

# The Riponshire Advocate.

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## NOTICE.

THE Proprietor of the "Riponshire Advocate," in thanking his numerous patrons for past favors, respectfully solicits a continuance of support, and desires to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news he will always endeavor 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.

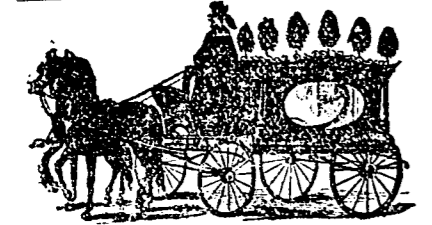
He has resolved to REDUCE the Subscription to the "ADVOCATE" (with which is published a 14-column supplement containing well-selected reading matter) to 3s 9d per quarter, and trusts that this concession will be largely taken advantage of.

The Advertising Rates have also been considerably reduced, and advertisers will find it to their benefit to send their notices to the "ADVOCATE" as early as possible. It is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the Shire. As the advocate of the interests and welfare of this district, it has a claim for a considerable amount of support, and for a greater scope for extended usefulness than any other journal or journal within a given radius of Beaufort.

Job Printing, plain and ornamental, of every description, is executed with neatness, accuracy and despatch, and at the most reasonable terms.

ARTHUR PARKER

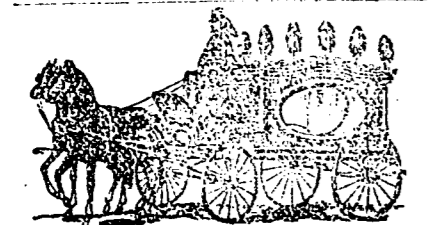
Proprietor.



R. FARLEY, CARPENTER & UNDERTAKER, Beaufort, begs respectfully to announce that he is carrying on the business of his late father, and that all notices entrusted to him will have the strictest attention. Hearse, Plumes, and all funeral requisites supplied at the shortest notice. Charges to suit the times.

## Important Announcement.

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PRACTICAL TAILOR.  
Has commenced business in the premises opposite the Post Office, in LAWRENCE-ST., BEAUFORT, and trusts by Strict Attention to Business combined with moderate prices and Good Workmanship, to merit Public Patronage. Choice Collection of Ties and Cuttings always on hand. "NO FIT, NO PAY."



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These Pills can be confidently recommended as the most certain remedy for indigestion, flatulency, acidity, heartburn, colic, constipation, and all the many maladies resulting from disordered stomach or bowels. These Pills are alteratives and strengtheners of the stomach. They may be taken under any circumstances.

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The wholesome effect exercised by these admirable Pills over the blood is like a charm in dispelling low spirits, and restoring cheerfulness. Their mild aperient qualities will fit them for a domestic medicine, particularly for females of all ages and periods of life.

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Whenever persons find themselves in that state termed a "little out of health," it is necessary that Holloway's Pills should be promptly taken, as they not only rid both solids and fluids of all morbid matters, but they also strengthen the frame, and thoroughly strengthen the frame.

Chronic Coughs, Colds, and Asthmatic Affections.

These Pills, assisted by rubbing Holloway's Ointment very effectually twice a day upon the throat and chest, will be found the most effective remedy for all pectoral diseases. This treatment has proved wonderfully efficient in not only curing chronic coughs and colds, but asthma of many years standing.

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

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- Bilious Complaints
- Bowel Complaints
- Colic
- Constipation
- Indigestion
- Inflammation
- Jaundice
- Liver Complaints
- Plains
- Pruritus
- Rheumatism
- Scurvy
- Sore Throat
- Stone and Gravel
- Syphilis
- Tumors
- Verminous Affections
- Worms of all kinds

The Pills and Ointment are Manufactured only at

78 New Oxford St. (late 533 Oxford St., London, and are sold by all Vendors of Medicines throughout the Civilized World, with directions for use in almost every language.

Beaufort purchasers should look to the Label on the Boxes and Pots. If the address is now 533, Oxford Street, London, they are genuine.

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### Markell's Pills.

A boon to the suffering, the friend of the household, these wonderful pills quickly cure in either sex, all liver complaints, biliousness, indigestion, constipation, biliousness, headache, blood diseases and female complaints. Markell's Pills act the magic on the liver, stomach, bowels and kidneys, purify the blood and restore the blood to its normal state. If you are suffering with any of these ailments, you will find relief in the use of these pills. They are sold in all directions. Use them and you will never be without them.

### LOST MANHOOD

Guaranteed Cure. A great scientific discovery by anatomy. Treatise on "Lost Manhood" posted free, sealed. To young men contemplating marriage, to the married, to young and old, this book is invaluable, pointing out as it does the way of relief to those unfortunate sufferers to whom love is but a bitter-sour torment, a life a torture, the future a blank. Every man and youth should read it. Posted free. Apply by letter or personally. PROFESSOR H. HERMANN, 41 Collins Place, Melbourne.

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The wife's welfare within her own control. Treatise posted free, sealed. Apply by letter or personally. PROFESSOR H. HERMANN, 41 Collins Place, Melbourne. This treatise will teach you more about prevention in all cases than any other book ever published.

### DR. BOWKELL'S FEMALE PILLS

(Prepared) restores regularity, cures all liver, stomach, and bowels complaints, biliousness, headache, blood diseases and female complaints. Markell's Pills act the magic on the liver, stomach, bowels and kidneys, purify the blood and restore the blood to its normal state. If you are suffering with any of these ailments, you will find relief in the use of these pills. They are sold in all directions. Use them and you will never be without them.

### Sufferers

from the effects of Bitch or Venereal disease, send me your name and address, and I will forward you full particulars of my own case—how I suffered for years—tried almost every available remedy, and specialist, and when all had failed—how I suddenly found a cure. Address, HAKOTA ST. 524, G.P.O., Melbourne.

### LADIES

Female Pills restore regularity without fail. Any case, send name, age, postal, 5s. Write to G. G. M. M., G.P.O., Melbourne. Sole Agent, West, Collins-st., Melbourne.

### CURE WITHOUT MEDICINE.

Lost Manhood, Nervous Debility, Epilepsy of Youth, &c. Send stamped addressed envelope and I will send full particulars of my own case—how I suffered for years—tried almost every available remedy, and specialist, and when all had failed—how I suddenly found a cure. Address, HAKOTA ST. 524, G.P.O., Melbourne.

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### CURE YOURSELF

All unnatural discharges, from urinary organs, secret, secret, losses, weak back, and all ailments of the urinary system, should be cured by Dr. Jenner's "BE" Pills. Price 5s per box. 40-50, Collins-st., Melbourne. Sole Agent, West, Collins-st., Melbourne.

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A. G. CURTHOYS, Proprietor.

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THE attention of country residents around Ballarat is directed to the extra facilities offered at this Establishment for the filling of Country Orders.

NOTE.—I make no charge for freight from Ballarat within a radius of 50 miles; the prices quoted are nett delivered at your nearest Railway Station.

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Allen's Hair Restorer, 5s 9d.

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Ayer's Sarsaparilla, 4s 6d.

Berry's Tricopherous, 1s 6d.

Boscicell's Syrup, 3s 6d.

Carbolic Disinfectant Powder, 1s.

Circassian Hair Renewer, 2s.

Clements Tonic, 3s.

Do. large size, 5s.

Conte's Acetic Acid, 2s 6d.

Do. large size, 3s 6d.

Dutch Drops, 1s.

Do's Fruit Salt, 3s 6d.

Extract Malt (large bottle) 2s 6d.

Extract Malt & Cod L. Oil, 3s 6d.

Fin's Ointment (large size) 2s 6d.

Horlick's Malted Milk, 2s 3d.

Large Size do., 3s 6d.

James' Blisters, 2s.

Little's Phenyle, 1s.

Lockyer's Hair Restorer, 2s 6d.

Menthyl Saffol, 1s (excellent for hay fever).

Magnesia Citrate, 1s.

Magnesia Fluid, 1s.

Mellin's Food, 2s.

Large do., 3s 6d.

Mexican Hair Restorer, 4s.

Phosphorized Wheat, 10lb. tins, 4s 6d.

Scott's Emulsion, 2s 6d.

Do. large size, 4s 6d.

Seigel's Syrup, 2s 9d.

Singleton's Eye Ointment, 3s.

Stephen's Ointment, 3s 6d.

St. Jacob's Oil, 3s.

St. Quentin's Cholera Drops (a wonderful remedy), 1s.

Tudor's Linseed Essence (for coughs and colds), 1s 6d, 2s 6d, 3s 6d.

Warner's Safe Cure, 4s.

Horse and Cattle Medicines, &c. &c.

Any Medicine not enumerated here will be supplied on equally Cheap terms.

The dispensing of physicians' prescriptions is a special department in this business, and is conducted under the immediate supervision of the Proprietor, as in the other departments. No charge is made for freight within a radius of fifty miles.

A very complete Almanac for 1895, containing lots of valuable information, will be posted to any address on receipt of a penny stamp. Enclose with all orders, P.O.O., or Postal Notes. All orders are made up promptly and despatched by return.

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For Bilious and Nervous Disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fulness and Swelling after meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Fluctuations of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Bloating on the Stomach, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c. THE FIRST DOSE WILL GIVE RELIEF IN TWENTY MINUTES. This is no fiction. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one Box of these Pills, and they will be acknowledged to be "WORTH A GUINEA A BOX."

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Prepared only by THOMAS BEECHAM, St. Helens, Lancashire, England. Sold every where. In Boxes, 9d., 1s. 10d., and 2s. 6d. each.

## W. BAKER,

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W. Baker has ON SALE the following lines:—Pine Shelving, Flooring, and lining boards; Californian, kauri, and clear pine, up to 36 inches; cedar, all thicknesses and widths; table legs, sashes, doors, architrave and other mouldings, window glass, white lead, oils, turps, and all the building requisites.

