattle—125 head yarded, all of which were disposed of at satisfactory prices. Fat calves—55 penned, which met with a dull demand, best in selling to 27s. Fat Sheep—6190 was the supply penned for to-day's sale, a fair proportion comprising good and prime quality, remainder medium and inferior. There was a large muster of buyers, still sales opened dull, prices for best qualities ruling easier than the previous week, whilst other descriptions were very difficult to dispose at low rates. Quotations:—Prime crossbred wethers, 11s to 11s 6d; good do, 9s to 10s; prime merino ewes, 7s to 8s; do wethers, 7s 6d to 8s 2d; good do, 6s 6d to 7s; medium do, from 5s 6d; merino ewes to 5s. Lambs—2748 to hand, consisting mainly of middling and inferior descriptions, with very few good and prime. Best sorts showed a slight improvement; others without any material alteration. Quotations:—Prime, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; good, 7s to 8s; medium, 5s to 6s; inferior, from 2s.

GEELONG WEEKLY MARKET.

Messrs George Hague & Co. report:—Wool—We held our sixth sale of the season on the 27th ult., when we submitted a catalogue of 1513 bales. There was a large attendance of buyers present, and exceedingly brisk competition for all good to superior wool; but for inferior to medium sorts biddings were dull and a weaker tone was noticeable. Our best price to-day for a easy fleece was 12d. In cold water washed wool our top price was 18½d. Among the leading lots we might mention—DWD (Mrs O'Dowd) comeback at 10½d and merino at 9d.

MELBOURNE WEEKLY MARKET.

The Australian Mortgage & Agency Company Limited report under date Decr. 2:—Wheat, inferior and faulty, 4s 9d to 5s; medium to fair, to 5s 1d; good, to 5s 3½d. Barley, Cape, to 2s 4d; fair to good, 2s 10d to 3s 4d. Oats, Calcuttas, none to hand; Algerians 1s 9d to 2s; Victorian stout, up to 2s 7d. Peas, to 2s 3d. Maize, up to 3s 4d. Bran, 11½d; pollard, 12½d. Flour, stone-made, L11 10s; roller, L13.

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"The Ripon shire Advocate."

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ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor.
Beaufort, 4th December, 1891.

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Unavoidably held over—Geological notes by Mr W. Green, and several items of local interest.

The Secretary begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations towards the funds of the Beaufort Jockey Club:—Hon. D. Gillies, L2 2s, Mr E. W. Hughes, L1 1s; Mr W. Lewis, Mr G. Wotherspoon, Hon W. H. S. Osmond L1 each.

Contrary to expectation, the issue of electors' rights for the Legislative Assembly was numerically small in Beaufort and Waterloo. Only 39 availed themselves, at the Beaufort deputy registrar's office, of the opportunity of using the franchise at the next general election, and 7, we believe, at Waterloo.

Remember the excellent entertainment in aid of the Main Lead Public Hall next Wednesday. A bumper house desired.

A cricket match has been arranged for the 16th inst., at Ararat, between the Ararat and Beaufort clubs.

Mr McKeich's trophy—a pair of ladies' boots—to the Beaufort Rifle Club has been won by Mr G. Loft, by one point from the donor. Competition took place last Wednesday and Saturday.

We have been shown a letter received by Messrs Pimblett and Pedder, blacksmiths and wheelwrights, Beaufort, from Mr Jas. Connell, of Jerilderie, N.S.W., expressing satisfaction at the workmanlike manner in which that firm built a wood waggon to his order. To quote Mr Connell's concluding words:—"I am quite certain you have done me justice, and I have no doubt but ere long you will have some more orders from our neighborhood." So mote it be.

The mining manager of the Saxon Consds G.M.Co., Waterloo South, reports as under for the week ending yesterday:—"Yield of gold for week, 24oz. 11dwts."

Ashton's Federal Minstrels, consisting of 20 members, all of whom are said to be first-class Melbourne artists, are announced to appear in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, this evening. Speaking of the company the "Daylesford Advocate" says:—"The entertainment was one of the best that has been given in Daylesford. One of the most agreeable features of it was its decided freedom from the coarse jests or objectionable songs which so frequently characterise such forms of amusement. We strongly advise the public to patronise the entertainment."

Two or three weeks ago some of the windows of the R.C. church, Beaufort, were maliciously broken, and damage amounting to L8 caused. This is the second time such a contemptible act of vandalism has been perpetrated, and it is to be hoped that the reward of L5 (advertised elsewhere) will have the effect of bringing the culprit or culprits to justice.

The secretary of the Beaufort Cricket Club desires to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of donations of L1 1s from Mr W. Lewis and 10s 6d from Mr G. Cougle towards the funds of the club.

What might have proved a very disastrous fire, had it not been happily averted in the nick of time, occurred at Mr Williams' smithy, Beaufort, about 9.40 p.m. on Thursday. The shop was seen on fire by Miss Browne, who gave the alarm. The place was broken into by two or three persons at hand, and the fire extinguished with very little trouble. It appears the hot ashes were carelessly thrown out of the forge about 2 p.m. almost against the hardwood portion separating the smithy from the wheelwright shop now unoccupied, with the result that the wall ignited and burned a hole some 2ft in diameter, when it was discovered. Had it smouldered an hour or two longer the place must have been gutted, and the adjoining premises—Mr Browne's and this office, both of weatherboard—jeopardised. Five members of the local Fire Brigade were on the spot almost as soon as the alarm was given, and the reels and hose were run out with commendable promptitude. In all 16 firemen speedily turned up. Considerable excitement was created.

The anniversary of St George's Church of England, Middle Creek, took place on the 18th ult, and proved a very happy and successful affair, though it was anticipated on account of the prevailing sickness it would not come up to former occasions. It improved, however; the sick and the healthy did their best, with very satisfactory results. At six o'clock the public tea promised attracted many visitors. The tables were well spread, and the good tea much enjoyed. At 8 o'clock, Canon Willoughby Flower, M.A., of St. Peters, Ballarat, gave his lecture on "Daybreak in Britain," and kept the full hall at attention for two hours, interesting, instructing, with magic lantern illustrations and facts of history, sacred and secular, bearing upon the subject chosen. A very hearty vote of thanks was presented to Canon Flower, which he responded to in words of affection and friendliness, complimenting the audience on their patient attention and good behaviour. Very hearty thanks were offered to the ladies who provided the tea, and to all who assisted, in making the anniversary of 1891 so pleasing a success.—[COMMUNICATED.]

Messrs Crawford King & Co., of Flinders Street, Melbourne, have submitted to us samples of another immense stock they have just purchased, of the seasonable and serviceable Glace Mohair Lustres, for which this rising house has now become so favorably known. "Mohair Lustres" are particularly suitable to this climate, being impervious to dust, and at the same time durable, light, and airy, with all the appearance of silk. All the fashionable shades are represented, from the Quaker grey to the latest tint of cornflower blue, and you can get them either self-colored, figured, striped or checked. The prices Messrs Crawford King & Co., quote are certainly marvellous, and must be, we should say, far below their original cost. We strongly advise our readers to send to Messrs Crawford King & Co. for samples and prices and see for themselves. They will post you samples free on application.—[ADVT.]

Thursday's "Star" says:—"Word was received in Ballarat by the police yesterday, to the effect that an elderly man, who had been seen alive on the previous night, was found dead in a travellers' hut at Ercildoune Station, yesterday morning."

Every attempt to get up a sports gathering in the Beaufort Park for Boxing Day having failed, through the various clubs declining to move in the matter, Mr VanderStoel hurriedly convened a meeting on Tuesday night. About 15 persons attended it, at the Victoria Hotel. Mr VanderStoel pointed out that as all of the societies in the town had decided not to hold sports, in view of the serious loss that would result thereby to the business people of the town, he had convened this meeting to see whether something could not be be done to amuse the public on Boxing Day, and so give them no reason to seek pleasure elsewhere. Mr Watson, the shire secretary, had told him that day that if he intended accepting the council's offer for the use of the park for L5 he would have to do so before Thursday. Not having recovered from his illness, he (Mr VanderStoel) could not carry out sports alone, and so he thought a committee could be formed to undertake it. They would run the risk, and, on the other hand if it turned out a success, which no doubt it would, they would share the profits. Whatever was done must be done at once. It was unanimously resolved to get up sports for Boxing Day. Mr R. Jackson was appointed secretary, and it was understood he would receive a bonus for his services. The following committee was then appointed to carry out the sports:—Messrs D. Maher, Vander Stoel, R. Jackson, G. Ison, G. White, J. E. S. Baker, J. Brooks, G. Huse, Parker, A. Bentley, R. Wilson, W. H. Elliott. The following programme was then drawn up:—Beaufort Handicap, 150 yards. First prize, L1; second prize, 10s. Post entry 1s. Hurdle Race, 130 yards, First prize, 15s; second prize, 5s. Post entry 1s. Sack Race. First prize, 10s; second prize, 5s. Post entry 1s. Siamese Race. Prize, 15s. Post entry 1s. Boys' Vaulting Match (handicap). First prize, 10s; second prize, 5s. Post entry 6d. Blind-fold Barrel Race. First prize, 10s; second prize, 5s. Post entry 1s. Boys' Running High Jump (handicap). First prize, 10s; second prize, 5s. Post entry 6d. Boys' Swimming Match. First prize, 10s; second prize, 5s, Post entry 6d. Tug of War. Prize. L1. Ten a side. Post entry 1s. Boys' Race under 15 years. First prize, 7s 6d; second prize, 2s 6d. Post entry 6d. Girls, Race under 15 years. First prize, 5s; second prize, 2s 6d. Entrance free, Menagerie Race. Prize 10s. Post entry 1s. Egg and Spoon Race. Prize, 10s Post entry 1s. Throwing Heavy Stone. Prize 10s. Post entry 1s. Running Hop, Step, and Jump. Prize, 10s. Post entry 1s. Tossing the Caber. Prize 10s. Post entry 1s. Cigar and umbrella Race. Prize, 10s. Post entry 1s. The secretary was instructed to get the necessary printing done. It was decided to engage a fiddler for dancing on the green. Resolved to hold a ball in the Societies' Hall in the evening. Double tickets 2s 6d. Resolved that booths be sold at the Victoria Hotel on Saturday 12th inst. The meeting then terminated.

WATERLOO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The yields of gold by the various co-operative parties last week were—Baxters, 2oz 7dwts; Kinleyside and party, 4oz 1dwt; Prospectors, 50oz 9dwt; Tank, 4oz 10dwts; Bunyip, 10oz; King Charley, 2oz 3dwts; Vale and party, 3oz; Waterloo, 5oz.

The half-yearly general meeting of the Waterloo Branch A.M.A. was held at the Mechanics' Hall on Saturday evening last; Mr Gray, president, in the chair; there was a fair attendance. The minutes of the previous general meeting were confirmed, and the standing orders were suspended, and the fol- officers report was read and received.—"We your undersigned officers beg to place before you report for half-year ending 10th November, 1891. The number of members is as follows:—contributing members 91, non-contributing members 23, honorary members 23. Total 137. The balance sheet shews the state of the funds which may be summarised as follows—Receipts from all sources L92 4s 8d. Payments made L114 10 11d, shewing a loss on half-year of L22 6s 3d this loss arises principally from the large amount that has been paid for accident relief, that amount being for the half-year L52 16s 8d.

It may be necessary for the members to take into consideration the advisibility of lessening the deposit as at present there are not sufficient funds in hand to pay current expenses but the members should distinctly understand that if this is done the amount taken from the deposit can only be used for accident relief. The members at their half-yearly meeting will have to appoint three trustees as the term of office of the present trustees by effluxion of time, they are eligible for re-election, as only one committee man has been nominated the meeting will also have to appoint six others. The following gentlemen have been nominated for offices and as there are not two nominated for the same office it has not been necessary to have a ballot taken. For president, C. Gray; for vice-president, W. Sneddon; for treasurer, C. J Leadbeater; for secretary, W. K. Shaw; for auditors, W. Ballantine and J. E, Costick; for committee, H. Edwards.

During the half-year whim claim holders have been notified by the Mines Department that safety appliances must be added to their cages, a deputation has been sent to interview the Minister of Mines on the matter as it is still in abeyance your officers are not in a position to state what the result will be A strike has occurred at Moonta, South Australia and the Executive Council of this district have felt it necessary to make a levy of sixpence per member per week to assist the miners at Moonta.—C. GRAY, President; W. SNEDDON, vice-President; W. K. SHAW, Secretary.

The auditors repor and balance sheet were received and adopted. The officers for the ensuing term were duly installed by the returning officer. The three trustees appointed were—Messrs C. Gray, W. Sneddon and Ansaldi. The following gentlemen were elected members of committee—Messrs R. Robinson, W. Harris, E. Costick, H. Edwards, H. DeGraff and Ansaldi; on the motion of Mr W. K. Shaw it was decided that if found necessary, the fixed deposit in bank of L100 be reduced to L80, and that L20 with L4 interest be placed to current account.

RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1891.

Present—Crs. Cushing (president), Lewis, Oddie, Austin, Russell, Murray, Flynn, Bridges, and Andrews.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Public Health Department, acknowledging receipt of nomination paper for election of representative member for the Western Shires Group on the Board of Public Health.

From Henry Churchill, asking support as representative of the Western Shires Group on the Board of Public Health.

From Kowree Shire, asking similar support to Cr Edward Francis Hearne.

From Department of Public Health, forwarding list of nominations for above mentioned election, and requesting return before 21st inst., with record of vote, under seal of the council.—Vote recorded in favor of council's nominee, Cr Anderson.

From W. H. S. Osmand, M.L.C., stating in reply that the request of the council in reference to the "One man one vote Bill," would receive his best attention.—Received.

From Chief Inspector under Vermin Destruction Act, stating the matter of the large number of rabbits on the timber reserve on the boundaries of Grenville and Ripon shires would receive attention.—Received.

From Railway Department, acknowledging receipt of letter with statement of account re joint water account, for attention.—The secretary stated an officer of the Department had since been up and passed the account.

From District Survey Office, Ballarat, re survey of 20 acres for Patrick Lennon, in parish of Beaufort, stating that the Water Supply Department states the council has not made any reference to or supplied any information in connection with a proposed reservoir at Tipperary Gully, and it is now considered the council should pay for any alteration of the survey that may be deemed necessary to suit the requirements of the proposed dam: and asking if the council is prepared to pay the fee for the amended survey.—Referred to the north riding members.

From Nunawadingshire, asking replies to scheduled questions re forming a water trust.—Secretary to reply that this shire has had no experience in water trusts.

From Country Fire Brigades' Board, intimating that they are prepared to treat with the council for the purchase of such plant and appliances as are used in the district for extinguishing fires, and requesting the council to submit a schedule of same, together with prices. The secretary having written for an explanation, received a reply to the effect that the Board holds that the appliances are the property of the ratepayers and residents of the town, and as the council is the representative of such they will purchase through that body only; that the council can negotiate with the brigade and come to some arrangement with that body, so that a definite understanding could be arrived at, and that in a number of towns the local council combats the right of ownership of the appliances with the local brigade, and the way the Board proposes is the only one to have this question of ownership settled. — Referred to north riding members to confer with the local brigade.

From W. Driver, secretary Beaufort Fire Brigade, stating that the Board had not treated them in a fair manner although having registered similarly to other brigades; that the Board had drawn two quarterly payments from the council and had not acknowledged the brigade in any way; and asking that the matter of the Board having drawn the subsidy previously given to the brigade whilst leaving it to support itself, should receive the council's attention.—Referred to north riding members. Cr Andrews referred to the letters from the Board having been sent to the local brigade and he believed they would have replied but that they wished the council to deal with it first. They had appointed a committee to value their property with a view to filling up the schedule. The council had no claim whatever to the property, the money having been raised by the firemen themselves by demonstrations, and in return they had given their services to the public when fires occurred. He thought that by conferring with the brigade the property could be disposed of to advantage, and it would settle the dispute as to ownership without any unnecessary trouble. Cr Murray advised the council to be careful the whole shire did not get into any "box" over the matter. Cr Andrews pointed out the council was not binding itself in any way, the act merely specifying the township of Beaufort within the shire, and the cost being charged to the township account. They would merely be removing the difficulties between the brigade and the board. Cr Lewis understood the north riding members would bring up a report at next meeting. This was agreed to.

From New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Limited, forwarding order and for account of fox skins to the amount of £3 18s.—Cr Austin having mentioned that he had been offered 2s each skin all the year round, from a firm in Ararat, the secretary was instructed to write to this firm to get a price.

From Melbourne Orphan Asylum, forwarding annual report, and soliciting donation.—No action taken.

From Public Health Department, intimating that the Governor-in-Council upon the recommendation of this Board, has directed that the provisions of section 265 of the Health Act 1890 be applied to the township of Beaufort.—Received.

From Thos. Tindall, head teacher Chepstowe State school, notifying case of whooping-cough in the family of James Brown, senr.—Received.

From Dr. Morrison, notifying that John Haly, Waterloo, was suffering from diphtheria.—Received.

From P. DeBaere, applying to have the water laid on to his paddock near Mr Minchin's, for the use of his horse, and offering payment of 10s per year.—Referred to north riding members.

[The annual meeting was here adjourned for 7 days, as the accounts had not been audited, the auditors only commencing the work the previous day.]

From W. R. Baker, Snake Valley, asking for formation and connection of the road from the Greyhound hotel to the piece of road leading to the old Britannia shaft. — Request complied with on motions of Cr Oddie and Russell.

From H. Gilloch, Beaufort, asking permission to keep swine at her slaughteryard.—Referred to Inspector Gibson for report.

Telegram to Cr Murray from J. A. Bourke, secretary Widows' and Orphans Fund, Carngham, asking him to secure use of recreation reserve for New Years' Day.—Request granted.

From F. Blackmore, Waterloo, requesting license to kill sheep on his premises.—Referred to Health Inspector.

From C. Tucker, hon. sec. Raglan Mechanics' Institute and Free Library, applying for donation towards funds of the institution.—Some opposition was shown by the east riding members to the number of institutes in the north riding, and also to paying a sum before the building was erected. It was ultimately decided on the motion of Cr Andrews seconded by Cr Bridge's that £5 be voted as agreed upon at last meeting, it being understood no further donation would be given until the year was up.

From T. VanderStoel, accepting council's offer to use Beaufort Park on Boxing Day for £5, and requesting that it be closed to the public on that day.—Request complied with on the motion of Crs Andrews and Bridges.

From Jas Whitla, Snake Valley, stating that the whin bushes complained of are outside the boundaries of the Carngham common,—Referred to east riding members.

From G. Halpin, A. Finch, and J. Cuthbertson, asking that about 10 chains of the Eurambeen to Raglan road, between Messrs Beggs and Willox's, be formed and gravelled; also about 40 chains of the back road from Beaufort to Raglan.—Referred to north riding members.

From N. McIntosh, Beaufort, protesting against the Eurambeen Farmers' common being handed over to the Mining Board, as being an injustice to the original selectors, considering that if the council wishes to be relieved of its responsibility the selectors ought to have the privilege of leasing the quantity allowed by law.—Cr Lewis referred to an interview with Mr McIntosh, and handed a plan of the land to the north riding members. The land being useless to anyone else, and Mr McIntosh having agreed to keep it clear of vermin, he thought it should be given to him. Cr Andrews said this portion was costing the common ten times more than it was worth for grazing purposes owing to the number of rabbits there. The common managers were agreeable to Mr McIntosh having it, and he would make it of no further nuisance to the managers by fencing it with wire netting. The rabbit question was becoming a very serious thing. The common managers were getting into difficulties, the inspector having served them with notices to put 5 or 6 men on rabbiting, and the managers would have either to get rid of the southern fringe of the common or else throw the common up altogether. The managers had asked the Government to amalgamate the farmers with the goldfields common and take the responsibility of destroying the rabbits. The President alluded to some places between the Trawalla estate and the common being literally alive with rabbits, and thought the farmers should be made to keep them down as well as the common managers. Cr Flynn considered it advisable to wait and see what the Government intended doing in the matter, and if they would not undertake to destroy the rabbits, the managers could take the next best thing of allowing the worst of the common to go. Cr Andrews referred to a private letter from Mr Uren, to the effect that the Government would offer no objection to amalgamating the commons; that they would not undertake the responsibility of killing the rabbits, and would give poisoned wheat, &c., but no monetary assistance. Cr Oddie did not see why Mr McIntosh's offer could not be accepted at once. Cr Bridges was not in favor of granting it at once, nor was he opposed to it. They should be careful as to what action, they took and spoke of finding considerable feeling amongst the ratepayers against giving away the common. Cr Oddie pointed out that the north riding members could not expect support from the west riding, when ratepayers were willing to relieve them of the badly-infested country, if they did not comply with their wishes. Cr Andrews said Cr Bridges was quite right; but as one-sixth of the general rates of the north riding was being absorbed, and a large number of ratepayers derived no benefit thereby, he did not think that riding was justified in expending so much on rabbit destruction. It was better to let some of the rough country go, and keep what they could, especially as the inspector was pressing them to kill the rabbits. The President urged the revocation of the common, to admit of selection of 500 acre blocks. Cr Andrews did not want that, there being parts worth keeping as a farmers' common. Cr Murray spoke of the Government spending money foolishly, and of its not going the right way to cope with the rabbit nuisance. He knew of hundreds of acres in Grenvilleshire, which formerly fed hundreds of cattle belonging to poor people, now cropped to the surface by rabbits, whilst the cattle were nothing but skin and bone. The council ought to approach the Government in some way with a view of controlling the expenditure. They could show good balance-sheets for the past. Cr Russell accused Chief Inspector Black of neglecting his work. He had never been at Carngham. The inspector had a few fined at Linton the other day, but it was owing a good deal to Cr Murray prodding him up. Cr Andrews referred to a visit a few weeks ago of Inspector Fraser to the shires of Lexton and Ararat, adjoining Ripon, and moved that the department be written to for a copy of his report. He was assured the rabbits were simply moving alive, and that more grass was eaten by them than by sheep. At Glenlogie the rabbits were seen in scores as the party drove along. The grass would get short, and they would come to Ripon, as there was nothing to keep them back. After further discussion, Cr Oddie seconded the motion, which was carried.

MOTION BY NOTICE.

Cr Flynn, in moving "that 8 hours be recognised as a day's work on all works executed under the control of this shire," wished it understood that he had no other interest but that of fair play to all concerned. It would be beneficial to all sides, and the shire would get more work done in 8 hours than at the present time. It was admitted that in 8 hours of manual labor a man did all he was able to do, and in order to encourage competitition in contracts, all contractors should be placed on an even footing by establishing the 8 hours. If it were not done those having the advantage of position would drive other competitors out of the market, and thus have fancy prices for contracts. No councillor who looked at it in a business light but could see that it was to their advantage to have the eight hours enforced. Cr Andrews seconded the motion and spoke in a similar strain. Cr Oddie opposed the motion. He said Cr Flynn's argument was against common sense, and that they would not have two-thirds of the work done that was done now. It would be a suicidal policy to have the 8 hours, and instead of a shilling rate they would require an eighteenpenny or a two shilling one. If a contractor chose to work 12 or 14 hours it was all the more to his credit. He twitted Cr Flynn with redeeming a hustings promise, but thought he would be delighted at the motion being lost. They wanted to progress, not retrogade. Had he only worked 8 hours since he came into the country, he would have been in the workhouse now. He hoped the council would show its good sense by not carrying this resolution, which was detrimental to the interests of the ratepayers. Crs Russell and Lewis also spoke in opposition. Cr Flynn having replied the question was put, with the result that it was negatived; the mover and seconder alone supporting it.

FINANCE.

The following accounts recommended for payment by the Finance Committee, were submitted:—Salaries, L50 13s 4d; Mrs Taylor, L1 15s; J. Tompkins, L1 15s 6d; W. G. Stevens, 15s; E. Whiting, L2; J. Watson (legal expenses), L1; E. Hill, L8; Government of Victoria, Beaufort water supply, interest on loan of L3,000, L67 8s 10d; Arnall and Jackson, L14 7s; R. Clark, L1 7s; Charitable donations, as per list in last report, amounting to L191 2s; J. Whitfield, L8; W. McFarlane, L8; Thos. Buchanan, L8; R. Gibson, L8; W. Stevens, L5 10s; M. Muir, L8; M. Meehan, L7 10s; I. Storey, L8; M. Carrigan, L14 11s 6d; E. Whiting, L3; Pimblett and Pedder, L7 10s 6d; Hawkes Bros., L4 5s 2d; H. M. Stuart, L1 17s 6d; C. Krebs, 6s 8d; H. H. Jackson (travelling expenses), L1; J. Page, L52 5s; L. T. G. Smith, L43 2s 6d; J. F. Watkin, L40. Fox destruction—10 foxes, 18 cubs, L10 15s.

Cr Flynn said a certain contract had not been carried out according to specifications, and moved that payment be withheld, and asked to see the specifications. Cr Oddie said this was a very unusual thing. Notice should have been given to the Finance committee. Cr Andrews differed with Cr Oddie, Cr Flynn said from the attitude of councillors it seemed he was doing something he had no right to, but as long as he held a seat in the council he would see that contracts were carried out according to specifications whether councillors liked it or not. Cr Lewis expressed a similar opinion to Cr Oddie. The President said it was a charge against the engineer. Cr Andrews denied it. Cr Oddie asked Cr Andrews why he did not object when the Finance committee met. Cr Andrews replied that it was not the proper time. Cr Flynn intended to object, and it was right to do so when the finance sheets were before them. As to a written statement that was all rubbish, and a councillor would be so circumvented before he could make an objection that there would be no getting at it. It was clearly his duty to rise and object to a cheque being signed, and it could be withheld till the north riding members were satisfied about the work. No charge was intended against the engineer. He asked the engineer if Contract 472 had been completed according to specifications. Cr Murray was informed this was not the final payment, the President stating L50 19s remained, and Crs Andrews and Flynn were barking up the wrong tree. Cr Oddie accused Cr Andrews of shirking his duty in not bringing the matter up at the Finance committee. A wordy warfare ensued between the President and Cr Andrews, as to who knew anything about it. Cr Flynn insisted on the production of the specifications. Cr Murray was informed the contract was £110 19s; £20 of which had been paid, £40 now recommended, and a balance of L50 19s being left. On the president stating the charge was ventilated in order that Crs Andrews and Flynn might get it into the Press, Cr Andrews hotly rejoinded several times—"It's a malicious lie." Both the president and Cr Andrews seemed to get into a white heat, but the first named, after saying "You're a—" controlled his passion, and added "That's untrue." Cr Flynn called the president to order. He was out of place in making assertions, and was not doing his duty. The president was understood to say he would prevent any councillor from making false charges whilst he was in the chair. Cr Andrews—"You're only assuming it." The president—"You're telling falsehoods." Cr Flynn—"You're here as president, not to shield injustices." Cr Murray said it was easy to settle it. There was too much feeling— Cr Andrews: "The president has brought it all in." The president repeated that Cr Andrews was ventilating his opinions to get into the press, and Cr Andrews indignantly responded—"It's a deliberate lie." He added that complaints were made that the work was not carried out according to specifications. He did not know whether this was so or not. Cr Oddie—"Is the work passed." Cr Andrews—"No." The specifications should be produced at the request of Cr Flynn, who when he wished to explain, the president accused him of bringing it forward to gain notoriety through the Press. Why, the idea of the president making an assertion of that kind. The president—"You are proving it now." Cr Oddie took the president to task for interfering when a councillor was speaking. Order being restored, the secretary read the specifications, several councillors listening with evident reluctance. Cr Lewis requested the engineer to give an explanation. Mr Jackson said the contract was let near Chute. A man named Callister tendered for it, but he was not successful. He had been informed that Callister had been measuring the work, and got Cr Flynn to examine it; hence this trouble. He had not seen the contract for a week, but then the metal bed was formed. It had been carted out of a paddock and tipped on the road. He was not in a position to say it had been spread to a depth of 7 inches, but having counted the heaps, he considered there was sufficient for this with the exception of one or two places he had pointed out to the contractor required a load or two more. The culverts had been finished. One thing the contractor was wrong in doing, and that was in blinding portion of the metal before he (the engineer) had approved of the spreading. But as he was away from home, the contractor, so as not to have his men and horses standing idle, went on with the blinding; and he could quite easily tell by probing if the metal was the required depth. If he found it was not so in any place he would insist on its being dug out. But he was not at all afraid but that sufficient metal would be found to satisfy all reasonable conditions, although there might not be 7 inches where clay balls were. With regard to the progress payments, the contract was for over L100, and L50, or nearly half of this, was left; and neither Cr Flynn nor any other man could say there was L50 worth of work to be done, even supposing what he says is correct. The council had no power to withhold the cheque after he had passed it, as they were bound to pay it according to the conditions of the contract. Cr Flynn asked the engineer if he would say the blinding and the metalling would measure 10 inches. Mr Jackson did not object to the blinding going down amongst the metal, as it made the latter set. He did not measure the blinding, and would have it removed to measure the metal. In answer to questions by Cr Andrews, Mr Jackson said he had already stated he did not know whether the metal was spread to the depth of 7 inches or not, but from the heaps he thought with a few loads more sufficient quartz would be on. As to breaking it on the road, it was a matter of detail as to whether it was broken on or off. As the nature of the cutting was very suitable for blinding it was used to his satisfaction. If Mr Callister could explain the difference between loam and mullock he was very clever. He (Mr Jackson) could say that if he made a man take it off the surface when equally as good could be got out of the water channels it would be a piece of tyranny on his part. It was his duty to get the work done to the best advantage, not to spite any one, but to give every contractor the greatest facility for doing his work. In answer to the President, Mr Jackson said that if only £20 remainded to be paid it would be sufficient for the work yet to be done. In a further explanation the engineer pointed out that Cr Andrews was quite at a misapprehension with respect to the metal not having been broken. He saw it done himself, and the usual practice observed for 20 years past had been carried out. The simple fact of the matter was Callister not being a contractor did not understand the work, and having tendered at a big price did not like another contractor getting it and doing the work at about half his price. Cr Flynn said it was because the metal was not there. Callister had not put in pegs to show him this. Cr Lewis pointed out that if the contract had been finished this discussion might have been permissable. He thought they could safely leave the matter in the hands of the engineer, and moved that they proceed with the next business. Cr Bridges considered the engineer should make a special report to next meeting as the work had been questioned. If the north riding members were not satisfied with the report they could go out and see for themselves. He had attended a great many meetings in all parts of the world, but had never heard such langnage, and he was very much astonished to hear some expressions used by honorable councillors. He did hope it would be withdrawn, and not reported in the Press or elsewhere. He thought to tell another councillor that he was incorrect was quite as strong language as one gentleman should use to another. Cr Flynn referred to its not being a business-like way to ask the engineer to report on a road which has been found fault with,

but that 2 or 3 councillors should see it for themselves. Cr Oddie urged Cr Andrews to withdraw. Explanations followed, and Cr Russell said a mistake was made in not giving Cr Flynn, who spoke calmly and rationally, the specifications when asked for. He considered a councillor was quite right in bringing anything of the s... up when he thought fit. But there was far too much feeling introduced into discussions. There was no need to fly into passions and call each other names. After some persuasion and reiteration of the already long and unseemly discussion, Cr Andrews and the President expressed regret at what had taken place and withdrew the offensive remarks. The finance sheet was then received and adopted. At the wish of the engineer it was arranged that the north riding members should inspect the contract with him the next day.

TENDERS.

NORTH RIDING.

Contract No. 481.—Clearing, forming, and metalling 15 chains of road by H. Dawson's, Nerring, &c.—W. C. Pimblett (accepted) L62 8s; J. F. Watkin, L105 19s; P. Hare, L118 18s.

Contract No. 482.—Building a culvert by Caufield's, Eurambeen.—W. C. Pimblett (accepted), L95; J. F. Watkin, L105 15s.

EAST RIDING.

Contract No. 372.—Supplying 1250 yards of maintenance metal on the Ballarat road.—A. R. Slater (machine broken, accepted), L460 1s 10d, hand broken L540 15s; Bradshaw, hand broken, L546 10s; Sheehan, hand broken, L537.

WEST RIDING.

Contract No. 237.—Clearing, forming, and building culverts on the Beaufort and Waugon road, south from McIntoshe's.—J. F. Watkin (accepted), L449 1s; Madden Bros., L487 2s; W. C. Pimblett, L528 10s; A. R. Slater, L533 5s.

REPORTS.

T. Bourke, Inspector of Nuisances, Snake Valley, reported that the slaughterhouses in the east riding are in a state of cleanliness.—Received.

The engineer reported as follows:—I have the honor to report that I have completed the valuation of rateable property in the shire, and the amount for each riding is as follows:—North riding, £19,659; East riding, £16,458 10s; West riding, £25,775 10s. Total, £61,893. This result shows a small increase for the year of £272 10s. For some time past it has been the custom, not only in this shire, but in other districts, to insert ratepayers in the valuation as owners, who own tenements on Crown lands. The effect of this was that all such, valued from £10 upwards, were entitled to vote for members of the Legislative Council, but the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 provides that only freeholders can claim this privilege. I have, therefore, not inserted them as owners this year, as if I did so I should be guilty of an act of misfeasance. I understand that this course has now been adopted in other municipalities. I could not get any information from which I could form an opinion, as to the construction of Horwood's night carts. I therefore went to Castlemaine and inspected one. I think they are well designed and very suitable for the purpose they are intended for. I have, therefore, ordered one, and it is to be sent on in three weeks. Tenders are invited for four contracts, returnable this day.

The north riding members reported that at a meeting on the 5th ult., the three members being present, it was resolved—"That Mr VanderStoel's offer of L22s for right to close to the public the Beaufort Park on Boxing Day be declined, and that he be informed that L5 will be accepted for such right; that the Shire Engineer's attention be drawn to Mr McRae's application for road work required, and also to road from Mrs D. G. Stewart's past the tennis court, Willoby-street to Pratt-street, Beaufort; that C. Wright's letter re night cart be referred to the Engineer with power to obtain one; that the drain at Raglan State School be made; that H. M. Stuart be employed to turn off water fortnightly and look after water valves, Beaufort, at a renumeration of 15s per month; that blue stone pitched drain be made to join that already made at Willoby-street to DeBaere's corner in Neill-street, Beaufort.—Received and adopted.

A. Gibson, inspector of nuisances, reported on the various slaughteryards in the town, all being clean and in good order. Mrs Gilloch's having recently been partially destroyed by fire requires some improvements, which she had promised to have done, or to erect a new slaughteryard on an allotment of land she is about to select. He had no objection to the renewal of any of the licenses; Mrs Gilloch's to be given conditionally on her getting the improvements done. He had also cautioned the milk vendors to renew their license. If it were not done he would take proceedings against them.—Received.

E. Hill, rabbiter, reported having killed 368 rabbit for the month, east of Main Lead and from Jonathan's Gully east of Beaufort.—Received.

R. Gibson, caretaker of race, Main Lead, reported everything in good condition excepting that some of the flumes were leaking; that he had laid the water on to Fry and Carmichael last week; and that Becker and party are still getting water.—Received.