Sashes, doors, and all kinds of Joiner's work made to order at the lowest possible prices.

Hardwood supplied at Timber Yard prices.

JOHN HUMPHREYS,

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ACCOUNTANT ETC.,

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RENTS and Debts Collected. Agent for the South British Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

Agency Business of all kinds attended to.

MR JAMES CHALKLEY, Practical Watchmaker and Jeweller (late of Rochester, London), begs to announce that he has purchased the business lately carried on by Mr A. Overman, next the Golden Age Hotel, where he will carry on business. Chronographs and Complicated Watches a Speciality. Best workmanship at Ballarat prices. Only new and fashionable stock kept. Agent for Lazarus' Specialist Spectacles.

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YOU CAN BUY THE CHEAPEST, BEST, and most stylish Clothing in Australia from

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We make Capital Suits, to Measure from 30/-

Our Suit at 42/- is made from best All-wool Materials, is perfectly fitting, and beautifully finished.

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CHAS. W. VOWLES begs to announce that he has fitted up a first-class Billiard Table (Alcock's), with patent Imperial law cushions, at the Camp Hotel, Beaufort, and solicits a share of public patronage.

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1/4 Tablets, each in Metal Box (English Rate).

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Is now showing an entirely NEW STOCK of SPRING and SUMMER GOODS from all the leading manufacturers.

Special attention is drawn to the very choice assortment of NEW MILLINERY, which consists of Trimmed Hats, Bonnets, Flowers, Feathers, Girls' and Children's Fancy Hats, and all the leading shapes in season, untrimmied, cheaper than ever.

Marvelous values in NEW DRESS MATERIALS in all the leading Wool and Cotton textures. Crepons and Prints—a very large range of patterns at prices to suit all.

NEW BLOUSES.—Some lovely goods, up to date styles, remarkably cheap.

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The leading feature of this season's show will be the sterling values in Hosiery, Gloves, Umbrellas, Calicoes, Flannelettes, Sheetings, Towellings, Shirtings, Carpets, and Floorcloths.

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Wholesale prices for Men's Suits, Boys' K. B. Suits, Mole Trousers, Hats, Ties, Collars, Shirts; the assortment and prices will be hard to beat.

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## To our Readers and Patrons.

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DEPENDS chiefly upon the support and encouragement that is given by the population to local enterprise and industry. Every venture is to a more or less extent speculative; but each, whilst aiming at the success of the promoter, must offer certain returns to those whose support is necessary to achieve certain advantageous results on both sides.

Therefore,

Support Local Industry and Local Enterprise.

"The law of exchange has never satisfactory in its working; thus it was that the custom of buying and selling, using a standard currency was introduced. The form of that currency was a 'paper money,' and of paper money there is more than one kind. All kinds are useful, but not every kind retains its original value. The 'paper' money most valuable to a newspaper proprietor is that which is paid him by

"Subscribers and Advertisers,"

and he will do his utmost to entitle him to a good share of it.

"The Riponshire Advocate"

is the Advertising Medium for all Contracts let, and notifications of the Shire of Ripon, and is the

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COMMERCIAL.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 4s 9d per bushel, bags in 4; flour, stone-milled, 11 1/2d per ton; roller-milled, 12 1/2d per ton; oats, 2s 6d to 2s 8d per bushel;...

BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 4s 10d to 5s; Algerian oats, 2s 10d to 3s; white, 3s 1d to 3s 2d; peas, 3s 2d to 3s 3d;...

BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET. Fat Cattle—246 head were the supply penned for to-day's sale, the greater portion comprising only unweaned quality, very small numbers ranging from good to prime. There was only a fair attendance at the sale, and throughout competition was fairly animated, useful to good and prime quality being in better request than of late. For which improved prices were realized. Quotations—Prime crossed wethers, 9s 6d to 10s; good do, 8s to 9s; medium do, 7s 6d to 7s 8d;...

Beaufort Business Directory. GEORGE LOFT, BOOT AND SHOEMAKER, Willoughby Street, near Shire Hall, BEAUFORT.

GILLOCH, FAMILY BUTCHER, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

WILLIAM SMITH, FAMILY BUTCHER, HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

TO FARMERS AND OTHERS. PRICES OF BEEF & MUTTON FOR CASH. By the quarters or half quarters, 17s 6d per 100 lb; Corned Beef, 15s per 100 lb; Mutton, by the carcass, 2d per lb; Legs, 3d per lb; Prime Roast, 4d per lb; Chop, from 4d to 5d per lb; Sausage, 3d per lb; Lump Steak, 4d to 5d per lb.

NOTICE. I BRG to inform the public of Beaufort and surrounding district that I am appointed Local Agent for Mr. LABY'S ARARAT FLOUR. Terms strictly cash. G. CUTHBERTSON, Baker.

DR. ADAM, M.B., C.M., May in future be consulted at his Private Residence (next to Police Station); also when necessary at his Consulting Room, next Mr. Andrews', Chemist. Messages left with Mr. Andrews conveyed by telephone.

Mr. J. W. HARRIS, Junr., R.D.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist, LIVINGSTONE STREET, BEAUFORT. May be consulted DAILY from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Teeth fitted accurately in vulcanite or gold at lowest prices. PAINLESS DENTISTRY—Teeth extracted painlessly with cocaine, ether, chloride of ethyl, laughing gas, &c.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. SUNDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 1896. Church of England—St. George's, Middle Creek, 11 a.m.; St. John's, Beaufort, 7 p.m. Subject for the day, 'Creation and happiness, temptation and loss, punishment and education, promise, producing faith, followed by salvation and sanctification.' Presbyterian Church—Beaufort 11 a.m., Lexton 3.30 p.m., Rev. A. Adam, M.A.

THE Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1896.

It is being continually dinned into our ears, and not without truth, that we must in the future aim to secure more independence in Parliament, more harmony in our intercolonial relationships, and more economy—real economy—in our administration. We are frequently told that Victoria is very greatly depressed while it should be exceedingly prosperous. The facts stare in the face that in the city of Melbourne there are more streets of houses empty, while in the country the tramp is ubiquitous; in Melbourne the banks have thousands which they date not lend; in the country farmers are nearly standing idle because they cannot borrow. Every steamer that now leaves the Melbourne wharves is crowded with men who are turning their backs on rich Victorian mines to seek gold at Coolgardie. And that is so is a standing disgrace to any Government. It has been proved beyond doubt that in our colony we possess mineral wealth that must yet come to the front, and we are allowing our young manhood, the pick of the colony, to leave us for visionary fortunes when we have the wealth lying at our very doors. Some parts of Gippsland would if properly opened up with the capital that is now being taken from this colony be the salvation of Victoria. Our home resources are magnificent, our population is small, and yet men in their prime are turning their backs on Victoria as though it was some overcrowded or despotically-governed state which could not give its people a home, in which they dare not demand one. The cause of the evil is obvious; confidence has been shattered without the slightest reason. Millions of money in this colony have been expended, in works which, though reproductive, should have been far more cheaply executed. Treasurers have amused us with paper surpluses; Ministers have built railways over which empty carriages run through sheep roads to private houses or roadside inns; parliaments have wasted sessions in fights for office; civil servants have grown old and purposed in laborious idleness; and the fault is all ours. The supreme power has been in our own hands, and we have been indifferent, grasping, and partisan. Electors have clamored for railways, for subsidies and bonuses, and the game of 'graft' has been played in every part of the colony. All have been content to throw something into the pool, all have bent on taking something more out. But if those who recognize that the immediate future of Victoria depends on wise legislation, on the increase of production and rigid economy, will stand shoulder to shoulder, they will realize that they form an overwhelming majority, and in place of complaining that their national interests are neglected, they will see to it that they promote them. In the past we are told that electors have timidly hid their best and ablest men to leave the political arena. All men have remained from supporting really good men, and many have supported the man most effusive in his assurance, that he would rob his country to enrich his constituency. Misgovernment has gone so far in this colony that our most enterprising colonists are looking wistfully to distant lands. Their faith in Victoria is great, but their mistrust in her politicians is greater. As producers they see the world's markets open to them, and they could flood that market with goods if they were not handicapped at every turn. For every truck the farmer loads he pays a higher rate as his contribution to the political lists. Every man who meditates a new enterprise must reckon with the Customs officer. There is no assured market; petty politicians wage petty wars between the colonies; and men lose heart because the community endures these things with seeming indifference. For instance, to put a duty on agricultural implements is little short of criminal. Our wheat growers have to compete with the bonanza farmers of the United States, who attack the prairies with every weapon Yankee ingenuity can devise. To raise the price of an implement which diminishes labor or increases yield is to lessen the sale. To lessen the sale is to send our countrymen to play their part in the great industrial world indifferently armed. Therefore agricultural and mining implements above all others should be admitted free. The future prosperity of Victoria must result from increased production, therefore it is madness to handicap the enterprising man who fits his land to the best possible use.

provincial papers, instead of confining their information to the Government Gazette, which few see, there would be undoubtedly an improvement in the payments.

Local and General News. The Premier stated on Tuesday night that the Government intends, if possible, to prorogue Parliament on Friday, the 7th inst. The Companies Bill will be pushed forward as far as possible in the Assembly this session, and will under the new standing order be taken up next session at the same stage as it was left in at the close of this session.

A rifle match took place at Ararat on Wednesday, 21th ult., between A. D. and O. Companies of the Victorian rangers for the hand of a silver shield, subscribed for by the three companies. The shield is to be shot for every year, and the successful team is entitled to hold it for one year. The scores are:—D. Co., 678; A. Co., 603; O. Co., 685; D. Co. winning it by 75 points. This is the second year in succession that the D. Co. has been successful.

Messrs W. Leader, G. W. F. Patterson, and R. E. Johns, P.M.s., sat as a special Licensing Court at Beaufort on Tuesday. An application for the transference of the license of the Sailors' Gully Hotel, Nerrings, from Samuel West to Ellen Collins, owing to the licensee not having paid the cover the license, was within the time fixed, was granted. Mr. M. Lazarus appeared for applicant. An application by Scina Welsh, of the Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort, under section 7 of the Licensing Act 1890, to keep open till 1 a.m. daily for the convenience of travellers, was also granted; Mr Lazarus again appearing for applicant.

It is announced in the 'Argus' that a partial release of deferred deposits in the National Bank and the Bank of Victoria is imminent. The legal difficulties in the way of the release which were mentioned at the last meeting of the National Bank have been overcome. It is understood that the bank will shortly give three months' notice of its intention to repay 20 per cent of its deferred deposit receipts and the Bank of Victoria will repay in full deferred deposit receipts (which were given originally for current accounts) falling due in 1896 and 1897, and also 10 per cent of the balance of the amount of deferred deposit receipts. The amount set free in each bank will be about £1,000,000.

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BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A special general meeting, to consider the prize list for the ensuing show, was held at the Shire Hall on Saturday afternoon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A circular from National Sheep Breeders' Association, England, suggested quarantined regulations with regard to the export of sheep, and asking that such action as is thought desirable be taken to bring it before the notice of the government, was ordered to be forwarded to the member of the district with a request that he should bring it before the Minister of Agriculture.

W. Blackie, Ararat, wrote suggesting that prizes be given for game and Langshan fowls, for which he would send exhibits.—Suggestions adopted.

The secretary (Mr Jno. Humphrey) pointed out that as there was no intimation of their getting any Government subsidy it would be as well to consider ways and means. The donations and subscriptions generally amount to a little more than the prizes, while the subsidy helped them to bear the expenses of the show; the position last year being that L119 odd was paid in prizes, while L120 was received. There was a proposal to reduce the Government subsidy from L10,000 to L2500, and if they received any of that it would only be one-fourth of what they got before.

The President considered that if they could manage to cut the prize-list down by L20 they would be able to carry on without being far behind at the end of the year. They might get some fresh subscribers in the town, which had never been properly worked yet.

The secretary pointed out, with respect to admission on members' tickets, that by keeping to the rule of not admitting any member of a family over 12 years of age a lot of revenue was obtained last year. The time had come when the rules should be enforced.

Mr Michael Kelly thought that so long as a child was with its parents it should not be asked to pay, but it was different when the child left home.

The President said they would settle that afterwards, and would get on with the prize-list.

SKIPTON NOTES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The race meeting held in the Mechanics' Institute on Saturday evening was fairly well attended. The business was to receive auditors' report and approve of the programme drawn out at the previous meeting. The auditors reported that the books were in satisfactory order. The receipts for the season 1895 amounted to L175 2s 9d and the expenditure to L97 13s 6d, thus leaving a credit balance in hand of L77 9s 3d.

The Skipton Miners' have "hearts of oak." In spite of the wet and threatening weather, they journeyed to Lismore last Friday (24th ult.) to give their entertainment for the Ballarat Hospital. The hall was pretty well filled with laughing young faces, and smiles were on the more sturdy ones, but in spite of our feelings we have to have a good laugh when somebody says something too funny. Such was the aspect of the room during the performance. The ball was also well patronised, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves to the strains of music from the Murray Bros. Four or five of the Lismore ladies provided a very tasty supper for the ball gratuitously, which is deserving of much praise. It is expected that about L6 will be the amount to go to the Hospital, which is indeed very good considering the weather, and we have been told that there was a picnic and tall at Skipton station, which would have a little effect on the finances for the night.

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The Times publishes a telegram from their correspondent in the Transvaal that the arrogance exhibited by Boers throughout the Rand district towards the Uitlanders is simply maddening, they being treated as little better than slaves. The Times correspondent adds that unless this system of serfdom is immediately relaxed the further outbreak of hostilities is imminent.

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AUSTRALIAN NATIVES' ASSOCIATION.

OPENING OF THE CAMPERDOWN BRANCH.

SPEECH BY MR AUSTIN, M.L.A.

The formal opening of the Camperdown branch of the Australian Natives' Association took place on Wednesday night in the Mechanics' Hall, there being a good attendance of the members, although only a few of the general public were present.

Mr J. W. Kirton, M.L.A., the President of the Board of Directors, occupied the chair.

Mr Austin, who was called upon by the Chairman, expressed his pleasure at accepting the invitation of Mr Kirton to be present. The President had said that the Association did not take a part in political matters and he was glad to hear it, as he did not think that politics should be allowed in a benefit society.

The President considered that would be a poor way to carry on the show. They would be pretty right this year, and were in a better position than most societies.

Messrs Gordon and Cushing also mentioned that this idea had been tried before and proved a failure.

The judges and stewards having been appointed and the secretary instructed to find out whether they would set or not, the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

SAD FATALITY NEAR BUANGOR.

On Sunday evening last a sad drowning fatality occurred at Spring Creek, about three miles from Buangor, by which a little girl named Mary Moore Lees met her death. The child was playing with her brothers and sisters outside her parents' residence, and the mother had occasion to cross the road to a neighbour's house, being only absent about ten minutes. When Mrs Lees returned the other children stated that they didn't know where the baby was, and a search was immediately instituted. The house is situated on a small rise, and a garden runs down to a waterhole which is used for irrigation purposes, and supplied from the creek by means of a drain. The garden, however, does not include this waterhole, the fence dividing it. It would appear that the child, who is only about two years old, went down to the gate leading to the waterhole unnoticed by anyone, and opening this, probably fell into the dam and met her death, for shortly after the search began her brother Isaac discovered the little body floating in the water. Life was quite extinct when the body was discovered, but notwithstanding this, the mother and a neighbour named Mrs Pearson tried every means to restore animation, but of course without avail.

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SKIPTON NOTES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

The race meeting held in the Mechanics' Institute on Saturday evening was fairly well attended. The business was to receive auditors' report and approve of the programme drawn out at the previous meeting. The auditors reported that the books were in satisfactory order. The receipts for the season 1895 amounted to L175 2s 9d and the expenditure to L97 13s 6d, thus leaving a credit balance in hand of L77 9s 3d.

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CRICKET.

BEAUFORT V. LINTON.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES. Church of England—St. John's, 11 a.m. Subject, "The parable of the sower and the seed..."

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Presbyterian Church—Beaufort, 11 a.m. Middle Church, 2.15 p.m., Rev. A. Adam, M.A.

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It is stated that an extra effort will be put forward during the present year, chiefly by the Freetrade League of Victoria...

MELBOURNE MARKETS. Messrs E. C. Robertson and Co., 51 Spencer-street, report...

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CEYLON MARKETS. Messrs George Hagu & Co., report under date of 5th inst.

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It is certainly satisfactory to find that notwithstanding the present somewhat overdone methods of retrenchment, the Turner Government are not blind to the present state of affairs in Europe.

It was intended to abandon the Easter encampment this year, but it is now considered advisable to be prepared for any sudden outbreak of war by keeping the forts at Port Phillip Heads better armed, and also giving the defence force that annual practice which is so essential to maintain it in a state of efficiency.

It is to be hoped that the work of the league and its branches will, in the immediate future, be more earnest, more thorough, even than it has been in the past.

expedient under present circumstances. But certain it is that it is a most desirable thing for the youths of our colony...

Landholders should bear in mind that Monday next, the 10th inst., is the day appointed for simultaneous action in the destruction of rabbits...

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It is likely that an important innovation on the customary ceremony will be made when Parliament is prorogued next week. It has been the rule for the Governor to drive in state from Government-house to Parliament-houses, but on this occasion, so it is understood, Lord Brassey will do the journey in the saddle, attended by the usual escort.

An excursion train in connection with the Ballarat Exhibition has been arranged from Ararat to Ballarat (taking in all stations between Ararat and Traralgon) for the next, 14th inst. The train leaves Beaufort at 8.55 a.m., returning from Ballarat at 7.5 p.m., and arriving at Beaufort at 7.5 p.m. Tickets (children 1s 4d, teachers 2s 3d, and adults 3s 9d for the day, weekly tickets being slightly higher) must be obtained from Mr. Brown, secretary Board of Advice, on or before Wednesday.

A boy named Charles James Robertson, 14 years of age, was found dead in his bed on Thursday morning at his father's residence in Snake Valley. The deceased boy had suffered from epilepsy for about seven years, and was treated for it by Dr. Donaldson whilst in New Zealand some time ago. Constable Barry, of Snake Valley, was notified of the death, and the usual inquiry will be held.

The following will represent the Waterloo club at Waterloo to-day (Saturday):—Barnes, Buchanan (2), Browne, Lilley, Loo, Nicol, Parker, Thomas and White (2).

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The remains of Prince Edward of Battenberg, son-in-law of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, who died at sea on his way home from Ashantee, where he was attacked by fever, was interred at Whittingham Church, near Osborne, in the Isle of Wight, on Wednesday. On the arrival of the remains at the Isle of Wight a procession was formed, which was joined by the Queen and the Princess Beatrice. The coffin was carried by Whittingham Church, and was carried by marines from the channel to the grave. The burial service was performed by the Right Rev. R. T. Davidson, D.D., Bishop of Winchester. At the grave Her Majesty the Queen kissed the young Prince Alexander, the eldest son of the deceased Prince. A funeral service was held at Westminster Abbey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Edwin White Benson, D.D., officiating. The Agents-General were present. Her Majesty the Queen and Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice have thanked the Royal Colonial Institute for its expressions of sympathy with them in their bereavement.—"Argus."

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Recently the reduction of the railway staff, the dismissals, retirements, and dismissals has been at the rate of 400 men per annum.