In answer to Cr Austin, the engineer said he valued Mr Stevens' 500 acres at Mt. Cole at L10 per annum. He objected on the grounds that as he only paid the Govt. L1 he should only be rated at this; but he (the engineer) pointed out that his killing the rabbits was taken into consideration. The valuation was remarkably low. Cr Austin mentioned that some time ago he paid L120 a year to the Crown for this land.

The President moved, in accordance with notice, that the resolution adopted on 2nd October 1890, viz.: That one-third of the cost of destroying rabbits on the Beaufort common be charged to the west riding—be rescinded. Cr Lewis seconded. Cr Andrews referred to the north having assisted the west with a few hundred pounds when rabbits were plentiful at Lake Goldsmith and to that common being shut off from the residents in the north riding. He pointed out the injustice of the w... members in stopping the L30 a year now that the north was in similar difficulties, and when the Beaufort common was of ... to the west people. The least the President could do was to postpone it for a month. Cr Oddie, who favored the motion, also made a like request. Cr Bridges urged its withdrawal for a year, if not altogether. The common was of advantage to the west riding, as cattle came to it from Lake Goldsmith. He showed that the rabbits were very numerous on the common, and that all the assistance the north riding could get was needed to keep them down. The President was ultimately persuaded to withdraw the motion, the following by Crs Murray and Oddie being substituted and adopted:—"That the west riding cease to pay towards destuctionof rabbits on Beaufort common after the February meeting,"

Cr Andrews drew attention to the statement of the riding accounts showing that L283 had been transferred from the west to the east and north. This was a technical error, it having been decided to divide the rates and subsidy into three equal parts. This appeared as a gift from the west riding. There being some doubt on the subject the minutes were referred to and it was shown that in October it was decided that the sum of L566 be transferred yearly from the west to the north and east ridings. Doubt still being expressed our representative was appealed to, and going to the office turned up the file of the 'Advocate' with the report of the meeting and proved the secretary's minute correct. At a later stage Cr Andrews signified his intention of giving notice of motion for next meeting to make the alteration as he understood it should have been.

The valuation made by the valuer, and referred to in engineer's report, was adopted; and estimate prepared approved and ordered to be entered in rate book.

The secretary was instructed to give due notice of the council's intention to make a general rate of 1s in the £ on all rateable property within the shire for the year ending 31st December on the 12th., inst., at noon.

By-law No 4. relating to the disposal of nightsoil in Beaufort was confirmed, sealed, and ordered to be sent to the Board of Public Health.

On the motion of Cr Andrews and Flynn the secretary was instructed to take legal proceedings against defaulting ratepayers of the Snake Valley water rate.

Renewals of slaughtering licens s were granted to Mrs Gilloch, Messrs Chapman, Phillips Brown, and Morkham.

Cr Lewis drew the engineer's attention to rabbits in the culverts, and the Council rose.

BEAUFORT PRIMITIVE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

To judge from the deep interest evinced, the Beaufort Primitive Methodist Sunday School's anniversary services are undoubtedly looked upon as the principal religious gathering of the year. The Societies' Hall on Sunday last appeared to possess magnetic attractions, for it proved totally inadequate to accommodate the immense number of people who gathered there, especially in the afternoon and evening, to appreciate the melodious singing of the little ones. Truly the sight of some 120 songsters mustered on the platform was an imposing one, and the sweet and charming manner in which the beautiful hymns—specially selected for the occasion—were rendered, spoke volumes for the careful and painstaking way in which the conductor, Mr J. Jackson, imparted tuition. The selections were as follows:—"Anniversary Choral"; "The Bells of Heaven"; "When we Meet Safe at Home"; "True-Hearted, Whole-Hearted"; "Our Trusting Hearts Rejoice"; "Gather the Reapers Home"; "Glad Tidings"; "Come into the Fold"; "Our Fatherland"; "Swiftly Fading"; "Hark! I hear the Angels Calling"; "Tenderly Lead Me"; "Breakers Ahead"; "Let me Sing." Mrs Dungey and Mr A. A. Thomas ably presided at the harmoniums, and Mr R. and the Misses Jackson (3) rendered sweet strains of music from violins. Three eloquent sermons were preached by the Rev. C. Mason, of Ballarat. A number of recitations were given by the scholars.

The following evening a tea-meeting was held in the school-room. This was also well attended. It is needless to add that the good things supplied by Caterer Cowans were fully appreciated. A public meeting was afterwards held in the hall, which was again crowded. Praise and prayer having been offered, the chairman (Rev. W. H. Youlton) delivered an address, in the course of which he referred to an examination held in Sept. or Oct. in connection with the Sabbath School Union at which five of their scholars presented themselves. Two received certificates, one was simply two marks short, and the others were pretty near. He hoped the children would present themselves again in March and carry off two or three prizes as well as certificates. Interesting addresses were also delivered by the Revs. A. Adam, R. Hosken, and — Hastie. The secretary's report showed a decrease of 9 for the year in the attendance of scholars, the total being 104. There are 12 teachers. The treasurer's financial statement showed a debit balance of £14 19s for the past year. The result of the anniversary celebrations was given as £31 17s. Recitations and singing, similar to those of Sunday, were rendered by the children. Votes of thanks were heartily accorded all who had taken part in the proceedings; Miss Strickland receiving a special one for collecting £13 4s 6d.

The children and all-comers were treated to a delightful pic-nic in the Park on Tuesday. Sports, with toys, &c., as prizes, were provided for the children, in addition to other amusements. Edibles *ad libitum*. Want of space precludes our going more fully into details.

PRESENTATION.

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The members of the Beaufort Rifle Club, with a few oth r guests, numbering in all about 40, spent a very happy afternoon at the Trawalla Estate on Wednesday, and enjoyed, in an overflowing measure, the princely hospitality of Captain and Mrs. Bridges. Some 13 months ago Captain Bridges, R.N., generously donated a very valuable loving cup to the above club for competition amongst the members, stipulating that it must be won three times to become the property of a rifleman. As previously reported in our columns, Mr Jas. McKeich gained this distinction; and Captain and Mrs. Bridges then very kindly invited all the members of the club and others down to Trawalla to participate in the ceremony of presenting the cup to Mr McKeich. Elaborate preparations had been made for the reception of the guests under the pines in the garden, but an exceptionally severe thunderstorm breaking over the place, and a trifle under an inch of rain falling in an hour, these arrangements were completely upset, and the tables had to be re-laid in the less commodious dining-room. The well-ordered garden was inspected and admired, prior to entering the banquetting-hall, where the amiable host presided. In a neat speech he proposed the health of "The Queen," which was right loyally honored. Captain Bridges then gave the toast of "The Beaufort Rifle Club," coupled with the name of Captain Cougle. He was quite sure that rifle clubs were excellent institutions—not only of real use and service if required, but also socially. On one point they could beat regular troops—they were better marksmen—and they could very quickly become regular troops. Captain Cougle returned thanks to Captain Bridges for his kind remarks and beautiful pr sent. He was sure the members of the club would remember his and Mrs. Bridges' kindness for many a long day. He also thanked the company for the hearty way they had drunk the toast. Song—Mr J. R. Wotherspoon. Captain Bridges, in proposing the health of "Mr McKeich, the winner of the cup," said it could not have fallen into worthier hands, and he was very glad that he had won it. Mrs. Bridges and he were pleased to present the cup to the club, and pleased that it had been accepted. He was pleased to hear that Mr McKeich, besides winning local honors, had been winning prizes away from home. He had been informed Mr McKeich was a teetotaller—["No"]—a bad shot that. (Laughter.) He was going to hold it up as one of the advantages of being a non-drinker, but was afraid he couldn't now. Mrs. Bridges suggested it might point a moral the other way, but that would hardly do, as he was afraid there were quite enough pointing that way. It gave Mrs. Bridges and himself the greatest pleasure to see the Beaufort Rifle Club and friends present, and hoped it would not be their last meeting, and that the next time they came, if it rained, they would be able to give them better accommodation, when they had a larger room. In handing the loving cup to Mr McKeich, Captain Bridges said he had had it filled with champagne and wished the old English custom of tasting it and handing it round observed, hoping that the recipient would live long, improve in his shooting, and win many more cups. After each one had partaken of the sparkling beverage, Mr McKeich responded. He warmly thanked Captain Bridges for his flattering remarks and the company for the enthusiastic way in which they had drunk his health. It was needless to say he was proud of winning such a handsome cup. He had not expected it, as he had not won his first match till the eight competition, and his chance then being a very remote one, a memb r present (Mr H. Loft), who had been shooting very consistently, having won it the second time and, unfortunately for him (Mr Loft), being put out of it the third time by Mr Harris coming to the speaker's rescue He had then gone in for practice, and aided by good luck, succeeded in winning the cup at the twelfth match. There was one thing which made him all the more pleased at winning the cup, and that was his winning it from scratch and shooting with the rifle the members of the club presented him with some 15 months ago when retiring from the position of captain. He was pleased to know that the good feeling then shown towards him continued to exist, as he valued it very highly, and without it would not have cared about winning the cup. All he could say, in accepting the cup, was that he would always prize it very dearly, no only on account of its high value, but for its being the cup presented by a donor who had acted so liberally towards the club. He knew that when he looked upon the cup in years to come it would bring to memory Captain Bridges' kindness, and also remind him of the many happy days spent with the Beaufort Rifle Club. Dr. Adam, in an eloquent speech, proposed the toast of the "The Host and Hostess," alluding to their acts of kindness endearing themselves to the hearts of the people around; the Captain's popularity; his deep interest in local objects and pursuit; the wish that he would rise from a councillor to the higher position of a local representative in a higher sphere: of his permanent settlement, as shown by the erection of the handsome residence on the estate; and to the wish that they would enjoy long-continued health and prosperity. Captain Bridges responded at length. He referred to property having its duties as well as its pleasures and monetary value, and the kind way they had been spoken of was a great incentive to live there, as please God they had intended doing, but it was doubly gratifying to find they were appreciated. He sincerely thanked Dr. Adam, on his own and Mrs Bridges' behalf, for the kind words spoken, and for the hearty manner in which the toast had been received. Dr. Adam created quite a *furore* by his characteristic singing of "The Hen Convention." The "fragrant weed" was then indulged in and the visitors afterwards went over the Captain's new palatial residence (described in our issue of the 28th ult). Prior to departing, a second repast was partaken of. Captain Bridges toasting "Our next merry meeting," Mr Sinclair appropriately thanked Captain and Mrs Bridges on behalf of the non-members of the rifle club, which was as suitably acknowledged. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem concluded the festivities. Mr Cowans admirably catered for the occasion. The cup bears the following neat inscription:—"Beaufort Rifle Club. 1890. Presented by Captain Bridges. Won by Jas. McKeich, 3rd October 1890."

BEAUFORT FIRE BRIGADE.

The ordinary meeting of the Beaufort Volunteer Fire Brigade was held on Tuesday evening. Present—14 members; Captain Humphries presiding. The minutes of the previous (ordinary and special) meetings were read and confirmed. The deeds of the brigade's property having been taken out of the bank by the trustees were read by the secretary for the information of the meeting. Treasurer Stevens then moved and Ex-captain Stuart seconded, that the deeds be re-deposited in the bank in the names of the present trustees, Messrs Topper, Stevens and Stuart. Carried. Correspondence received from Mr Judd, secretary Country Fire Brigades Board, intimating that the application of the brigade to register had been referred to the regulation committee, to be held on 10th December, in absence of form 35A; also programme of next annual demonstration in Ballarat in March. It was generally considered that nothing could be done in the matter of resgistration till the shire council met. Ex-captain Stuart moved that the secretary write to the Shire Council stating that this brigade had complied with the conditions as far as registration is concerned by sending down the form on 12th November, but the Board had sent them no correspondence in the matter, nor had any money been paid into the brigade since the Board came into existence, notwithstanding that the Board had drawn two contributions from the Council. On the suggestion of Treasurer Stevens, it was decided to include in the motion that the brigade in the event of receiving no monies would have to be disbanded. Seconded by Brigadier Pierce and carried. Ex-captain Stuart considered that no members should be struck off the roll until a settlement was effected with the board, whether he attended practices or not. The captain urged the members to attend as often as possible. The captain, on the motion of Treasurer Stevens, was instructed to call a special meeting after receiving a reply from the Board in reference to registration. Very strong feeling was expressed at the unfair treatment extended to this Brigade. It was pointed that they had complied with the conditions in the same manner as other brigades, and it was a surprising thing indeed that other brigades could register without handing over their property whilst they could not. They had waited 14 years for a bill, and it was a "beauty" when it did come, clauses not included in the Act having evidently been added. In the event of a reply being received from the Board that they must sign regulations 35A, it was unanimously agreed to disband. It was decided to call all helmets in by this day month. The caretaker was authorized to get a tin of kerosene. Ex-captain Stuart inquired whether firemen attending fires were to receive remuneration for their work or whether they were on the same footing as when they were volunteers. Some had stayed all day at Mr Smith's fire, and they certainly should be paid. The captain said he intended they should be paid. Ex-captain Stuart said the next fight would be over the sale of the property. He believed the Board would not recognise the trustees, our would only buy through the local council. The captain moved that the trustees, secretary, Brigadier Huse, and himself be appointed to value everything the brigade is possessed of and bring up a report to next meeting. Seconded by Brigadier Baker and carried. This concluded the business.

Rainfall at Beaufort for the past week—13 points.

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EDUCATION ACT 1890.—PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

PROPRIETORS and Principals are reminded that by Section 28 of the *Education Act* 1890 they are required to furnish to the Education Department each year in the month of January a return showing the name and surname, sex, age last birthday, residence, and number of school day's attendance of each child who attended their respective schools during the preceding year.

Forms for the purpose may be obtained from this office upon personal or written application.

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

J. MAIN, Secretary.

Education Department.
Melbourne, 1st December, 1891.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

CHEAP EXCURSIONS.

First and second class return tickets (the former to a limited extent), available by the specials only going, and for return by all ordinary trains for 21 days (day of excursion and return included), will be issued as under, and the trains will run on the dates specified. The second-class return adult fares are quoted after certain principal stations, and proportionate rates will be charged to or from the others (as the case may be). The first-class fares are double the rates for second-class; children under 15 years will be charged about half-fare. For further particulars, see handbills exhibited at stations.

WINDERMERE TO STAWELL—Thursday, 10th December. From Melbourne to Windermere and all stations thence to Stawell inclusive. Friday, 11th December, to Melbourne from Stawell and all stations thence to Windermere inclusive. Fares:—Between Melbourne and Beaufort, 7s; between Melbourne and Ararat, 8s 9d; between Melbourne and Stawell, 10s. Tickets can be obtained up to 5 p.m., at Messrs T. Cook and Son's, 82 Swanston street, city; and at Spencer street station, or at the respective stations (as the case may be) up to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th December. Thursday's special train will leave Spencer street station at 8.45 a.m., and Friday's special train will leave Stawell at 8.10 a.m., Ararat, at 9 a.m., Beaufort, at 10.15 a.m., and reach Melbourne at 3.40 p.m.

By order of the Commissioners,
P. P. LABERTOUCHE,
Secretary for Railways.

Boxing Day Sports.

ALL rights and privileges in connection with the Gates, Publican's Booths(No. 1 and 2), Refreshment Booth, Fruit Stall and Bazaar, will be sold by Auction, on Saturday, 12th inst., at 6 p.m., at the Victoria Hotel, Conditions as sale.

R. JACKSON, Hon. Sec.

Beaufort Jockey Club.

A MEETING of the above Club will be held at Maher's Farmers' Hotel, on Tuesday, December 8th, at 8 o'clock.

R. A. D. SINCLAIR, Hon. Sec.

£5 REWARD.

THE above reward will be paid for such information as will lead to the conviction of the person or persons who maliciously broke the windows of the R.C. Church, Beaufort, about a fortnight ago.

HUGH CUSHING,
3rd December, 1891.

The Hopetoun Gold Mining Company, No Liability, Beaufort.

A CALL (the third), of six pence per share has been made on the capital of the Company, due and payable at the Company's Office, Neill Street, Beaufort, on Wednesday, 9th December, 1891.

JOHN HUMPHREYS, Manager.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 1891.

—CLEARING SALE BY AUCTION—

At One o'clock, at Mr. WM. SMITH'S YARDS, Livingstone Street, Beaufort.

Horses, Milch Cows, Store Cattle, Yearlings, Pigs, Farm Implements, &c.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS is instructed by Mr WILLIAM SMITH, who has sold his Farm, to sell as above, all his surplus stock of Horses, Cattle, Farm Implements, &c., comprising Draught, Buggy and Saddle-Horses, broken and un-broken, Milch Cows, Store Cattle, Steers and Heifers, Yearlings, &c., all in good condition; also a lot of well-bred Pigs. The Farm Implements comprise Reaping and Mowing Machine, Horse Rake, Double and Single Ploughs, Harrows (iron and wood), Farm Roller, Farm Waggon, Drays, Scarifier, and Light and Heavy Harness, Waggonette, Wheelbarrows, and a large quantity of Farm Requisites; the whole to be sold without reserve.

The Auctioneer begs to call the attenti n of parties requiring good useful horses, cattle dealers and others, to this sale, as the proprietor is determined to clear off all the lots offered to the highest bidder.—Terms Cash.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Auctioneer.

On Sale
AT
JEREMIAH SMITH'S
TIMBER YARD.

CORNER OF LIVINGSTONE & WILLOBY STREETS—

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

NEXT TO POLICE STATION

NOTICE.

ANY PERSON found TRESPASSING with dog or gun on ST. ENOCH'S ESTATE on Sundays, after this date, will be PROSECUTED.

E. H. AUSTIN.

August 8th, 1891.

Beaufort Jockey Club's

ANNUAL RACES!

TO BE HELD ON
THE NEW RACECOURSE,
WATERLOO FLAT,
ON
NEW YEAR'S DAY
(1ST JANUARY, 1892.)

STEWARDS.—Messrs P. Blackmore, W. Hinchliffe, W. Loft, G. Pearson, G. Topper, J. Tompkins, T. VanderStoel, G. Wotherpoon, D. Maher, T. Beggs, T. D. Martin, Jas. Frusher, R. Beggs, H. Beggs, F. Beggs, R. Wilkinson, M. Flynn, G. White, and A. Parker.

JUDGE—E. H. Austin, Esq.
CLERK OF COURSE—Mr R. Thomas.
CLERK OF SCALES—Mr D. Troy.
STARTER—Mr C. Loft.
HANDICAPPERS—Messrs E. H. Austin, D. Troy, A. Andrews, and T. Welsh

PROGRAMME:

Maiden Plate, of 5 sovs.
One mile and a quarter. For all horses that have never won an advertised race. Post entry, 5s.

Handicap Hurdle Race, of 7 sovs.
Two miles. Over hurdles about 3ft. 6in. high. Post entry, 7s.

Beaufort Handicap, of 10 sovs.
One mile and a half. Post entry, 10s.

Pony Race, of 3 sovs.
(Ponies under fourteen hands.) Three-quarters of a mile. Post entry, 3s.

Selling Flat Race, of 5 sovs.
Handicap. Winner to be sold for L10. Any surplus to go to the funds of the club. Post entry, 5s. Distance one mile.

Flying Handicap, of 5 sovs.
Three-quarters of a mile. Post entry, 5s.

Hurry Scurry, of 2 sovs.
With entrance money added. Once round the course. Handicap. Post entry, 2s 6d

Consolation Stakes, of 3 sovs.
One mile and a half. Handicap. Post entry, 3s.

Trotting Match
To be arranged on the Course.

First race to start at 11 a.m.
V.R.C. rules strictly adhered to.
Jockeys must ride in colors.

R. A. D. SINCLAIR, Hon. Sec.

Anoint thine Eyes with Eye Salve.
Rev. 3. 18.

EGYPTIAN
TRADE MARK
EYE SALVE
Sassoom Lumley et Cie, Cairo.

Among the inexhaustible wonders of Nature, not one is more remarkable than the fact, that in whatever part of the world a disease is most prevalent, there the most effectual antidote is to be found.

This law is well known, and in no instance is the truth of it more strikingly apparent than with reference to affections of the Eye.

This most tender and delicate organ is at all times, and in all climes, subject to various diseases; but in the land of the East, in the countries of Egypt and Arabia, Inflammation, Blight, and Ophthalmia, are so universal, that we may be sure Mother Nature has not failed to provide a remedy near at hand.

The SALVE that we are now offering to the public is prepared from a plant, growing on the boundaries of the vast expanses of desert for which these countries are remarkable, the wonderful healing properties of which have been known for hundreds of years.

Being a vegetable preparation it has a soothing effect on the eyes, causing all pain and inflammation to disappear, so that in every case recovery is speedy and certain.

By a beautiful chemical process, known only to the proprietors, the active principle of this plant is preserved, so that its virtues are not impaired by age nor climate; and thus its healing powers are brought within the reach of all. It is no quack nostrum, but the oldest medicine in the world—Nature's own remedy—provided by her for the benefit of suffering humanity.

We can guarantee it as a certain remedy for Weakness of the eyes, Inflammation, Swelling, Watery humors, Granulations, Ulcers, Opthalmia, and all complaints the eye is subject to.

Testimonials telling of wonderful cures have been received from all parts of the world, and the following amongst the many from Australia, will show the estimation in which it is held by all who have used it.

"The Egyptian Eye Salve has done me more good than any other ointment or lotion I ever used. It has cured my eyes, and several of my friends who have tried it, have obtained the same beneficial results. It has a great name in this district, which it deserves. I would not like to be without it."—(Signed) FRANCIS LLOYD, Benalla.

"After using a number of so called remedies, which seemed to make her eyes worse instead of better, my wife was persuaded by our clergymen to try the Egyptian Eye Salve, two boxes forwhich, I am thankful to say, have completely cured her after years of suffering."—(Signed) G. S. FERGUSON, Deniliquin.

It is sold in all British possessions at 2s 6d per box.

AGENTS.—BEAUFORT—A. ANDREWS. MELBOURNE—W. H. BATEMAN, 442 Bourke St,

THE STUD.

To Stand this Season at his Owner's Farm, Middle Creek, near Buangor,

THE CELEBRATED CLYDESDALE STALLION,

PURVES.

PURVES is a dark bay, foaled 2nd November, 1881; his sire, Carmyle, is too well-known in this district to need comment.

PURVES has won 55 first-prizes and £334 prize money.

Some or his first gets were kept for stallions, and are prize-takers wherever shown.

TERMS:—£4 4s each mare, to be paid at the end of the season. All mares must have hind shoes taken off. Good grass paddocks with plenty of water provided. All care taken, but no responsibility incurred.

For further particulars apply to the Owner, THOMAS JESS, Shirley P.O.

To stand this Season at the Owner's Farm Eurambeen, the Clydesdale Stallion,

WAIT-A-WEE.

WAIT-A-WEE is a dark grey horse, 3 years old; standing 17½ hands high, with plenty of the right sort of bone and hair. Sire, the celebrated prize winner, PURVES, who has never been beaten yet. Dam, by Old Scotchman, from Scotchman (imp.); g.g.d., by Napoleon, by George Buchanan (imp.), which shows that some of the best strain of blood can be found in him.

WAIT-A-WEE got second prize at Beaufort as a yearling, also second prize at Ararat as a two-year-old, and first at Beaufort this year.

WAIT-A-WEE will travel through the districts of Raglan, Waterloo, Sailor's Gully, Bald Hill, and Beaufort.

TERMS:—£2 5s each mare.

Payable at end of season; or £2 15s if PADDOCKED.

Good grass paddocks, with plenty of water, provided. All care taken, but no responsibility.

For further particulars apply to
M. KELLY, Owner.

TO STAND THIS SEASON, at the Owner's Stud Farm, Stockyard Hill, the Celebrated Clydesdale Stallion,

Rochford Champion.

ROCHFORD CHAMPION is a beautiful bay, with black points (no white), Sire, the renowned Champion of Scotland (imp.); dam, the Champion Mare, Kate (imp). His prizes are too numerous to mention. He is the sire of Lord Nelson (who never has been beaten), and other first-class stallions.

TERMS:—£3 3s each mare.

Also the Thoroughbred Stallion,

Morris Dancer.

MORRIS DANCER is a handsome dark Brown, with black points; is very fast, and a first-class jumper, and possesses all those good qualities of a racehorse. Sire, Liberator, Liberator by Fireworks; Fireworks by Kelpie (imp.) See stud book. Dam, Crenoline, by Maribyrnong; Maribyrnong by Fisherman (imp.) See stud book. Morris Dancer's dam, (Maida, by King of Clubs; King of Clubs by Ace of Clubs (imp.); dam by South Austria, imp.), Maida's dam, Eveline, by Morris Dancer (imp.) Liberator was purchased as a yearling for 200 guineas. MORRIS DANCER is the winner of 18 first and 7 second prizes.

TERMS—£4 4s EACH MARE.

Also the handsomest Pony in the colony,

Young Bobby Dazzler.

He is a jet black, 12 hands high. Sire, Bobby Dazzler (imp.); dam, Ruby (bred by Mr Calvert, of Colac). He has won 14 first prizes, including first prize Kerang show, first prize Bendigo show, and twice first Ballarat shows 1889 and 1890. For further comment, see stud book.

All mares to be paid for on removal. Good grass paddocks provided, but no responsibility.

TERMS—£2 10s EACH MARE.

ROBERT KIRKPATRICK,
Stockyard Hill.

The Thoroughbred Stallion

ST. MARNOCKS

Will Stand at EURAMBEEN EAST this Season for the service of a limited number of

MARES AT £4 4s EACH.

ST. MARNOCKS is a rich dark brown, over 16 hands, splendid flat bone; only three years old; is by Macgregor, out of Nightlight; Macgregor by Yattendon, out of Regina (imp). Nightlight by Maintop, out of Barnsolent; Maintop by the Premier.

Good grass paddocks for mares, but no responsibility. Notice will be sent to owners when mares are ready for removal.

FRANCIS BEGGS.

The Thoroughbred Stallion

WILD DOG

Will Stand this Season at the Owner's Farm, STOCKYARD HILL.

TERMS—£2 10s EACH MARE.

Some of WILD DOG's stock were prize-taker at the Ararat Show this year.

Good grass paddocks provided. Every care taken, but no responsibility. For full pedigree and particulars apply to

GEO. A. DUNNETT.

NOTICE.

IN order to comply with the provisions made in the will of the late John Wotherspoon, deceased, it is necessary that all ACCOUNTS due WOTHERSPOON BROS. & Co., Merchants, Beaufort, should be SETTLED without delay.

The business of Wotherspoon Bros. & Co. will be continued by me, and I respectfully beg to Thank all for past favors, and trust to receive and deserve further patronage.

Mr W. Edward Nickols is appointed to collect the accounts, and his receipt will be a sufficient discharge thereof.

Yours obediently,
GEORGE WOTHERSPOON,
Executor.

Beaufort, 23th September. 1891.

DENNYS, LASCELLES, AUSTIN and CO.,
WOOL BROKERS,
GEELONG.

THE MARKET FOR WESTERN DISTRICT WOOL.

At the request of the Wool Buyers' Association, the sale day has been altered from Tuesday to FRIDAY, on which day Wool Sales will be held throughout the season.

From all quarters advices are to hand that the number of buyers operating in this market will far exceed that of any previous year.

Our sales last season:
32,915 BALES WOOL.

All consignments receive the Personal Attention of the members of the Firm, and are carefully protected up to Full Market Value.

Trucks are unloaded at the Warehouse from our Railway Siding.

All information as to charges, which are considerably Lower than those ruling in Melbourne, on application.

Offices also at Melbourne and Ballarat.

Save Money

By sending to LINCOLN, STUART & CO. Ltd., 235 Flinders Street, Melbourne. The Largest Tailoring Establishment in the City. They will post to you, free on application, samples of Tweeds and instructions for Self-measurement. A really good serviceable all-wool Suit to Measure for £3 3s. Try them.—[ADVT.]

MELBOURNE ADVERTISEMENTS.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY.

Chaff and Grain Merchants, and Commission Agents:
R. C. ROBERTSON & CO, 56 Spencer-street
Account sales and cheques rendered promptly
MERRY & CO., 533 Flinders Lane west. Advances made on all kinds of farm produce.
Dairy and Farm Produce Merchants, and Dairy Commission Agents:
HOLDERSON & NEILSON, 483 Flinders Lane. Trial solicited. Best price obtained for all dairy produce.
WOOD & CO. 33 King-street. Established 1870. All kinds of dairy produce sold on commission.
Stock and Share Brokers:
HERBERT WILSON & Co., 42 Elizabeth-street, Telephone 1180.
Tent, Tarpaulin, Flag and Hose Maker;
McLAREN & Co., 375 Elizabeth-street. Oilskin clothing. Flags, tents, tarpaulins, hose, &c. Wholesale Importers of Saddlers' Ironmongery, and makers of all kinds of Saddlery.
THOS. EYTON, 203 and 205 Queen Street. Trial solicitited.

COFFEE PALACE,

SMITH STREET, FITZROY. Unsurpassed for cleanliness and comfort. Trams from Station pass door. Special attention country visitors. Every information supplied. Baths, Billiards, Smoking and Reading rooms. Terms exceedingly moderate.

Wm. SHELLEY, Manager.

80,000 TO LEND in small and large sums, to suit borrowers, on Freehold and Leasehold Property; Freehold from 5½ per cent; Leasehold from 7 per cent. Loans arranged with despatch. Borrowers will save trouble, delay, and expense by consulting ROW & CO. Financial Agents., Prell's Building, corner Queen and Collins Street, Melbourne.

N.B. Commission 1½ per cent only.

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A SURE FORTUNE.
WEST AUSTRALIA.
IN THE CITY OF PERTH.
BUSINESS AND BUILDING BLOCKS,
£8 Per Block

Perth must soon become the Melbourne of the Colony.
City Land! City Land!! City Land!!!
£1 DEPOSIT, BALANCE 10s. MONTH, WITHOUT INTEREST.
BUY CITY BLOCKS AND MAKE YOUR FUTURE ASSURED.
Plans and Particulars Posted Free to any part of the Colony.
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KAY'S COMPOUND, a demulcent expectorant, for Coughs, Cold and Chest Complaints.

KAY'S COMPOUND for Cough's and Colds, is equally serviceable for Horses and Cattle.

KAY'S TIC PILLS, a specific in Neuralgia, Face-ache, &c., Contain Quinine, Iron, &c.

COAGULINE.—Cement for broken Articles Sold everywhere. Sole Makers—KAY BROTHERS LTD., Stockport England.

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The PROPER PLACE to PURCHASE your WATCHES, CLOCKS, & JEWELLERY
—IS AT—
M. BLOUSTEIN'S,
5 STURT STREET (Vale's Corner),
—BALLARAT.—

COUNTRY ORDERS A SPECIALTY.
Repairs in Every Branch.
Goods sent on approval to all parts of the Colony.
Clubs Supplied with Medals and Trophies.
Send for Price Lists and Pamphlets.

WILLETTS,
Vice Regal Photographer.
For the BEST and most ARTISTIC PORTRAITS go to WILLETT'S, Elite Studio, STURT STREET, BALLARAT (near St. Patrick's Cathedral).

THOS. GEO. ARCHARD,
CIVIL ENGINEER,
BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Beaufort and district that he is prepared to execute Plans and Specifications for any description of buildings, supply Contractors' quantities and prepare estimates.
Agent for the Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
Total Invested Funds exceed £1,600,000.

T. G. ARCHARD
Has been appointed Sole Agent for the Beaufort District for the Celebrated MERCER REAPER and BINDER, and is in a position to deal direct with any purchaser. Any information may be obtained from him.
Address:—Neill Street, Beaufort.

AGENT for the AUSTRALIAN WIDOWS' FUND LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED.
The profits for the past three years are more than double those of the preceding 5 years.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.
SEASON 1891-92.

GEORGE HAGUE AND CO.

WILL hold Weekly Wool Sales as usual every Friday during the coming season. They would call special attention to their

EXTENSIVE WAREHOUSES,
built expressly for the storage of Wool.
SHOW ROOMS,
splendidly lighted, and unequalled in the Colony for the proper display of Wool. Railway and Shipping right at the doors.

FARMERS' CLIPS
receive special personal attention, and no lot, however small, is sold under fullest market value.

A LARGER LOCAL CONSUMPTION of wool than any other market in the Australian Colonies.

CHARGES.—The lowest ruling in the Colony.

ACCOUNT SALES and Proceeds rendered invariably three days after sale.

ACT STRICTLY as Selling Brokers only

TWENTY SEVEN YEARS-practical English Continental, and Colonial experience of the Wool trade.

CASH ADVANCES, if required, directly on receipt of produce into store.

Auction Sales of Sheepskins, Hides, and Tallow held weekly throughout the year.

WAY-BILL FORMS supplied free.

GEORGE HAGUE & CO.
Wool Brokers

Geelong, 1st July, 1891.

SHE PUT IT IN THE CUPBOARD.

What a weary thing it is to be ill, especially for a long time. You are tired of advice, tired of trying this, that, and the other, tired of fancying you are a little better, tired of taking precautions against getting worse. You are tired of pain, and half believe the sooner you are under the ground the better for you, and more agreeable to your friends.

Here's a little story. A woman told it lately. She says:

[COPY.]

"I, Mary Jones, of 3 Galton Street, Great Howard Street, Liverpool, declare as follows:

"I have suffered all my life from weakness of the stomach and sluggish liver. I was always tired and languid, and often troubled with bilious headaches. My appetite was poor. I never had desire for food, and what I did eat did not digest properly. I had always a bad taste in my mouth, and a slimy scum would cover my mouth and teeth, and so bad was this that I was obliged to rinse it away before eating. When I was in my teens I was very weakly and would faint after sitting down to my meals. I had trembling at the heart, with a heavy weight at the chest, pain at my side, and a strange giddy feeling would come over me. When out walking in the street I used to have to stand and rest for fear of falling. I was also so weak that when going about my work I often had to sit down and rest. At times I had a bad cough and pain in my lungs. I saw doctor after doctor, and was under medical treatment for more than twelve years. One doctor said I was suffering from an enlargement of the liver, another said I had heart disease, a third said my lungs were congested and that I could not recover. Thinking I was now in a consumption, I went to a consumptive hospital and was under treatment there for some time. The doctors after sounding my chest, told me I was under decline, and that my left lung was congested. They gave me cod-liver oil and other medicines, but I got no better.

"In July, 1890, after a bad fainting I became so bad I had to take to my bed, and was attended by three doctors for a month. The first doctor who saw me said I could not recover. I had intense pains in my stomach, and could get nothing to pass my bowels. Various means were tried and found useless. I could take liquid food only and was fast sinking, my case being considered hopeless by both the physician and the nurse. At this time it was that my husband heard through Mr Parry, the Chemist in Great Howard Street, of a medicine called Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and we were presented with a book which described a case just like mine having been cured by it. My husband procured a bottle of this medicine and I began taking it. After a few doses I passed a motion as black as coal and experienced great relief, and shortly after felt as if I wanted something to eat. When the doctor called the next day he could see a marked change in me and said, 'Mrs Jones, we have given you the right medicine at last.' He thought it was his last bottle that had worked the change, whereas the nurse had put the medicine in the cupboard untouched. I went on with Mother Seigel's Syrup, and to the delight of my husband, father, and nurse I never looked behind me. All the pain at the heart and chest gradually left me, and in a fortnight I was strong enough to be removed to the seaside, and have ever since been in good health.