MINING NEWS. The following are the reported yields for the past week:—White, 3oz 18dw; Wright, 3oz 4dw; Lord, 3oz 13dw; Lilley, 1oz; Iredale, 13dw. The Fry Again will probably wash off their first machine on Saturday next, as they have completed the repairs, and are now putting in a drive to reach the wash. White and party have drawn their slabs, and are now engaged in boring in order to test the depth of the ground to the east of their old workings before sinking another shaft. Bending and party did not obtain as good a yield as they expected last week. It is to be hoped they will get on to payable gold, as they have persevered for a very long time without getting any gold. Although Lilley and mate got a fair prospect of the bottom of their shaft (reported last week), they have not since obtained anything payable. Although there is a large number of men employed fossicking and sinking in the shallow ground, the yields are very poor from these sources.

The following Waterloo yields are to hand for the week ending 1st inst.:—Fry Again, 11 oz 19 dw; Martin, 5 oz 2 dw; Golden Gate, 4 oz 1 dw; Volunteer, 3 oz 3 dw; Craswell, 1 oz 10 dw; Kinleydale, 1 oz 10 dw.

RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

MONDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 1896.

Present—Crs Murray (president), G. Lewis, Cameron, Cushing, Beggs, Flynn, Russell, Bridges, and Austin.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE. From Under-Treasurer, forwarding forms for the preparation of statements re the distribution of endowment.—Attended to.

THE RABBIT PLAGUE. Secretary to Premier acknowledged receipt of letter with respect to the rabbit pest, and stated same has been forwarded to the Minister of Lands.—Cr Russell thought they should again urge that the inspectors be appointed under the shire councils. The President said it seemed to him that it devolved upon the council to say whether they were satisfied with the action of the Government. He was not at all satisfied, as he did not think there was any body of men in the country so well qualified to look over the district and so fully qualified to see that the rabbits are kept down as councillors; and more particularly in Riponshire. He was satisfied from his past action, that had that process been continued the rabbits would not have been in the present condition, nor half so bad. Unfortunately, the Department took the business under its own control, and by centralizing it in Melbourne had made a mess of it. He thought that the Government deserved to be censured for the action it had taken re the appointment of rabbit inspectors. Cr Russell moved that the Government be again urged to place the inspectors under the control of shire councils. Seconded by Cr Lewis, who thought that something should be done with Mr. Black, the chief inspector, for not doing his work well. Cr Beggs pointed out that by placing the inspectors under the councils' control the councils would have to pay their expenses. It had cost Riponshire £450 a year before. Then again the Government itself was the greatest transgressors of the Vermin Destruction Act; by not attending to so large an area of waste lands. The Mt. Cole State Forest was let to a man and it was never meant that he should kill the rabbits. He had heard that several district landowners were summoned by the rabbit inspector, and a few days after a wire came up from headquarters instructing him to withdraw the summons. The Government appointing its own inspectors was bad in these ways. Cr Russell felt that the matter of the motion embodied the principle of local government in the district, and by having inspectors who people could carry out their own work. Cr Lewis was told this morning that two summonses were issued by the local inspector, who had taken this step to protect an adjoining landowner who used all his powers to kill the rabbits, and yet the inspector was ordered to withdraw the summonses. Cr Beggs was in favor of the motion, and was simply pointing out the question of expense. The motion was carried unanimously.

From J. Brown, Chepstowe, stating that he had poisoned and dug out about 5000 rabbits on Mt. Emu reserve, and they were as thick as ever; that had it been anything like clear when he got it he would have kept them down; that the only way to clear the reserve was to fill up the holes in the rocks, which was too expensive for him; that there was no grass in the reserve he had to shepherd his sheep on the rocks; and that he would as soon be without the reserve as with it, but would be willing to keep it if the council helped him to destroy the rabbits. Cr Lewis said the first thing to do was to net the reserve properly, as the young rabbits got through the present netting. One and a quarter inch mesh, 17 gauge would prevent that. It could be done for about £12. It should certainly be kept in order by the lessee. At New Year's time a party had shot 300 rabbits there.

Cr Flynn called attention to the managers of the Beaufort United Common having been served with a notice by the rabbit inspector to destroy the rabbits on the common, and applied for help to the extent of £15 or £20 to enable the managers to go on with the destruction of rabbits.

The President thought the managers should tax the cattle owners.

Cr Flynn—They are already taxed, and the people who are paying it are losing by their cattle.

Cr Cushing agreed that the fees were too high, considering that the rabbits were eating all the grass.

The following reports as to the state of the Mt. Emu reserve were read:—By the Engineer.—I am instructed to report as to the number of rabbits on the Mount Emu reserve. I visited the place, but cannot form the remotest idea of the number, as they are so numerous that no man could count them. The day I was there the weather was cloudy and showery, therefore there would be more rabbits visible than on a bright day.

By Inspector Bourke.—The Mt. Emu reserve, leased by the council to Mr. J. S. Brown, of Chepstowe, is at present badly infested with rabbits. The lessee has poisoned intervals of late used toxic and the means adopted are insufficient to cope with the pest. As I am aware that the engineer has been called upon for a report concerning same, I trust (if Mr. Jackson's report coincides with mine) that the council will carry out the conditions contained in the lease regarding the destruction of vermin, and cause the present lease to be cancelled, as I consider Mr. Brown, however willing, is unable and incompetent to keep the reserve in a cleanly state. The total extermination of the pest is, I venture to say, almost impossible, and such an attempt would entail a very large expenditure. If an experienced person had charge of the reserve and resided thereon, by judicious poisoning during

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the summer and trapping and poisoning during the winter months, the pest could be reduced to a minimum, when the cover could be destroyed and the warrens on the slopes of the mountain gradually filled in when cleared of vermin. Such an undertaking would require that the lessee be allowed the first year's engagement free of rent and an extended term at a fair rental. As the state of the reserve has been for years an annoyance and cause of complaint to and by adjoining landowners, I trust the council will, in the face of the alarming increase of the pest throughout the colony, take prompt and remedial measures to remove the cause of complaint, when it will be an easy matter for the inspector to deal with owners and occupiers of private lands in the immediate neighborhood of the reserve. The writer is in several places at the junction with the ground broken, and has been patched up with pieces of tin, wood, &c. Is the license supposed to keep the netting in good order?

Cr Russell said that the Mt. Emu reserve was a plague spot in the shire, and it was a disgrace to the shire. He moved that it be completely fenced in with 1 1/2 in. mesh, 17 gauge wire-netting, that the engineer be authorized to procure same and call for tenders, and that the east riding members be empowered to deal with the tenders. Seconded by Cr Lewis.

Cr Beggs said that the tenant was bound by his lease to kill the rabbits, and as a rule tenants were made to do it. He did not want to enforce it, but if the tenant was not prepared to carry out the conditions he should be asked to throw up the lease. If the council were going to kill the rabbits they would get a higher price for the reserve afterwards. He moved that the tenant be asked to throw up the lease.

Cr Flynn differed from Cr Beggs. The reserve had been cleared as near as possible, and Mr. Brown had signed the contract with his eyes open, so that it would be a bad precedent to take him to throw up the lease. He was the benefit of the work done, and if he were allowed to throw up his lease the council would be in the same fix again. They were going far enough by wire-netting the reserve. He took exception to any variation of the conditions.

Cr Cushing thought it unlikely that Mr. Brown would get the reserve again. The inspector had been negligent, and should have taken action long ago.

The President said that by putting wire netting around the reserve outside rabbits could not come in. It was as well to make the place secure.

Cr Russell said that by putting 1 1/2 in. mesh around the reserve it would be like Caesar's wife, above suspicion.

Cr Beggs said he had assumed that the council was going to kill the rabbits. Cr Austin was very much surprised to hear Inspector Bourke's report come before the council, as it looked as though he was a go-between with the tenant and the council. It seems that the tenant has the ear of Inspector Bourke, and was making use of him for his own benefit. Mr. Brown had his eyes open when Mr. Wilson had thrown up the reserve on account of the rabbits. The council was in duty bound to keep the fence of the reserve in repair, and Mr. Brown had nothing to complain of if this were done, and should keep the reserve clear of rabbits.

Cr Russell thought that Inspector Bourke had only done his duty by reporting the matter to the council.

The motion was carried unanimously. The secretary then read the financial statement and the report sent in by the secretary of the Beaufort Common, which appear in our report of the Common meeting.

The standing orders having been suspended, Cr Flynn introduced Mr. J. W. Brown.

Mr. Brown said there were difficulties in the way of the rabbit inspector, owing to the great falling off in revenue. He admitted having received good assistance from the council for a long time past, which had enabled them to pull through former similar difficulties. They had intended making no further application for assistance, being under the impression that they would be able to pull through with the commonage fees. But they now found that they were unable to do so. They had expended £14 5s in laying poison, the wheat being supplied by the Government and the managers purchasing the rest themselves. They had made a further application for assistance, and no doubt would get it. Considering their financial position as a matter of fact if they did not get assistance from the council in the shape of a loan or an advance they would not be able to take action this month. But if the council assisted them it would be their effort to destroy the whole of the rabbits on the common. This meant that they had to clear the roads, curvats, and old diggings, which did not belong to the common. The great falling off in the number of cattle on the common and the poverty of the district compelled them to appeal for assistance.

Cr Russell advised that pollard be used instead of wheat.

It was stated that the managers paid 33s per week, the same as the council, for laborers.

Cr Flynn moved that a sum of £20 be paid to the common managers to assist in a special effort to exterminate the rabbits.

The President thought they should be very cautious in this matter, as other portions of the shire possessing common would come for assistance.

Cr Flynn said that indirectly a large revenue was derived from the common. The council had been in the habit of voting sums monthly, having had men constantly employed on the common as rabbiters, but owing to the special efforts of the managers in reducing the expenditure they had for a time been able to dispense with assistance entirely.

Cr Cushing seconded the motion, and had no objection to the west riding paying half the money.

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Cr Russell objected to the council giving any money to the common; they should give it to the inspector. If the motion was carried he would have that £20 be given to the Skipton Common.

Cr Bridges had put up with the infested state of the common for a long time. He was continually speaking to the managers on the subject, but found there was no money for the work. In the abstract no doubt Cr Russell was correct, but the Skipton Common was much better off as regards rabbits, and was able to pay its way.

Cr Austin had never seen a rabbit on the Skipton Common.

Cr Bridges—On the Beaufort common the money was required, as the rabbits are unmanageable.

Cr Lewis recommended the managers to apply to the Government for assistance.

The secretary—They positively refuse to give assistance.

Cr Bridges said that £20 would be a mere drop in the ocean, as it would take £500 a year to keep the common clear of vermin. The rabbits had increased to an enormous extent, and he knew that next year they would be a great deal worse than this year. There were 17,500 acres of waste lands in the common, and the managers would never be able to kill all the rabbits. But what were they going to do? If there were only 2000 acres they would be able to kill the rabbits, besides having more grass. In fact, it was a bad thing to ever let the common have so much waste land as it has at present, and a loss to everybody. He was in favor of granting the £20, considering it was the only thing they could do.

The President said it was a very good question. There were not only their own commons, but the neighboring municipalities of Southdale and Seaside, with an amount of first-class waste land, which was just waiting to be taken for assistance.

Cr Flynn said that for many years the council had paid £9 a month for rabbiting on the common without any demand.

Cr Austin pointed out that the common was under the joint control of the council and the mining board, and that as the council had two members they must have control over its finances. He thought the Beaufort common was differently situated to others. It was of no use comparing the Skipton common with that of Beaufort, the former being surrounded by private property, while the latter was surrounded by a large amount of vacant land, from which the rabbits came as soon as the grass had gone. It would take £100 a year to do any good. He was speaking to the common the other day when he had a party with him poisoning rabbits, and he said it was a bad thing to ever let the common be in possession, the rabbit being a common little animal, but that by varying the poison the rabbit took its food. If he managed it did this he believed they would do good work.

Cr Russell asked Cr Austin to practice it on his own estate.

Cr Flynn, to show that the managers had done good work, stated that he had counted 65 rabbits on one track before he had only 50, and a fortnight after he only saw four.

Cr Lewis objected to any money being paid by the west riding. Let the west riding pay it.

The secretary thought there was a good deal of misapprehension as to the Beaufort common, which was under the joint control of the mining board and the shire council, the mining board appointing two managers, consequently, in the event of the rabbit pest, the mining board and the shire council were both responsible for the management of the common, and the common was hardly likely to suffer from the pest. There was no other common under the control of the mining board, and the Skipton Town Council, who were they had no money, as they had no head of rabbits there.

The President said it was not a question of the amount of money, but would they be justified in giving the common and not to the rest of the shire? Why did not the council give the same as other people give the common over to the mining board?

Cr Flynn said the Beaufort common was different to others through being intersected with old diggings.

Cr Bridges thought the explanation of the secretary was very clear. The Beaufort common was in a special state, and would remain so if the council did not help. They had nothing to do with common around Snake Valley.

Cr Russell moved, and Cr Lewis seconded, an amendment that no money be advanced to the Beaufort Common, but this was shown to be a direct negative.

The motion was then put and carried by 5 to 4; the voting being—For, Cr Flynn, Cushing, Beggs, Bridges, and Austin; against, the President, Cr Lewis, Russell, and Cameron.

Cr Flynn moved that the amount be added to the pay-sheet that Cr Russell seconded, and carried.

Cr Beggs gave notice to move at next meeting that the necessary steps be taken to have the council exercise the management of the Beaufort common, with a view to having the common placed entirely in the hands of the mining board.

CORRESPONDENCE (continued). From Govt. Statist, forwarding instructions for collectors of statistics, dairy produce and beef farms.—The collector (Mr. Jackson) having pointed out the absurdity of the regulations relative to milk returns, the secretary, on the motion of Crs Cushing and Russell, was instructed to draw the Statist's attention to the matter.

From Constable Irey, Skipton, Inspector of Notices, intimating that Chas. Bradshaw has ploughed the road behind Wise's private property and carting the surface into Hampdenshire, and asking if permission had been given him to do so by the council, also











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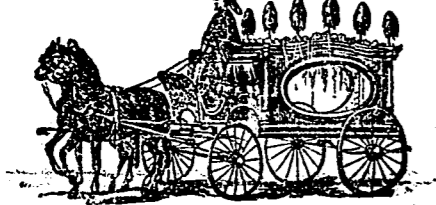
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Local and General News. A gold-mining lease of 2a. 22p., Raglan division, is awaiting execution to H. Crosswell.

Tenders for the conveyance of local and district mails are invited. Particulars will be found in our advertising columns.

The schools' excursion from Ararat to Ballarat yesterday, in connection with the Ballarat Exhibition, was well patronised locally, no fewer than 145 tickets being issued by Mr. Browne, correspondent to the Board of Advice, as well as 151 at the local railway station.

Mr. L. B. Scharp, a native of Beaufort, won the League of Victorian Wheelmen's Cup (100 svs.) in Melbourne on Saturday, from the 125 yds. mark. The distance was 2 miles, and the time 4 min. 51 and 4-5 sec.

Individual scores of 400 runs or over have only been completed on seven occasions in the history of cricket, as follows:—England—A. E. Stoddart, 485; A. C. McLaren, 424; J. Carrick, 419 (not out); W. N. Koe, 415 (not out); E. F. S. Tyloote, 404 (not out); W. G. Grace, 400 (not out). Australia—J. Worrall, 415 (not out).

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BEAUFORT POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 1896.

(Before Messrs W. Leader, P.M., C. J., Leadbeater, and Captain Bridges, J.P.) Dr. Johnston v. E. H. Barnes.—Professional services, £2 3s. Order totum (£2 3s) having been paid into court, with 5s costs.

A debt case in which there was no appearance of either party was struck out. P. DeBaire v. Geo. Wilson.—Money lent on promissory note, £5 10s. Order for amount, with 5s costs; the P.M. stating that interest could not be recovered in that court.

Hawkes Bros. v. John Picher.—Claim for £8, money received for a horse which was not as represented, and which amount was agreed to be refunded on the re-delivery of the horse.

Mr. Grano appeared for complainants, and Mr. Gill for defendant. Mr. Grano opened his case by giving the particulars, and pointed out that Mr. Eastwood had purchased the horse for goods sold and delivered, which was in accordance with the contract, and was mulcted in £3 3s costs. There could be no possible defence either on the merits of the case or legally, as defendant was in conscience bound to refund the money, and he could only aver his refusal to do so to sheer obstinacy.

The defence set forth by Mr. Gill was that the court had no jurisdiction; denial of the horse being ever re-delivered to defendant, or request for re-delivery, and as a general defence, non-indebitatus, and that complainants could not maintain the action, as the complainant, if anyone, should be Mr. Eastwood. The particulars as to did not comply with the Justices' Act, inasmuch as the date was not set out. He raised the objection that the court had no jurisdiction, and asked for a ruling, and pointed out that the action should be for breach of contract or for damages, which could not be entertained by this court.

Mr. Grano quoted Irvine in response, and the Bench overruled the objection, which a note was taken.

James Eastwood, sworn, said he was manager for Thos. Hawkes, trading as Hawkes Bros. at Beaufort. John Picher was a dealer by occupation. He purchased a horse from him for Hawkes Bros. on Nov. 2nd last year. Paid him £2 by cheque, and got a receipt (L3) by cheque, and took delivery, on Wednesday, 6th Nov.

Mr. Albert Andrews, chemist, Picher, and he were at the stables. He said to Picher, 'The horse is not as you represent; it is a bad animal, and it is stumbling, and although carefully driven by myself on Saturday in company with Mr. Nichols, the mare came down. I then had her shod on the Monday to see if that would cure the habit of stumbling, but without avail, as she came down again when a clerk of the firm was riding her, and I wish you to take her back.' Picher said he thought it very unfair that he should have to take her back after coming down, as she was not as good as when he (witness) first got her. Witness pointed out that the marks on her legs were only skin deep, and after a discussion the witness said that Picher was there and wanted to see him. Picher said, 'Will you give the mare to Mr. Andrews, as he is going to padlock her for me, and will get her this afternoon?' Eastwood said, 'Very well.' Picher told him that he had seen Mr. Eastwood before this. He heard Picher promise to pay Mr. Eastwood the money on Friday, as he hadn't got it with him. Witness did not see Picher on the Friday. He sent for the mare on Wednesday afternoon and had her taken to his paddock, 4 miles away, where she had been ever since. He was quite positive on the point that Picher asked Mr. Eastwood to give him the mare to padlock, and he (Picher) agreed to pay him (witness) £5 (Picher) for the padlocking. He had seen Picher using the horse before, and had known it for 4 or 5 years. Witness said he was not greatly interested in the matter, but had had a conversation with each of the parties before the horse was sold, telling Picher that Eastwood wanted a horse for him, and Eastwood that he thought the horse would suit him, having seen the horse driven through the town occasionally. The reason why Picher selected his paddock when he himself had one closer, was because he said he had no grass to feed his own horse with. When they were at the stables Mr. Eastwood said he had driven out to take Picher to Mr. Nichols, that the horse had fallen on the road, and that he had been taken in. He previously had asked Picher if the horse was any fault, and Picher said it was the only fault it had was that it was small, and that if it was a little larger he would not take £20 for it. So far as witness had known there was nothing to prevent the transaction being a good one. Witness told Picher at the stables that he had told him what was untrue, and Picher said he heard the horse was a phosphoric grain. It was thought that the horse was worth about £6 at the time of the sale. He could see no demerit on her. She was now worth £3 or £4 in face of her stumbling.

To Mr. Grano—Picher told him that the horse had stumbled, and he got the phosphoric grain. He said Picher thought he ought to take the horse back, but Picher had been paying him £5 per week for a horse that he hired. He knew from his experience as a chemist that if any animal ate a phosphoric grain it would be injurious to the joints as well as the stomach. His groom was away in Melbourne.