"I never felt so well in my life as I do now. All my friends consider the cure as a miraculous one, and I wish others to know by what means my life was saved. I am willing that Messrs A. J. White, Limited, shall make whatever use they may think fit of this statement, and I hereby authorise them to do so.

"Dated this 3rd April, 1891.

"(Signed) Mrs Mary Jones."

There was nothing "miraculous" about this lady's recovery, although it may have been, and indeed it was remarkable. But it was all along the straight lines of nature. She had suffered all her life from indigestion and dyspepsia, and her other ailments arose from that, and that alone. She could not digest her food, and the whole system was perishing from the poison in the stomach and from lack of nutrition. Mother Seigel's Syrup did its one work, it cleansed away the corrupted matter and set the digestive organs (the liver, stomach, and bowels) in natural operation, and immediate improvement and final recovery followed as a necessary consequence.

Especially should the reader notice the close resemblance between the symptoms of dyspepsia and those of consumption, through which most unhappy mistakes are constantly made. Never conclude you have consumption until you are sure it isn't dyspepsia. The chances are that the result will be the same as in Mrs Jones' case.

ONE OF THE GREAT EVENTS OF THE YEAR,

And always one of the most assured successes, the great summer clearing sale at MORREY & MURRAY'S, the cash drapers and direct importers, 11 and 13 Bridge Street, Ballarat, which commences on Saturday, January 17, 1891, and will continue positively for 14 days only, during which time our entire stock will be subject to sweeping reductions, averaging from 2s 6d to 10s in the £. The great success of our previous sales, and the universal satisfaction expressed by our patrons, has been achieved by never advertising a sale without going through our entire stock, and re-marking every article to the lowest prices, irrespective of cost, our object being the clearance of all summer goods. We have also avoided the common practice of buying the lowest priced goods procurable for the express purpose of sales. Every line will be recognised as our regular every-day bona-fide goods, at immense reductions. Remember! the great clearing sale commenced on Saturday, January 17, 1891, and will positively continue for 14 days only! MORREY & MURRAY, the cash drapers and direct importers, 11 and 13, Bridge street, Ballarat.—[ADVT.]

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the utmost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches." These famous "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s 1½d per box. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a "slight cold," or bronchial affections, cannot try too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the words "Browne's Bronchial Troches" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Prepared by JOHN I. BROWN & SONS, Boston U.S. European Depot, 33, Farringdon Road London, England.

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

H. J. CLEARY,

GRAIN, FLOUR, CHAFF and COMMISSION AGENT,

Office—316 FLINDERS STREET, MELBOURNE.

Consignments received. Highest price obtained. Liberal Cash Advances made.

P.S.—SPECIAL ATTENTION PAID to CHAFF CONSIGNMENTS.

Agents for all kinds of Agricultural Implements

ONE BOX OF

CLARKE'S B41 PILLS

IS warranted to cure all discharges from the Urinary Organs, in either sex, acquired or constitutional; Gravel, and Pains in the Back. Sold in boxes, 4s. 6d. each, by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors, throughout the World. Proprietors—The Lincoln and Midland Counties Drugs Company, Lincoln England.

FARMERS send your DAIRY PRODUCE to C. C. LEWIS, Produce Merchant, Western Market, Melbourne, who PAYS CASH PROMPTLY and charges NO COMMISSION. Butter Casks for Sale.

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Every Department!

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DURING NOVEMBER

SNOW & ROOM'S

(LATE "CRAWFORDS"),

Sturt-street, Ballarat.

10 cases Dress Tweeds, 2s 11d, 3s 11d, 4s 11d per dozen.
2 ,, Glen Allan Check Tweeds, 5s 11d per dozen.
1 ,, Double width Cheviot Tweed, 1s 1½d yd.; worth 2s 3d.
1 ,, Black Lace Grenadines, 3¾d yd.

In Print Muslins, Satteens, Pongees, &c, SNOW & ROOM show over 3,000 patterns, and claim to have the Choicest Assortment in the City, including many decided Bargains. Good Cambrics, 2¾d. 3¾d; choice Llama Prints, 4s 11d dozen; special line of Pongee Muslins, 6¾d, worth 10¾d.; beautiful Blouse, Shirting Checks, and Stripes, 4¾d, 6¾d, 8¾d, etc.

200 pairs choice Art Delaines and Wool French Printings, 10½d, 1s, 1s 3d, 1s 6d yd

—AT SNOW AND ROOM'S—

125 New Tudor Capes—Fawns, Greys Navys and Black, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, 15s.
250 Fashionable Short Tweed Jackets silk fronts, 6s 11d.
75 Stylish Tweed Jackets, open silk fronts Greys and Fawns, 12s 6d each; worth guinea.
1,000 Ladies' Print Blouses, 1s, 1s 6d, 1s 11d.
75 only Ladies' Wrappers, stylish patterns, good quality, satteen, 6s 11d each.
100 Print Wrappers, 2s 11d each.

—NEW MARKET JACKETS—

Fawn, Black, Navy, and Greys, from 10s 6d each.

Novelties in Ladies' Summer Dust Coats, in Beige Gloria Silk, Surrah Silk, with Velvet Yoke, etc.

Special lot of Silk and Lace Visites, 15s each.

2000 Ladies' Fancy and Cooking Aprons, 6d and 1s each,

CHEAP BASKETWARE AT SNOW & ROOM'S

1,000 sets Fruit and Flower Baskets, 1s set
500 Work Baskets, in stands, 9d, 1s, 1s 3d, 1s 6d each.

AT SNOW & ROOM'S

Ladies' and Children's S[illegible] Hats at marvellous prices.
Ladies' and Children's speckled "Tom Tugs," 6d each.
Ladies' and Children's Willow Hats, 6d each.
Boys' and Girls' broad brimmed Galateas, 6d and 1s each.
New rough straw Galateas, 1s 11d each, worth 3s 6d.

AT SNOW & ROOM'S

CHEAP ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS.

Special purchase Sprays, Wreaths, new Cornflower, blue, crushed pink, Tuscan, etc.—all at 1s each.
Granny Bonnets for children in Cambric, Trimmed Lace, white, pink, blue, ruby, 4s 6d each.
Ditto cream and white lace, 6s 6d each.

The daintiest and prettiest Trimmed Hats and Bonnets will be found at SNOW & ROOMS, and all marked very cheap indeed.

AT SNOW & ROOM'S

100 Children's Pinafore and Print Overalls, 9d, 1s, 1s 11d, 2s 11d.
Boys' and Girls' White Drill Sailor Suits, trimmed, navy and red, 4s 11d each.
Pretty Drillette Costumes, white sailor collars, 3s 6d each.
Special line pure Linen Diaper Pinafores, handsomely trimmed, 3s 11d to 6s 6d.

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IN

THE NEW FANCY DEPARTMENT.

Novelties by every Mail Steamer.
Everything particularly cheap.

SNOW AND ROOM are always showing something new.

The greatest bargain we have yet offered—500 Ladies' White Embroidered Boxed Dresses, 2s 11d and 4s 11d.

☞ See Large Window.

Each robe contains 2½ yds. wide embroidery, 4½ yds. narrow do. and sufficient plain material for the Dress.

SNOW AND ROOM.

SUMMER DRESSES.

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THE Proprietor of the "Riponshire Advocate," in thanking his numerous patrons for past favors, respectfully solicits a renewal of support, and desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news he will always endeavour to make his columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, he will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.

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FROM A WELL-KNOWN

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DR. LLEWELLYN, who is duly Qualified and Registered, is aware that by departing from the usual routine practice and devoting himself exclusively to a special branch, which he has done for some time, he is not strictly following the paths of professional etiquette, but, as a considerable body of the profession are still disposed to stand coldly aloof from any one of their number who acquires popularity in the treatment of certain ailments and is really a Medical specialist, he does not hesitate to resort to what he considers legitimate means for the purpose of disarming cynical criticism, and of securing as far as he is able the confidence of the public. It is assuredly better to seek assistance from the qualified practitioner in preference to the quack.

The true designation of quackery belongs to those shameless adventurers who, without a particle of medical knowledge or a tittle of claim to the humblest department of the profession, practise extortion and deceit, advertising their nostrums as CURE-ALLS; men of the lowest grade of intellect and responsibility, whose assurance is as unbounded as their promises are specious. Such men abound in Melbourne, Sydney, and other towns in Australia, and by their flaming advertisements attract the attention of the unwary. The mischief to the health by swallowing the nostrums of these persons is oftentimes irretrievable, besides the money totally wasted in purchasing, at exorbitant rates, their so-called curative appliances.

The argument is, that the every-day enlightenment of mankind should protect them from resorting to the unprincipled; that if physic be a science, it should be honoured and respected as such; that the necessary inquiry and reflection should direct the visit from the nostrum-monger to the respectable practitioner. But alas! the dilemma in which a man finds himself when suffering from the follies of his own imprudence, and which he is anxious to conceal, renders him more solicitous to shun the respectable man and to creep into nooks and corners for counsel and consolation. Every member of the profession is too proud of his qualifications to hide them under a bushel. Dr. Llewellyn has passed examinations at the chief Medical Colleges in England: is a legally qualified and registered medical practitioner in Victoria; holds high testimonials, which all patients may inspect; and is, through a complete study, knowledge, practice, and experience of Special Diseases, a most reliable Expert, in whom there can be placed, without doubt, unlimited confidence.

The widespread evils and diseases arising from excess and indiscretion cannot be too generally known, and it is to be hoped that any reader of this paragraph who may suffer from these special complaints, will be awakened to their fearful consequences. If there be any amongst the readers of this letter who have unhappily fallen into objectionable habits, and are suffering in consequence, and are unwilling to hand an enfeebled constitution to their offspring, I would earnestly charge them to lose no time, but seek at once a means of cure, so that they may be restored to pristine health and vigour, before the evil becomes too deeply seated. I adhere strictly to the most approved and modern lines of treatment in my exclusive branch of practice, embracing Chronic Nervous, Skin and Special Diseases in men and women, and can, with confidence, undertake the permanent cure of all cases within the reach of medical skill.

To those about to marry, and who are either conscious or doubtful as to their suffering from a latent taint or weakness, a sense of duty on their part should unquestionably prompt them to seek the advice of a competent medical man. All patients applying to me for counsel and help may rest assured that my treatment will be vigorously directed to cure permanently any local defect or weakness, and place them in that fitting condition of health, that they can afterwards honourably marry.

To anyone whose confidence in the possibility of a satisfactory and permanent cure has been shaken by the conduct of various advertising parties who are only medical pretenders with no real knowledge of the human body, and who are in the habit of sending the same so-called Remedy to all who apply to them, or who have been victimised by any of the hordes of Quacks, who have for years preyed upon the inexperienced, and whose only object is gain, whose boastful pretensions but veil their ignorance; to any such sufferer I would say, "Do not be desponding, and do not despair of a cure, but apply to me, or to any other reliable medical man, skilled in these special ailments, and the result will be all you could desire."

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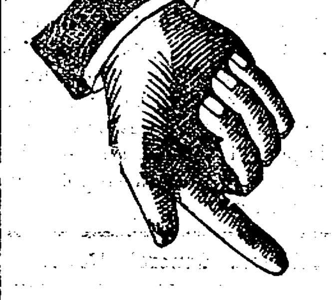
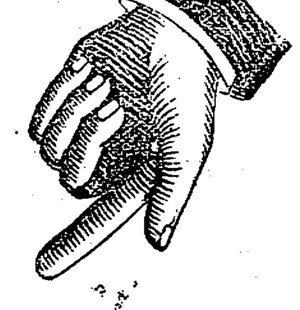

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BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Tuesday.

Fat Cattle—A small supply numbering only 259 head came forward for to-day's sale, the greater portion comprising good and prime quality. There was a good attendance of the trade, still competition throughout lacked animation prices realised showing no alteration from the previous week. Quotations:—Prime pens bullocks, L8 to L9 5s; good do, L6 to L7; medium from L4 10s. Fat Calves—27 penned; very few prime vealers forward. Best selling to 62s. Fat sheep—6589 were penned for to-day's sale, consisting principally of middling and inferior descriptions, a small proportion being good and prime. There was a fair attendance of buyers, still sales were dull and dragging, prices for trade lots showing no improvement on last week' values, whilst other sorts were disposed of at very low rates. Quotations:—Prime crossbred wethers, 10s 6d to 11s 5d; good do, 8s to 9s 6d; prime merino wethers, 8s to 8s 6d; extra to 9s 5s; good do 6s 6d to 7s 6d; merino ewes, to 5s 2d. Store Sheep.—2285 yarded, for which there was a fair demand, a being cleared at satisfactory prices. Fat Lambs—3193 to hand, only very few being good and prime, remainder medium and inferior. Best descriptions sold readily at fully last week's prices, others being at quotations. Quotations:—Prime, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; extra to 10s 6d; good, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; medium, 5s to 6s; inferior, from 3s.

GEELONG WEEKLY MARKET.

Messrs G. Hague & Co. report:—Wool—We held our eighth sale of the season on 4th inst, when we offered a catalogue of 1231 bales. There was a full muster of buyers present, and biddings were animated for all light-conditioned sound wool suitable for America, but all other descriptions were weaker. We made almost an entire clearance of our catalogue, only a few bales being passed in. Among the best lots we might mention:—J R (conj) over Raglan (Messrs J. & C. Ball) lambs at 11¼d; T L (Mr T. Liston) merino at 1Id; J G over Raglan (Mr J. Gillingham) x bred at 9½d; Mc over Middle Creek (Mr W. McFarlane) x bred at 8¾d.

MELBOURNE GRAIN AND DAIRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

Wednesday

Wheat.—Prices have fallen heavily during the week. The quantity coming forward from the country is large, and in excess of immediate requirements. Values have, however, now reached an export level, and brisk business in that direction may be anticipated immediately after New Year Quotations are:—Screenings, 2s 5d to 3s; inferior to fair old milling, 4s 6d to 4s 9d.; good, to 4s 11d.; and new, nominally 4s 7d per bushel. Barley.—There is very little offering, the new crop not yet being available. From samples to hand we look for a good plump grain, and anticipate a higher range of values for the coming season. Quotations are:—Inferior to fair old malting 2 6d to 3s; and good, to 3s 2d per bushel. Oats are very dull of

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An attempt is to be made to introduce a protective tariff in New South Wales. The state exchequer of that colony is in a hopelessly depleted condition; therefore, Mr G. R. Dibbs, who, a few years ago, turned with the suddenness of a streak of lightning from being a free trader of the most advanced type to a protectionist of the very deepest dye, considers that the best and quickest method of refilling the state coffers is to levy heavy taxes upon the community, calling them protective duties. We have always understood a protectionist to be a person holding the belief that the placing of duties on certain articles will lead to their manufacture in the colony on an extensive scale, and not a person who favors the institution of duties for revenue purposes. From the announcement made by Mr John See, the Treasurer in Mr Dibbs' newly-formed Ministry, we gather that no thought enters the Ministerial mind of imposing duties in order that industries shall be established with some chance of prospering. Protection is to be established simply that the present poverty-stricken condition of the colony shall no longer exist, but that through the medium of the Custom House

individual convictions. Surely the constituencies have some right to consideration in such an important matter as the changing of the fiscal policy of the colony. Have not the constituencies that returned free trade labor representatives a right to demand that these men shall adhere to their election pledges? Their free trade opinions quite as much as, if not more so, than any other opinions they held lead to their being returned to parliament; therefore by voting in a contrary direction to that which they gave the electors to believe they intended doing, they are showing themselves political turncoats unworthy of the countenance of any honest man in the community. What lessons should the vacillating movements of the labor representatives in the New South Wales Parliament teach the Victorian electors? Why that any candidate that woos their suffrages at the forthcoming general election, owning allegiance to the Trades' Hall or any other labor organization, is of precisely the same shifty and unreliable character as their congeners across the Murray. They would as lief vote for the sweeping away of Mr Hancock's *bete noire*, the banks, as not providing that in doing so a small gain might result to the cause of labor. Any such proposition as that would be absurdity, but so little does reason and common sense prevail with the Trades' Hall faction that surprise could not be expressed at any absurd proposition emanating from a body composed of working men. While New South Wales is threatened with a protectionist invasion, we are pleased to note that the drift of thought and action in this colony is in a free trade direction. We believe that if a poll were taken, in nine-tenths of the country districts such vote would be very heavily in favor of free trade. Such being the case, it is only by the power of the metropolitan constituencies that the protectionist yoke continues to burden us. The country, however, is waking up to its responsibilities, and if this Trades' Hall propaganda is pushed too far, a severe fight between country and metropolis must inevitably ensue.

Local and General News.

The yield of gold from the Saxon Consols, Waterloo South, for the present week was 27oz. 9dwts.

Six points of rain have fallen in Beaufort during the present week.

The erection of the new police buildings at Beaufort was commenced early this week.

The right to the various booths and gates in connection with Boxing Day Sports will be submitted to public auction by Mr W. Edward Nickols at Vanderstoel's Victoria Hotel this (Saturday) evening at 6 p.m.

A widow, named Mrs Cone, died from an apoplectic fit on Tuesday, at the age of 72 years. Deceased was interred in the Beaufort Cemetery on Thursday.

We have received from Messrs. A. J. Smith & Co., Melbourne, a specimen packet of their Xmas. cards—an eighteen penny portfolio containing 25 cards—a marvel of beauty and cheapness.

The Beaufort cricketers journey to Ararat on Wednesday afternoon to try conclusions with the Ararat club. The following players are requested to meet at the railway station at 12 o'clock sharp:—Bentley, Baker, Cragie, Hod...

The Beaufort cricketers have certainly great inducements to uphold the prestige of the town in the grand old national game this season. In addition to a L5 trophy presented by Dr. Adam, the president, for the best all-round player, a trophy by Mr Hughes for the best bowling average, a guinea by Mr E. Trompf to the player who makes the most catches, Cr Flynn has now signified his intention of giving a bat and ball, for the second best batting and bowling average respectively.

A meeting of the Beaufort Jockey Club was held at Maher's Farmers' Hotel on Tuesday evening. Present—Messrs Flynn (in the chair), VanderStoel, Maher, Sinclair (hon. secy.), White, and Parker. Routine business having been disposed of, Messrs VanderStoel and Maher, with the secretary, were appointed to inspect the course and report to next meeting as to the improvements required to sheds, etc. It was resolved to sell the gates, booths, etc., at Vanderstoel's Victoria Hotel on Saturday, 19th inst. The next meeting will be held at Welsh's Camp hotel on Tuesday evening next.

Messrs O'Meara (chairman), Heron, and Leader, P.M.'s., sat as a Licensing Court at Beaufort on Tuesday. The following renewals of publicans' licenses were granted:—Beaufort district—Philip Blackmore, Royal Saxon hotel, Waterloo South; Wm. Brierley, Brierley's hotel, Eurambeen; Wm. Dickman, Main Lead hotel, Main Lead; Jas Frusher, Waterloo hotel, Waterloo; Wm Hinchliffe, Victoria Junction hotel, Waterloo; M. Hutton, Fifeshire hotel, Waterloo; Catherine Kelly, Eurambeen hotel, Eurambeen; Wm Loft, Railway hotel, Beaufort, also special permit to keep open till 1 a.m.; Chas Loft, Charlton hotel, Chute; D. Maher, Farmers' hotel, Beaufort; T. D. Martin, Albion hotel, Waterloo; Jas. Mitchell, Sailors' Gully hotel, Nerring; Geo. M'Cracken, George hotel, Beaufort; Helen Prince, Raglan hotel, Raglan; Wilhelmina Scharp, Beaufort hotel, Beaufort, permission also given licensee to absent herself from hotel owing to sickness; W. Schlicht, All Nations hotel, Beaufort; Jeremiah Smith, Golden Age hotel, Beaufort; Mary Ann Thompson, Commercial hotel, Beaufort; Teunis VanderStoel, Victoria hotel, Beaufort; Emma Vowles, Richmond hotel, Waterloo; Rudolph Wangler, Working Miners' hotel, Waterloo South, subject to production of substitution license; Thos. Welsh, Camp hotel, Beaufort. Grocers' licenses were renewed to G. Wotherspoon and D. Troy, Beaufort. Burrumbeet District.—Mark Barnes, Trawalla hotel, Trawalla; A. H. Dewar, Spring hotel, Waubra; Jas. Fitzgerald, White Hart hotel, Waubra; Robt. Kettle, Pyrenees hotel, Lexton. The population of the Beaufort licensing district was stated to be 3315, and that of Burrumbeet 260. With regard to Mrs Scharp's application, Superintendent Palmer said that E. S. Baker had written to him complaining of the condition of the Beaufort hotel. He had instructed the police here to inform him that he had a perfect liberty to make a complaint before the Licensing Court, but he had not presented himself in person. He might explain that Baker had applied to have the license transferred to him, but the application was not approved of by the police, and subsequently to the refusal of the application, he had received the letter showing that the house was in very bad repair. He (Supt. Palmer) inspected the house and found it did require a few repairs. His order to get them done had been complied with; in fact, improvements were going on now. He had no complaint about the place, which was in a fit state to be licensed. The Court considered no notice should be taken of a complaint when the complainant did not appear.

The committee of the Beaufort District Rifle Club met at the Mechanics' Institute on Monday evening. Present—Messrs W. O. Trompf, (vice-president), Cougle (capt), Welsh, Brooke, ...

Tenders are invited up to 21st inst., for the destruction of rabbits during 1892 on all unoccupied Crown lands within the boundaries of the Mount Cole State forest. Particulars can be ascertained on application to Mr J. McRae, rabbit inspector, Beaufort.

"The Holy Land" is the title of a lecture by Mr W. Green, to be delivered in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, on Thursday evening next. The sacred spots of Palestine will be illustrated by colored limelight views to the number of 60, and showing Jerusalem in her grandeur and also her fall. Mr Green having a first-class magic lantern, and a ready flow of language, the lecture cannot fail to be highly interesting and instructive.

The following is the result of the tennis tournament for the racquets presented by Messrs. Hughes and McKeich:—First round.—Mr and Mrs Hughes beat Mr Graham and Miss Troy, 6—1, 6—2; Mr Sinclair and Miss McKeich beat Mr Troy and Miss Sinclair, 6—0, 6—1; Mr McKeich and Miss A. Harris beat Mr Bentley and Miss Harris, 6—4, 6—2; Dr Adam and Miss Stuart beat Mr Welsh and Miss Adam, 6—3, 2—6, 6—2; Mr Johnston and Miss McRae a bye. Second round.—Mr Sinclair and Miss McKeich beat Mr and Mrs Hughes, 6—4, 6—3; Dr Adam and Miss Stuart beat Mr Johnston and Miss McRae, 6—3, 4—6, 6—4; Mr McKeich and Miss A. Harris, a bye. Third round.—Dr Adam and Miss Stuart beat Mr McKeich and Miss A. Harris, 4—6, 6—1, 6—4; Mr Sinclair and Miss McKeich, a bye. Final.—Dr Adam and Miss Stuart beat Mr Sinclair and Miss McKeich, 6—4, 6—1, and won the racquets. Dr Adam has given another racquet, to be competed for by those defeated in the above tournament. Last evening Mr McKeich and Miss A. Harris beat Mr and Mrs Hughes.

The manner in which a notice of confidence motion is to be regarded, depends upon the mover. Yesterday (says Thursday's 'Argus') in the Legislative Assembly, Sir Bryan O'Loghlen intimated that to-day he will move the following resolution:—"That this House declares that the Ministry does not possess the confidence of this House, for the Premier has announced his approval of the acts of certain Ministers who have acted outside this House and in total disregard of their political responsibility to this House. That this House further declares that the Ministerial financial policy of inaction in respect to railways and public works is disastrous to the best interests of this country. That his House further declares its opinion that this session ought not to be closed, or a dissolution of this House take place, until action has been successfully taken in Parliament to authorise continuance of railway extension and of public works, and also such necessary financial measures as may be necessary to carry out same with a view to renew the progress and prosperity of Victoria." Mr Munro heard the philippic read unmoved, and was deaf to the ironical cries of "Adjourn" which rose from every side of the House. Sir Bryan O'Loghlen is known to be playing, as Mr Shiels says, "off his own bat," and no one treats his manœuvre seriously.

Sir Bryan O'Loghlen's no-confidence motion was born out of due time, and died prematurely yesterday. When writing the indictment he anticipated that opportunity would be given yesterday for proposing it. But his scheme went away when it found there was no order of the day in the paper for committee of supply, and that consequently no opening offered for an amendment...

It is reported that a treaty establishing commercial reciprocity between the United States and Germany will shortly be concluded.—"Argus."

Sir Graham Berry, who is retiring from the position of Agent-General for Victoria, was entertained on 8th inst., at a farewell banquet at the St. George's Club. Lord Bassey presided, and 200 gentlemen were present, including Lord Knutsford, the secretary of State for the colonies.

An excellent crushing is reported from Sandy Creek, a gold field situated about 22 miles distant from Wodonga, and from which very rich returns were obtained in the early days. The lucky prospectors are Scheinmeister and Johnston, who have got 52oz. smelted gold from five tons. M'Alphins, a miner in the same locality, has put through four tons for 12oz. There is stated to be a prospect of a revival in this once famous gold-field.

An adventuress is wanted by the police at Chicago (says Dalziel), having disappeared with diamonds to the value of 30,000 dols. which she had smuggled and upon which dealers in Chicago had advanced 10,000 dols. The lady's method of smuggling was the most novel on record. She was a lady of striking appearance, being always dressed in deep mourning, while her pale, handsome face and white hair made an unusual contrast to her sable gown. In the spring of last year she landed in New York with a Mongolian holding a grey pelican by a light gold chain. As she was apparently a lady of wealth, nothing was thought of her strange pet and its keeper, and as pelicans are not upon the tariff lists she was allowed to pass. Since that time the lady has crossed the Atlantic many times, and always carried her pelican with her. On October 6th she arrived as usual, with the bird, and, having passed the unsuspicious Customs officials, called a carriage and drove away. Since then she has not been heard from. It is now alleged that the lady was a diamond smuggler, and that the precious stones brought into this country upon each trip were concealed in the enormous bill of the pelican. On October 6th the bird carried 30,000 dols. worth of diamonds, being a portion of an order of a Chicago house through a firm of New York importers who claim to have been ignorant of the manner in which the stones were brought into this country. The Chicago house had advanced 10,000 dols. upon the diamonds, and were to have paid the remaining 20,000 dols. on delivery. The police are now actively searching for the lady and her pelican.

Work in committee upon the Local Government Bill was almost concluded by an early hour in the evening (says Friday's "Argus") although the measure will be recommitted on Tuesday next. A clause was inserted, at the instance of Mr Cuthbert, empowering municipalities to make regulations as to the conditions under which steam traction engines, locomotives, &c., may travel along public roads; but Mr Connor was again unsuccessful in his attempt to introduce a clause making it compulsory on municipalities to periodically destroy sparrows in their jurisdiction, the House being of opinion that the mischevious little birds were not altogether without their uses, and that the existence of more valuable birds might be endangered. A new clause...

CONCERT AT MAIN LEAD.

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Fortunate indeed were the performers at the concert in aid of the Main Lead Public Hall which was held in that building on Wednesday evening. In the afternoon they were driven to "Belmont," and a thorough welcome extended to them by Mr and Mrs. J. F. Watkin, who strove to the utmost to make their guests feel at home. Treated most hospitably to princely fare, with delicious strawberries and cream in luxurious profusion as dessert, the merry party spent a rare and exceedingly delightful time. Other tastes were gratified in a hurried look over the domain. Viewed from that substantial structure termed the look-out, the sight of "Belmont," in all its dazzling glory, is simply grand. What was but a few years back for the most part a wilderness of diggers' holes, has been converted into a magnificent orchard, the deeper leads being nicely formed into fish-ponds. But as this notice is supposed to be an account of an entertainment in the neighborhood, our readers must wait till some future occasion for a descriptive article of "Belmont."

About two months ago the good people of Main Lead conceived the idea that their public hall (chiefly used for religious services) sadly needed improvements, and to attain the desired object Messrs Watkin and Gibson succeeded in raising something like £40. A porch has been added to the building, an iron roof put on, and the interior thoroughly renovated, at a cost of £60. The concert, it was expected, would furnish the balance, but a small debt still remains.

The hall was comfortably filled, the audience highly appreciating the efforts of the performers. Mr J. F. Watkin made an excellent chairman. After acquainting the audience of the treat in store for them and indulging in a few pleasantries, he called on Misses A. Greenwood and K. Gorrie to give a duet entitled "The wind and the harp." The effort was greatly enjoyed. Miss M. Nickols contributed two songs during the evening—"Riding on a load of hay" and "Bid me good-bye." The first created quite a *furore*, and the last verse had to be repeated. The second song was equally meritorious. Mr R. Jackson, in his well-known pleasing style, sang "The Queen of the earth," and was cordially received. Mr. R. Sinclair recited "The Queen's letter" so well as to merit a vociferous encore. In acknowledgement he gave, with no mean elocutionary ability, "The burial of Sir John Moore." Later on Mr Sinclair also capably recited "Our Volunteers," and felt flattered as being the... (cabbage). Miss L. Nickols rendered a sentimental song, "Going to market," in a pleasing manner, and received a full measure of applause. Mr J. R. Wotherspoon was in grand form and excelled himself in the Bacchanalian ditty, "Simon the cellarer." He had perforce to re-appear, and repeated the last verse. This vocalist's popularity was further attested to by the warm reception accorded his singing of "Get up and bar the door, O." In response to the unmistakeable encore, Mr Wotherspoon fairly delighted the audience with an excellent rendition of "The...

GEOLOGICAL NOTES.

[By W. Green.]

Gold Prospects of the District—No. 6.

How far from the spot where alluvial gold has been got may we expect to find its source?

I suppose this question is often present in the minds of gold-miners and prospectors generally. Opinions will differ according as each person estimates the power of the distributing causes. It is generally understood that the removal of gold from its sources in the rocks, and its concentration in the gravels of the leads, is accomplished by the moving power of water. But the effects of such means on these western goldfields is rather over-estimated. This comes from misjudging the mode of the operation of the cause. It is generally assumed, all through these parts, that *streams* of water have formed the gravel beds of the leads, whereas, only those gravels coming down the slopes of hill country could have been collected in this way. Other gravels, in flat ground, associated with beds of pipeclay, *must* have been laid

AN UNSCRUPULOUS FOE.

Creeps upon us unawares like an assassin in the dark and whose dangerous proximity we never suspect until it makes the last fatal clutch on some vital organ. We are always warmed in ample time of the impending danger, but with criminal carelessness neglect these warnings: That tired feeling, those aching limbs, and that grand feeling one day and seedy condition the next, the sour taste on waking in the morning, and the frequent sick and splitting headaches, all make their debut before serious illness sets in. All or any of these symptoms indicate the approach of disease, they are faithful signs that the liver and the kidneys are not doing their duties, that the morbid and effete matter instead of being eliminated from the system, is being retained, and is positively poisoning and destroying the whole physical structure. Neglect in such cases is criminal, recourse to rational treatment should be had at once, Clements Tonic should be taken to strengthen the digestion, purify and fortify the blood to stimulate the liver and brace up the kidneys, to resolve and eliminate the poisonous urea. Liver and kidney complaints are the most prevalent diseases of this country, and so long as we consume such large quantities of animal food and stimulants, so long will this unhealthy

V. R.

Local Prospecting Boards.

I HEREBY give notice to each City, Borough, and Shire Council, outside a radius of ten miles from the General Post office, Melbourne, and within any Mining District, calling upon such councils to nominate in accordance with the provisions of the 16th clause of the "Regulations for the Constitution of Local Prospecting Boards for recommending the better distribution of moneys voted by Parliament for prospecting for gold," a person to represent the various Councils upon the Prospecting Board within which the municipal territory is situate.

The attention of candidates for election is directed to the requirements of the regulations, as specified in the Government Gazette of the 12th December, 1890. Names of councils entitled to be represented on the Ararat Prospecting Board:—Town—Warrnambool; Boroughs—Ararat, Hamilton, Koroit, Port Fairy, Portland, Stawell, Horsham; Shires—Ararat, Belfast, Dundas, Glenelg, Hampden, Kowree, Minhamite, Mortlake, Mt. Rouse, Portland, Ripon, Stawell, Wannon, Warrnambool, Arapiles.

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E. H. AUSTIN.

August 8th, 1891.

THEY ROLLED ON THE FLOOR.

.. Monday, November 21th. the American ... published the following news items:— ... Sarah S. Hensley, of No. 273, East One-...red-and-Thirty-fourth Street, New York, ...d killed herself yesterday morning. She ... lady of excellent character and high social ..., and a member of the Rev. Dr. R...m- Presbyterian Church. She was well-to-do ... very active in various public and private ...ities. Since last July she had suffered f... from indigestion and dyspepsia, which ...ht on melancholia and then a kind of in-..., under the influence of which she took ... life."

... is another story, not so tragical, but ... the same moral. The narrator tells it of ...elf. "Mostly," he says, "we dread and ... death, yet once I prayed to die, and the ... was in this wise Up to Christmas, 1888, ... I been a healthy man, but at that time (a ... of rejoicing with so many) I felt depressed, ..., and tired. My appetite left me, and ... much distressed after eating the lightest .... My skin and eyes became tinged with a ... yellow colour, and the kidney secretion ... like blood. The pain in my stomach was ... unbearable and often lasted from 12 to ... hours without intermission. Sometimes I ... in pain night and day, and was so bad that ... wife had to sit up with me through the ...ht, I was constantly sick, and troubled with ... much cough, and expectorated a quantity ... green phlegm.

In spite of warm clothing and every com-..., I was always chilled; the cold shivers ...ning through me as if my blood were thin ... poor. I could take no solid food; I lived ... soups, milk puddings, &c., and after each ... I had empty, gnawing, windy pains at ... stomach, which nothing relieved.

After a time an intolerable itching of the ... spread all over me for about a year. ... upon his advice I went to Harrogate, ... I consulted another doctor, and drank ... waters, but feeling worse I returned home. ... bath attendant at Harrogate and others ... me I was suffering from blood poisoning, ... this the doctors never mentioned. The first ... tor said it was the passing of gallstones that ... me such dreadful pain.

I now consulted an eminent specialist at ...chester, who confirmed what the other doc-... had told me, but none of them afforded me ... relief.

In this miserable way I was dragged on for ... months more, and became so much reduced ... could scarcely put one foot before the other, ... so thin that *the rings fell off my fingers and rolled on the floor.* I was in such pain that *I prayed to die*, and one of the doctors told a ... d of mine I could not recover.

"In August of last year (1890), whilst my sufferings were at the worst, a book was sent to ... by post telling of a medicine called Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I was determined to ... it, and sent to Mr Evans, Chemist, Lomm., for a supply. After taking the first bottle, I ... a little better, and by persevering with the remedy, I recovered my appetite, and gradually ... strength. My natural color has now re-...ned and I feel as well as I ever did in my ..., in fact, as well as I did when a boy. I ... eat any kind of food without inconvenience, ... *have gained* 30 pounds in weight during the ... three months. I may add that previous to ... this medicine I was so much altered that friends, and even my pupils scarcely recog-... me. I tell every one what Seigel's Syrup ... for me."

The gentleman who makes the foregoing ...ment is a person of position and known to the people of Lymm. He declines to per-... the publication of his name, but the perfect ... of what is here related is vouched for by J. H. Evans, the chemist above named.

The case was an aggravated one of indiges-...on and dyspepsia and its natural consequences ... whole system had been poisoned and dis-...dered by the acids engendered by the fermen-...tion in the stomach, and, had not Seigel's Syrup come to the rescue just as it did, a fatal result must have followed in a brief time.

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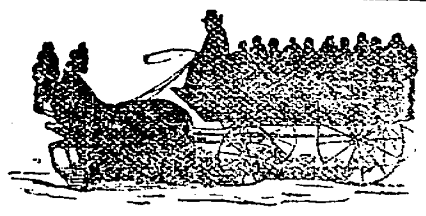

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THE Proprietor of the "Riponshire Advocate," in thanking his numerous patrons for past favors, respectfully solicits a renewal of support, and desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news he will always endeavour to make his columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, he will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.

He has resolved to REDUCE the SUBSCRIPTION to the "ADVOCATE" (with which is published a 14-column supplement containing well-selected reading matter) to 3s 9d per quarter, and trusts that this concession will be largely taken advantage of.

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FROM A WELL-KNOWN

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DR. LLEWELLYN, who is duly Qualified and Registered, is aware that by departing from the usual routine practice and devoting himself exclusively to a special branch, which he has done for some time, he is not strictly following the paths of professional etiquette, but, as a considerable body of the profession are still disposed to stand coldly aloof from any one of their number who acquires popularity in the treatment of certain ailments and is really a Medical Specialist, he does not hesitate to resort to what he considers legitimate means for the purpose of disarming cynical criticism, and of securing as far as he is able the confidence of the public. It is assuredly better to seek assistance from the qualified practitioner in preference to the quack.

The true designation of quackery belongs to these shameless adventurers who, without a particle of medical knowledge or a tittle of claim to the humblest department of the profession, practise extortion and deceit, advertising their nostrums as CURE-ALLS; men of the lowest grade of intellect and responsibility, whose assurance is as unbounded as their promises are specious. Such men abound in Melbourne, Sydney, and other towns in Australia, and by their flaming advertisements attract the attention of the unwary. The mischief to the health by swallowing the nostrums of these persons is oftentimes irretrievable, besides the money totally wasted in purchasing, at exorbitant rates, these so-called curative appliances.

The argument is, that the every-day enlightenment of mankind should protect them from resorting to the unprincipled; that if physic be a science, it should be honoured and respected as such; that the necessary inquiry and reflection should direct the visit from the rostrum-monger to the respectable practitioner. But alas! the dilemma in which a man finds himself when suffering from the follies of his own imprudence, and which he is anxious to conceal, renders him more solicitous to shun the respectable man and to creep into nooks and corners for counsel and consolation. Every member of the profession is too proud of his qualifications to hide them under a bushel. Dr. Llewellyn has passed examinations at the chief Medical Colleges in England; is a legally qualified and registered medical practitioner in Victoria; holds high testimonials, which all patients may inspect; and is, through a complete study, knowledge, practice, and experience of Special Diseases, a most reliable Expert, in whom there can be placed, without doubt, unlimited confidence.

The widespread evils and diseases arising from excess and indiscretion cannot be too generally known, and it is to be hoped that any reader of this paragraph who may suffer from these special complaints, will be awakened to their fearful consequences. If there be any amongst the readers of this letter who have unhappily fallen into objectionable habits, and are suffering in consequence, and are unwilling to hand an enfeebled constitution to their offspring, I would earnestly charge them to lose no time, but seek at once a means of cure, so that they may be restored to pristine health and vigour, before the evil becomes too deeply seated. I adhere strictly to the most approved and modern lines of treatment in my exclusive branch of practice, embracing Chronic Nervous, Skin and Special Diseases in men and women, and can, with confidence, undertake the permanent cure of all cases within the reach of medical skill.

To those about to marry, and who are either conscious or doubtful as to their suffering from a latent taint or weakness, a sense of duty on their part should unquestionably prompt them to seek the advice of a competent medical man. All patients applying to me for counsel and help may rest assured that my treatment will be vigorously directed to cure permanently any local defect or weakness, and place them in that fitting condition of health, that they can afterwards honourably marry.

To anyone whose confidence in the possibility of a satisfactory and permanent cure has been shaken by the conduct of various advertising parties who are only medical pretenders with no real knowledge of the human body, and who are in the habit of sending the same so-called Remedy to all who apply to them, or who have been victimised by any of the horde of Quacks, who have for years preyed upon the inexperienced, and whose only object is gain, whose boastful pretensions but veil their ignorance; to any such sufferer I would say, "Do not be desponding, and do not despair of a cure, but apply to me, or to any other reliable medical man, skilled in those special ailments, and the result will be all you could desire."

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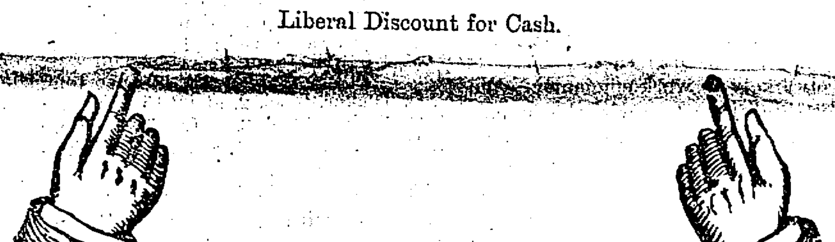

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BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

Wheat, to 5s; oats, 2s 5d for stout; Danish, 2s 1d to 2s 2d, Algerian, 2s; peas, 2s 2d; barley, to 3s 3d; hay prime chaffing, L2 7s 6d to L2 12s 6d; medium, to L2 5s; manger hay, L2 15s to L3; straw, to 35s; flour, roller, L12 to L12 10s; stone, L11 to L11 10s; potatoes, L2 15s to L3.

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Tuesday.

Fat Cattle—471 head was the supply penned for to-day's sale, consisting chiefly of useful quality, with a fair proportion good and prime. There was a large attendance of the trade, consequently the demand throughout was fairly animated. Prices realised for best descriptions show a slight improvement on last week's values. Quotations:—Prime pens of bullocks, L8 5s to L9 7s 6d; good, L6 10s to L7 10s; medium, from L5. Store Cattle—58 yarded, mainly cows, which were disposed of at fair prices. Fat Calves—21 penned, no prime values forward, best in selling to 72s 6d. Fat Sheep—5022 came forward for to-day's sale, consisting principally of middling descriptions, with only a small proportion good and prime. There was a large muster of buyers, and competition, more especially for all trade lots, was brisk at prices showing an improvement on last week's rates, whilst medium qualities were taken by graziers at a slight increase on late values. Quotations:—Prime crossbred wethers, 11s to 12s 9d; a few to 12s; good do, 9s to 10s; prime crossbred ewes, to 9s 3d; prime merino wethers, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; good do, 7s to 8s; merino do, from 5s 6d. Store Sheep—2'3) penned, the majority being disposed of at satisfactory prices. Fat Lambs—3761 to hand, consisting principally of medium and inferior descriptions, with a few good and prime. Best qualities were in demand at fully last week's rates. Quotations:—Prime, 8s 6d to 9s 6d; a few to 10s; good, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; medium, 5s 6d.

MELBOURNE GRAIN AND DAIRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

Wednesday

Wheat.—Values have further receded in sympathy with a dull market in London and increased deliveries from the country. Quotations are:—Inferior to fair old, 4s 3d to 4s 5d; prime, to 4s 9d; and good new, at 4s 6d per bushel. Barley.—There is little offering at present. Quotations are:—Cape, 2s 2d; thin English, 2s 5d to 2s 8d; fair to good malting, 2s 10d to 3s 4d; per bushel. Oats are in full supply, and values are again lower, Quotations are:—Algerians, 1s 6d to 1s 10d; light to fair average feed, 1s 10d to 2s 3d; fair to good stout, 2s 4d to 2s 6d per bushel. Peas are dull of sale at 2s 2d to 2s 2½d per bushel. Maize is again weaker, with sales of faulty, at 2s 6d to 2s 9d; and prime to 3s per bushel. Bran and pollard have ready sale at 11d and 14d per bushel respectively.

Cheese is still coming freely to hand, and prices continue at last week's rates—viz., prime matured cheese, 7d to 8d; prime dairies' new season's make, 4½d to 5½d; medium to good, 4d to 4½d. Butter.—The market keeps well supplied, and prices continue firm. Fresh Butter—Prime dairies selling at 7d to 8d; factory and a few special higher; medium to good, 5½d to 6½d; inferior lower. Potted Butter.—Prime new 6½d to 7d; medium to good, 5d to 6d; inferior and heated lots lower. Eggs, 9½d. Bacon.—Prime factory sides, 7½d to 8d; country cured, 5d to 6d for sound meat. Honey.—Prime new garden, 3½d to 4d. Beeswax, 10½d to 11d.

MELBOURNE WEEKLY MARKET.

The Australian Mortgage & Agency Company Limited report under date Decr. 16:—Wheat inferior to fair, to 4s 6d; good, to 4s 9d. Oats. Algerians 1s 6d to 1s 10d; Victorian stout, up to 2s 6d. Peas, to 2s 2½d. Maize, up to 3s. Bran, 11d; pollard, 1s 2d. Flour, stone-made, L11; roller, L12.

GEELONG WEEKLY MARKET.

Messrs George Hague & Co. report:—Wool—We held our 9 h sale of the season on 11th inst., when we submitted a catalogue of 942 bales. There was a large attendance of buyers, and competition throughout the sale was exceedingly spirited. Our top price for greasy was 12d, the 2nd x bred bringing 10½d. In cold water washed wool our top price was 14½d. Among the leading lines we might mention:—Mr D. Mulcahey comeback lambs at 10d, Mr J. Lynch x bred at 9d, comeback at 8½d, merino at 8d.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1891.

THE third reading of the Electoral Rolls Purification Bill was passed through the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday last. An animated discussion arose over the second reading the previous week, but it indicated that the sense of the House was decidedly favorable to the Bill, notwithstanding that animus was shown towards some of its measures. The purport of the Bill is mainly directed to exclude rogues, vagabonds, habitual drunkards, and those who have undergone terms of imprisonment, from exercising the franchise. The processes by which all the objects of the Bill are to be accomplished are a little complicated, but defects in the machinery can very easily be remedied, provided the principle runs on all fours with justice and common sense. In order for a person to obtain an elector's right under the proposed Act, he will have to answer many more questions than under the present Act—concerning the matter of imprisonment, roguery, vagabondage, drunkenness, and the other offences against which the Act provides; and if an applicant return untruthful answers he is liable not only to be cast into prison, but to have his name removed from the roll. There will no doubt arise extreme difficulty in deciding some questions connected with the prohibitory clauses, as, for instance, when shall a man be written down an habitual drunkard, or an idle an disorderly person. The means by which the Act proposes to determine these matters is scarcely likely to work efficiently. We do not think it just or wise that a man should have his political rights curtailed at the whim of a crocketty magistrate. Then as regards the matter of the three months' imprisonment criminal clause, the crimes for which persons are liable to this term of incarceration are so various, and in many cases of such small political import, that a deprivation of the franchise should be made a part of the judge's verdict. It is not just that political punishment should extend over three years, for when a man has served the imprisonment in punishment of the offence for which he was convicted, it must generally be conceded that he has expiated his crime. The social ostracism which he has to undergo is certainly additional punishment enough, without his having further to undergo the ignominy of carrying about an elector's right branded "convicted." The revision court will have to deal with the proof of conviction only in cases in which the inspector objected to any name being placed on the roll. Some of the clauses in the Bill, after having been subjected to a brief trial, will no doubt have to be materially modified. It is not altogether fair that the political rights of a people should be too indiscriminately curtailed, although it may appear to some unreasonable to deprive the lowest dregs of society of a voice in the government of the country. The harm the worst class of criminals do at election times is very small indeed—they fly at different game altogether. Fear has rather to be entertained of those who pose as political prophets, and who work their way amongst the ignorant and hard-working members of the community and hold temptingly up to their gaze political panaceas for all the material ills they suffer. That a necessity has arisen to purge elections of many pernicious practices is patent to all; but it can hardly be said that the measure before Parliament is likely to achieve the desired result. It will, in time to come, have to be subjected to a considerable amount of tinkering before satisfactory results will be attained.

Local and General News.

The next issue of THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE will be published on Thursday, owing to the Christmas holidays interfering with the usual arrangements. Advertisers are kindly requested to note the fact, and to send in their advertisements by Wednesday evening.

Mr W Edward Nickols will this (Saturday) evening, at 6 p.m., under Mr Humphrey's verandah, sell by auction the rights and privileges in connection with the gates and booths at the Beaufort Jockey Club's races on New Year's Day.

A cricket match has been arranged for Christmas Day, between the local and Ballarat Britannia clubs, to be played in the Beaufort Park.

We have received from Mr S. Prisk Melbourne, a very pretty specimen packet of Xmas. cards.

We are pleased to hear that Messrs Hancock and party are getting payable gold from the Albion Extended claim at Poverty Point, Beaufort. It will be remembered that assistance was obtained by the party from the last Prospecting V to.

The will of the late Mr John Ware, of Yalla-y-Poora, Ararat, squatter, has been filed in the Probate Office. The deceased died on the 1st September last, leaving a will, executed on the 4th April, 1879, and three codicils, dated the 18th February, 1884, the 10th February, 1887, and 4th June, 1891, respectively. The estate, which is valued at L292,262, consisting of L257,876 realty and L34,386 personalty, is bequeathed to the deceased's widow and children.

The Country Fire Brigades' Board has accepted the registration of the Beaufort Brigade. Captain Hennah, an inspector, paid a visit to Beaufort on Thursday, and made a valuation of the Brigade's appliances and station. He expressed the utmost satisfaction with the appearance of the plant and building, but imparted no information beyond intimating that his report would be received through the Board.

A lecture entitled, "The Holy Land," was delivered in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, on Thursday evening, to a fairly large and thoroughly appreciative audience. The lecture was profusely illustrated by means of a magic lantern, with really first-class views of the sacred spots of Palestine; and being succinctly and pleasantly explained, was of a very instructive nature. Mr Green intends repeating the lecture at Waterloo at an early date.

Messrs Andrews and Harris, J's.P., committed a young woman on Thursday last, named Jemima Parsons, to the Ararat Lunatic Asylum on the medical testimony of Drs. Johnston and Adam, which was to the effect that Parsons was suffering from a deranged intellect, with a tendency to become violent.

At the December quarterly meeting of the Primitive Methodist Church, the Rev. R. Jackson, of Castlemaine—a very earnest preacher—was invited to succeed the Rev. W. H. Youlton (whose term expires in April next) at Beaufort. The invitation was accepted. The Rev. W. H. Youlton, in response to an invitation, removes to Castlemaine.

At an examination in telegraphy held at the general post-office, Melbourne, on the 9th inst., we notice amongst the list of successful candidates, the names of Augustine Hoy (of Nhill, formerly of Beaufort), with 359 marks, and Ernest C. Elliott (of East Charlton, formerly of Beaufort), with 309 marks. The highest number of marks attainable was 400.

A gold mining lease, of 32a. 2r. 30p., Raglan, has been issued to J. Billing.

We would direct particular attention to a Government advertisement elsewhere inviting tenders for the destruction of rabbits on Crown lands within the Mt. Cole State forest during 1892. Plans can be seen on application to Mr McRae, Beaufort. Tenders must be forwarded to the chief inspector, Melbourne, by noon of Monday next, 21st inst.

In connection with the sale of needlework in aid of the Ballarat District Hospital, held at Waterloo on the 22nd October last, a number of articles remaining unsold were forwarded to the Hospital staff for disposal. By this means the receipts were augmented by L3, or a total of L13 16s 8d realised from the sale.

The following applications for licenses have been approved:—For stripping wattle bark in Mount Cole State forest—Henry Bell, block 1, at £3 11s per ton; C. C. Tucker, block 2, at £2 15s per ton; C. C. Tucker, block 3, at L2 15s per ton; A. Wilkinson, block 4, at L2; A. Wilkinson, block 5, at L2.

The rights to the booths and gates in connection with the Beaufort Boxing Day Sports, were sold on Saturday evening last under Vanderstoel's Victoria Hotel by Mr W. Edward Nickols. The following were the purchasers:—No 1 publican's booth—D. Maher, L4 15s; No 2 do., D. Maher, L4; luncheon, D. Maher, 10s; refreshment, G. White, L2 5s; bazaar, G. White, 10s; gates, W. Schlicht, L20.

As a proof of the rapid growth of Freemasonry in Victoria since the formation of the United Grand Lodge in 1889, no less than 35 new lodges have been established in various parts of the colony, while the number of members on its register has increased by about 4,000. Another warrant has been issued for the establishment of a lodge in connection with the Melbourne University; to be called the Melbourne University Lodge, No. 171.

A meeting of the Beaufort Jockey Club was held at Welsh's Camp Hotel on Thursday evening. Present—Messrs Andrews (chairman), Flynn, Maher, Vanderstoel, White, Sinclair (hon. secretary), and Parker. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The secretary intimated that he had sent a guinea subscription for the Racing Calendar, and 1s for registration, and had had the money returned with the information that 6s 6d was only necessary. The committee appointed for the purpose reported that very little repairs were necessary to the booths and course. They recommended lowering the booth and altering it into a skillion, stating that pieces of the timber had been carried away. It was estimated that to board the back, cover top with calico, and lower roof, would cost at least L15. Mr Andrews moved, and Mr White seconded, that the roof be altered to make a skillion of the building. Carried. It was decided to call for tenders, returnable on Tuesday next, at 8 p.m. for alteration to booths, necessary repairs to urinals and course, and erecting and removing hurdles on the day of the sports, on motion of Messrs Flynn and White. The next meeting was arranged for Tuesday night at Loft's Railway Hotel.

Another huge sum has been paid for a picture, and again by a member of the house of Rothschild. Monsieur A. de Rothschild has acquired for L24,000 Raphael's portrait of Cæsar Borria from Prince Borghese.

The rate at which the dairying industry is developing is simply amazing. Three years ago Victoria commenced to test the English market; this year there will be sent to London nearly five million pounds of butter, which, taking the average realised at a shilling a pound, will return to the Victorian producers, in addition to bonuses, nearly L250 000. As the market is practically unlimited, it would seem that this is about to grow into one of the most valuable producing interests of Victoria.

BEAUFORT POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1891.

(Before Messrs. C. J. Leadbeater, F. Beggs, and Capt. Bridges, J's.P.)

MAINTENANCE.

Elizabeth Mary Scott sued Sydney Smith for the maintenance of her illegitimate child. Mr Pearson appeared for defendant, who pleaded not guilty.

Complainant sworn, said she had got dates to prove defendant was the father of her child. On the 8th of February, this year, the intimacy took place. She would swear he was the father of her child, and that she had not been intimate with any one else. On the 14th and 27th of February, and 22nd of April, she had also been intimate with Smith. The intimacies took place by Mr Wotherspoon's fence. Any amount of people had seen them in company, but she had no witnesses to prove the connections. The child was born on 7th November. She had no letters from Smith, but he said that when the child was born he would be the first and the last to keep it. This was before the child was born.

Mr Pearson asked that the case be dismissed; contending that under the 48th section of the Marriage Act 1890 no man could be taken to be the father of an illegitimate child on the oath of the mother only.

The Bench pointed out to complainant that if she thought at a later date she could produce sufficient evidence to prove Smith the father of her child, she could get an adjournment; but as it would probably mean paying the lawyer's costs that day, and on a future occasion also, if she could not get this evidence, it would be better to allow the case to go on.

Complainant said that people had only seen her out walking with Smith, and that she knew of nothing further. She wished the case gone on with.

The Bench afforded complainant an opportunity of questioning defendant, and on her acting upon it, Mr Pearson took exception. He showed this was a quasi criminal proceeding, and that it was not usual to ask defendant anything but as regards his means. The justices must have evidence to leave no reasonable doubt that defendant was the Father. Defendant could not be compelled to criminate himself.

The bench feeling disposed to have the case further gone into,

Mr Pearson cross-examined Scott. She said she was 20 last June. She had been at her home in Beaufort ever since April last, and had not been walking with any young man but Smith since January. The only corroborative evidence she had was that had others seen her walking with defendant. The intimacies took place on the dates given, which she had put down herself immediately afterwards. She had not the paper with her. Had two dates with others before, but none since. Did not always practice going out walking with young men to have connection with them and then deliberately go home and put down the dates. Did it first on 11th December, (Witness here mentioned the names of two other young men who had had improper intercourse with her prior to January) one of whom she had previously sworn had raped her, and afterwards admitted it was with her consent. The intimacies with Smith took place in the open air, near the Park road, and within sight of the place she was in service at; and after she left home about 9 o'clock. Usually stayed out a couple of hours.

The Bench were unanimously of opinion that there was not sufficient evidence to sheet the charge home to defendant. They wanted to fully hear this case and all such cases, to try and protect young females in every way in their power; but complainant by her own showing had so far improperly conducted herself that they could not see that Smith was the father of the child, and would therefore dismiss the case.

Defendant was allowed one guinea cost.

DEBT.

Robt. Jackson v. Thos. Winter.—L2 10s. Order for amount in weekly instalments of 2s 6d by consent.

W. Schlicht v. Jas. Alsop.—L2 5s 6d. Order for amount, with 5s costs; in default distress.

MONEY LENT.

G. Topper v. W. McFarlane.—L21 9s 3d. After partly going into this case, the Bench declined to adjudicate upon it, and adjourned it till the 11th January next for the attendance of the police magistrate.

PETTY LARCENY.

Two lads named John Stevens and David Adams, aged 11 and 10 years respectively, were charged with breaking John Loutitt's house at the Yam Holes, Beaufort, on 25th ult. and stealing 4½d in coppers, a pencil case, and an imitation silver watch chain, from the mantlepiece, and a pair of pincers out of a nail-box, valued by the police at 10s and by Louttit at 5s. The youngsters effected an entrance by breaking two panes of glass in a window. They admitted their guilt to Constable MacPherson, Stevens at first denying it. They were also charged with feloniously carrying away from Richard Humphrey's place, on 24th ult., two dozen hen eggs valued at 2s. These were found smashed against a pigeon house, and several young birds killed.

Mr Stevens asked the bench to deal leniently with the offenders. He promised to do his best to keep his son out of trouble in the future, and said he had arranged to give him private tuition to keep him away from other boys. He pointed out that he had lived 30 years in the town and nobody could say anything against his character.

The Bench sentenced the boy Stevens to three months' imprisonment, and Adams to one month, the reason for the difference being that the latter had shown some contrition by confessing to what he had done. In consideration of the youth of the boys, he sentence would be suspended for months, the parents each to enter io a recognizance for their good behaviour for that period. Addressing the boys, Mr Leadbeater (the chairman) asked them to think of the serious position in which they had placed their parents. He supposed they were to young to thoroughly understand the position, but he hoped they would go away and be good boys. If they did anything wrong in 12 months they could get their fathers into very serious trouble, and perhaps be sent to prison themselves.

The parents entered into a recognizance of L10 each for their son's good behaviour.

MASONIC PRESENTATION.

At the ordinary monthly meeting of the Fiery Creek Lodge, Beaufort, on Wednesday night, a very nice ceremony was performed by the W.M., viz.: the presentation to Bro E. Baker of a handsome set of carvers (with ivory handles, mounted in sterling silver, and neatly encased), in appreciation of his invaluable services as P.M. in the working of the Lodge during the consecration year. The W.M., Bro. A. Allison, said it fell to his lot—and a pleasing duty it was—to express the sincere thanks of the brethren to Bro. Baker for his distinguished services as Past Master during the 12 months he occupied that office. Those services were of much value in establishing and working the Lodge, and were all the more valuable because of the ready and cheerful way they were given. His knowledge of Masonry and experience in the Craft contributed in no small degree to the marked success which has distinguished the meetings the past year. Not only had he laid them under a debt by attending and assisting in the ceremonies, but he had endeared himself to all the brethren by his personal good qualities. They were proud to regard him as a true-hearted and genuine brother, worthy of their love and esteem. As his period of office had now concluded, the brethren think it only right and proper, and the least they can do, to make him a presentation, to mark his connection with the Lodge, and to shew the estimation in which he is held by all. This, they intended doing at the annual meeting last month, but circumstances prevented that being done. However, the opportunity has now arrived, and he had therefore much pleasure, on behalf of the Lodge, in presenting him with this set of carvers, which they trusted he would be pleased to accept. It is not given as a reward, because services rendered with the kindly and brotherly spirit he displayed were above reward. It is given in order that his children and friends of the present and future may be able to point with pride to a tangible proof or token of the esteem in which he was held by the Fiery Creek Lodge. They trusted he might live long, not only to enjoy the honors and advantages which Masonry confers, but to enjoy success in life and happiness in all his concerns. In conclusion, he expressed the hope that the brotherly love existing between them in the past may continue, and that Bro. Baker may continue to be in the future, as in the past, an ornament to the Craft.

Bro Baker, who was agreeably taken by surprise, expressed his sense of obligation to the brethren for their kindness. What assistance he had been able to give—and it appeared to be thought of higher value than it really deserved—was given out of personal regard to their then Master, Bro Harris, and devotion to Masonry. It had been a pleasure to him, and he was more than satisfied to find that it had been so substantially appreciated. He regretted his inability to adequately express his feelings, but in sincerely thanking them for their kind gift, he could assure them that he would always prize it dearly and hand it down to his children as a memento of their regard for him.

Bro. Harris fully endorsed the W.M's remarks, which left nothing for him to say, and after gratefully acknowledging the assistance so kindly given him by Bro. Baker during his term of office, moved that the Lodge accords a hearty vote of thanks for the same. Bro. H. H. Jackson seconded the proposition (which was unanimously carried) in eulogistic terms.

Mr Outtrim was compelled to centre his virgin Ministerial affections upon the Mines Act Amendment Bill when the Premier slaughtered the Sharebrokers Bill among other innocents. It is a measure designed to improve the machinery of the department, particularly in the direction of giving facilities to searchers for minerals to enter upon lands dealt with under special acts. Provision was also made to the effect that coal and minerals on all unalienated lands belonged to the Crown, so as to save the rights of prospectors. It was further set forth that a miner, after 25 years' work, might, on satisfying the Minister of Lands that his service covered that term, be granted ten acres of land on any gold-field at a nominal rental, the tenure to continue during his lifetime and the lifetime of his wife. The principles of the bill did not call for much debate on the second reading, and in committee the discussion was almost wholly confined to the "old miners' homesteads" clause. Mr Sterry, as an old miner, strongly urged that the interest should not terminate with the death of the survivor of the marriage, and contended that the right to purchase after seven years should be conceded. Mr Woods, Mr M'Intyre, and Mr Tatchell, all old miners, opposed the granting of the fee simple because the occupiers would be tempted to sell out to "land grabbers." Mr Wrixon took the view that it was unjust to limit the operation of the clause to old miners, and thought that the claims of men who had followed other hazardous occupations, fishermen for instance, should be considered. Ultimately, the clause as printed was agreed to, and the bill was sent to the Council.—"Argus," Thursday.

At the London wool sales, which closed on the 16th inst., the total number of bales catalogued was 198,800. The quantity sold was 194,800. The quantity sold for the export trade was 120,000 bales.—"Argus."

CRICKET.

BEAUFORT v. ARARAT.

The above clubs met for the first time this season on Wednesday afternoon last at Ararat. The home team were very slow in putting in an appearance, and on this account, and also a disinclination to go out in the rain, the game did not commence till 3 o'clock. Beaufort winning the toss, elected to bat first. With but 7 up the crack batsman of the team, Bentley, was unfortunately run out. Misfortunes did not come singly, two other good players, W. C. and E. Trompf, returning to the pavilion in quick succession. Three wickets down for fourteen runs was anything but a bright outlook. A. Trompf and Parker, however, each aided by a large slice of luck, put a totally different aspect on the game, bringing the score to 74 before a separation was effected. Notwithstanding that Trompf gave several chances, his score of 26 was a splendid performance, and contributed at a critical stage of the game, proved invaluable to his side. He was deservedly cheered on retiring. None of the other players made any stand—four getting "ducks-eggs"—and the innings closed for the respectable total of 112; Parker, who had as many lives as a cat (Grano and Stevens each missing very easy catches, and the former getting a possible chance off the first stroke), carrying out his bat for a lucky 65. No fewer than six bowlers were tried. Langenbacher took 5 wkts. for 6 runs, but had he been tried earlier it may safely be conjectured his average would have been spoilt. Dailey—an Asylum player, by the way—did the lion's share of the bowling, and obtained 2 wickets for 31 runs. Ararat commenced badly; Bentley getting Little (a dangerous batsman) first ball. Ararat, however, had its full quota of luck; F. Trompf dropping a soft one from Miller off his brother's bowling. Miller, who had then made 5, showed his gratitude by adding 30 before he was disposed of. The visitors also thought Webb should have been adjudged run out early in his career, but the Ararat umpire decided differently. Then Crowle let a nice catch from Dailey slip through his fingers—all combining to increase Ararat's score. Miller played a good innings, as also did Webb, for 14. Steven's score of 10 was the outcome of steady cricket. Dailey hit freely for 19, and lost his wicket somewhat singularly. He skied a ball into Crowle's hands, and in trying for a run collided with Miller, both tumbling over. Crowle's fingers were greasy, but he made amends to all but the bowler for missing the catch by running up with the ball and knocking the wickets over. The home team were disposed of for 93, Beaufort thus winning the match by 19 runs. W. Trompf secured the best bowling average, obtaining 4 wickets for 36 runs; Bentley getting 2 for 38. The return match is to be played early in the New Year. Appended are the scores:—

BEAUFORT.

Bentley, run out ...	3
W. C. Trompf, b Dailey	3
Parker (capt.), not out ...	62
E. Trompf, b Webb	0
A. Trompf, c Stevens, b Walters	26
H. Trompf, b Langenbacher	5
F. Trompf, b Langenbacher	4
E. Lilley, b Langenbacher	0
G. Johnston, c Miller, b Dailey	0
S. Baker, b Langenbacher	0
Sinclair, b Langenbacher	0
Byes	9
Total	112

Bowling Analysis.—Dailey, 90 balls, 5 maidens, 31 runs, 2 wkts.; Webb, 30 balls, 14 runs, 1 wkt.; Miller, 42 balls, 23 runs; Dimelow, 24 balls, 13 runs; Walters, 18 balls, 13 runs, 1 wkt.; Langenbacher, 27 balls, 1 mdn., 6 runs, 5 wkts.

ARARAT.

Little, b Bentley ...	0
Webb, b Bentley ...	14
Miller, b Lilley ...	35
Gamson, run out...	0
Stevens (capt.), run out...	10
Dailey, run out ...	19
Dimelow, b W. Trompf...	2
Grano, b W. Trompf ...	9
Walters, b W. Trompf ...	0
Langenbacher, b W. Trompf ...	0
Taylor, not out ...	0
Byes	4
Total	93

Bowling Analysis—W. Trompf, 69 balls, 38 runs, 4 wkts.; Bentley, 60 balls, 39 runs, 2 wkts.; Lilley, 18 balls, 17 runs, 1 wkt.

The prospect of an early relief from duty caused members of the Legislative Assembly to tackle work yesterday with cordiality, and after the preliminary business was disposed of the House began the consideration of bills. Mr Sheils brought forward a measure to apply L295,000 out of the railway loan account for the following purposes:—Rearrangement of stations at Melbourne, L50,000; interlocking, L10,00; urgent works, L10,000; permanent survey of new lines, L10,000; and rolling stock, L200,000. Mr Staughton affected to be surprised that the Ministry should have so much money at its disposal after having declared the Treasury to be empty, and to satisfy him Mr Sheils consented to the bill standing aside until Mr Munro had an opportunity of explaining the financial position. This the Premier did immediately in moving the prelimetary motion in committee necessary to enable the Treasury Bonds Bill to be brought in. The disclosures appeared to the House to be eminently satisfactory. Now that Mr Munro has to deal with his own Estimates and not those framed by Mr Gillies he is hopeful, and when he said that he anticipated that the revenue for this year would not be far short of the estimate, Mr L. L. Smith led a few members in a feeble cheer. On the whole it was evident that the House was by no means inclined to take a gloomy view of the future. The bill having been disposed of, Mr Shiels proceeded with the Coal Lines Construction Bill, which was passed through all stages after a protest by the "wheat" members that extensions were not proposed for the mallee country. At last the Railway Loan Application Bill was again taken into consideration, but the schedule was under discussion when the House adjourned at 11 o'clock. The speaker will take the chair again at 11 a.m. to-day.—"Argus," Friday.

BEAUFORT UNITED CO[MMON]

A meeting of the manage[rs] above was held at the Shire [Hall] Thursday, there being p[resent] Messrs Andrews (chairman), ... and Flynn.

The minutes of the previous ... were read and confirmed.

REPORTS.

The secretary (Mr J. W. Brown) reported as under. With reference ... financial position of the common: "Balance in bank, L26 0s 2d; cash ... hand, L5 18s; making a total cre[dit] L31 18s 2d. Fees received to date ... current half year, L83 1s; owin[g] stock branded by the herdsman, ... making the total assessment to ... L99 1s. Percentage due to herds[man] L13."—Received.

The herdsman (Mr D. Cameron) reported that since last meeting ... sheep and 80 cattle passed through ... common; that on 4th inst. Robert ... a drover, came on the common w[ithout] giving him the required notice ... intention to drive sheep through it, ... that he charged him L1 10s ... fees; that N. White reports he ... killed 450 rabbits since last mee[ting] and that there are only 100 rounds ... cartridges on hand.—Received; ... secretary being authorized to pu[rchase] cartridges if required before next me[et]ing.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Secretary for Lands, in re[ply] to a letter forwarded to Mr ... M.L.A., stating that the depar[tment] could not undertake to destroy r[abbits] on the common area even if it [were] proclaimed a goldfield's common.

Mr Flynn pointed out th... should draw the department's at[tention] to the large amount of revenue ... by them off the common from ... licenses and rents from small ... the eyes of the common pick... considering that if the case we[re] laid before the department in ... by their parliamentary repre[sentative] they might allow as an equ... annual grant.

Mr Ansaldi said this had bee[n] on several occasions, but the dis... of the department was not ... Further steps, however, might b[e] to induce them to help.

The chairman said a deputation ... gone down, with the result th[at the] department gave them £50. A[t the] beginning of the year they again ... for monetary assistance, but rece[ived] reply that poisoned grain wou[ld be] given, but no monetary assistance. ... impression was that the policy of Government was to curtail th... of commons, alluding to the ... just passed giving an old miner ... privilege of taking up a ten-acre b[lo]ck a residence area.