Alfred Hobbs corroborated Mr. Eastwood's evidence regarding the first conversation between the parties concerned relative to taking the horse back, padlocking it with Mr. Andrews, and paying the money back on Friday; also as to the mare stumbling with him on Monday.

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Mr. Gill, in reviewing the evidence, submitted there was no case, and Mr. Eastwood having made the bargain must put up with it, having taken it without any warranty. He asked for a non-suit.

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V. R. CONVEYANCE OF MAILS, 1896-99.

Third Division. I received until noon on Tuesday, the 3rd March, 1896, for the Conveyance of the Post Office Mails, viz., Letters, Parcels, and Newspapers, as undermentioned...

INCOME TAX.

Tax Schedules prepared and Balance-sheets compiled. All business companies. Fees moderate. J. W. HARRIS, Insurance and Commission Agent.

WM. C. PEDDER, Blacksmith and Wheelwright, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

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

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BEAUFORT DISTRICT RIFLE CLUB. The Half-yearly General Meeting will be held in the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday, 18th inst., at 8 p.m.

FREEHOLD LAND FOR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT. CROWN ALLOTMENT 12, of section 3, in the parish of Beaufort, containing 30 3/4 acres...

BEAUFORT MECHANICS' INSTITUTE and Free Library. THE ANNUAL MEETING of subscribers to the above will be held at the Institute on MONDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY, at 8 p.m.

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HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS

You want to see the local paper a successful circulation. Talk about it wherever you go. Mention it to the tradespeople with whom you do business.

If they don't advertise in it, try and induce them to do so. If you are induced to buy anything from what you have read in its advertising columns mention the fact to the tradesman.

Don't lend your paper to any person who can afford to become a subscriber, but is too mean to support local enterprise.

Speaking in the United States Senate Senator James Smith (New Jersey), referring with the difficulty with England over the Venezuela question, declared that the American people were disgusted with Congress for seeking a policy of jingoism.

Lady Brassey, it is declared, is the only person who has been the sole representative of her sex at a banquet attended by about 600 people, and the only woman on earth whose individual presence has prevented some 500 Victorian natures from speaking.

The Blood is the source from which our systems are built up, and from which we derive our mental as well as our physical capacities. If the blood is diseased the body is diseased.

Owing to the high price given for grain this year some of the Winneba towns have assumed something of the activity which characterized them in former years.

A much more friendly feeling exists throughout America towards England. The leading newspapers and more influential statesmen are now adopting a decidedly more friendly attitude towards Great Britain than has been shown by them for a considerable time.

Intelligence from Formosa, which was believed to have been completely pacified by the Japanese army of occupation, states that an extensive rebellion has broken out there against Japanese rule.

The combined wealth of the Vanderbil family is \$52,800,000, and the estimated income from it per annum is \$2,772,800. No other family is so rich.

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A positive cure for General Debility, Weakness, Lassitude, Headache, Disordered Liver, and all diseases arising from an impoverished nervous system.

Mrs. M. Bickerdike, Berry, N.S.W., who writes on April 10th, 1893:—About twelve months ago I suffered severely from neuralgia; I suffered continually for about four months, especially at night; I had no sooner sat down at the table than I would have to get up and leave it. Owing to being unable to take my food, I became so weak that I was scarcely able to get about.

I tried several other remedies without being relieved. Hearing so much of Clements' Tonic I resolved to give it a trial; before I had finished the first bottle I felt myself relieved; I was so gratified with the effect it had on me that I resolved to give it a fair trial; the second bottle thoroughly cured me; I have never suffered from neuralgia since. I am sure it is a thorough cure for the above complaint. I have been in the habit of recommending Clements' Tonic to a number of my acquaintances who all speak of it in the most enthusiastic terms.

The income of the British and Foreign Bible Society for 1895 was £233,363, and 3,837,222 bibles were printed.

A man named Arthur Wilton, under commitment for larceny, broke out of the Forbes gaol on Sunday. He was pursued by the police, who fired over his head without having the effect of stopping him. He was, however, captured after a severe struggle.

A little more than 30 years ago nearly all the colored people in the United States were slaves and penitents. Now they are paying taxes on £55,000,000 worth of property.

Sir Joseph Abbott, the Speaker of New South Wales Parliament, visited the Legislative Assembly on Thursday (says Friday's "Argus"), and was accommodated with a seat on the floor of the Chamber.

The question of constructing a railway from Kupanyp to Marnoo was referred to the Railway Standing Committee, which was also authorized to select localities for the permanent survey of narrow-gauge lines.

The amendment made by the Council in the Railways Management Bill was disagreed with, and the bill empowering the Government to advance money to farmers for the purchase of seed was passed through committee, after which the bill authorizing the Government to advance £50,000 out of the trust funds to municipalities for the purchase of wire netting to cope with the rabbit pest was taken through all its stages.

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THE LATE MR. ALEXANDER ANDERSON.

A memorial service was held in the Skipton Presbyterian church by the Rev. C. S. Ross, on Sunday 2nd inst., in connection with the late Mr. Alexander Anderson. The pulpit and surroundings were draped in black. The psalms and hymns were appropriately chosen for the occasion.

The preacher took as his text Genesis xxv 8:—Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died, being old and full of years, and was gathered to his people. The preacher dwelt at some length on the subject of God's promises to Abraham, and of Abraham's great faith and trust in God—a faith and trust that were severely tested when, knife in hand, he awaited the command to sacrifice his only son Isaac. Although Isaac was apparently centered all hope of God's promises being fulfilled, yet Abraham believed they would be fulfilled, though it was impossible for human eyes to trace the movements of His almighty power.

Mr. Ross further said:—One who may well be regarded as the father of the modern Sunday school, in this place has been called on pilgrimage into rest. The late Mr. Alex. Anderson was one whom we all deeply respected, and for whom respect descended into warm affection for those who knew him best. He took rank amongst the oldest and best of the men of his country, and was one of the first to settle on these western plains. He recently moved about the only survivor of the heroic band of enterprising and daring men, who reckoning nothing of peril and toil, penetrated the lonely wilderness to secure pastures for their flocks in those broad and empty lands.

His first permanent home at B-nang was noted for the kindly and none the less marked were the generous hospitalities of the later home which he built at Mooramong. It is interesting to note, that the late Mr. Anderson was a theologically and scholarly lessee of Lang-Willi, in exchanging social courtesies with Mr. Anderson, was sometimes accompanied with a friend who was his guest for a considerable time.

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BEAUFORT BUTTER FACTORY.

A meeting of the directors was held on Saturday last. Present—Dr. Adam (chairman), and Messrs. Troy, McDonald, Hannah and Holdsworth.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. CORRESPONDENCE. From the New Zealand Co., intimating that the shipments of butter per Guizzo and Austral realised an average price of 108s and 106s per cwt respectively.—Received.

From same, stating that up to 1st Feb'y, they had not received advices regarding any of the Valetta shipments, but would give prompt advice as soon as they hear from London.—Received.

From same, forwarding circular intimating that the Government of New South Wales offer a prize of £50 for the best exhibit of butter at the Royal Agricultural Show in April next; competition open to all the colonies; no less than five boxes to be in exhibit, same to be in the hands of the secretary by the 25th inst.—The secretary stated that the factory manager is preparing to exhibit five boxes. Approved of.

From same, forwarding account sales of shipment, per Orube, showing a balance of £17 5s 7d of credit of company and forwarding a cheque for same.—Received.

From same, stating that having been in communication with their Sydney and Brisbane branches with the view of opening up a regular trade in Victorian factory made butter, they are now prepared to receive consignments twice a week accordingly.—Received; to be considered later on.

Butter expert, forwarding very satisfactory reports as to quality of five consignments of butter for export.—Received.

From C. W. Gray and Co., Wood Dunn, and Co., each giving a favorable report on the local and intercolonial markets, and soliciting business.—Received.

After some discussion it was resolved on the motion of Mr. McDonald, Henry Kingler, who continues to hold a front place in Australian literature. Naturally of a quiet retiring disposition, and of singular modesty, Mr. Anderson shrank from occupying places of prominence in the public eye, and could never be persuaded to accept an election or accept of the honor of the gift of the State. Possessed of a keen mind and sound judgment, and an intelligent observer of passing events, he kept himself in touch with the most important questions and advanced movements of the day. Gentle and unobtrusive, frank and guileless, he was free from all affectations of all around him; and by his consideration and kindly bearing to those whom he employed, he awakened in their hearts the liveliest feelings of personal regard and devotion to his service. He was courteous and respectful to all, and his conditions of work made no assumption of social superiority in the presence of any. He was sympathetic and helpful to all who needed comfort and aid, and was always willing to counsel and assist them to the utmost of his power. If you are inclined to think that this needs large discounting as being nothing more than the inflated language of empty panegyric, let me ask you to remember the popular outbreak of joy that greeted him on his return from the States. When he was announced the enthusiastic delight of the people, I am told, broke all bounds, and in a body they went out to a distance of a mile outside the township to welcome him back to his home. He was dragged in from his carriage, they dragged it with loving hands into the town as men sometimes do to a hero who is entranced in the affections of their inmost hearts. I remember being particularly struck with an incident that happened soon after my arrival in Beaufort. He had been invited to give the address at the opening of the new school. The whole assembly of the manhood of Skipton flocked there, and he sat in the front row, and he was in a cloud of dust to rescue from peril the property of the man who lay low on the ground. He said to me, "You have his interest your own." I said to him, "We would do anything for Mr. Anderson," was his hearty and impressive reply. Early in 1888, the intelligence fell on us like the shadow of a public and personal loss that Mr. Anderson had died. The news was a heavy blow to the community, and as there was a feeling in the community that he should not be allowed to leave the district without receiving some expression of the goodwill and affection of the people for whom he had done so much, and among whom he had lived so long, the Mechanics' Institute and I myself waited on him to ascertain his mind in regard to such a friendly feeling that prompted the proposal, but said he would accept nothing more than a simple address. Two addresses were prepared and presented to him on different occasions at public meetings, convened by the Mechanics' Institute. These cordially testified to the high character which Mr. Anderson had ever exhibited, and gave expression to the public sense of obligation to him for the unreserved benevolence and well doing that had always marked and irradiated his lengthened intercourse with the people. A pleasing and permanent memorial of him abides with us in the enlarged photograph of himself which he presented to the committee of the Mechanics' Institute, and which was unveiled on the 28th September, 1888. Thoroughly loyal to his own convictions, and true to the last to the cause of his country, he was the first to urge the establishment of a community of the guiding and uplifting influences of a gospel ministry. Mr. Anderson was one of the first to urge the establishment of a Presbyterian Church at Skipton, and he was instrumental in procuring the site for the same. He was a man of a high character, and was widely known for his many good qualities. He was a man of a high character, and was widely known for his many good qualities. He was a man of a high character, and was widely known for his many good qualities.

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MINING NEWS.

The following are the reported yields for last week:—Wright, 40z 5dw; Iredale, 10z 16dw; Lilly, 10z 10dw; Lord Brassey, 16z 4dw; Baker, 10z 4dw. White and party have finished boring, and have commenced to sink their shaft east of the old workings. Bending and party had a disappointing yield last week, but they are still persevering in the hope that there are better returns ahead of them. At Southern Cross Hancock and party are still driving with poor results. The Try Again (Beaufort) will wash off their first machine today under the new management. Several new parties have been formed to work at Chute, where water for puddling purposes is still scarce. Fossickers and others have nothing of importance to report.

The following are the Waterloo yields for the week ending Saturday last:—Volunteer, 12oz 8dw; Excelsior, 9oz 15dw; Try Again, 9oz 1dw; Martin, 4oz; Crosswell, 4oz 3dw; Golden Gate, 2oz 5dw; Last Chance, 2oz 1dw; Roan Horse, 1oz 2dw 6gr.

Dr. W. G. Grace, the well-known cricketer, was presented on Friday last with £9,000, the total amount of the first subscription lists which were inaugurated by the Daily Telegraph, in recognition of his great achievement in the interests of English cricket.

Mr. C. F. A. Gladigen, of Winiam, in the Wimmers, had perhaps the record wheat yield of the district this season. From 270 acres he stripped on an average nearly five bags to the acre.

At present foreign countries draw upwards of £120,000,000 every year from Great Britain for grain of all kinds, meat, dairy produce, and sugar; and such is the general prosperity of the population that the consumption per head is increasing.

A trial shipment of eggs from Wellington has realised in London 1s per dozen, being the highest price obtained for imported eggs. They were packed in dry hay and shipped as ordinary cargo, the cost of packing, freight, and commission being only about 3d per dozen. The result is considered very satisfactory.

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PARLIAMENTARY.

We quote the following from Hansard, with reference to our Member's utterances in the Legislative Assembly last week:—

**INCOME TAX SCHEDULES.**  
Mr Austin stated that he desired to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of calling attention to the Premier's reply with regard to the issue of the new income tax schedules.

Twelve members having risen in their places (as required by the standing order) to support the motion,

Mr Austin moved the adjournment of the House. He observed that this matter was a very important one as regarded the farmers. The Premier promised that he would try to influence Mr Webb with regard to the schedules issued to the farmers. Those schedules last year allowed the farmers to deduct the value of the food supplied by them to their laborers. It is well known that in this country it was the custom to pay employes on farms partly in wages and partly in food, but under the new income tax schedules, as issued this year, a farmer was not allowed to make this deduction. He (Mr Austin) considered that the deduction ought to be allowed, as the food was really part payment of the laborers' services. He also wished to draw attention to one or two statements made by the Premier with regard to the schedules. The Premier stated in the Assembly:—

"Honorable members must know that the reason was that the Government had not been able to hold the usual meetings of the Executive Council just lately."

Now, he (Mr Austin) found that in reply to a question put by Dr Entbining in the other Chamber as to when the last Executive Council was held, Mr Cuthbert's answer showed that an Executive meeting was held since the issuing of the income tax schedules, clearly proving that the Premier's statement was not correct, assuming that the answer of the Solicitor-General was accurate. From what he (Mr Austin) could gather, he believed there had been two meetings of the Executive Council held between the time of issuing the schedules and the time of the Premier's reply in the House. Again, the Premier stated in the Assembly that:—

"The Government had power to make regulations for carrying out the income tax, but they had no power to create exemptions not allowed by the Act."

Now, when the Income Tax Act was passed, he (Mr Austin) was bold enough to declare on the platform that there were not six men in the House who could give a true interpretation of that measure. The result had shown that he was correct in that statement. There was an Executive meeting, and ten of the Ministry who had passed the income tax through the House practically showed that they could not give an interpretation of the tax themselves. They passed a regulation allowing the farmers to deduct the amount of food supplied by them to their laborers, but now apparently, they found they were wrong, as the Commissioner of Taxes was taking a different course. As a matter of fact, the Income Tax Act was passed so hurriedly through the House that Ministers themselves could not give a true interpretation of it. The Premier had stated that he intended to have an amendment made in the schedules, but his (Mr Austin's) opinion was that the schedules should have been passed as part of the Act in the same way as was done with other schedules. If that had been done the schedules could have been discussed by the House and settled definitely, and the trouble which had arisen in connexion with them would not have occurred. Another point was that after the present income tax schedules had been issued the Governor in Council was now taking a retrospective action. Those schedules were issued at the end of December or the beginning of January, and at the end of January the Government stepped in and tried to make their issue correct according to law by retrospective action. He did not know whether the Governor in Council had power to do this—that was a matter of law—but it seemed to him to be an equitable course to take. He wished to point out to the Premier that this was a very serious matter to the farmers. It was all very well to say that the farmers would not have to suffer—that they would have no trouble—but there had been a great amount of trouble caused by these schedules already. No one knew how Mr Webb exercised his power as regarded assessment. Hundreds had told him (Mr Austin) that they did not know what principle Mr Webb had assessed them, and how were they to find out what they would get back from Mr Webb? It would be really left altogether in Mr Webb's power to do as he liked, and he (Mr Austin) did not think any officer of the Crown should have such power reposed in him. He agreed that Mr Webb should have the fullest control over the income tax, but it was stretching a matter too far to give him this particular power. Again, the time had been extended within which the schedules might be returned, but no public announcement had been made beyond a small paragraph in the press. The result was that numbers of persons had been working hard to send in their returns by the 3rd of February, not knowing that there had been any extension of the time. He (Mr Austin) himself had been the means of saving a large number of persons trouble by calling their attention to the extension which had been allowed. He trusted the Premier would see to the matter of the farmers' deductions, as it was a point of great importance that they should be allowed to deduct the value of the food which they supplied to their employes.

After a good deal of discussion the motion was negatived; the Premier in the course of his response, pointing out that it would be very unwise to deal with this one question alone, because there were a large number of other matters far more important than this

particular one, and if they attempted to deal with one question they would be niterly impossible for them to do at the present time. However, the farmers need be under no apprehension, because they could charge a reasonable amount for the keep of their employes, and the commissioner would allow it, as he did last year.

POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

Mr Austin stated that as a country representative he desired to protest against the retrenchment which was carried out in the country districts, leaving the towns unretraced. This matter was brought before the Minister eight months ago, and he promised to carry out postal retrenchment in connexion with the towns under a scheme which was being prepared, but he (Mr Austin) saw very little retrenchment indeed in that respect. As all the country retrenchment was done in the last recess, he presumed the Minister was waiting for the recess to retrench in connexion with the towns. The deliveries in the Melbourne suburbs were in many cases more numerous than were needed. At the house where he lived in one of the suburbs there was a delivery three times a day, whereas at the house where he resided in the country there was only a mail three times a week, and if he wanted to obtain letters daily he had to send 14 miles for his mail. He also wished to call the attention of the Minister to the defective character of the postal arrangements in Western Australia. He replied to the Postmaster-General should write to the postal officials in Western Australia, and inform them of the numerous complaints which were made on this side. (Mr Duffy—"Do you mean postal or telegraph matters?") He referred to postal matters. He had sent many newspapers to Western Australia, and not one of them had ever been delivered. The result was that he had stopped sending any papers, and the postal department here lost revenue.

Mr Duffy intimated that he would bring the honorable member's complaint under the notice of the Postmaster-General of Western Australia.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Mr Austin stated that it was his intention to support the proposal of the honorable member for Gippsland Central (to increase the vote of agricultural societies to £5000). He hoped that that honorable member was in earnest, and that he would not withdraw his proposition after the Minister had given an explanation. He (Mr Austin) would be glad to receive information from the Minister in regard to the distribution of the vote for agricultural societies. He thought the Minister should let it be known at once how the grant to agricultural societies was to be distributed, as the shows were about to take place, and it was only fair the societies should know what money they could get. Many letters had appeared in the press lately with reference to the deterioration of the Victorian horses, and he (Mr Austin) was of opinion that the horses of Victoria were deteriorating greatly. This was an important matter, and he thought it behooved the Minister to look into it, with the object of seeing if he could not do something to keep up the standard of our horses. One of the causes of the deterioration probably was that the grass given to the young stock was not as good as it was in former years; but the main reason, he believed, was the Indian horse trade. We allowed all the good up-standing mares to leave the country, and although the Indian trade was very desirable, it was carried on as it was at present it would have the effect of seriously injuring the breed of horses here. Any one who had had experience in breeding horses was aware that for one good horse he bred, there were five or ten bad ones, and we ought not to allow all our good mares to go out of the country. Another reason why the horses were deteriorating was the class of stallions that were used by the farmers and land-owners. When attending shows he had been really sorry to see the kind of stud horses used in the country, and he believed that if the Minister were to give this matter due consideration, with the object of putting a tax upon these horses—the money derived from this source going towards the agricultural shows—he would be taking a step in the right direction. This would improve the breed of horses, which would be a great benefit to the farmers. He trusted that the Minister would seriously consider the remarks of the honorable member for Portland with regard to the frozen meat trade. This was an industry which should be helped, not directly but indirectly, by the Government. Private enterprise had shown that it was willing to do its part, and the Government should do theirs. A company was lately started in Geelong, in which a number of his constituents were interested—although personally he had no interest in it whatever—and this company had asked the Government to build them a pier. He believed the amount they wanted was very small—some £1,500—which the Government could well afford. (Mr Tavener—"£19,000.") Even if it was £19,000, the money would be well spent. If it was asked for in Melbourne the applicants would not be very long in getting it, but as the request happened to be made from Geelong they could not get justice. He trusted that the Minister, however, would give fair and due consideration to the matter and help those who were willing to help themselves.