Mr Ansaldi could fairly ... the Government allowing miners ... 20-acre blocks to get rid of ... expiration; but a large number w... not able to fence in these blocks. ... Government was not cognizant of ... requirements of the people. Comm[ons] were not wanted in Melbourne, ... they appeared to think it was the ... in the country. When speaking to ... member of Parliament a short time ... the common question cropped up, ... was told the rabbit difficulty cou[ld be] overcome by men taking up 20 ... acres. But if this were done, th... would merely revert into the hands ... one or two. By all means let the[m] keep the common, and agitate for assist[ance] to exterminate the rabbits.

Mr Flynn thought they shoul[d] be blocked, but try again, and point ... that as the poorer classes were larg[ely] dependent on the common for a living, if it were taken away it would be ... great hardship to them. It should be represented to the department that as the common was a source of revenue to the Government it was only fair on their part to render assistance in destroying rabbits.

The secretary was instructed to carry out Mr Flynn's suggestion, and ask Mr Uren to press the matter.

Mr Flynn said there was another matter which ought to be remedied. Some time elapsed between the time the common managers granted applications for blocks and the land was fenced in; still the managers were called upon to destroy the rabbits, and something should be done to compel the people to assist in this work.

From Miss M. Patterson, Sailor's Gully, forwarding plan of land applied for by her some time ago, amending application to 65th section, and asking consideration of area marked No. 2 if No. 1 should not be approved of.

From John Martin and 15 others, strongly protesting against the application of Miss Maggie Patterson to occupy 20 acres at Sailor's Gully, on the grounds that the branding yards are situated on the land applied for, and should a revival of the mining industry take place it would be required for building purposes.

Miss Patterson to be informed that owing to the strong objections raised by the residents of Sailor's Gully the managers cannot grant her application.

From Mrs H. Gilloch, Beaufort, asking permission to occupy the land colored on enclosed plan under 65th section of Land Act 1890.—Granted.

From Stephen Whiting, Beaufort, asking permission to occupy 20 acres of land under 65th second of Land Act 1884, as shown on accompanying plan, stating his attention to build on the land, use it as a poultry farm, and cultivate portion.—Granted.

From Shire of Ripon, forwarding letter from Mr McIntosh to Council protesting against the Eurambeen Farmers' Common being handed over to the Mining Board, and asking opinion of the managers on the subject.—Consideration postponed till next meeting.

FINANCE.

The following accounts were ... for payment:—Herdsman, ... retary, L2, N. White, L8; ... Bros., 4s 3d.

AN UNSCRUPULOUS FOE.

Creeps upon us unawares like an assassin in the dark and whose dangerous proximity we never suspect until it makes the last fatal clutch on some vital organ. We are always warmed in ample time of the impending danger, but with criminal carelessness neglect these warnings: That tired feeling, those aching limbs, and that grand feeling one day and seedy condition the next, the sour taste on waking in the morning, and the frequent sick and splitting headaches, all make their debut before serious illness sets in. All or any of these symptoms indicate the approach of disease, they are faithful signs that the liver and the kidneys are not doing their duties, that the morbid and effete matter instead of being eliminated from the system, is being retained, and is positively poisoning and destroying the whole physical structure. Neglect in such cases is criminal, recourse to rational treatment should be had at once, CLEMENTS TONIC should be taken to strengthen the digestion, purify and fortify the blood to stimulate the liver and brace up the kidneys, to resolve and eliminate the poisonous urea. Liver and kidney complaints are the most prevalent diseases of this country, and so long as we consume such large quantities of animal food and stimulants, so long will this unhealthy condition last. It is this mode of life that causes such numbers of deaths from heart disease, Bright's disease, dropsy, cancer, inflammation and enlargement of the liver, and similar causes, all of which herald their approach by feelings of lassitude, headache, languor &c., and if prompt treatment at once is adopted by a regular use of CLEMENTS TONIC, the progress of disease or disease is arrested, the stomach, liver and kidneys resume their normal action and the poisonous accumulations are expelled the system and normal health is restored. That CLEMENTS TONIC is reliable is proved begond al question and we have grateful beneficiaries in every town and village who are continually writing us in terms similar to the following:—

"St Leonards, Sydney,—Dear sir,—I can with pleasure bear witness to the great relief I have received from the use of CLEMENTS TONIC and DR FLETCHER'S PILLS. I have been a great sufferer for 11 years from liver disease, which at times considerable enlargemen, which caused a swelling in the side under the ribs and was very painful, the abdoman, bowels &c' always felt very tender on pressure, with most obstinate constipation for which I took FLETCHER'S PILLS, the first dose caused a copious evacuation and gave great relief, and I thought I was all right, but after a week I was as bad again as before, I again had recourse to FLETCHER'S PILLS but I took CLEMENTS TONIC as well this time and continued it for a couple of months, after the first dose I felt better and got rid of all the symptoms I used to have, as flushings of heat and cold, splitting headache, pains in the side and small of the back, extreme lassitude, and the general feeling of 'all right to day, seedy to morrow,' all these symptoms with many others I used to have, but now thanks to CLEMENTS TONIC I am quite cured, I can get up in a morning refreshed by the night's rest and can eat a good breakfast, whereas before taking the medicine I scarcely ever could eat anything, and when I did it nearly always made me vomit, but now I am quite well and have been so for 5 months I have no cause to fear a relapse. I don't mind your publishing my case if you add nothing to it, as it may bring relief to similar sufferers.—Yours very truly, H. GABRELL."

The Earl of Dudley holds the largest life insurance ever effected, the amount being L1,200,000. Second in the list comes Mr Wanamaker, Postmaster-General of the United States, whose policies of L1,000,000 exceed that of the Czar of all the Russias by L50,000. Fourth comes the Prince of Wales, whose life is insured for L525,000.

The biggest official salary paid to a woman is probably that of L2,000 a year, which is received by a Californian manageress of two leading life insurance companies of New York. She has to direct and organise insurance matters in the Pacific Coast States, and has 100 women under her control.

An American young lady is said to have hit upon an unique idea for the wall paper of her boudoir. It consists of her correspondence, and the dado, which is not yet complete, will be made up entirely of love-letters. At present the *billets-doux* do not quite suffice to fill the space, but she expects, it is said, to make up the deficiency within the next three months. Young men who have hitherto been content to express themselves by sighs will be encouraged to transfer their suspirations to paper, and thus the missing "breadths" will be obtained. That, at least, is what the lady anticipates, though the publication of the fact is a little injudicious. For, although the signatures of the letters are considerate cut off, it is just possible that the ardent youth of that far western neighborhood will take alarm at the suspicion that the outpourings of their passion may be even anonymously exposed to the eye of an unsympathetic world. Perhaps, however the identity of the fair one may not be known, or still more likely, the natural vanity of each of her admirers may convince him that, whatever indignity may be in store for the letters of his rivals, his own will be regarded as sacred.

On Friday night Messrs Banks Brothers' woolshed at Boree Creek, Q., nine miles from Blackall, was burned to ashes, and a hundred bales of wool were totally consumed. The police, with the black trackers, have commenced an investigation. The wool was fully insured, and mortgaged to the Bank of New South Wales. Threats have been used to one of the partners two months ago, by a prominent unionist, and a strict watch was maintained till Friday night, when it relaxed. The police magistrate at Blackall states the police were informed of the threat two months ago.

Dr Brown Sequard says pressing in the neighbourhood of the ear or right in front of the ear may stop coughing. When the pressure is smart enough, as when applied in the form of a box, it will temporarily ease almost anything except howling in the case of a small boy.

FIFTY POUNDS FOR A GUESS.

An ordinary Walker's whisky bottle has been completely filled with Dr. Fletcher's Pills, securely corked with a cork one inch into the neck and sealed and placed in the charge of the Commercial Bank, Newtown, Sydney. "No living soul knows how many pills the bottle contains.' We agree to divide £50 (fifty pounds) in prizes for the nearest guesses as to the number of pills contained in the bottles as follows:—

One present of £25 for the nearest guess.
" " " £10 for next nearest guess.
" " " £5 for next nearest guess.
" " " £4 for next nearest guess.
" " " £3 for next nearest guess.
" " " £2 for next nearest guess.
" " " £1 for next nearest guess.

Conditions:—We make no charge for the guess, but only purchasers of Dr Fletcher's Bilious and liver Pills are eligible to compete and the guess must be written on one of our printed forms, one of which is wrapped around every shilling box leaving our laboratory after this date. In case two or more persons guess the correct number, the one first to hand will get the £25 and the next guess to hand gets the £10 and so on. In case nobody guesses the correct number, the nearest guess gets the first present of L25. Fletcher's pills are sold at one shilling per box everywhere by chemists, storekeepers and patent medicine vendors or we will send a box with guess form, for 13 penny stamps of any colony. All guesses will be entered in a book and numbered at received. The bottle will be opened on January 1st 1892, and the presents sent out at once to the lucky guessers. This competition is a perfectly bona fide affair and arranged for the purpose of introducing Dr Fletcher's Pills, so there can be no appeal from our decision.

[CERTIFICATE] 22-6-91.

We have this day seen a Walker's whiskey bottle filled with Dr Fletcher's Pills and securely corked and sealed. No one knows how many pills are in the bottle, which is now secure in our safe until January 1st, 1892.

W. H. GODDARD, Manager,
ERNEST LYONS, Accountant.
Commercial Bank,
Newtown, Sydney.

We cannot enter into correspondence about this competition, unless stamps for reply and addressed envelopes are sen- each time. Results and names of successful guessers will be sent to everybody who sends two penny stamps and addressed envelope, and not otherwise. F. M. Clements, Newtown, Sydney.

A terrible cyclone visited Richmond Downs, Queensland, on Monday night, lasting about an hour, and doing frightful damage, the whole town being more or less wrecked. The courthouse, which had just been completed, had half the roof torn off. The gale was accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain, which only added to the existing misery. The telegraph line was broken and blown off the poles. It is impossible at present to form any estimate as to the damage done. The weather is now clear, but excessively hot.—"Argus"

In a weekly letter addressed by Mr Threlfall to the *Manchester Examiner*, he says he hears that one of the London railway companies is considering the zone system, and that it is quite possible that they may enable passengers to travel to any of their stations for one penny.

An apparently marvellous feat is being performed at the Westminster Aquarium by an artiste who is professionally known as Nitram Negg. He jumps sheer from the roof of the building to the floor, a distance of close upon 100 feet, and alights upon his feet with the ease of a child who has jumped off a stool. How is it done? everyone who sees the feat immediately asks. The performance is conducted on very simple principles. Nitram Negg is attached to a steel covered elastic spring, so nicely adjusted that it just drops him on the floor of the Aquarium as gently as a mother deposits her child in its cradle. The mechanism having done its work is disconnected from the performer and springs back to the roof with such lightning rapidity that the spectator is unable to detect it.

The debate on the Treasury Bonds Bill in the Legislative Assembly last evening (says Friday's 'Argus') showed that members as a whole approved of raising money in the manner proposed, but the discussion ranged over a wide field. Mr Patterson contended that the bonds should be sold locally, in order to give investors a sound security, but objections to that course, on the ground that it would make bad worse, came from all sides. Mr Patterson also took the view that we should tax ourselves and rely upon our own resources rather than go to London for money for our requirements, and Mr Deakin, in endorsing and emphasising that opinion, urged the Government to adopt a spirited policy of public works and railway construction. Mr Webb took advantage of the opening to again advocate the increase of the stock tax, but he received a crushing free-trade reply from Mr Williams. Sir Bryan O'Loughlin and Mr M'Intyre urged that a forward railway construction policy should be adopted, the former submitting that property tax must sooner or later be imposed. Mr Trenwith, wonderful though it may appear, concurred with Mr Patterson. We were, he said, already sending as much money to London for interests as we received in loans. If the borrowing policy continued we would soon be sending more than we received, and that must ultimately lead to ruin. We should raise money for works among ourselves. Mr Gillies explained that our stocks were low on the London market because financiers who operated in them had lost heavily in South American bonds, and could not afford to continue their operations. We must wait until they were free from embarrassment and then our credit would be restored. He deprecated the making of statements calculated to give the impression that we borrowed money to supply deficiencies in the ordinary revenue, and remarked upon the difference between the Treasurer and the Audit Commissioners as to the deficiency at the close of last year.

The manager of the Saxon Consols, G.M.Co., Waterloo South, reports as under:—"Week's yield, 26oz. 13dwts."

The mining manager of the Hopetoun G.M. Co., No Liability, Poverty Point, Beaufort, reports as under:—"South drive, 3 sets, 1oz. 10dwts. Eastern drive, dip in face of 3ft, with heavy wash."

The weather during the present week has been cold and wintry. The rainfall in Beaufort was 1 inch 81 points.

The hon. treasurer of the Beaufort Ladies' Benevolent Society acknowledges with thanks the receipt of L8 4s 1d from Miss Greenwood—half proceeds from a recent Sale of Gifts.

A special meeting of the Ararat Shire Council will be held at the Shire Hall on Wednesday last, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the election to take place at the beginning of the year of a member to represent the municipalities on the Local Prospecting Board. Cr Carroll, the retiring representative, who has filled the position in a highly satisfactory manner for the past two years, was unanimously nominated, and the council at once resolved to take steps to solicit the support of the various municipalities in the division to the candidature of Mr Carroll. Under the circumstance that Mr Carroll is the only representative of the southern division, whilst Stawell has two members on the board and each of the other divisions one, it is to be hoped that no effort will be made to oppose Mr Carroll, but that the principle of a fair distribution of representation will be acknowledged by all the corporations interested.—"Advertiser."

V. R.

RABBIT EXTIRPATION.—MOUNT COLE STATE FOREST. NOTICE.

TENDERS are invited for the destruction of rabbits on all unoccupied Crown lands situated within the boundaries of the Mount Cole State Forest.

Plans showing the land referred to can be inspected at the office of the Rabbit Inspector, Beaufort.

Tenderers must state in words and figures the total sum for which they are prepared to undertake the destruction of the rabbits on this land and to keep the said land clear of rabbits during the twelve months from 1st January, 1892, to 31st December, 1892.

A deposit of L10 must accompany tender.

Tenders to be forwarded, up to Noon on Monday, the 21st day of December, 1891, to the Chief Inspector, Lands Department, Melbourne, and addressed—"Tender for Destruction of Rabbits on Crown Lands."

Any further particulars required will be supplied as far as practicable on application, either by letter or personally, to the Rabbit Inspector, Beaufort, or Chief Inspector, Lands Department, Melbourne.

A. McLEAN.

Department of Land and Survey,
Melbourne, 30th November, 1891.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS.

Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and from all stations (Suburban excepted) from the 17th December, 1891, till the 2nd January, 1892 (both dates inclusive, Sundays excepted), available for return for one calendar month from date of issue. Example:—An excursion ticket issued on the 2nd January will be available till the 2nd February. When the last day falls on a Sunday, the ticket will be available till the next day. The journey must be commenced on the date the ticket is issued, but after a distance of 15 miles has been travelled the journey may be broken at the discretion of the passenger.

Sydney Excursion Tickets.—From the 17th December, 1891, till the 1st January, 1892 (both dates inclusive), Excursion Tickets will be issued at Melbourne for Sydney, at the following return fares, viz.:—First class, £5 0s. 0d.; second class, £4 1s. These tickets will be available for return for two calendar months from date of issue, but will not be available by the express train on the New South Wales line. Passengers can, however, travel by the express train on the New South Wales on payment of 15s 1st class and 10s 2nd class. The journey cannot be broken on the New South Wales line

Adelaide Excursion Tickets.—From the 18th December, 1891, till the 1st January, 1892 (both dates inclusive), Excursion Tickets, available by the express and ordinary trains, will be issued at Melbourne for Adelaide and Broken Hill, at the following return fares, viz.:—Adelaide, 1st class, £4 4s 5d; 2nd class, £2 10s 8d. Broken Hill—1st class, £7 9s 9d; 2nd class, £4 11s 5d. These tickets will be available for return for two calendar months from date of issue, and the journey may be broken.

Brisbane Excursion Tickets.—From the 17th December, 1891, till the 1st January, 1892 (both dates inclusive), Excursion Tickets, available by the express and ordinary trains on all lines, will be issued at Melbourne for Brisbane at the following return fares, viz.:—1st class, £10; 2nd class, £6 17s 6d. These tickets, will be available for return for three calendar months from date of issue, and the journey may be broken.

Luggage.—Excursion passengers to and from stations in Victoria 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 are required to be at the station half-an-hour before the starting time of train. Stamped parcels rates will be charged for it. All luggage should be plainly addressed with the owner's name and the station it is for.

Horses and Vehicles.—From the 21st December, 1891, till the 2nd January, 1892 (both dates inclusive), the Department cannot engage to forward horses or vehicles by passenger trains unless accommodation can be provided by special arrangement.

Commercial Travellers' Samples.—From the 21st December, 1891, till the 2nd January, 1892, (both dates inclusive) commercial travellers' samples will only be taken to or from roadside stations by mixed or goods trains.

Parcels.—On the 23rd, 24th, 30th, and 31st December, parcels must be at the Parcels office, at Spencer-street and Princes-bridge stations half-an-hour before starting time of the ordinary trains.

Goods Sheds Holidays.—The 25th and 26th December, 1891, and the 1st January, 1892, will be observed as holidays in the goods branch, and only dairy produce goods trains will run. Perishable goods, will be delivered at all stations on application. Consignees of powder can ascertain from the stationmaster at Footscray West when explosives will be received in lieu of these dates. On the 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 26th December, 1891, and 1st January, 1892, fruit and dairy produce will not be carried by purely passenger trains between Melbourne, Ballarat, and Bendigo, nor on the North-Eastern line, unless parcels rates are paid. Fruit and other perishables, for country stations, will not be received at the Melbourne goods sheds on Thursday, 24th December, after 12 noon.

Seaside Excursions.—The issue of these tickets at the principal stations will continue as already advertised. (See posters at all stations)

By order of the Commissioners,
P. P. LABERTOUCHE,
Secretary for Railways.

FOR SALE—WOOD WAGGON; nearly new. Apply, J. SMITH, New Police Barracks, Beaufort.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING.

NOTICE.—The Annual meeting of the council of the Shire of Ripon for the purpose of finally examining and settling the statements and accounts of the shire for the financial year ended 30th Sept. 1891, will be held at noon of Thursday, 7th January, 1892, at the Shire Hall, Beaufort. The statements and accounts are now printed and lie at the office of the council for the inspection of the parties interested.

JOSEPH WATSON,
Shire Secretary.

Shire Office, Beaufort.

Beaufort Jockey Club.

THE right to the Publican's Booth and Gates at the above club's races on New Year's Day will be sold by public auction by Mr W. Edward Nickols under Mr Humphreys [illegible] Beaufort, on Saturday, [illegible] at 6 p.m.

R. A. D. SINCLAIR,
Hon. Secy.

BEAUFORT JOCKEY CLUB

Tenders are invited for cutting down roof of booths to stalls, erecting zinc round judge's box, &c., putting flags on poles, levelling course, and finding and erecting hurdles. Tenders close 8 o'clock, Tuesday evening, 22nd Decr. Specifications can be seen on application to

R. A. D. SINCLAIR, Hon. Secy.

BOXING DAY SPORTS

Grand Sports Carnival!

In the
BEAUFORT PARK,
On
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1891.

A splendid novelty programme of Athletic Sports, Aquatics, &c.
Dancing on the Green (a first-class fiddler engaged), Aunt Sally, Caledonian Games, Bazaar and Refreshment Booths.
First Race Start Twelve Noon.
For programme of sports see small handbills.
R. JACKSON, Hon. Secretary.

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Blacksmiths and Wheelwrights,
NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

Farm and Timber Waggons, Farm, Road and Spring Drays, Waggonettes, and all kinds of Vehicles made and repaired on the premises. Horses Carefully Shod.

MINES ACT 1890.

APPENDIX A.—[RULE 4.]

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR MINING LEASE.

I, the undersigned, hereby give notice that within seven days from the date hereof, I will leave with the Warden of the Mining Division of Raglan, an application for a lease, for mining on private land, the particulars whereof are hereunder set forth:—

Name in full of each applicant, with the full address of each, and style under which it is intended that the business shall be carried on.	Robert Ford Bryant, c/o Chalk & Cahir, 28 Lydiard Street, Ballarat.
Extent and situation of land applied for, and whether on or below the surface, or both, or a lode	About 180 acres; parish of Raglan. viz:—Allotments 1A, section Y, 10a 0r 10p, and 1X, section Y, 20a; allotments 1, section Y, 10a 0r 9p, 1Y, 20a; 1Z, 20a, and 10A, 20a; portions of allotment 3, section Y, about 7a, and 4 section Y, about 15a; portion of allotment B27, about 10a; portion of allotment B28, about 15a; portion of allotment B29, about 5a; portion of allotment 10B, about 12a. Both on and below the surface; for a lode and alluvial.
Name of each person who owns the land or any part thereof.	Mr J. F. Watkin, Mr Dennis, Mr Symes, Main Lead; Mrs Ellen Prince, Mrs Harrison, Mr C. Tucker, Mr A. Stevenson, Raglan.
Name of each person (if any) who is in occupation of the land.	Mr J. F. Watkin, Mr Dennis, Mr Symes, Main Load; Mrs Ellen Prince, Mrs Harrison, Mr C. Tucker, Mr A. Stevenson, Raglan.
Minimum number of men to be employed... ...	For the first six months, three men; subsequently, when in full work, ten men.
Precise locality of the land	Allotments 10A, 10B, 1, 1a, 1x, 1Y, 1z, B27, B28, B29, section Y, parish of Ripon, county of Ripon.
Term required ...	Fifteen (15) years.
Time of commencing operations ...	On issue of lease.
Amount of money proposed to be invested, and in what manner the land is to be worked ...	£1,000; steam power and manual labor.
Whether the boundaries of the land applied for will include any river, creek, deposit of permanent water, spring, artificial reservoir, public roads, or subject to any public rights	Public roads and sections 7, 8, 9, 10, township of Raglan.
General Remarks ...	None

Date and place—18th day of December, 1891, Ballarat.

Dated this 18th day of December, 1891.

ROBERT FORD BRYANT, Applicant aforesaid.

SPECIAL IMPORTATIONS.

£1,000 worth of

Xmas. & New Year Cards.

Ex. s.s. VALETTA.

Write for CHRISTMAS CARDS direct to SNOW and ROOM, Ballarat. The value is the best in the colonyl. Pease enclose stamps or Postal notes in payment and add 2d postage for each packet,

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No 3. The "Windsor Castle" packet of 50 cards, price 1s 6d.

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No 5. The "Absent Friends" portfolio 1s.

Magnificent assortment of Xmas Booklets and especially selected single cards, 3d, 4d, 6d, 9d, 1s, and 1s 6d each.

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Sturt-street, Ballarat.

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GREAT CHRISTMAS FAIR

Commences on

SATURDAY NEXT, 5TH INSTANT.

The unbounded success of our Xmas Fair of last year will, no doubt, be fresh in the memory of the public, and we are now making extensive preparations for a still bigger business for the Christmas trade of 1891.

WE EXPECT THE PUBLIC TO FLOCK TO OUR GREAT XMAS FAIR,

WE WILL OFFER EXTRAORDINARY INDUCEMENTS.

THOUSANDS of BARGAINS impossible to enumerate at present will be offered in every department throughout our warehouse.

THE GREAT FANCY GOODS AND TOY BAZAAR

Will be a Scene of Extraordinary Attraction for Old and Young.

The Development of our Fancy Department is most gratifying.

CONTINENTAL, JAPANESE, and AMERICAN NOVELTIES

In Useful and Fancy Articles,

INDOOR and OUTDOOR GAMES,

MECHANICAL and OTHER TOYS,

DOLLS,

BASKETWARE,

SHOW FIGURES,

ORNAMENTS,

FIRE SCREENS,

CHRISTMAS CARDS & BOOKLETS,

&c., &c., &c.,

Will be Displayed upon the Counters in delightful profusion, and Sold at a merely Nominal Advance upon Importing Cost.

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SECOND GREAT

CHRISTMAS FAIR

WILL CERTAINLY BE SUCCESSFUL.

The BARGAINS in every Department will be IRRESISTIBLE.

DON'T MISS THE OPENING DAY—

SATURDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

SNOW & ROOM.

THE STUD.

To Stand this Season at his Owner's Farm, Middle Creek, near Buangor,
THE CELEBRATED CLYDESDALE STALLION,

PURVES.

PURVES is a dark bay, foaled 2nd November, 1881; his sire, Carmyle, is too well-known in this district to need comment.

PURVES has won 55 first-prizes and £334 prize money.

Some or his first gets were kept for stallions, and are prize-takers wherever shown.

TERMS:—£4 4s each mare, to be paid at the end of the season. All mares must have hind shoes taken off. Good grass paddocks with plenty of water provided. All care taken, but no responsibility incurred.

For further particulars apply to the Owner, THOMAS JESS, Shirley P.O.

To stand this Season at the Owner's Farm Eurambeen, the Clydesdale Stallion,

WAIT-A-WEE.

WAIT-A-WEE is a dark grey horse, 3 years old; standing 17½ hands high, with plenty of the right sort of bone and hair. Sire, the celebrated prize winner, PURVES, who has never been beaten yet. Dam, by Old Scotchman, from Scotchman (imp.); g.g.d., by Napoleon, by George Buchanan (imp.), which shows that some of the best strain of blood can be found in him.

WAIT-A-WEE got second prize at Beaufort as a yearling, also second prize at Ararat as a two-year-old, and first at Beaufort this year.

WAIT-A-WEE will travel through the districts of Raglan, Waterloo, Sailor's Gully, Bald Hill, and Beaufort.

TERMS:—£2 5s each mare.

Payable at end of season; or £2 15s if PADDOCKED.

Good grass paddocks, with plenty of water, provided. All care taken, but no responsibility.

For further particulars apply to
M. KELLY, Owner.

TO STAND THIS SEASON, at the Owner's Stud Farm, Stockyard Hill, the Celebrated Clydesdale Stallion,

Rochford Champion.

ROCHFORD CHAMPION is a beautiful bay, with black points (no white), Sire, the renowned Champion of Scotland (imp.); dam, the Champion Mare, Kate (imp). His prizes are too numerous to mention. He is the sire of Lord Nelson (who never has been beaten), and other first-class stallions.

TERMS:—£3 3s each mare.

Also the Thoroughbred Stallion,

Morris Dancer.

MORRIS DANCER is a handsome dark Brown, with black points; is very fast, and a first-class jumper, and possesses all those good qualities of a racehorse. Sire, Liberator, Liberator by Fireworks; Fireworks by Kelpie (imp.) See stud book. Dam, Crenoline, by Maribyrnong; Maribyrnong by Fisherman (imp.) See stud book. Morris Dancer's dam, (Maida, by King of Clubs; King of Clubs by Ace of Clubs (imp.); dam by South Australia, imp.), Maida's dam, Eveline, by Morris Dancer (imp.) Liberator was purchased as a yearling for 200 guineas, MORRIS DANCER is the winner of 18 first and 7 second prizes.

TERMS—£4 4s EACH MARE.

Also the handsomest Pony in the colony

Young Bobby Dazzler.

He is a jet black, 12 hands high. Sire, Bobby Dazzler (imp.); dam, Ruby (bred by Mr Carvert, of Colac). He has won 7 first prizes, including first prize Kerang show, first prize Bendigo show, and twice first Ballarat shows 1889 and 1890. For further comment, see stud book.

All mares to be paid for on removal. Good grass paddocks provided, but no responsibility.

ERMS—£2 10s EACH MARE.

ROBERT KIRKPATRICK,
Stockyard Hill.

The Thoroughbred Stallion

ST. MARNOCKS

Will Stand at EURAMBEEN EAST this Season for the service of a limited number of

MARES AT £4 4s EACH.

ST. MARNOCKS is a rich dark brown, over 16 hands, splendid flat bone; only three years old; is by Macgregor, out of Nightlight; Macgregor by Yattendon, out of Regina (imp). Nightlight by Maintop, out of Barnsolent; Maintop by the Premier.

Good grass paddocks for mares, but no responsibility. Notice will be sent to owners when mares are ready for removal.

FRANCIS BEGGS.

The Thoroughbred Stallion

WILD DOG

Will Stand this Season at the Owner's Farm, STOCKYARD HILL.

TERMS—£2 10s EACH MARE.

Some of WILD DOG's stock were prize-taker at the Ararat Show this year.

Good grass paddocks provided. Every care taken, but no responsibility. For full pedigree and particulars apply to

GEO. A. DUNNETT.

TO STAND AT ST. ENOCH'S, STOCKYARD HILL, the Thoroughbred Stallion,

SAVANAK,

By St. Albans (sire of Malua and Coronet and many other winners); dam, Seaspray.

SAVANAK proved himself a good performer on the turf under heavy weights.

TERMS—£4 PER MARE.

Also, the pure Timor Pony Stallion,

TIGER.

Winner of many first prizes.

TERMS—£2 10s PER MARE.

Good paddocks provided, but no responsibility incurred. All mares must be paid for before removal. For further particulars apply to

THE MANAGER.
St Enoch's, Stockyard Hill.

NOTICE.

IN order to comply with the provisions made in the will of the late John Wotherspoon, deceased, it is necessary that all ACCOUNTS due WOTHERSPOON BROS. & Co., Merchants, Beaufort, should be SETTLED without delay.

The business of Wotherspoon Bros. & Co. will be continued by me, and I respectfully beg to Thank all for past favors, and trust to receive and deserve further patronage.

Mr W. Edward Nickols is appointed to collect the accounts, and his receipt will be a sufficient discharge thereof.

Yours obediently,
GEORGE WOTHERSPOON,
Executor.

Beaufort, 26th September, 1891.

ALBION HOTEL,
GENERAL STORE,
NEWS AGENCY,
—WATERLOO.—

Good Accommodation. Moderate Charges
T. D. MARTIN, Proprietor.

NOTICE.

ANY Person found TRESPASSING in pursuit of Game on the Challicum Estate will be PROSECUTED.

G. THOMSON.

Challicum, 20th January, 1890.

Save Money

By sending to LINCOLN, STUART & CO., Ltd., 238 Flinders Street, Melbourne. The Largest Tailoring Establishment in the City. They will post to you, free on application, samples of Tweeds and instructions for Self-measurement. A really good serviceable all-wool Suit to Measure for £2 2s. Try them.—[ADVT.]

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American shelving boards
Do lumber do
6 x 1 T and G Scotch flooring
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Broad palings and shingles
A stock of all sizes of hardwood always on hand
Also, GEELONG LIME.
NEXT TO POLICE STATION

NOTICE.

ANY PERSON found TRESPASSING with dog or gun on ST. ENOCH'S ESTATE on Sundays, after this date, will be PROSECUTED.

E. H. AUSTIN.

August 8th, 1891.

Beaufort Jockey Club

ANNUAL RACES

TO BE HELD ON
THE NEW RACECOURSE
WATERLOO PARK
ON
NEW YEAR'S DAY
(1ST JANUARY, 1892.)

STEWARDS.—Messrs P. Blackmore, Hinchliffe, W. Loft, G. Pearson, Topper, J. Tompkins, T. Vandersteen, G. Wotherpoon, D. Maher, T. Beggs, D. Martin, Jas. Frusher, R. Beggs, Beggs, F. Beggs, R. Wilkinson, M. Fry, G. White, and A. Parker.

JUDGE—E. H. Austin, Esq.

CLERK OF COURSE—Mr R. Thomas.

CLERK OF SCALES—Mr D. Troy.

STARTER—Mr C. Loft.

HANDICAPPERS—Messrs E. H. Austin, D. Troy, A. Andrews, and T. Wall.

PROGRAMME:

Maiden Plate, of 5 sovs.

One mile and a quarter. For all horses that have never won an advertised race. Post entry, 5s.

Handicap Hurdle Race, of 7 sovs.

Two miles. Over hurdles about 3ft. 6in. high. Post entry, 7s.

Beaufort Handicap, of 10 sovs.

One mile and a half. Post entry, 10s.

Pony Race, of 3 sovs.

For fourteen hands. Post entry, 3s.

Selling Flat Race, of 3 sovs.

Handicap. Winner to be sold for [illegible] Any surplus to go to the funds of the club. Post entry, 5s. Distance one mile.

Flying Handicap, of 5 sovs.

Three-quarters of a mile. Post entry, 5s.

Hurry Scurry, of 2 sovs.

With entrance money added. Once round the course. Handicap. Post entry, 2s 6d.

Consolation Stakes, of 3 sovs.

One mile and a half. Handicap. Post entry, 3s.

Trotting Match.

To be arranged on the Course.

First race to start at 11 a.m.

V.R.C. rules strictly adhered to.

Jockeys must ride in colors.

R. A. D. SINCLAIR, Hon. Sec.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.

SEASON 1891-92.

GEORGE HAGUE AND CO.

WILL hold Weekly Wool Sales as usual every Friday during the coming season. They would call special attention to their

EXTENSIVE WAREHOUSES,

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Auction Sales of Sheepskins, Hides and Tallow held weekly throughout the year.

WAY-BILL FORMS supplied free.

GEORGE HAGUE & CO
Wool Brokers.

Geelong, 1st July, 1891.

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A SURE FORTUNE.
WEST AUSTRALIA.
IN THE CITY OF PERTH
BUSINESS AND BUILDING BLOCKS
£8 Per Block

Perth must soon become the Melbourne of the Colony

City Land! City Land!! City Land!!!
£1 DEPOSIT, BALANCE 1S. MONTHLY
WITHOUT INTEREST
BUY CITY BLOCKS AND MAKE YOUR FUTURE ASSURED

Plans and Particulars Posted to any part of the Colony.

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THEY ROLLED ON THE FLOOR.

On Monday, November 24th, the American papers published the following news item:—Mrs Sarah S. Hensler, of No. 873, East One Hundred-and-Thirty-fourth Street, New York, Jew and killed herself yesterday morning. She was a lady of excellent character and high social position, and a member of the Rev. Dr. Ramsay's Presbyterian Church. She was well-to-do and very active in various public and private charities. Since last July she had suffered fearfully from indigestion and dyspepsia, which brought on melancholia and then a kind of insanity, under the influence of which she took her own life."

Here is another story, not so tragical, but with the same moral. The narrator tells it of himself. "Mostly," he says, "we dread and fear death, yet once I prayed to die, and the reason was in this wise. Up to Christmas, 1888, I had been a healthy man, but at that time (a period of rejoicing with so many) I felt depressed, languid, and tired. My appetite left me, and I was much distressed after eating the lightest food. My skin and eyes became tinged with a dark yellow colour, and the kidney secretion was like blood. The pain in my stomach was almost unbearable and often lasted from 12 to 14 hours without intermission. Sometimes I was in pain night and day, and was so bad that my wife had to sit up with me through the night. I was constantly sick, and troubled with a stomach cough, and expectorated a quantity of green phlegm.

"In spite of warm clothing and every comfort, I was always chilled; the cold shivers running through me as if my blood were thin and poor. I could take no solid food; I lived on soups, milk puddings, &c., and after each meal I had empty, gnawing, windy pains at the stomach, which nothing relieved.

"After a time an intolerable itching of the skin spread all over me for about a year. Acting upon his advice I went to Harrogate, where I consulted another doctor, and drank the waters, but getting worse I returned home. The bath attendant at Harrogate and others told me I was suffering from blood poisoning, but this the doctors never mentioned. The first doctor said it was the passing of gallstones that gave me such dreadful pain.

"I now consulted an eminent specialist at Manchester, who confirmed what the other doctor had told me, but none of them afforded me any relief.

"In this miserable way I was dragged on for six months more, and became so much reduced I could scarcely put one foot before the other, and so thin that *the rings fell off my fingers and rolled on the floor.* I was in such pain that *I prayed to die,* and one of the doctors told a friend of mine I could not recover.

"In August of last year (1890), whilst my sufferings were at the worst, a book was sent to me by post telling of a medicine called Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I was determined to try it, and sent to Mr Evans, Chemist, Lymm, for a supply. After taking the first bottle, I felt a little better, and by persevering with the remedy, I recovered my appetite, and gradually gained strength. My natural color has now returned and I feel as well as I ever did in my life; in fact, as well as I did when a boy. I can eat any kind of food without inconvenience, and *have gained* 30 pounds in weight during the past three months. I may add that previous to taking this medicine I was so much altered that my friends, and even my pupils scarcely recognised me. I tell every one what Seigel's Syrup did for me."

The gentleman who makes the foregoing statement is a person of position and known to all the people of Lymm. He declines to permit the publication of his name, but the perfect truth of what is here related is vouched for by Mr J. H. Evans, the chemist above named.

The case was an aggravated one of indigestion and dyspepsia and its natural consequences. The whole system had been poisoned and disordered by the acids engendered by the fermentation in the stomach, and, had not Seigel's Syrup come to the rescue just as it did, a fatal result must have followed in a brief time.

ONE OF THE GREAT EVENTS OF THE YEAR,

And always one of the most assured successes, the great summer clearing sale at Morrey & Murray's, the cash drapers and direct importers, 11 and 13 Bridge Street, Ballarat, which commences on Saturday, January 17, 1891, and will continue positively for 14 days only, during which time our entire stock will be subject to sweeping reductions, averaging from 2s 6d to 10s in the £. The great success of our previous sales, and the universal satisfaction expressed by our patrons, has been achieved by never advertising a sale without going through our entire stock, and re-marking every article to the lowest prices, irrespective of cost, our object being the clearance of all summer goods. We have also avoided the common practice of buying the lowest priced goods procurable for the express purpose of sales. Every line will be recognised as our regular every-day bona-fide goods, at immense reductions. Remember! the great clearing sale commenced on Saturday, January 17, 1891, and will positively continue for 14 days only! Morrey & Murray, the cash drapers and direct importers, 11 and 13 Bridge street, Ballarat.—[Advt.]

Throat Affections and Hoarseness.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the almost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches." These famous "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s 1½d per box. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a "slight cold," or bronchial affections, cannot try too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the words "Browne's Bronchial Troches" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Prepared by John I. Brown & Sons, Boston U.S. European Depot, 33, Farringdon Road London, England.

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

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Is warranted to cure all discharges from the Urinary Organs, in either sex, acquired or constitutional; Gravel, and Pains in the Back. Sold in boxes, 4s. 6d. each, by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the World. Proprietors—The Lincoln and Midland Counties Drugs Company, Lincoln England

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CIVIL ENGINEER,

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Has been appointed Sole Agent for the Beaufort District for the Celebrated MERCER REAPER and BINDER, and is in a position to deal direct with any purchaser. Any information may be obtained from him.

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Agent for the Australian Widows' Fund Life Assurance Society Limited. The profits for the past three years are more than double those of the preceding 5 years.

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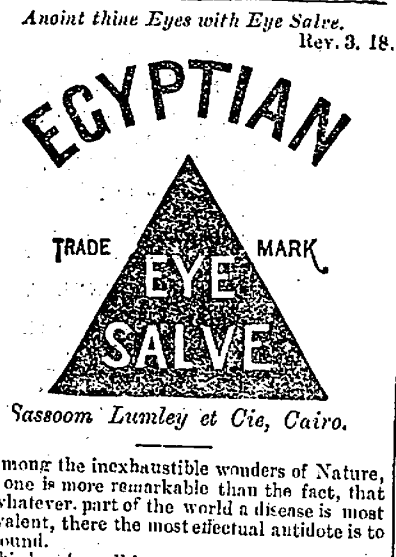

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Among the inexhaustible wonders of Nature, not one is more remarkable than the fact, that in whatever part of the world a disease is most prevalent, there the most effectual antidote is to be found.

This law is well known, and in no instance is the truth of it more strikingly apparent than with reference to affections of the Eye.

This most tender and delicate organ is at all times, and in all climes, subject to various diseases; but in the land of the East, in the countries of Egypt and Arabia, Inflammation, Blight, and Ophthalmia, are so universal, that we may be sure Mother Nature has not failed to provide a remedy near at hand.

The SALVE that we are now offering to the public is prepared from a plant, growing on the boundaries of the vast expanses of desert for which these countries are remarkable, the wonderful healing properties of which have been known for hundreds of years.

Being a vegetable preparation it has a soothing effect on the eyes, causing all pain and inflammation to disappear, so that in every case recovery is speedy and certain.

By a beautiful chemical process, known only to the proprietors, the active principle of this plant is preserved, so that its virtues are not impaired by age nor climate; and thus its healing powers are brought within the reach of all. It is no quack nostrum, but the oldest medicine in the world—Nature's own remedy—provided by her for the benefit of suffering humanity.

We can guarantee it as a certain remedy for Weakness of the eyes, Inflammation, Swelling, Watery humors, Granulations, Ulcers, Opthalmia, and all complaints the eye is subject to.

Testimonials telling of wonderful cures have been received from all parts of the world, and the following amongst the many from Australia, will show the estimation in which it is held by all who have used it.

"The Egyptian Eye Salve has done me more good than any other ointment or lotion I ever used. It has cured my eyes, and several of my friends who have tried it, have obtained the same beneficial results. It has a great name in this district, which it deserves. I would not like to be without it."—(Signed) Francis Lloyd, Benalla.

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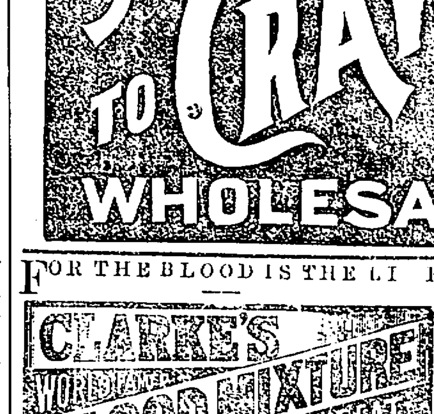

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Cures Ulcerated Sore Legs
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Clarke's Blood Mixture is the only real specific for Gout and Rheumatic pains, for it removes the *cause* from the blood and bones.

As this mixture is pleasant to the taste and warranted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution of either sex, the Proprietor solicits sufferers to give it a trial to test its value.

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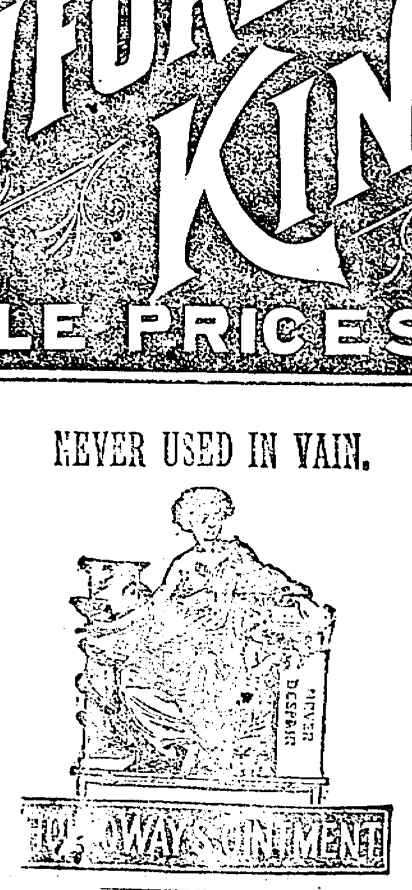

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Universal approbation has been awarded this famous Ointment for its efficiency in removing diseases of the skin. For scrofula, scurvy, scald heads, and all eruptions of the skin, no remedy can equal it. To soldiers, sailors, miners, and travellers in foreign lands, is invaluable.

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It must not only be applied to the wound or sore, but be briskly rubbed in around the diseased, swollen or painful parts. The effect of the Ointment is increased by fomenting with warm water before the Ointment is rubbed in; *but the surface of sores,* when healing, should never be cleansed with sponge or anything else.

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Burns	Contracted and Stiff Joints	Sore Nipples
Bunions	Elephantiasis	Sore Throats
Bite of Moschetoes and Sand Flies	Fistulas	Skin Diseases
Coco-bay	Gout	Scurvy
Chigo-foot	Glandular Swellings	Sore Heads
Chilblains	Lumbago	Tumours
Chapped Hands	Piles	Ulcers
		Wounds
		Yaws

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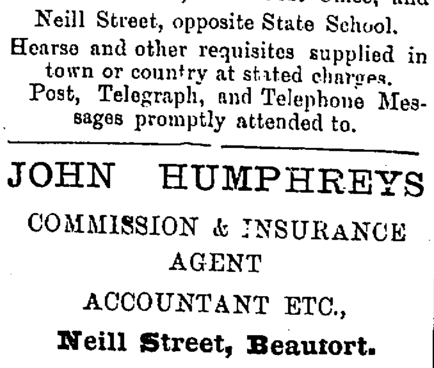

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Support Local Industry and Local Enterprise.

The law of exchange was never [illegible] in its working; thus it was that the [illegible] buying and selling, using a standard [illegible] was introduced. One form of th[illegible] known as "paper money," and of [illegible] there is more than one kind. [illegible] useful, but not every kind retains its [illegible] value. The "paper" money most [illegible] a newspaper proprietor is that which [illegible] him by

"*Subscribers and Advertisers*"

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Business Notices.

NOTICE.

THE Proprietor of the "Ripon Advocate," in thanking his numerous patrons for past favors, respectfully solicits a renewal of support, and desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news he will always endeavour to make his columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, he will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeals to the public for increased support.

He has resolved to REDUCE the SUBSCRIPTION to the "ADVOCATE" (with which is published a 14-column supplement containing well-selected reading matter) to 3s 6d per quarter, and hopes that this concession will be largely taken advantage of.

The Advertising Rates have also been considerably reduced, and advertisers will find it to their advantage to avail themselves of the columns of the "Ripon Advocate," which is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the shire. As the advocate of the interests and for the welfare of this district it has a claim for considerable amount of support, and has a greater scope for extended usefulness than any other journal or journals within a given radius of Beaufort.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER
FROM A WELL-KNOWN
SPECIALIST.

DR. LLEWELLYN, who is duly Qualified and Registered, is aware that by depiting from the usual routine practice and devoting himself exclusively to a special branch, which he has done for some time, he is not strictly following the paths of professional quiet e, but, as a considerable body of the profession will tell you, is stand aloof from anyone of their number who acquires popularity in the treatment of certain ailments and is really a Medical Specialist: he does not hesitate to resort to what he considers legitimate means for the purpose of disarming critical criticism, and of securing so far as he is able the confidence of the public. It is assuredly better to seek assistance from the qualified practitioner in preference to the quack.

The true designation of quackery belongs to those shameless adventurers who, without a particle of medical knowledge or a little of elixir to the humblest department of the profession, practise extortion and deceit, advertising their nostrums as OMNI-ALL; men of the lowest grade of intellect and responsibility, whose assurance is as unbounded as their pretensions are specious. Such men abound in Melbourne, Sydney, and other towns in Australia, and by their flaming advertisements attract the attention of the unwary. The mischief to the health by swallowing the nostrums of these persons is oftentimes irreparable, besides the money totally wasted in purchasing, at exorbitant rates, their so-called curative appliances.

The argument is, that the every-day enlightenment of mankind should protect them from resorting to the unprincipled; that if quackery be a science, it should be considered and respected as such; that the necessary inquiry and reflection should direct the visit from the nostrum-monger to the respectable practitioner. Lastly, the dilemma in which a man finds himself when suffering from the follies of his own imprudence, and which he is anxious to conceal, renders him more solicitous to shun the respectable man and to creep into nooks and corners for counsel, and consolation. Every member of the profession is too proud of his qualifications, to hide them under a bushel. Dr. Llewellyn has passed examinations at the chief Medical Colleges in England; is a legally qualified and registered medical practitioner in Victoria; holds high testimonials, which all patients may inspect; and is, through a complete study, knowledge, practice, and experience of Special Diseases, a most reliable expert, in whom there can be placed, without doubt, unlimited confidence.

The widespread evils and diseases arising from excess and indiscretion cannot be too generally known, and it is to be hoped that any reader of this paragraph who may suffer from these special complaints, will be awakened to their fearful consequences. If there be any amongst the readers of this letter who have unhappily fallen into objectionable habits, and are suffering in consequence, and are unwilling to hand an enfeebled constitution to their offspring, I would earnestly charge them to lose no time, but seek at once a means of cure, so that they may be restored to vigorous health and vigour, before the evil becomes too deeply seated. I adhere strictly to the most approved and modern lines of treatment in my exclusive branch of practice, embracing Chronic Nervous, Skin and Special Diseases in men and women, and can, with confidence, undertake the permanent cure of all cases within the reach of medical skill.

To those about to marry, and who are either conscious or doubtful as to their suffering from a latent taint or weakness, a sense of duty on their part should unquestionably prompt them to seek the advice of a competent medical man. All patients applying to me for counsel and help may rest assured that my treatment will be vigorously directed to cure permanently any local defect or weakness, and place them in that fitting condition of health, that they can afterwards honourably marry.

To anyone whose confidence in the possibility of a satisfactory and permanent cure has been shaken by the conduct of various advertising parties who are only medical pretenders with no real knowledge of the human body, and who are in the habit of sending the same so-called Remedy to all who apply to them, or who have been victimised by any of the horde of Quacks, who have for years preyed upon the inexperienced, and whose only object is gain, whose boastful pretensions but veil their ignorance; to any such sufferer I would say, "Do not be disponding, and do not despair of a cure, but apply to me, or to any other reliable medical man, skilled in these special ailments, and the result will be all you could desire."

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Patients living at a distance and unable to attend personally, can be treated at their homes through the post without any interference to their business duties, and can have their medicines forwarded by mail or express to any part of Australasia, carefully packed and concealed from observation.

All personal consultations are free. The fee of £2 which is inclusive of medicines, must accompany each consultation by letter, or it cannot be replied to. I trust that, more especially in those cases where the sufferers have but limited means, I shall never be found wanting in carrying out the good old motto of doing unto others what I would wish should be done unto me.

DR. J. D. LLEWELLYN,
* 525 LONSDALE STREET, *
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Best Kapok Bedding, made from the finest Java kapok, in Belgian linen tickings.

Loose Beds, single sizes, 6s., 22s. 6d., 24s. 6d.

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Buttoned Kapok Mat, real single size, 24s. 6d., 26s. 6d., 29s. 6d. each.

Buttoned Kapok Mattress, double size, 34s. 6d., 37s. 6d., 45s. Bolsters, 6s., 7s. 6d. each; Pillows, 3s. 6d., 4s. 6d. each.

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Cedar Sideboard, glass back, 4ft. 6in., 35s., 4ft., 45s., 4ft. 6in., £4 5s., £5 10s.

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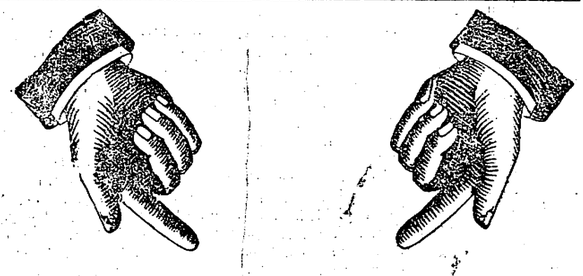

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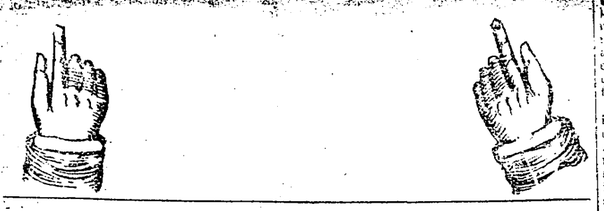

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GEELONG WEEKLY MARKET.

Messrs George Hague & Co. report:—Wool—We held our tenth sale of the season on 18th inst, when we submitted 468 bales to a full muster of buyers. We had no superior wool, our catalogue consisting entirely of inferior descriptions. Bidings throughout the sale were exceedingly spirited, and we were able to make clearance of all but 25 bales at satisfactory prices.

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" " " £2 for next nearest guess.
" " " £1 for next nearest guess.

Conditions:—We make no charge for the guess, but only purchasers of Dr Fletcher's Bilious and liver Pills are eligible to compete and the guess must be written on one of our printed forms, one of which is wrapped around every shilling box leaving our laboratory after this date. In case two or more persons guess the correct number, the one first to hand will get the £25 and the next guess to hand gets the £10 and so on. In case nobody guesses the correct number, the nearest guess gets the first present of L25. Fletcher's pills are sold at one shilling per box everywhere by chemists, storekeepers and patent medicine vendors or we will send a box with guess form, for 13 penny stamps of any colony. All guesses will be entered in a book and numbered at received. The bottle will be opened on January 1st 1892, and the presents sent out at once to the lucky guessers. This competition is a perfectly bona fide affair and arranged for the purpose of introducing Dr Fletcher's Pills, so there can be no appeal from our decision.

[CERTIFICATE]

22.6.91.

We have this day seen a Walker's whiskey bottle filled with Dr Fletcher's Pills and securely corked and sealed. No one knows how many pills are in the bottle, which is now secure in our safe until January 1st, 1892.

W. H. GODDARD, Manager,
ERNEST LYONS, Accountant.
Commercial Bank,
Newtown, Sydney.

We cannot enter into correspondence about this competition, unless stamps for reply and addressed envelopes are sent each time. Results and names of successful guessers will be sent to everybody who sends two penny stamps and addressed envelope, and not otherwise. F. M. Clements, Newtown, Sydney.

[illegible] received accounts from this office this month are respectfully requested to settle same at their earliest convenience.

ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor.
Beaufort, 4th December, 1891.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1891.

WITH the unerring march of Time the season of the year that is hallowed by sweet memories, pleasant associations, and happy re-unions, is once more upon us. May the "good cheer" follow in its train. At such a period as the last occasion in the old year upon which we shall go to press, it seems fitting that we should take some slight retrospect of the now rapidly dying year as particularly concerns Beaufort and the surrounding district. Unfortunately, the task is not a pleasant one. It has been a hard year, and the land has not overflowed with milk and honey, nor blossomed like the rose. On the contrary, we have suffered severely from the great depression hanging over the colony. And yet there has been much to be thankful for. The crops and the fleeces were equal, if not better, than those of the immediately preceding years, and trade, though dull, has not been stagnant. It is something to say that the district is thoroughly solvent, notwithstanding that money is tight. Few matters worth special notice have occurred in the district during the past twelve months—one day has followed another with striking similarity. A month or two back an impetus was given to the mining industry, the prospects of which looked particularly promising; but expectations were not realized, and so far the yields have not been abnormally large. True, several co-operative parties at Waterloo have had a run of good luck; and, coming nearer home, at Poverty Point golden treasure in quantities by no means to be despised has been obtained. If the leases applied for are only worked, a decided stimulus should be given to mining. The outlook is certainly bright, and we sincerely trust that in the near future there will be great rejoicing over finding heaps of hidden treasure. This will bring in due course prosperity to local commercial interests. We heartily wish our readers "A MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR."

Local and General News.

To enable our staff to take advantage of the public holiday on New Year's Day, our next publication will be delayed till Saturday evening.

A special Xmas. supplement, of four pages, is published with this week's ADVOCATE.

We would direct attention to an announcement elsewhere regarding the sale by public auction, on Saturday, 2nd prox., of forfeited shares in the Hopetoun Gold Mining Company, No Liability, Beaufort.

The cleaning up at Messrs Hancock and party's Albion mine, Poverty Point, Beaufort, on Saturday, gave between 11 and 12ozs. of gold for the week. A reef drive is being put in the Albion Extended, and this is expected to result in payable gold being met with.

The following players, who have been selected to represent Beaufort in the cricket match against the Ballarat Brittannia Club in the Beaufort Park on Christmas Day, are requested to be on the ground by 1 p.m. sharp, viz.:—Bentley, Barnes, Charlton, C. Gibson, Parker, Trompf (5), and Welsh. Emergencies—Lilley, Sinclair and Crowle.

The following yields of gold were obtained by the various co-operative parties at Waterloo last week (writes our correspondent):—Baxters, 1oz. 6dwts.; Kinleyside and party, 9oz.; Prospectors, 17oz. 10dwts.; King Charley, 3oz. 11dwts.; Vale and party, 1oz. 4dwts.; Working Miners, 22oz. 17dwts.; Waterloo, 8oz.; Tank and Bunyip did not wash. The yields for the previous week were—Baxters, 1oz. 7dwts.; Kinleyside and party, 15oz.; Prospectors, 11oz.; Tank, 9oz. 2dwts.; Bunyip, 6oz. 8dwts.; King Charley, 2oz. 6dwts.; Working Miners, 19oz. 14dwts.; Vale and party, 1oz 7dwts.; Waterloo, 5oz. 13dwts.

A young man named Arthur Holdsworth (son of Mr Jesse Holdsworth, of Middle Creek), who it will be remembered broke his left thigh early in October last through a horse falling on him, had the additional misfortune on Sunday to again dislocate the fracture. Holdsworth was walking across the kitchen floor when one of the crutches slipped, and falling he met with the accident as stated. In another week he would have been able to cast aside the crutches. Drs Adam and Fiyfe were promptly in attendance, and re-set the limb. The patient has been removed to Beaufort, so as to get constant medical attention, and is progressing as satisfactorily as can be expected.

Mr Green very kindly treated the Presbyterian Sunday School scholars teachers, and friends to a free, but none the less enjoyable, magic lantern entertainment in the Church on Monday evening. Over 50 views of New Zealand and natural phenomena were displayed, and highly appreciated. On the proposition of the Rev A. Adam, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr Green for his kindness.

Parliament is to be prorogued on Tuesday next.

[illegible] and [illegible] erected the road, went all round Driver's paddock, and into Coley's range, where it has since been burning.

The half-yearly meeting of the Beaufort branch A.N.A. was held in the Waterloo Good Templars' Hall on Tuesday evening. Fifteen members were present; Mr C. Vowles in the chair. Two candidates were proposed, and a like number of members initiated. It was decided to have a proposition placed on the business sheet for consideration at the annual conference at Sale in March next, entitling a member to L1 per week sick benefit six months after initiation, instead of 12 months as at present. Messrs Ansaldi and C. Vowles were appointed to represent the branch at the conference. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr C. Gray; vice-president, Mr T. Foster; secretary, Mr A. Ansaldi; treasurer, Mr C. Vowles; committee, Messrs W. E. Willox, G. Boyd, F. Robinson, W. Vale, and J. Kinleyside.

Friday, Saturday and Monday next and the 1st and 2nd January, have been proclaimed as public holidays. The usual Christmas and New Year holiday arrangements have been made by the Post and Telegraph Department. Postal, money order, and savings bank business will be entirely suspended on Christmas Day. No mails will be despatched, and the day will, in fact, be kept as a Sunday, and Sunday arrangements will be observed at the telegraph offices. On Boxing Day and New Year's Day the delivery windows at the post offices will be closed to the public at 10 a.m., and the first delivery only by letter carrier will be effected, but country mails will be received and despatched as usual. No money order or savings bank business will be transacted. Telegraph offices will be open from 8.30 till 10 a.m., and from six till seven p.m. On Monday, the 28th inst., and Saturday, 2nd January, business will be transacted as usual in the Post and Telegraph Offices.

The Boxing Day Sports Committee met at Maher's Farmers' Hotel on Monday evening; Mr T. VanderStoel in the chair. Messrs Elliott, Bentley, and Brook's names were struck off the committe for non-attendance. L1 petty cash was passed to the secretary. Mr T. Buchanan was appointed handicapper. An offer of L1 to take swing boats into the ground was accepted from Mr Pedder. The committee arranged to meet at the Park at 10 a.m. on the morning of the sports to complete arrangements.

A meeting of the Beaufort Jockey Club was held at Loft's Railway Hotel on Tuesday evening. Present—Messrs Andrews (chairman), VanderStoel, White, Thomas, Flynn, Maher, Sinclair, and Parker. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A letter enclosing a donation of L2 2s, was received with thanks from Captain Bridges, R.N. An acknowledgement of the registration of the club was received from the secretary of the Victorian Racing Club. Tenders were opened for repairs to booths and course, and that of T. VanderStoel, at L6 10s was accepted. A guinea was passed to the clerk of the course to get a horse for New Year's Day. The caterer, Mr VanderStoel, was guaranteed 24 for lunch at 2s 6d.

A very rich tin discovery has been made 35 miles from Kempsey, on the Macleay River, New South Wales, in a south-westerly direction. The "wash" in all the alluvial ground has prospected the extraordinary yield of 10 lb to the dish. In one portion of the ground a large ruby tin lode, or more properly speaking, a dyke, has also been found, which assays 75 per cent.

The Secretary of Education has forwarded a circular letter to all head teachers, pointing out the tremendous damage done every year by the careless use of fire, and requesting all teachers to warn their scholars against the evil practice of lighting fires in the bush during the summer months.

The South Australian Government has agreed to the proposal of the Victorian Government that a joint military adviser in London, a member of the Ordnance Committee, be appointed at a salary of L800 per annum. The officer, it is understood, will act for the whole of the colonies in passing military weapons and ammunition, and the expenses will be no greater than in the past, while the Government will have the satisfaction of knowing that the materials have been passed by an expert.

The estimated total expenditure of the Chicago World's Fair has been returned at L3,500,000 and the total revenue from all sources at L4,100,000 leaving a prospective surplus of L600,000.

Mr Alfred Deakin told the Collingwood Working Men's Club on Monday evening that we were the most Conservative colony of the Australian group, and that the hostility in the Legislature to the one man one vote proposal was due to a "dangerous Tory re-action"—Standard.

The Beaufort Jockey Club's annual race meeting at Waterloo Flat on New Year's Day is being looked forward to by sporting men as promising a good day's fun. The prize-money only amounts to some L40 odd, but it has always attracted large fields for each event, and, judging from the training which numerous nags are undergoing, this year bids fair to be no exception to the rule. The first race is timed for 11 a.m., and luncheon can be obtained on the ground. A large attendance is anticipated.

[illegible] beautiful collection of novelty in Toys, [illegible] able for Christmas [illegible] been imported by Craig, [illegible] mas, Melbourne, from [illegible] and Japan. One of the papers described C., W & T.'s as the "House of Santa Claus." [illegible] large floors being devoted to the display of Mechanical Toys, Dolls, Go Cars, Rocking Horses, Japanese Curios, Fans, Vases, Workboxes, Writing Desks, and thousands of other useful and amusing articles. The prices we understand are about half the ordinary retail rates.—ADVT.]

A meeting of the Beaufort Fire Brigade was held on Friday evening, the 18th inst., when 13 members were present; Captain Humphries in the chair. Correspondence was received from the Country Fire Brigades' Board, forwarding registration certificate and books, &c., for conducting the business of the brigade; also asking for accounts, particulars of drills, fires and practices since 10th December. The secretary supplied the desired information. The following officers were appointed in accordance with the regulations of the Board for the ensuing 12 months:—Captain, W. Humphries; secretary, W. Driver; lieutenant, Alf. Driver; foreman, G. Helyar. Some discussion took place as to what should be done with the number of men in the brigade. A committee was appointed to draw up a report by the following Tuesday upon the advisability of holding a wind-up invitation social. It has been decided to hold the social on the 27th January, invitations to be sent to all old members of the brigade and the Press. It was decided to ventilate their opinion of the present act from the platform on that occasion. A sub-committee was appointed to carry out all the necessary arrangements.

A meeting of the committee of the Beaufort Cricket Club was held at the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday evening. Present—Mr Vice-president Hughes (in the chair), Messrs Cougle, W. C. Trompf (hon. secy.), Welsh, A. Trompf, and Parker. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Resolved, that the matter of treating the visitors be left in the hands of the secretary. Dr. Adam here attended, and Mr Hughes vacated the chair. The doctor announced his intention to give his trophy to the best all round player, thinking that batting, bowling, fielding, and attendances at matches should count. After some discussion it was unanimously arranged, on the motion of Mr Welsh, seconded by Mr A. Trompf, that the best batting and bowling averages be each counted as 100 per cent, and pro rata from that, and one point per catch allowed. Mr Parker moved that the winner of Dr. Adam's trophy be debarred from taking any other. Seconded by Mr W. Trompf, and carried. It was decided to give a 25s presentation bat for the best batting average. Mr A. Trompf moved that to entitle a bowler to a trophy, he must bowl not less than 100 balls. Seconded by Mr Welsh, and carried. Mr Chapman's trophy of 10s 6d having been left in the hands of the committee to decide as to how it should be given, Mr W. Trompf moved that it be given to the highest individual scorer during the season. Seconded by Mr Cougle, and carried. Dr Flynn's trophies—a bat and ball for second batting and bowling averages respectively—were allotted as desired. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting.

Some of the finest cattle seen in Beaufort for many years past came from Mr Oddie's, Pretty Tower, on Monday. They were purchased by Mr Chapman, butcher, and his customers will enjoy the primest beef for several weeks to come.

Mr W. Edward Nickols sold the right to the booths, &c., in connection with the Beaufort Jockey Club's races on New Year's Day, at VanderStoel's Victoria Hotel on Saturday last. There was a good attendance, and the bidding being spirited, highly satisfactory prices were realized. Mr W. Schlicht bought the publican's booth for £22; Mr D. Mason the fruit stall for £4 2s 6d; Mr T. VanderStoel the luncheon booth for £1 2s 6d; and Mr D. Maher the gates for £9 5s.

The health of the Hon. W. H. S. Osmand, M.L.C., of "The Sycamores," has been critical of late, but he seemed to have rallied from an attack of gout which was rather severe on the last occasion. Some extra anxiety has been evinced lately as regards Mr Osmand's condition, and we (*P. C. News*) were informed on Friday evening that the additional assistance of Dr. Arthur Bennett, of Hamilton, had been secured, to ensure that the very best medical advice should be obtained. We are glad to learn that the hon. gentleman is now improving. Monday's *Stawell Times* says:—On Saturday last Dr. Arthur Bennett, of Hamilton (and at one time resident at Stawell), with Dr. R. N. Jack, visited the sufferer, when they found him out of danger, and on a fair way towards recovery, while from a visit made by the latter gentleman yesterday afternoon, we learn that Mr Osmand is doing well under medical care.

At the meeting on Saturday of the committee of the Bacchus Marsh Agricultural and Pastoral Society, the proposed grouping system of national shows was approved of, provided the L6,000 to be devoted to that purpose was made an addition to, and not a deduction from, the present annual subsidy of L24,000; and also provided that the Melbourne Royal Society was not included in any of the groups. Most of the members condemned the holding of national shows at all, as they considered that the Melbourne show of the Royal Society was, and always would be, the only real national show, and that giving increased prizes to a local show, under the idea that it made it a national one, only aggravated the evil of professional peripatetic prize-taking, now so noticeable at the provincial shows.—*Argus.*

Licensed victuallers are reminded that their licenses must be renewed on or before the 5th January. Licensees would do well to take out their renewals as early as possible.

The Australian Mohawk Minstrels are announced to give an entertainment in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, on Boxing Night.

Mr J. M'Luckie, P.M., has been appointed to preside over the meetings to be held on the 13th January next, for the election of members of the Ararat District Prospecting Board.

Applications from persons desirous of being employed in the police force, will be received until the 14th January.

The *Financial Times* has an article upon the financial position in Australia, in which it refers in commendatory terms to the Australian banks. These are conducted, it says, with marked prudence and success, and no other group of securities yielding the same return can show so clean a record.

There will be no lack of amusement in Beaufort during the Xmas. holidays. The local cricketers play a match with the Ballarat Brittannia Club on Christmas Day, and an interesting game is expected. Sports are to be held in the Park on Boxing Day. A novelty programme has been submitted to the public, and it should certainly attract a large crowd. Amusement for children has been provided in the shape of swing boats. The committee of management will spare no effort to keep the fun going, and earn the approbation of our pleasure seekers. Fine weather is only needed to make the gathering a success.

Here we are within a few days of Christmas, and yet there is scarcely a sign of the approach of the time dear to all Christendom. Hardly even is the cry of the goose heard in the land, despite the fact that the "bird that saved Rome" is, as a rule, not of a silent nature at this season of the year. The fact is that men's minds are uneasy without them. The times have so run ruinously riot of late than folks are unable to turn their thoughts to festivity. It would have too much the aspect of feasting among the ruins of one's friend's fortunes. For the feeling of misfortune is contagious. It may not have mattered to you and me personally that the "Run-'em-up" Building Society has stopped payment. But there are those whom we meet daily to whom it means everything. And when we find the ruin deepening round them, we begin to believe that the shaft of ill fortune is certain, in the course of time, to be directed against ourselves. How, then, can we be expected to "eat, drink and be merry?" As someone says—"It aint in human nature to make a good squar' meal esittin' on your brother's tombstone." I'm afraid Christmas of 1891 will not bring all the "Peace and Goodwill" that should characterise the season.—Melbourne correspondent to *Ararat Advertiser.*

What appears to have been a dastardly attempt to wreck the 8.50 a.m. train from Avoca to Ararat was luckily frustrated by Mr J. Williamson, butcher, of Avoca, on Wednesday (says the *Mail*). Mr Williamson was crossing the railway line, at what is known as Ross's crossing close to the racecourse. Seeing some object on one of the rails, he got off his cart and went to remove it, when to his surprise he found that it was the share of a scarifier, measuring 10 inches in width, 6 inches in length, and being 2 inches high. It was placed firmly on the line by means of stones, and the point of the share was directed towards Avoca, so that the out-going train would run up on it. The matter was reported to the police, and Constable Monks forwarded information to the proper quarters. Every effort is now being made to discover the perpetrator of the outrage, and the police have got so far as to ascertain where the share came from, and have an idea as to how it got there.

The Local Government Amending Bill is a measure in the discussion of which members of the Legislative Council are quite at home, and they will not consent to have it rushed on to the statute book without fair consideration, even in the closing days of the session. Last week the Council returned the bill to the Lower House with 131 suggested amendments—the figures are those of the Minister of Defence—and the Assembly agreed to accept 96 of the alterations indicated. It now became the duty of the Council to decide what it should do with the amendments with which the Assembly disagreed. Such amendments are usually allowed to "go by the board" in Christmas week, but an exception was made on this occasion. Two hours were devoted to the consideration of the Assembly's message, and the council decided to insist upon many of its amendments. A new clause has been inserted providing for the severance of a portion of a municipality, and the House declined to allow this to be restricted as the Assembly wished. It decided also to retain the amendment restoring the qualification of L10 a year to L20, and to insist upon the excision of the clause extending the hours of polling from 5 o'clock to 7 o'clock. The same course was adopted with respect to the clause giving power to shire councils with the consent of the Governor in Council to make by-laws providing that property should be valued at 5 per cent. upon the capital value irrespective of improvements of any specified class and with respect to portions of the clause extending the time for the recovery of rates from one year to three years. An amendment by which councils borrowing money are required to invest at least 7 per cent. of the amount annually for the formation of a sinking fund was insisted upon. Of the points upon which the Council consented to give way, the most noteworthy was with respect to the clause extending to Melbourne and Geelong the provision that the joint owners of any property should not be allowed more than three votes in respect of that property, a proposal which was aimed specially at the city clubs, and which the Council previously declined to pass.—"Argus."

AUSTRALIA'S NATIONAL HOLIDAY.

"Advance Australia! though thy years be few,
Likesome strong Titan'aare thy sinewsset;
Thy glance is fearless; and thy soul as yet
Unschooled to serve the false or spurn the true.
Therefore God gives the noblest work to do—
Thy task to build—while other worlds forget—
The kingdom preached by still Gennesaret,
Of Truth and Justice in the world anew.
Its deepest bases look thou firmly lay
In ordered freedom, and large tolerance,
And equal laws that all men must obey.
Then upward, fearless, or of fate or chance,
Build ever-faithful thou in this thy day
For God's great kingdom—in His name advance."

R. S. de C. Laffan.

Amongst the numerous faults that members of the globe-trotting fraternity of scribblers have professed to find in the Australian people is that they pay too much attention to pleasure, and have too many holidays in their calendar. Your true born Englishman, however, is very fond of pleasure, albeit he is supposed to take his pleasure sadly, and is it to be wondered that his progeny, under a brighter sky and in a happier clime, should have a love of pleasure inherent in his nature. As to holidays, it cannot be denied that in Australia such purely British holidays as the birthdays of Her Majesty and the Prince of Wales are more generally observed than in Britain itself, yet the Old Land holds the palm for the number of holidays annually observed. The only two purely Victorian holidays in our calendar are Separation Day, (1st July), and Constitution Day (23rd November), and these the Australian Natives' Association are seeking to have removed from the list of bank holidays because they are purely Victorian, and their observance is opposed to the federal jealousies in broad national issues that conserve the interests of Australasia as a whole. In place of these two parochial holidays the A.N.A. have induced the various Governments to proclaim the 26th of January as the one National holiday in commemoration of the founding of the first British colony in Australia little over a century ago. In assisting in the fitting celebration of our one National holiday every citizen of Australia, whether he be an Australian by birth or adoption, only fulfills a patriotic duty and shows that he at least is grateful that his lines are cast in a country where all may "walk erect and unafraid," in a land that enjoys to the full "the broadening light of Freedom's day," where the petty conventionalities that tend to choke the growth of soul in other lands are unknown, and where "no deadly fungus growths of creed or caste" can find a resting place. Although the National holiday was gazetted as such only two or three years ago, the idea has caught on wonderfully, and various methods for its due celebration have been adopted in different parts of Australia. In many of the inland centres of population in Victoria great preparations are being made for the next celebration, but nowhere are the preparations on such an elaborate scale as those now being made in Melbourne by the Metropolitan Committee of the A.N.A. This useful and enthusiastic body last year succeeded in attracting to the Melbourne Exhibition Building one of the largest crowds that ever assembled there, and their gigantic efforts for the coming monster National fete are fully deserving of even more enthusiastic and widespread recognition than on the last occasion. This time they have not been able to offer in connection with the art union such attractive prizes as "desirable villas" or free trips round the world on account of the authorities taking steps to prevent art unions where cash prizes are offered; or where the prizes are other than works of art pure and simple. This action has had the effect of frightening one or two benefit societies out of holding their annual galas, but the Metropolitan Committee of the A.N.A. having courageously determined to hold an art union in connection with the National celebration, keeping strictly within the law, and at the same time encouraging and fostering Australian art. They have secured a splendid collection of pictures, which are to be offered as prizes in the art union, the total value of the paintings being L850. The first prize is one of the largest and best of the paintings of Frank McCubbin, the director of the National Gallery, Melbourne. It is entitled "The Bush Burial," and in it the artist has graphically conveyed to the canvas a characteristic Australian scene. A glance at the picture awakens a feeling of sympathy for the newly-made widow and fatherless bairn, who stand, in the heart of the bush, around the grave of their dear departed, while the grey-bearded pioneer near them mumbles through the burial service and a sturdy bushman with downcast eyes and uncovered head await the words, "Earth to earth, dust to dust." Even the very dog behind the bushman seems to be affected by the solemnity of the occasion. All the details are filled in with a vividness and completeness that stamp the picture as a work of high merit. The artist's price for the painting was L220; but the committee have modestly set its value down at L200, so that they may be under the mark rather than over it. The second prize is Arthur Loureiro's "Two Companions"—a work that has called forth the highest praise from competent critics. "Sunshine and Showers," by C. Rolando, is the third prize, and is another *chef d'œuvre*, being absolutely faultless in conception and color. The fourth prize "Chrysanthemums," is from the brush of the celebrated Mrs Ellis Rowan, who stands absolutely unrivalled in the painting of flower pieces. J. Gibb is represented by a large landscape painting, "The Waimakarri"—a splendid representation of that bright and peculiarly varied configuration so characteristic of New Zealand scenery. The sixth prize, "Rock's and Waterfalls," was painted by J. Mather, whose works have secured for him a fame not by any means confined to Australia. "Sundowners," by J. H. Scheltema, is the seventh prize, and it is almost needless to say that the artist has treated the subject in a most effective style. J. S. Bowman contributes a large picture of "Mount Kosciusko, Australian Alps," and Eugene Von Guerard, late director of the National Gallery, a splendid painting of "Pulpit Rock, Cape Schanch." Amongst the other prizes may be mentioned "An Old Colonist," "A Brunette," two panels of fruit and four other small oil paintings by Catani; "A Fishing Station, Gippsland Lakes," and "A Bush Fire," by J. W. Curtis; two seascapes by Arthur Boyd; a Tasmanian sketch by Henry Gritton; "Manawatu River (N.Z.)," by T. Brookes Smith; three Victorian scenes, by A. E. Aldis; "North Brighton Beach," and "Darebin Creek," by H. Woodhouse; "On the Wallaby," by A. Colquhoun; "On the Werribee," by J. Josephs; and other oil paintings by H. Hoile, A. Wills, and others; while some high-class water color drawings are contributed by R. F. Thwaites, J. A. Heeps, E. M. Cockerel, H. Woodhouse, etc. The above will give some faint idea of the excellence of the art union prizes, and every ticket purchased gives the holder a chance for the prizes as well as a right to attend the festivities at the Exhibition Building on the 26th January, either in the day time on in the evening. The price of the ticket has been fixed at the popular shilling, and all who are fortunate enough to be in Melbourne on the National Holiday will get considerably more than a shillings-worth of amusement and enjoyment, if they attend at the Exhibition Building, where all manner of sports and amusements will be in full swing, including athletic competitions, gymnastic displays, bicycle racing, side shows, etc., while an exhibition of fancy work and a cushion contest will claim the attention of the ladies, and for the edification of the children a doll show will be held. Since last celebration the Exhibition trustees have made extensive alterations and improvements in the internal arrangements, so that no matter how large the crowd present all will be able to get an uninterrupted view of the sports. It is intended to fit up the concert hall as a fernery or summer house, where light refreshments may be partaken of in absolute comfort, while selections will be played on the grand organ during the day, and the soul-stirring music of several first-class bands will enlivan the proceedings and add to the general harmony. In the evening the building will be all ablaze with electricity, night will be transformed into day and, with all the attractions to be offered, joy should reign supreme. No place in the City can compare with the Exhibition Building as a cool, comfortable resort in the summer time, and the A.N.A. are sparing no effort to secure the complete enjoyment of all who attend there to take part in the National fete of 1892. For the benefit of those resident in the country who wish to attend the fete, the A.N.A. are arranging for the running of special trains at greatly reduced rates from various parts of Victoria. Nothing will be left undone by the promoters of this gigantic undertaking to make the affair a thorough success, and it only remains for the public to second these efforts, by patriotically assisting in the fitting and proper celebration of our National Holiday.

GEOLOGICAL NOTES.

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[By W. GREEN.]

Gold Prospects of the District—No. 3.

While referring to the source of the alluvial gold as existing in certain sedimentary portions of the silurian bedrocks, I have raised a point which may be interesting to some of my readers to have carried a little further—namely, what grounds are there for the popular belief that alluvial gold is necessarily derived from the ordinary type of auriferous quartz veins or lodes? In order to discuss the subject a little I will state a proposition.

That the greater portion of the gold found in the alluvial is not derived from ordinary auriferous quartz reefs because—

1. The gold in quartz reefs generally forms an integral portion of the lode, of the whole quartz of the lode, being "solid in the quartz," as it is termed, and consequently the metal would not readily become detached or fall out from the stone to be collected in the alluvial.

2. Gold, being of a much softer nature than quartz, would, in the above condition, be worn, evenly with the surface of the stone, and the portions of the gold thus removed would be in such small particles as to be unappreciable in the alluvial deposits.

3. The quartz attached to gold as "specimens" found in these alluvial workings, does not as a rule show a very marked relation, in general character, to the quartz of the lodes in the locality, but is often very dissimilar.

4. A large proportion of the gold of the alluvial is greater in size as grains or nuggets, than the gold as it is generally found in the quartz reefs.

5. The alluvial gold is acknowledged to be of a higher standard value than the quartz-reef gold, suggesting a different source for the alluvial.

6. The alluvial gold is often found crystalline, angular, and rugged, such as would be the form of it if newly derived from a soft matrix.

Therefore, we conclude that the bulk of the alluvial gold must have been derived from another and a softer matrix than hard quartz-reefs.

It will generally be found, I think, that in districts where the alluvial has been proved to be derived from a quartz reef source, that those reefs contain a considerable proportion of their gold in a free and loose condition in the mullock and casings of the reef whence it had been set free and scattered by ordinary atmospheric wear and tear to form the alluvial. But cases where this source can be well traced up, are not of common occurrence.

The fact of quartz-reefs occurring in the vicinity of rich alluvial diggings is rather a coincidence, arising from certain geological conditions, and not necessarily a *cause* of the alluvial, as is generally supposed.

We may have rich alluvial gold deposits, without any auriferous quartz reefs of the ordinary type existing in the same locality; and on the other hand, we may have also the auriferous reefs without much alluvial.

The Beaufort districts, are examples of diggings where rich alluvial has occurred without a quartz-reef source of the genuine kind being found for it. But there is a tangible source for this gold, no doubt, *not* the one commonly sought for.

The London City Council has voted a sum of £2,600 for the purpose of purchasing a present for H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence on the occasion of his approaching marriage with the Princess Victoria of Teck.

It is estimated that the United States has within its dominion over 200,000 telephones in use.

8d; cheese, bacon [illegible]

MELBOURNE GRAIN AND DAIRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

Monday.—What is in better demand, and supplies are coming to hand a little freer. New sold up to 4s 4½d, whilst for medium and inferior old 4s 4½d also realised. Flour is quiet, and concessions on late rates are now being offered to quit parcels of both new and old. Country brands in full supply. Feed grains weak. Algerian oats quitted at 1s 9d, Calcuttas at 1s 6½d, and stout at 2s 4½d. New barley sold to sample at 2s 6½d. Maize quitted to 2s 4d.

GEELONG WEEKLY MARKET.

Messrs George Hague & Co. report:—Wool—We held our tenth sale of the season on 18th inst, when we submitted 468 bales to a full muster of buyers. We had no superior wool, our catalogue consisting entirely of inferior descriptions. Bidings throughout the sale were exceedingly spirited, and we were able to make clearance of all but 25 bales at satisfactory prices.

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One present of £25 for the nearest guess.
" " " £10 for next nearest guess.
" " " £5 for next nearest guess.
" " " £4 for next nearest guess.
" " " £3 for next nearest guess.
" " " £2 for next nearest guess.
" " " £1 for next nearest guess.

Conditions:—We make no charge for the guess, but only purchasers of Dr Fletcher's Bilious and liver Pills are eligible to compete and the guess must be written on one of our printed forms, one of which is wrapped around every shilling box leaving our laboratory after this date. In case two or more persons guess the correct number, the one first to hand will get the £25 and the next guess to hand gets the £10 and so on. In case nobody guesses the correct number, the nearest guess gets the first present of L25. Fletcher's pills are sold at one shilling per box everywhere by chemists, storekeepers and patent medicine vendors or we will send a box with guess form, for 13 penny stamps of any colony. All guesses will be entered in a book and numbered at received. The bottle will be opened on January 1st 1892, and the presents sent out at once to the lucky guessers. This competition is a perfectly bona fide affair and arranged for the purpose of introducing Dr Fletcher's Pills, so there can be no appeal from our decision.

[CERTIFICATE] 22-6-91.

We have this day seen a Walker's whiskey bottle filled with Dr Fletcher's Pills and securely corked and sealed. No one knows how many pills are in the bottle, which is now secure in our safe until January 1st, 1892.

W. H. GODDARD, Manager,
ERNEST LYONS, Accountant.
Commercial Bank,
Newtown, Sydney.

We cannot enter into correspondence about this competition, unless stamps for reply and addressed envelopes are sent each time. Results and names of successful guessers will be sent to everybody who sends two penny stamps and addressed envelope, and not otherwise.
F. M. Clements, Newtown, Sydney.

[illegible] have received accounts from this office this month are respectfully requested to settle same at their earliest convenience.

ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor.
Beaufort, 4th December, 1891.

THE Ripon shire Advocate.

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WITH the unerring march of Time the season of the year that is hallowed by sweet memories, pleasant associations, and happy re-unions, is once more upon us. May the "good cheer" follow in its train. At such a period as the last occasion in the old year upon which we shall go to press, it seems fitting that we should take some slight retrospect of the now rapidly dying year as particularly concerns Beaufort and the surrounding district. Unfortunately, the task is not a pleasant one. It has been a hard year, and the land has not overflowed with milk and honey, nor blossomed like the rose. On the contrary, we have suffered severely from the great depression hanging over the colony. And yet there has been much to be thankful for. The crops and the fleeces were equal, if not better, than those of the immediately preceding years, and trade, though dull, has not been stagnant. It is something to say that the district is thoroughly solvent, notwithstanding that money is tight. Few matters worth special notice have occurred in the district during the past twelve months—one day has followed another with striking similarity. A month or two back an impetus was given to the mining industry, the prospects of which looked particularly promising; but expectations were not realized, and so far the yields have not been abnormally large. True, several co-operative parties at Waterloo have had a run of good luck; and, coming nearer home, at Poverty Point golden treasure in quantities by no means to be despised has been obtained. If the leases applied for are only worked, a decided stimulus should be given to mining. The outlook is certainly bright, and we sincerely trust that in the near future there will be great rejoicing over finding heaps of hidden treasure. This will bring in due course prosperity to local commercial interests. We heartily wish our readers "A MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR."

Local and General News.

To enable our staff to take advantage of the public holiday on New Year's Day, our next publication will be delayed till Saturday evening.

A special Xmas. supplement, of four pages, is published with this week's ADVOCATE.

We would direct attention to an announcement elsewhere regarding the sale by public auction, on Saturday, 2nd prox., of forfeited shares in the Hopetoun Gold Mining Company, No Liability, Beaufort.

The cleaning up at Messrs Hancock and party's Albion mine, Poverty Point, Beaufort, on Saturday, gave between 11 and 12ozs. of gold for the week. A reef drive is being put in the Albion Extended, and this is expected to result in payable gold being met with.

The following players, who have been selected to represent Beaufort in the cricket match against the Ballarat Brittannia Club in the Beaufort Park on Christmas Day, are requested to be on the ground by 1 p.m. sharp, viz.:—Bentley, Barnes, Charlton, C. Gibson, Parker, Trompf (5), and Welsh. Emergencies—Lilley, Sinclair and Crowle.

The following yields of gold were obtained by the various co-operative parties at Waterloo last week (writes our correspondent):—Baxters, 1oz. 6dwts.; Kinleyside and party, 9oz.; Prospectors, 17oz. 10dwts.; King Charley, 3oz. 11dwts.; Vale and party, 1oz. 4dwts.; Working Miners, 22oz. 17dwts.; Waterloo, 8oz.; Tank and Bunyip did not wash. The yields for the previous week were—Baxters, 1oz. 7dwts.; Kinleyside and party, 15oz.; Prospectors, 11oz.; Tank, 9oz. 2dwts.; Bunyip, 6oz. 8dwts.; King Charley, 2oz. 6dwts.; Working Miners, 19oz. 14dwts.; Vale and party, 1oz 7dwts.; Waterloo, 5oz. 13dwts.

A young man named Arthur Holdsworth (son of Mr Jesse Holdsworth, of Middle Creek), who it will be remembered broke his left thigh early in October last through a horse falling on him, had the additional misfortune on Sunday to again dislocate the fracture. Holdsworth was walking across the kitchen floor when one of the crutches slipped, and falling he met with the accident as stated. In another week he would have been able to cast aside the crutches. Drs Adam and Fiyfe were promptly in attendance, and re-set the limb. The patient has been removed to Beaufort, so as to get constant medical attention, and is progressing as satisfactorily as can be expected.

Mr Green very kindly treated the Presbyterian Sunday School scholars teachers, and friends to a free, but none the less enjoyable, magic lantern entertainment in the Church on Monday evening. Over 50 views of New Zealand and natural phenomena were displayed, and highly appreciated. On the proposition of the Rev A. Adam, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr Green for his kindness.

Parliament is to be prorogued on Tuesday next.

[illegible] crossed the road, went all round Driver's paddock, and into Coley's range, where it has since been burning.

The half-yearly meeting of the Beaufort branch A.N.A. was held in the Waterloo Good Templars' Hall on Tuesday evening. Fifteen members were present; Mr C. Vowles in the chair. Two candidates were proposed, and a like number of members initiated. It was decided to have a proposition placed on the business sheet for consideration at the annual conference at Sale in March next, entitling a member to L1 per week sick benefit six months after initiation, instead of 12 months as at present. Messrs Ansaldi and C. Vowles were appointed to represent the branch at the conference. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr C. Gray; vice-president, Mr T. Foster; secretary, Mr A. Ansaldi; treasurer, Mr C. Vowles; committee, Messrs W. E. Willox, G. Boyd, F. Robinson, W. Vale, and J. Kinleyside.

Friday, Saturday and Monday next and the 1st and 2nd January, have been proclaimed as public holidays. The usual Christmas and New Year holiday arrangements have been made by the Post and Telegraph Department. Postal, money order, and savings bank business will be entirely suspended on Christmas Day. No mails will be despatched, and the day will, in fact, be kept as a Sunday, and Sunday arrangements will be observed at the telegraph offices. On Boxing Day and New Year's Day the delivery windows at the post offices will be closed to the public at 10 a.m., and the first delivery only by letter carrier will be effected, but country mails will be received and despatched as usual. No money order or savings bank business will be transacted. Telegraph offices will be open from 8.30 till 10 a.m., and from six till seven p.m. On Monday, the 28th inst., and Saturday, 2nd January, business will be transacted as usual in the Post and Telegraph Offices.

The Boxing Day Sports Committee met at Maher's Farmers' Hotel on Monday evening; Mr T. VanderStoel in the chair. Messrs Elliott, Bentley, and Brook's names were struck off the committe for non-attendance. L1 petty cash was passed to the secretary. Mr T. Buchanan was appointed handicapper. An offer of L1 to take swing boats into the ground was accepted from Mr Pedlar. The committee arranged to meet at the Park at 10 a.m. on the morning of the sports to complete arrangements.

A meeting of the Beaufort Jockey Club was held at Loft's Railway Hotel on Tuesday evening. Present—Messrs Andrews (chairman), VanderStoel, White, Thomas, Flynn, Maher, Sinclair, and Parker. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A letter enclosing a donation of L2 2s, was received with thanks from Captain Bridges, R.N. An acknowledgement of the registration of the club was received from the secretary of the Victorian Racing Club. Tenders were opened for repairs to booths and course, and that of T. VanderStoel, at L6 10s was accepted. A guinea was passed to the clerk of the course to get a horse for New Year's Day. The caterer, Mr VanderStoel, was guaranteed 24 for lunch at 2s 6d.

A very rich tin discovery has been made 35 miles from Kempsey, on the Macleay River, New South Wales, in a south-westerly direction. The "wash" in all the alluvial ground has prospected the extraordinary yield of 10 lb to the dish. In one portion of the ground a large ruby tin lode, or more properly speaking, a dyke, has also been found, which assays 75 per cent.

The Secretary of Education has forwarded a circular letter to all head teachers, pointing out the tremendous damage done every year by the careless use of fire, and requesting all teachers to warn their scholars against the evil practice of lighting fires in the bush during the summer months.

The South Australian Government has agreed to the proposal of the Victorian Government that a joint military adviser in London, a member of the Ordnance Committee, be appointed at a salary of L800 per annum. The officer, it is understood, will act for the whole of the colonies in passing military weapons and ammunition, and the expenses will be no greater than in the past, while the Government will have the satisfaction of knowing that the materials have been passed by an expert.

The estimated total expenditure of the Chicago World's Fair has been returned at L3,500,000 and the total revenue from all sources at L4,100,000 leaving a prospective surplus of L600,000

Mr Alfred Deakin told the Collingwood Working Men's Club on Monday evening that we were the most Conservative colony of the Australian group, and that the hostility in the Legislature to the one man one vote proposal was due to a "dangerous Tory re-action"—Standard.

The Beaufort Jockey Club's annual race meeting at Waterloo Flat on New Year's Day is being looked forward to by sporting men as promising a good day's fun. The prize-money only amounts to some L40 odd, but it has always attracted large fields for each event, and, judging from the training which numerous nags are undergoing, this year bids fair to be no exception to the rule. The first race is timed for 11 a.m., and luncheon can be obtained on the ground. A large attendance is anticipated.

[illegible] beautiful collection of novelty in Toys. [illegible] able for Christmas [illegible] been imported by Craig, [illegible] mas, Melbourne, from [illegible] and Japan. One of the [illegible] pers described C., W & T.'s [illegible] as the "House of Santa Claus." [illegible] large floors being devoted to the display of Mechanical Toys, Dolls, Go Carts, Rocking Horses, Japanese Curios, Fans, Vases, Workboxes, Writing Desks, and thousands of other useful and amusing articles. The prices we understand are about half the ordinary retail rates.—ADVT.]

A meeting of the Beaufort Fire Brigade was held on Friday evening, the 18th inst., when 13 members were present; Captain Humphries in the chair. Correspondence was received from the Country Fire Brigades' Board, forwarding registration certificate and books, &c., for conducting the business of the brigade; also asking for accounts, particulars of drills, fires and practices since 10th December. The secretary supplied the desired information. The following officers were appointed in accordance with the regulations of the Board for the ensuing 12 months:—Captain, W. Humphries; secretary, W. Driver; lieutenant, Alf. Driver; foreman, G. Helyar. Some discussion took place as to what should be done with the money found in the bank. A committee was appointed to draw up a report by the following Tuesday upon the advisability of holding a wind-up invitation social. It has been decided to hold the social on the 27th January, invitations to be sent to all old members of the brigade and the Press. It was decided to ventilate their opinion of the present hat from the platform on that occasion. A sub-committee was appointed to carry out all the necessary arrangements.

A meeting of the committee of the Beaufort Cricket Club was held at the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday evening. Present—Mr Vice-president Hughes (in the chair), Messrs Cougle, W. C. Trompf (hon. secy.), Welsh, A. Trompf, and Parker. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Resolved that the matter of treating the visitors be left in the hands of the secretary. Dr. Adam here attended, and Mr Hughes vacated the chair. The doctor announced his intention to give his trophy to the best all round player, thinking that batting, bowling, fielding, and attendances at matches should count. After some discussion it was unanimously arranged, on the motion of Mr Welsh, seconded by Mr A. Trompf, that the best batting and bowling averages be each counted as 100 per cent. and pro rata from that, and one point per catch allowed. Mr Parker moved that the winner of Dr. Adam's trophy be debarred from taking any other. Seconded by Mr W. Trompf, and carried. It was decided to give a 25s presentation bat for the best batting average. Mr A. Trompf moved that to entitle a bowler to a trophy, he must bowl not less than 100 balls. Seconded by Mr Welsh, and carried. Mr Chapman's trophy of 10s 6d having been left in the hands of the committee to decide as to how it should be given, Mr W. Trompf moved that it be given to the highest individual scorer during the season. Seconded by Mr Cougle, and carried. Dr Flynn's trophies—a bat and ball for second batting and bowling averages respectively—were allotted as desired. A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting.

Some of the finest cattle seen in Beaufort for many years past came from Mr Oddie's, Pretty Tower, on Monday. They were purchased by Mr Chapman, butcher, and his customers will enjoy the primest beef for several weeks to come.

Mr W. Edward Nickols sold the right to the booths, &c, in connection with the Beaufort Jockey Club's races on New Year's Day, at VanderStoel's Victoria Hotel on Saturday last. There was a good attendance, and the bidding being spirited, highly satisfactory prices were realized. Mr W. Schlicht bought the publican's booth for £22; Mr D. Mason the fruit stall for £4 2s 6d; Mr T. VanderStoel the luncheon booth for £1 2s 6d; and Mr D. Maher the gates for £9 5s.

The health of the Hon. W. H. S. Osmand, M.L.C., of "The Sycamores," has been critical of late, but he seemed to have rallied from an attack of gout which was rather severe on the last occasion. Some extra anxiety has been evinced lately as regards Mr Osmand's condition, and we (*P. C. News*) were informed on Friday evening that the additional assistance of Dr. Arthur Bennett, of Hamilton, had been secured, to ensure that the very best medical advice should be obtained. We are glad to learn that the hon. gentleman is now improving. Monday's *Stawell Times* says:—On Saturday last Dr. Arthur Bennett, of Hamilton (and at one time resident at Stawell), with Dr. R. N. Jack, visited the sufferer, when they found him out of danger, and on a fair way towards recovery, while from a visit made by the latter gentleman yesterday afternoon, we learn that Mr Osmand is doing well under medical care.

At the meeting on Saturday of the committee of the Bacchus Marsh Agricultural and Pastoral Society, the proposed grouping system of national shows was approved of, provided the L6,000 to be devoted to that purpose was made an addition to, and not a deduction from, the present annual subsidy of L24,000; and also provided that the Melbourne Royal Society was not included in any of the groups. Most of the members condemned the holding of national shows at all, as they considered that the Melbourne show of the Royal Society was, and always would be, the only real national show, and that giving increased prizes to a local show, under the idea that it made it a national one, only aggravated the evil of professional peripatetic prize-taking, now so noticeable at the provincial shows.—*Argus.*

Licensed victuallers are reminded that their licenses must be renewed on or before the 5th January. Licensees would do well to take out their renewals as early as possible.

The Australian Mohawk Minstrels are announced to give an entertainment in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, on Boxing Night.

Mr J. McLuckie, P.M., has been appointed to preside over the meetings to be held on the 13th January next, for the election of members of the Ararat District Prospecting Board.

Applications from persons desirous of being employed in the police force, will be received until the 14th January.

The *Financial Times* has an article upon the financial position in Australia, in which it refers in commendatory terms to the Australian banks. These are conducted, it says, with marked prudence and success, and no other group of securities yielding the same return can show so clean a record.

There will be no lack of amusement in Beaufort during the Xmas. holidays. The local cricketers play a match with the Ballarat Brittannia Club on Christmas Day, and an interesting game is expected. Sports are to be held in the Park on Boxing Day. A novelty programme has been submitted to the public, and it should certainly attract a large crowd. Amusement for children has been provided in the shape of swing boats. The committee of management will spare no effort to keep the fun going, and earn the approbation of the pleasure seekers. Fine weather is only needed to make the gathering a success.

Here we are within a few days of Christmas, and yet there is scarcely a sign of the approach of the time dear to all Christendom. Hardly even is the cry of the goose heard in the land, despite the fact that the "bird that saved Rome" is, as a rule, not of a silent nature at this season of the year. The fact is that men's minds are uneasy without them. The times have so run quinously riot of late than folks are unable to turn their thoughts to festivity. It would have too much the aspect of feasting among the ruins of one's friend's fortunes. For the feeling of misfortune is contagious. It may not have mattered to you and me personally that the "Run-'em-up" Building Society has stopped payment. But there are those whom we meet daily to whom it means everything. And when we find the ruin deepening round them, we begin to believe that the shaft of ill fortune is certain, in the course of time, to be directed against ourselves. How, then, can we be expected to "eat, drink and be merry?" As someone says—"It aint in human nature to make a good squar' meal esitttin' on your brother's tombstone." I'm afraid Christmas of 1891 will not bring all the "Peace and Goodwill" that should characterise the season.—Melbourne correspondent to *Ararat Advertiser.*

What appears to have been a dastardly attempt to wreck the 8.50 a.m. train from Avoca to Ararat was luckily frustrated by Mr J. Williamson, butcher, of Avoca, on Wednesday (says the *Mail*). Mr Williamson was crossing the railway line, at what is known as Ross's crossing close to the racecourse. Seeing some object on one of the rails, he got off his cart and went to remove it, when to his surprise he found that it was the share of a scarifier, measuring 10 inches in width, 6 inches in length, and being 2 inches high. It was placed firmly on the line by means of stones, and the point of the share was directed towards Avoca, so that the out-going train would run up on to it. The matter was reported to the police, and Constable Monks forwarded information to the proper quarters. Every effort is now being made to discover the perpetrator of the outrage, and the police have got so far as to ascertain where the share came from, and have an idea as to how it got there.

The Local Government Amending Bill is a measure in the discussion of which members of the Legislative Council are quite at home, and they will not consent to have it rushed on to the statute-book without fair consideration, even in the closing days of the session. Last week the Council returned the bill to the Lower House with 131 suggested amendments—the figures are those of the Minister of Defence—and the Assembly agreed to accept 96 of the alterations indicated. It now became the duty of the Council to decide what it should do with the amendments with which the Assembly disagreed. Such amendments are usually allowed to "go by the board" in Christmas week, but an exception was made on this occasion. Two hours were devoted to the consideration of the Assembly's message, and the council decided to insist upon many of its amendments. A new clause has been inserted providing for the severance of a portion of a municipality, and the House declined to allow this to be restricted as the Assembly wished. It decided also to retain the amendment restoring the qualification of L10 a year to L20, and to insist upon the excision of the clause extending the hours of polling from 5 o'clock to 7 o'clock. The same course was adopted with respect to the clause giving power to shire councils with the consent of the Governor in Council to make by-laws providing that property should be valued at 5 per cent. upon the capital value irrespective of improvements of any specified class and with respect to portions of the clause extending the time for the recovery of rates from one year to three years. An amendment by which councils borrowing money are required to invest at least 7 per cent. of the amount annually for the formation of a sinking fund was insisted upon. Of the points upon which the Council consented to give way, the most noteworthy was with respect to the clause extending to Melbourne and Geelong the provision that the joint owners of any property should not be allowed more than three votes in respect of that property, a proposal which was aimed specially at the city clubs, and which the Council previously declined to pass.—"Argus."

AUSTRALIA'S NATIONAL HOLIDAY.

"Advance Australia! though thy years be few,
Like some strong Titan's are thy sinews set;
Thy glance is fearless; and thy soul as yet
Unschooled to serve the false or spurn the true.
Therefore God gives the noblest work to do—
Thy task to build—while other worlds forget—
The kingdom preached by still Gennesaret,
Of Truth and Justice in the world anew.
Its deepest bases look thou firmly lay
In ordered freedom, and large tolerance,
And equal laws that all men must obey.
Then upward, fearless, or of fate or chance,
Build ever-faithful thou in this thy day
For God's great kingdom—in His name advance."

R. S. de C. Laffan.

Amongst the numerous faults that members of the globe-trotting fraternity of scribblers have professed to find in the Australian people is that they pay too much attention to pleasure, and have too many holidays in their calendar. Your true born Englishman, however, is very fond of pleasure, albeit he is supposed to take his pleasure sadly, and is it to be wondered that his progeny, under a brighter sky and in a happier clime, should have a love of pleasure inherent in his nature. As to holidays, it cannot be denied that in Australia such purely British holidays as the birthdays of Her Majesty and the Prince of Wales are more generally observed than in Britain itself, yet the Old Land holds the palm for the number of holidays annually observed. The only two purely Victorian holidays in our calendar are Separation Day, (1st July), and Constitution Day (23rd November), and these the Australian Natives' Association are seeking to have removed from the list of bank holidays because they are purely Victorian, and their observance is opposed to the federal jealousies in broad national issues that conserve the interests of Australasia as a whole. In place of these two parochial holidays the A.N.A. have induced the various Governments to proclaim the 26th of January as the one National holiday in commemoration of the founding of the first British colony in Australia little over a century ago. In assisting in the fitting celebration of our one National holiday every citizen of Australia, whether he be an Australian by birth or adoption, only fulfills a patriotic duty and shows that he at least is grateful that his lines are cast in a country where all may "walk erect and unafraid," in a land that enjoys to the full "the broadening light of Freedom's day," where the petty conventionalities that tend to choke the growth of soul in other lands are unknown, and where "no deadly fungus growths of creed or caste" can find a resting place. Although the National holiday was gazetted as such only two or three years ago, the idea has caught on wonderfully, and various methods for its due celebration have been adopted in different parts of Australia. In many of the inland centres of population in Victoria great preparations are being made for the next celebration, but nowhere are the preparations on such an elaborate scale as those now being made in Melbourne by the Metropolitan Committee of the A.N.A. This useful and enthusiastic body last year succeeded in attracting to the Melbourne Exhibition Building one of the largest crowds that ever assembled there, and their gigantic efforts for the coming monster National fete are fully deserving of even more enthusiastic and widespread recognition than on the last occasion. This time they have not been able to offer in connection with the art union such attractive prizes as "desirable villas" or free trips round the world on account of the authorities taking steps to prevent art unions where cash prizes are offered, or where the prizes are other than works of art pure and simple. This action has had the effect of frightening one or two benefit societies out of holding their annual galas, but the Metropolitan Committee of the A.N.A. having courageously determined to hold an art union in connection with the National celebration, keeping strictly within the law, and at the same time encouraging and fostering Australian art. They have secured a splendid collection of pictures, which are to be offered as prizes in the art union, the total value of the paintings being L850. The first prize is one of the largest and best of the paintings of Frank McCubbin, the director of the National Gallery, Melbourne. It is entitled "The Bush Burial," and in it the artist has graphically conveyed to the canvas a characteristic Australian scene. A glance at the picture awakens a feeling of sympathy for the newly-made widow and fatherless bairn, who stand, in the heart of the bush, around the grave of their dear departed, while the grey-bearded pioneer near them mumbles through the burial service and a sturdy bushman with downcast eyes and uncovered head await the words, "Earth to earth, dust to dust." Even the very dog behind the bushman seems to be affected by the solemnity of the occasion. All the details are filled in with a vividness and completeness that stamp the picture as a work of high merit. The artist's price for the painting was L220; but the committee have modestly set its value down at L200, so that they may be under the mark rather than over it. The second prize is Arthur Loureiro's "Two Companions"—a work that has called forth the highest praise from competent critics. "Sunshine and Showers," by C. Rolando, is the third prize, and is another *chef d'œuvre*, being absolutely faultless in conception and color. The fourth prize "Chrysanthemums," is from the brush of the celebrated Mrs Ellis Rowan, who stands absolutely unrivalled in the painting of flower pieces. J. Gibb is represented by a large landscape painting, "The Waimakarri"—a splendid representation of that bright and peculiarly varied configuration so characteristic of New Zealand scenery. The sixth prize, "Rock's and Waterfalls," was painted by J. Mather, whose works have secured for him a fame not by any means confined to Australia. "Sundowners," by J. H. Scheltema, is the seventh prize, and it is almost needless to say that the artist has treated the subject in a most effective style. J. S. Bowman contributes a large picture of "Mount Kosciusko, Australian Alps," and Eugene Von Guerard, late director of the National Gallery, a splendid painting of "Pulpit Rock, Cape Schanch." Amongst the other prizes may be mentioned "An Old Colonist," "A Brunette," two panels of fruit and four other small oil paintings by Catani; "A Fishing Station, Gippsland Lakes," and "A Bush Fire," by J. W. Curtis; two seascapes by Arthur Boyd; a Tasmanian sketch by Henry Gritton; "Manawatu River (N.Z.), by T. Brookes Smith; three Victorian scenes, by A. E. Aldis; "North Brighton Beach," and "Darebin Creek," by H. Woodhouse; "On the Wallaby," by A. Colquhoun; "On the Werribee," by J. Josephs; and other oil paintings by H. Hoile, A. Wills, and others; while some high-class water color drawings are contributed by R. F. Thwaites, J. A. Heeps, E. M. Cockerel, H. Woodhouse, etc. The above will give some faint idea of the excellence of the art union prizes, and every ticket purchased gives the holder a chance for the prizes as well as the right to attend the festivities at the Exhibition Building on the 26th January either in the day time or in the evening. The price of the ticket has been fixed at the popular shilling, and all who are fortunate enough to be in Melbourne on the National Holiday will get considerably more than a shillings-worth of amusement and enjoyment, if they attend at the Exhibition Building, where all manner of sports and amusements will be in full swing, including athletic competitions, gymnastic displays, bicycle racing, dog shows, etc., while an exhibition of fancy work and a cushion contest will claim the attention of the ladies, and for the edification of the children a doll show will be held. Since last celebration the Exhibition trustees have made extensive alterations and improvements in the internal arrangements, so that no matter how large the crowd may be present all will be able to get an uninterrupted view of the sports. It is intended to fit up the concert hall as a fernery or summer house, where light refreshments may be partaken of in absolute comfort, while selections will be played on the grand organ during the day, and the soul stirring music of several first-class bands will enlivan the proceedings and add to the general harmony. In the evening the building will be all ablaze with electricity, night will be transformed into day, and with all the attractions to be offered joy should reign supreme. No place in the City can compare with the Exhibition Building as a cool, comfortable resort in the summer time, and the A.N.A. are sparing no effort to secure the comfort and enjoyment of all who attend there to participate in the National fete of 1892. In the benefit of those resident in the country who wish to attend the fete, the A.N.A. are arranging for the running of special trains at greatly reduced rates from various parts of Victoria. Nothing will be left undone by the promoters of this gigantic undertaking to make the affair a thorough success, and it only remains for the public to second the efforts by patriotically assisting in the proper celebration of our National Holiday.

GEOLOGICAL NOTES.

[By W. Green.]

Gold Prospects of the District.—[illegible]

While referring to the source of alluvial gold as existing in certain portions of the silurian beds I have raised a point which may be interesting to some of my readers. I carried a little further—namely, on grounds are there for the popular idea that alluvial gold is necessarily derived from the ordinary type of auriferous quartz veins or lodes? In order to discuss the subject a little I will [illegible] a proposition.

That the greater portion of gold found in the alluvial is not derived from ordinary auriferous quartz lodes because—

1. The gold in quartz-reefs does not forms an integral portion of the rock of the whole quartz of the lode, but is "solid in the quartz" as it is termed, and consequently the metal would not readily become detached or fall from the stone to be collected in the alluvial.

2. Gold, being of a much softer nature than quartz, would, in the above condition, be worn evenly with the surface of the stone, and the portions of the gold thus removed would be such small particles as to be unappreciable in the alluvial deposits.

3. The quartz attached to gold "specimens" found in these alluvial workings, does not as a rule show a very marked relation, in general character, to the quartz of the lodes in the locality, but is often very dissimilar.

4. A large proportion of the gold in the alluvial is greater in size as grains or nuggets, than the gold as it is generally found in the quartz reefs.

5. The alluvial gold is acknowledged to be of a higher standard value than the quartz-reef gold, suggesting a different source for the alluvial.

6. The alluvial gold is often found crystalline, angular, and rugged, such as would be the form of it if not derived from a soft matrix.

Therefore, we conclude that the bulk of the alluvial gold must have been derived from another and a softer matrix than hard quartz-reefs.

It will generally be found, I think, that in districts where the alluvial has been proved to be derived from a quartz reef source, that those reefs contain a considerable proportion of their gold in a free and loose condition in the mullock and casings of the reef whence it had been set free and scattered by ordinary atmospheric wear and tear to form the alluvial. But cases where this source can be well traced up, are not of common occurrence.

The fact of quartz-reefs occurring in the vicinity of rich alluvial diggings is rather a coincidence, arising from certain geological conditions, and not necessarily a *cause* of the alluvial, as is generally supposed.

We may have rich alluvial gold deposits, without any auriferous quartz reefs of the ordinary type existing in the same locality; and on the other hand, we may have also the auriferous reefs without much alluvial.

The Beaufort districts, are examples of diggings where rich alluvial has occurred without a quartz-reef source of the genuine kind being found for it. But there is a tangible source for this gold, no doubt, *not* the one commonly sought for.

The London City Council has voted a sum of £2,600 for the purpose of purchasing a present for H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence on the occasion of his approaching marriage with the Princess Victoria of Teck.

It is estimated that the United States has within its dominion over 200,000 telephones in use.

TRAWALLA AND SAILOR'S GULLY STATE SCHOOLS PIC-NIC AND DISTRIBUTOIN OF PRIZES.

[COMMUNICATED.]

A most delightful afternoon's enjoyment was spent at Captain Bridges' residence, Trawalla Station, on 19th inst. The occasion being the pleasurably anticipated pic-nic provided for the scholars by Captain and Mrs Bridges. Every precaution was evidently taken that the guests should have no lack of means of enjoyment and the many varied forms of games, &c., were freely indulged in by the young folk. At 4 o'clock the tables under the spacious pines were surrounded by happy faces who did full justice to the more than ample repast so generously provided by their kind host and hostess. This done, the prizes for which the scholars have striven under the system of "Marks" were then distributed by Captain Bridges, whose donation with that of the Hon. Robt. Simson, of Toorak, enabled the teacher to select a splendid class of books. The following is the prize list:—Class 5—1st prize, Lilian Deane, "The girls' own annual;" 2nd, Euphemie McLeod, "Nora Clinton;" 3rd, Cora R. Smith, "The family honor." Class 4—1st prize, George Barnes, "Peter Trawl or Adventures of a Whaler;" 2nd, William Welsh, "Winning an Empire"; 3rd, Adelaide Hudson, "Flood to Torture." Class 3—1st prize, Isabella Packham, "How they did;" 2nd, Henry Barnes, "Garrick or his own Fault;" 3rd, Mabel Packham, "Beatrice Melton's Discipline," 4th, Laura Jay, "Heroines of the Household." 2nd Class—1st prize, John Barnes, "The Serpent Charmer"; 2nd, William Packham, "Field Friends and Forest Foes;" 3rd, George Hudson, "A Jolly Fellowship." Most popular girl—Euphemie McLeod, "The Bells of Dumbarton;" most popular boy, Alexander McLeod, "Gold and Glory." Best spelling 5th class—Euphemie McLeod, "Effie and Her Strange Acquaintance." Best spelling—4th class, Adelaide Hudson, "A Brave Resolve." Best spelling—3rd class, Mabel Packham. "Prairie Days or Home in the Far West." Best spelling—2nd class, William Packham, "House in the Glen and the Boys who built it." Best exercise—5th class, Euphemie McLeod, "Giving Service." Best exercise—4th class, William Welsh, "James Braithwaite the Supercargo." Best exercise—3rd class, Isabella Packham, "Children's Pastime." Best exercise—2nd class, John Barnes, "Life of a Bear; its Birth and Adventures." The proceedings were then brought to a close by vote of thanks proposed by the teacher (Mr Cunnington), and three hearty cheers to Captain and Mrs Bridges, who, the Captain stated were pleased to hear all had so thoroughly enjoyed themselves and he hoped to see them there again on a similar occasion.

We have also received the following account, and as another school besides Trawalla has shared in the good things, we deem it right to publish both:—Friday the 18th inst, was the Treat-day for Trawalla and Sailor's Gully school-children. They met by invitation at the Home station, Trawalla. After an hour or two spent at the various games so thoughtfully provided for them, they were seated at spacious tables, placed under the pines. The tables were laden with cakes, tarts, fruit, &c., which the children, to the number of 80 did ample justice to. Mrs Bridges assisted by lady visitors. was unwearying in her efforts to make the little happy ones, The young master and his sisters were following their mother's example, for their goat-chariot was placed at the service of all the little ones who wished a drive round the grounds. The children having satisfied themselves at the tables, were ranged in two lines by their respective teachers, and then Captain Bridges addressed them in a few choice sentences on the necessity of doing their best to learn, while they were young, so as to be prepared to fight the battle of life, when they went from the parental roof. The prizes, which were supplied by Captain Bridges for Sailor's Gully, and the Hon. Robert Simson for Trawalla, were then presented by Captain Bridges to each recipient, with kindly cheering words. After a vote of thanks had been warmly given to Captain and Mrs Bridges for their great kindness, the children made homewards.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

The monthly match in connection with the Beaufort Rifle Club was fired on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, 16th and 19th inst., at 400 and 500 yards, 7 shots at each. The prizes were—1st, 13s (amount of entrance money less marker's wages); 2nd, 60 rounds of ammunition; 3rd, 40 do. (the cartridges being donated by Captain Cougle). There were 18 entries, one re-entry being allowed, Mr C. Loft took the first prize with a score of 66 (10 handicap); Mr H. Loft coming second with 64 (6 handicap); and Mr McKeich third (from scratch). Appended are the scores:—

	Yds—400	500	H'k'p	T'l
C. Loft ...	32	25	10	66
H. Loft ...	33	25	6	64
J. McKeich ...	32	29	scr	61
G. Loft ...	23	26	10	59
C. Trompf ...	26	16	17	59
W. Trompf ...	29	21	5	55
J. McRae ...	21	30	2	53
G. H. Cougle ...	19	16	17	52
R. Jackson ...	21	18	12	51
A. Trompf ...	21	26	2	49
J. Brooks ...	20	10	17	47

A misleading statement has been published that the Electoral Rolls Purification Bill will not come into operation before the ensuing general elections. As a matter of fact (says the "Argus.") arrangements are already in progress for the appointment of inspectors under the measure, and it is intended that the process of purification contemplated by it shall be initiated at the earliest possible moment.

AN UNSCRUPULOUS FOE.

Creeps upon us unawares like an assassin in the dark and whose dangerous proximity we never suspect until it makes the last fatal clutch on some vital organ. We are always warned in ample time of the impending danger, but with criminal carelessness neglect these warnings That tired feeling, those aching limbs and that grand feeling one day and seedy condition the next, the sour taste on waking in the morning, and the frequent sick and splitting headaches, all make their debut before serious illness sets in. All or any of these symptoms indicate the approach of disease, they are faithful signs that the liver and the kidneys are not doing their duties, that the morbid and effete matter instead of being eliminated from the system, is being retained, and is positively poisoning and destroying the whole physical structure. Neglect in such cases is criminal, recourse to rational treatment should be had at once, CLEMENTS TONIC should be taken to strengthen the digestion, purify and fortify the blood to stimulate the liver and brace up the kidneys, to resolve and eliminate the poisonous urea, Liver and kidney complaints are the most prevalent diseases of this country, and so long as we consume such large quantities of animal food and stimulants, so long will this unhealthy condition last. It is this mode of life that causes such numbers of deaths from heart disease, Bright's disease, dropsy, cancer, inflammation and enlargement of the liver, and similar causes, all of which herald their approach by feelings of lassitude, headache, languor &c., and if prompt treatment at once is adopted by a regular use of CLEMENTS TONIC, the progress of disease or disease is arrested, the stomach, liver and kidneys resume their normal action and the poisonous accumulations are expelled the system and normal health is restored. That CLEMENTS TONIC is reliable is proved begond all question and we have grateful beneficiaries in every town and village who are continually writing us in terms similar to the following:—

"St Leonards, Sydney,—Dear sir,—I can with pleasure bear witness to the great relief I have received from the use of CLEMENTS TONIC and DR FLETCHER'S PILLS. I have been a great sufferer for 11 years from liver disease, which at times considerable enlargemen, which caused a swelling in the side under the ribs and was very paiaful, the abdoman, bowels &c' always felt very tender on pressure, with most obstinate constipation for which I took FLETCHER'S PILLS, the first dose caused a copious evacuation and gave great relief, and I thought I was all right, but after a week I was as bad agan as before, I again had recourse to FLETCHER'S PILLS but I took CLEMENTS TONIC as well this time and continued it for a couple of months, after the first dose I felt better and got rid of all the symptons I used to have, as flushings of heat and cold, splitting headache, pains in the site and small of the back, extreme lassitude, and the general feeling of 'all right to die, seedy to morrow,' all these symptons with many others I used to have, but now thanks to CLEMENTS TONIC I am quite cured, I can get up in a morning refreshed by the night's rest and can eat a good breakfast, whereas before taking the medicine I scarcely ever could eat anything, and when I did it nearly always made me vomit, but now I am quite well and have been so for 5 months I have no cause to fear a relapse. I don't mind your publishing my case if you add nothing to it, as it may bring relief to similar sufferers.—Yours very truly, H. GARKEL."

A determined suicide took place at Kurumburra on Sunday night. A young man named Edward Stevens, about 26 years old, cut his throat with a razor in the street near the railway station. He had been keeping company with a young woman named Sarah Walker, a domestic servant, who jilted him. Deceased called at the house where she was working, and demanded some things of his which were in Miss Walker's possession, On receiving them, he selected a razor from among them, and threatened to do for her. She took the razor from him, and ran away. Stevens pursued her, and attempted to kill her, but she escaped, and he then cut his own throat.

During the recent rifle matches at Williamstown, the armourer reported that several instances came under his notice of rifles having been tampered with, and he particularly brought to notice the dangerous habit which some men have of loosening the screw of the trigger spring with a view to lightening the "pull off." Several of the sights also were filled so as to use the "ladder" upright at 400 yards. All members of the military forces are warned that they are on no account to tamper with their rifles, or to alter the sights. Anyone found disobeying this order will not only be disqualified from taking any prize he may have won, but his rifle will be condemned, and charged to him, and he will be dismissed the service.—"Standard."

One threatened obstacle to the expeditious dismissal of the remaining business of the session was removed in an altogether unexpected way by the Legislative Council yesterday (says Thursday's "Argus." Although at a previous sitting members had formerly agreed to a conference with the Assembly upon the One Man One Vote it yet remained to appoint managers, and Mr George Davis moved before the dinner hour that Dr Hobson, Mr Brown, Mr M'Cullock, and Mr Zeal should act with himself as the representatives of the Council. It was at once evident that the names did not satisfy the majority of members, who were bent upon taking with them one of the Upper House Ministers to aid them in the contest with his colleagues, while neither Sir Frederick Sargood nor those sitting beside him were at all eager to undertake the duty. Eventually hon. members met in caucus during the dinner adjournment and on reassembling virtually reversed their previous decision by negativing the motion for the appointment of managers which Mr Service declared would entirely stultify the action the Council had taken on this bill. A motion insisting upon the Council's amendments in the measure was then carried on a division by 22 votes to 12, and thus the conference was abandoned, and the Constitution Act Amendment Bill fell finally to the ground

Writing on the manurial experiments, a correspondent of "Farm and Home" writes:—"I have been a practical farmer on my own account, and I have frequently grown oats 6 feet high and sometimes more, yet in all that time, I have never had an acre laid, and I have told the secret more than once in the columns of "Farm and Home," and the receipt is gypsum 5 to 10 cwt. per acre sowed with corn, will in probability save from being laid and gypsum is one of the cheapest manures, 15s to L1 at the works, and there is scarcely any country in England where it can not be got for 30s. As a rule 10 cwt. per acre can be used with advantage. Last year I had a field of oats, some of which was seven feet high, and it was on one occasion beaten down by rain and wind until it formed an angle of 30 degrees with the ground, but it was never laid. A few days after the storm is was standing straight from about three feet above the surface of the earth to the ears, the three lower feet formed an angle of about 45 degrees with the ground, but there was not a straw broken, and the gypsum is not only good to strengthen the straw, but a great benefit to clover when it comes to rotation afterwards.—Correspondent "M. and D. Advertiser."

The "Ararat Advertiser's" Melbourne correspondent supplies the following:—The end is nigh. Never has Parliament sat so late in the year; rarely has one done as much work. But in all the latter part of it is that hateful influence of scurry. And the result is there is not a man in the community, be he Minister, member, or journalist—and the latter having the documents before them are generally the best informed of the trio—that could honestly tell you how some of the measures lately shuttlecocked been the Houses really stand. The clerks work night and day to keep things straight; but when the Assembly sits until two, three and four in the morning, and resumes at eleven, you can scarcely blame them and the draughtsman if the precise effect of amendments is not embodied in that form which members desire. This rushing of legislation at the fag end of the session is the vice of Parliament. The statutes thereby become so contradictory that lawyers know not how to advise on them nor judges how to interpret. No better proof of the detrimental character of this rushing practice could be offered than is to be found in that most comical of all the measures ever submitted to Parliament, entitled 'A Bill to Correct Certain Errors in Acts.' This is simply an Act of Parliament to reprove and correct the errors of the merciless 'comp.' But I fancy it is the first time in the history of the English race that we have had a bill which enacts that for the word 'rilway' 'railway' should be substituted; or that for 'burden or proof' there should be 'burden of proof;' for 'defendnt' 'defendant;' for 'witnesss,' 'witness.' As to the corrections of the 'comp's' freaks in the "Real Property Act 1890, the brain wilts in attempting to understand them. However, when this meets the reader's eye Parliament will be breathing heavily, struggling to get air enough to expand its almost exhausted lungs—just as the the year 1891 is. By this time next year we shall have Graham Berry as Premier, Deakin as Chief Secretary, and Mr Gilles contemplating the pavement at odd man's corner, and the Parliamentary policemen on the door letting him through with the remark—'Well, you see, we let him through because he used to be a member.' So wags the world away."

"Timotheus" writes in Saturday's 'Argus'—in concluding one of his clever articles:—"Who knows what the new House will be? How will the Opposition be constituted? How will the Ministry be led? There are persistent rumours that Mr Munro, and not Sir Frederick Sargood, nor yet Sir Matthew Davies, nor yet Mr Gillies, will go to London as Agent-General. If it is not Mr Munro, then it will not be anyone of the favourite quartete. Mr Gillies is to be stoutly opposed in the Eastern Suburbs—a prospect which does not appear to disturb a veteran who has so often taken his life in his hands. The Trades-hall has sworn by all its gods that Mr J. B. Patterson shall never darken the House again. Report has it that Mr Deakin meditates retirement, for a time at any rate, from the scene, in favor of the halls of justice. And Sir Graham Berry is coming back. All these points suggest eventualities. And then the eye wanders to Mr Trenwith and Mr Hancock and the Trades-hall group. Will they come back a power to dictate to the two sides? Or will they return a mere faction to be flouted instead of flattered, because their weakness has been found out. The wisest can but conjecture, and thus politics ever renew their interest.

On the 5th December Mr William O'Connor, a native of Creswick (says the "Star"), wagered that he would cut 7 cords, or 18 tons, of saleable firewood in one day. On Saturday last he essayed the task, commencing at 5.35 a.m., and concluding at 5.15 p.m., with the time taken for meals, gave him just 10 hours. When his work was measured it was found that he had cut 19 tons of wood. The trial took place at Leonard's Hill, and by his work we understand Mr O'Connor has established a record. The wood was cut in 5 feet lengths, and the feat is the most remarkable of its kind that has been accomplished.

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A statement prepared by the Government Statist, a copy of which we have received, has been circulated by the Treasurer regarding the financial position of the colony. The public and private wealth of the coiony is estimated as follows:—Public Wealth—railways, L36,000,000; harbor improvements, L5,000,000; electric telegraphs, L550,000; waterworks, L7,000,000; State schools, L1,750,000; other public works, L13,000,000; churches, hospitals, benevolent asylums, mechanics' institutes, etc., L1,000,000; balance due on lands conditionally alienated, L3,200,000; unsold Crown lands, L64,400,000; municipal property, L2,800,000; total, L134,700,000. Private Wealth—Population, 1,140,405 at L400 per head, L456,162,000; grand total, L590,862,000.

The Legislative Assembly was unable to finish its work for the session last night (says Wednesday's "Argus") as the Ministry had hoped, mainly because the Railway Act Amendment Bill was returned by the Legislative Council at too late an hour for the amendments to be considered. They are to be dealt with to-day, and no doubt is felt as at the conclusion of all pending business to night. If it is not possible to prorogue on Thursday—and the heavy duty devolving upon the clerks in engrossing and checking the bills passed is likely to prevent that being done—His Excellency the Governor will perform the formal ceremony of closing the session on Saturday. Yesterday the Assembly disposed of a large amount of business. After a long debate a resolution was agreed to authorising the permanent survey of lines already recommended by the Standing Committee on Railways or which may be recommended during the recess. Without much difficulty the Commissioner of Customs succeeded in inducing the House to give way in regard to some of the amendments in the Local Government Bill, and the Council conceding some of its objections on other points the measure now awaits the Royal assent. After some unimportant bills had been dealt with Mr Peacock moved the second reading of the Defence and Discipline Act Amendment Bill, which was agreed to. The measure having been passed through committee, the House adjourned at midnight until 3 o'clock to-day.

A.N.A.

TICKETS for the Monster NATIONAL FETE and ART UNION, to be held at the EXHIBITION BUILDING, MELBOURNE, JANUARY 26TH, 1892 (National Holiday), may be obtained from MR. A. ANSALDI, Waterloo.

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NOTICE—All Shares in arrear, including 3rd Call of sixpence per share, are absolutely Forfeited, and will be Sold by Public Auction at the Company's Office, Neill-street, Beaufort, on Saturday, the 2nd January, 1892, at 12 o'clock noon, unless previously redeemed and expenses paid, Nos. 1 to 6,000, exclusive of those shares already paid on.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS addressed to the President of the Shire of Ripon, and enclosing 5 per cent. deposit, will be received up till 11 a.m. on THURSDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 1892, for the following Works:—

NORTH RIDING.

Contract No. 483—Forming and metalling with quartz 61 chains of road near Saxon Consols, Waterloo South; building culverts, &c.

Contract No 484—Forming about 32 chains of Cumming Street, and 10 chains of Speck Street, Beaufort, and building culverts, &c.

EAST RIDING.

Contract No. 373—Repairing timber work of the Chepstowe bridge; painting, &c.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Shire Office, Beaufort, and those for the East at the Greyhound Hotel, Snake Valley.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. H. JACKSON, Shire Engineer,
Beaufort, 23rd December, 1891

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R. JACKSON, Hon. Secretary.

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To Stand this Season at his Owner's Farm, Middle Creek, near Buangor,

THE CELEBRATED CLYDESDALE STALLION,

PURVES.

PURVES is a dark bay, foaled 2nd November, 1881; his sire, Carmyle, is too well-known in this district to need comment.

PURVES has won 55 first-prizes and £334 prize money.

Some or his first gets were kept for stallions, and are prize-takers wherever shown.

TERMS:—£4 4s each mare, to be paid at the end of the season. All mares must have hind shoes taken off. Good grass paddocks with plenty of water provided. All care taken, but no responsibility incurred.

For further particulars apply to the Owner, THOMAS JESS, Shirley P.O.

To stand this Season at the Owner's Farm Eurambeen, the Clydesdale Stallion,

WAIT-A-WEE.

WAIT-A-WEE is a dark grey horse, 3 years old; standing 17¼ hands high, with plenty of the right sort of bone and hair. Sire, the celebrated prize winner, PURVES, who has never been beaten yet. Dam, by Old Scotchman, from Scotchman (imp.); g.g.d., by Napoleon, by George Buchanan (imp.), his shows that some of the best strain of blood can be found in him.

WAIT-A-WEE got second prize at Beaufort as a yearling, also second prize at Ararat as a two-year-old, and first at Beaufort this year.

WAIT-A-WEE will travel through the districts of Raglan, Waterloo, Sailor's Gully, Bald Hill, and Beaufort.

TERMS:—£2 5s each mare.

Payable at end of season; or £2 15s if PADDOCKED.

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TO STAND THIS SEASON, at the Owner's Stud Farm, Stockyard Hill, the Celebrated Clydesdale Stallion,

Rochford Champion.

ROCHFORD CHAMPION is a beautiful bay, with black points (no white), Sire, the renowned Champion of Scotland (imp.); dam, the Champion Mare, Kate (imp). His prizes are too numerous to mention. He is the sire of Lord Nelson (who never has been beaten), and other first-class stallions.

TERMS:—£3 3s each mare.

Also the Thoroughbred Stallion,

Morris Dancer.

MORRIS DANCER is a handsome dark Brown, with black points; is very fast, and a first-class jumper, and possesses all those good qualities of a racehorse. Sire, Liberator, Liberator by Fireworks; Fireworks by Kelpie (imp.) See stud book. Dam, Crenoline, by Maribyrnong; Maribyrnong by Fisherman (imp.) See stud book. Morris Dancer's dam, (Maida, by King of Clubs; King of Clubs by Ace of Clubs (imp.); dam by South Australia, imp.), Maida's dam, Eveline, by Morris Dancer (imp.) Liberator was purchased as a yearling for 200 guineas. MORRIS DANCER is the winner of 18 first and 7 second prizes.

TERMS—£4 4s EACH MARE.

Also the handsomest Pony in the colony

Young Bobby Dazzler.

He is a jet black, 12 hands high. Sire, Bobby Dazzler (imp.); dam, Ruby (bred by Mr Calvert, of Colac). He has won 14 first prizes, including first prize Kerang show, first prize Bendigo show, and twice first Ballarat shows 1889 and 1890. For further comment, see stud book.

All mares to be paid for on removal. Good grass paddocks provided, but no responsibility.

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The Thoroughbred Stallion

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Good grass paddocks for mares, but no responsibility. Notice will be sent to owners when mares are ready for removal.

FRANCIS BEGGS.

The Thoroughbred Stallion,

WILD DOG.

Will Stand this Season at the Owner's Farm, STOCKYARD HILL.

TERMS—£2 10s EACH MARE.

Some of WILD DOG's stock were prize-taker at the Ararat Show this year.

Good grass paddocks provided. Every care taken, but no responsibility. For full pedigree and particulars apply to

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TO STAND AT ST. ENOCH'S, STOCKYARD HILL, the Thoroughbred Stallion,

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By St. Albans (sire of Malua and Coronet and many other winners); dam, Seaspray.

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TERMS—£4 PER MARE.

Also, the pure Timor Pony Stallion,

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Winner of many first prizes.

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THE MANAGER.
St Enoch's, Stockyard Hill.

NOTICE.

IN order to comply with the provisions made in the will of the late John Wotherspoon, deceased, it is necessary that all ACCOUNTS due WOTHERSPOON BROS. & Co., Merchants, Beaufort, should be SETTLED without delay.

The business of Wotherspoon Bros. & Co. will be continued by me, and I respectfully beg to Thank all for past favors, and trust to receive and deserve further patronage.

Mr W. Edward Nickols is appointed to collect the accounts, and his receipt will be a sufficient discharge thereof.

Yours obediently,
GEORGE WOTHERSPOON,
Executor.

Beaufort, 26th September, 1891.

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Challicum, 20th January, 1890.

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August 8th, 1891.

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ON

NEW YEAR'S DAY

(1ST JANUARY, 1892.)

STEWARDS.—Messrs P. Blackmore, W. Hinchliffe, W. Loft, G. Pearson, G. Topper, J. Tompkins, T. VanderStoel, G. Wetherpoon, D. Maher, T. Beggs, T D. Martin, Jas Frusher, R. Beggs, H. Beggs, F. Beggs, R. Wilkinson, M. Flynn, G. White, and A. Parker.

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STARTER—Mr C. Loft.

HANDICAPPERS—Messrs E. H. Austin, D. Troy, A. Andrews, and T. Welsh

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Maiden Plate, of 5 sovs.

One mile and a quarter. For all horses that have never won an advertised race. Post entry, 5s.

Handicap Hurdle Race, of 7 sovs.

Two miles. Over hurdles about 3ft. 6in. high. Post entry, 7s.

Beaufort Handicap, of 10 sovs.

One mile and a half. Post entry, 10s.

Pony Race, of 3 sovs.

(Ponies under fourteen hands.) Three quarters of a mile. Post entry, 3s.

Selling Flat Race, of 5 sovs.

Handicap. Winner to be sold for £10. Any surplus to go to the funds of the club. Post entry, 5s. Distance one mile.

Flying Handicap, of 5 sovs.

Three-quarters of a mile. Post entry, 5s.

Hurry Scurry, of 2 sovs.

With entrance money added. Once round the course. Handicap. Post entry, 2s 6d.

Consolation Stakes, of 3 sovs.

One mile and a half. Handicap. Post entry, 3s.

Trotting Match

To be arranged on the Course.

First race to start at 11 a.m.

V.R.C. rules strictly adhered to.

Jockeys must ride in colors.

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THEY ROLLED ON THE FLOOR.

On Monday, November 24th, the American papers published the following news. It mentions Sarah Toker, of No. 673, East One Hundred-and-Thirty-fourth Street, New York, who shot and killed herself yesterday morning. She was a lady of some culture, of good high social position, and a member of the Rev. Dr. Ramsay's Presbyterian Church. She was well-known and very active in various public and private charities. Since last July she had suffered from ill health and gout and dyspepsia, which brought on melancholia and then, at last, insanity, under the influence of which she took her own life.

Here is another story, not so tragical, but with the same moral. The narrator tells it of himself. "Months I was worse than dead and in fear of death. Yet relief came at last. The reason was in this wise. Up to Christmas, 1888, I had been a healthy man, but at that time (a period of rejoicing with so many) I felt depressed, languid, and tired. My appetite fell off, and I was much distressed after eating the lightest food. My skin and eyes became tinged with a dark yellow colour, and the fluid secretion was like blood. The pain in my stomach was a most unbearable and often lasted from 12 to 14 hours without intermission. Sometimes I was in pain night and day, and was so bad that my wife had to sit up with me through the night. I was constantly sick, and troubled with a stomach cough, and expectorated a quantity of green phlegm.

"In spite of warm clothing and every comfort, I was always cold. I felt the cold shivers running through me as if my blood were thin and poor. I could take no solid food; I lived on soups, milk puddings, &c., and after each meal I had empty, gnawing, windy pains at the stomach, which nothing relieved.

"After a time an intolerable itching of the skin spread all over me for about a year. Acting upon his advice I went to Harrogate, where I consulted another doctor, and drank the waters, but got worse. I returned home. The bath attendant at Harrogate and others told me I was suffering from blood poisoning, but this the doctors never mentioned. The first doctor said it was the passing of gallstones that gave me such dreadful pain.

"I now consulted an eminent specialist at Manchester, who confirmed what the other doctor had told me, but none of them afforded me any relief.

"In this miserable way I was dragged on for six months more, and became so much reduced I could scarcely put one foot before the other. And so this and the cramps till my fingers and toes rolled on the floor. I was in such pain that I prayed to die, and one of the doctors told a friend of mine I could not recover.

"In August of last year (1890), whilst my sufferings were at the worst, a book was sent to me by post telling of a medicine called Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I was determined to try it, and sent to Mr Evans, Chemist, Ballarat, for a supply. After taking the first bottle I felt a little better, and by persevering with the remedy, I recovered my appetite, and gradually gained strength. My natural colour has now returned, and I feel as well as I ever did in my life; in fact, as well as I did when a boy. I can eat any kind of food with no inconvenience and I have gained 35 pounds in weight during the past three months. I may add that previous to taking this medicine I was so much altered that my friends, and even my pupils scarcely recognised me. I tell every one what Seigel's Syrup did for me."

The gentleman who makes the foregoing statement is a person of position and known to all the people of Lyons. He declines to permit the publication of his name, but the perfect truth of what is here related is vouched for by Mr J. H. Evans, the chemist above named.

The case was an aggravated one of indigestion and dyspepsia and its natural consequences. The whole system had been poisoned and disordered by the acids engendered by the fermentation in the stomach, and, had not Seigel's Syrup come to the rescue just as it did, a fatal result must have followed in a brief time.

ONE OF THE GREAT EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

And always one of the most assured successes, the great summer clearing sale at MORREY & MURRAY'S, the cash drapers and direct importers, 11 and 13 Bridge Street, Ballarat, which commences on Saturday, January 17, 1891, and will continue positively for 14 days only, during which time our entire stock will be subject to sweeping reductions, averaging from 2s. 6d. to 10s in the £. The great success of our previous sales, and the universal satisfaction expressed by our patrons, has been achieved by merely advertising a sale without going through our entire stock, and re-marking every article to the lowest prices, irrespective of cost, our object being the clearance of all summer goods. We have also avoided the common practice of buying the lowest priced goods procurable for the express purpose of sales. Every line will be recognised as our regular every-day bona-fide goods at immense reductions. Remember! the great clearing sale commenced on Saturday, January 17th 1891, and will positively continue for 14 days only! MORREY & MURRAY, the cash drapers and direct importers, 11 and 13 Bridge street, Ballarat.—[ADVT.]

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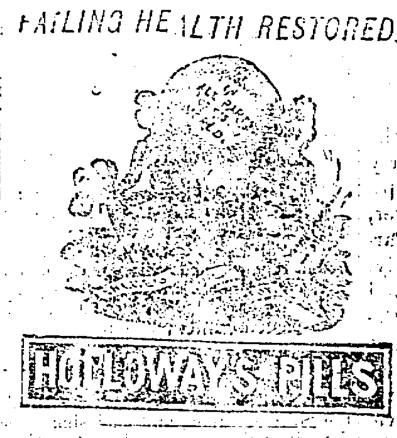

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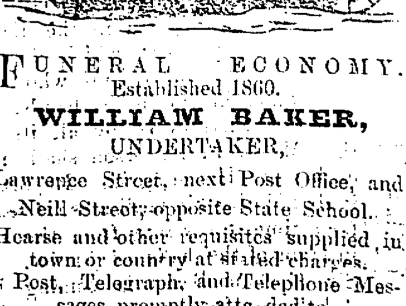

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