WOOL RATES.

Mr Austin stated that he wished to bring under the attention of the Minister the wool rates charged between Geelong and Melbourne and between Melbourne and Geelong. The rates between Geelong and Melbourne were 3s a ton, and the commissioners said it

paid them to take the wool at the price. If it paid at that rate between Melbourne and Geelong, then the railways must be robbing the public in other portions of the line, because they were charging 400 per cent. more in other parts than they were charging between these two places. He thought the Minister should look into the matter.

STREET-BETTING SUPPRESSION ACT.

Mr Austin remarked that he also supported the Bill, although he would have been glad if it had gone a little further and suppressed the sale of gait tickets by little boys in the streets. Parliament had passed a law to prevent money being sent out of the colony for sweeps, and yet they winked at the gait sweeps in Victoria. Those sweeps should certainly be stopped, and it would be a good thing if the Attorney-General would frame a clause for that purpose, and insert it in this Bill.

TREATMENT FOR THE BOT-FLY.

In a report on the horse bot-fly, Mr E. H. Thompson, Government entomologist, Tasmania, makes the following remarks, which will be of much value to horse-owners:—In the early stages the bot may be destroyed, but if allowed to go on the intestines of the horse will be completely honeycombed. The eggs are laid on the long hairs of mane, shoulders, breast and legs (anywhere, in fact, where the horse can lick itself, and so convey the eggs to the stomach). Careful grooming is most important. The eggs can easily be seen if present, stuck to ends of the hairs. Washing and rubbing the animals with kerosene cloth detests the flies. If it is suspected that an animal is attacked, lose no time, but at once administer the following:—A ½ oz of aloes mixed with ½ oz of shag tobacco, moistened with treacle, and made into a ball. Carefully examine the horse droppings, and if the animal is attacked some of the bots are almost sure to be there. If the horse is attacked give 3oz of shag tobacco moistened with glycerine or treacle, to which add half-teaspoonful of oil of cajuput; make into balls and give all at once. Two hours after give half a pint of linseed oil in a pint of gruel. The above dose is for hacks; give double for draught horses, one-half for ponies.

According to all recent accounts, trade in Great Britain is looking up, and necessarily values are rising in nearly all commodities.

There are at present about 500 men engaged in the work of regrading the railway lines, to remedy the defects of excessive gradients in the original construction. The Health and Vigor of an individual depend upon the quantity and quality of the blood. When the tissues have been at work, there are thrown into the blood, waste products, and if these are not eliminated but (through any cause) detained in the blood, they become poisons, and finally produce disease. The following are the most common diseases now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s 1½ per box. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a slight cold, or bronchial affection, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the words "Brown's Bronchial Tonic" are on the wrapper. These famous tonics are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s 1½ per box. A slight cold, or bronchial affection, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the words "Brown's Bronchial Tonic" are on the wrapper. These famous tonics are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s 1½ per box.

The greatest aid you can give your newspaper is your printing; if you do not feel able to run an advertisement, surely you can afford to give the newspaper your cards, dodgers, bill-headers, letter-heads, envelopes, and all business printing to execute. The newspaper man needs it, and it helps him to pay his printers for setting up the thousand and one free notices he gives you and your town; but don't give it to the printer or job printing office that can give you no such return, and is spending neither time, money, nor brains in helping you to build up your town. The time may come when a newspaper can live simply upon the revenue derived from advertising and subscriptions, but no ordinary newspaper in any ordinary town can exist without the auxiliary support derived from job printing. Therefore, if you want a good newspaper—one that can still further help you and your town—give it your job printing.

**IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD.**—We have seen hosts of letters from people who have received great benefit from the use of Clarke's Blood Purifier. It cannot be too highly estimated, for it cleanses and clears the blood from all impurities. This is a good testimonial from the Family Doctor, which goes on further to say:—It is the finest Blood Purifier that I have ever used. It cleanses the blood, and we can with the utmost confidence recommend it to our subscribers and the public generally. For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold every where, at 2s 6d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

About a week's time railway regrading operations are to be commenced between Ararat and Ballarat. The gradients on seven or eight other lines are being carefully examined to ascertain whether the lowering of the inclines will produce a saving of working cost sufficient to justify the expenditure.

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ORDERS AND ARROWS.

When the captain of a ship orders some hands aloft to furl the main royal the men jump or obey, as a matter of course. A sailor will climb a yard or two, and he will not be paid a penny in his pocket. In fact, Jack seldom signs articles until he has used up both cash and credit.

But when a doctor—who is a sort of captain when he is laid up in the dry dock of illness—orders a patient to go abroad for the benefit of his health, it is quite another thing. A trip and sojourn away from home is an expensive proposition, and most men at such a time will say that it is a choice between that and the graveyard; it is handy, by and easy to get to. But are we really so hard pushed? That is, as often as the doctors say we are? Let us turn the matter over in our minds for a minute.

Here is a case that is put to the purpose. It concerns Mr Arthur Widdon Meluish, of 3, Regent's Terrace, Polsoe Road, East, Town of Geelong, who writes in a letter written by him, dated March 27th, 1895. He mentions that, in obedience to the orders of his doctors, he went to Cannes, in the South of France, in November, 1894, and spent the winter at the same place. He felt the better for the change; he will tell you why presently. But he obtained no radical benefit, which also we will explain later on.

It appears that this gentleman had been weak and ailing nearly all his life; not exactly ill, but wholly woe—a condition that calls for constant caution. In March, 1894, he had a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs.

Now I will read the reader to honour me with his best attention, as I must say in a few words how I got into the matter—straight up as you can. You can't tell where it will fall. It may fall on a neighbor's head, on your own, or on a child's, or on the pavement. Everybody's blood contains more or less poisonous elements. These are the seeds of disease, and unless they are removed, they will strike on the weakest spot or spots, in the body. If they hit the muscles and joints we call it rheumatism or gout; if they hit the brain we call it nervousness or biliousness; if they hit the kidneys we call it Bright's disease; if they hit the nerves we call it nervous prostration, epilepsy, or any of fifty other ailments. Now, what I mean to say is, that we call it inflammation of the lungs, or by-and-by consumption. And inasmuch as these poisons are always passing through the system, and unless they are removed, they will strike on the weakest spot or spots, in the body. If they hit the muscles and joints we call it rheumatism or gout; if they hit the brain we call it nervousness or biliousness; if they hit the kidneys we call it Bright's disease; if they hit the nerves we call it nervous prostration, epilepsy, or any of fifty other ailments.

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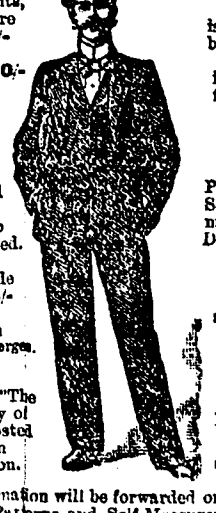
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RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

SUNDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1896.

Church of England—St. John's, 11 a.m. Subject, "Salvum nos Domine Deus, etc." 3 p.m., St. John's, 7 p.m. Subject, "The sacrifice of Isaac, the story, the parable, and the prophecy." Presbyterian Church—Beaufort, 11 a.m. Rev. A. Adam, M.A.

DRATH.

On the 16th inst., at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. A. McDonald, Albert Street, Ararat, Margaret, wife of Donald McLeod, of Traralgon. Aged 65 years.

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QUEENSLAND of late years has suffered from the two extremes, drought and flood.

And, unfortunately, the floods are even more to be dreaded just now than the other evils which occur in that country. But although the floods and drought come in Queensland, there are also times of prosperity, and, as a rule, those who are prepared to make a little effort to succeed do so. It appears, however, that the floods of late years have been much more severe than those in years gone by. Only a few days ago a report came to hand of a fearful catastrophe which occurred in the Brisbane River close to the Victoria bridge. The flood was high, all traffic consequently being stopped across the bridge, and passengers had to cross by steamboats. One of these steamers was a small boat named the Pearl, one of the best known ferry boats on the Brisbane River. It is estimated there were between eighty and one hundred people on board. The flood at the time the steamer attempted to cross was running fairly strong, but not strong enough to interfere greatly with the handling of the steamer across the river. The steamer was all right for a time, but the strength of the current carried her foul of the anchor chains of one of the Government vessels moored in the Reach. She then suddenly capsized, and it is thought she was almost cut in two by the force of the collision. It is well known that at least forty lives were lost, and that many of those who perished met their deaths in the presence of their relatives and friends. Unfortunately, as is always the case in disasters of this kind, there are a large number who have found a watery grave who have left behind them those who were dependent upon them, and who have now been cast upon the world to do the best they can for themselves. It is, however, a pleasing feature to find that, notwithstanding the Queenslanders in many parts have been once again reduced to almost extreme destitution by the severe floods, they keep their hearts in the right places. In fact, the calamity has aroused the practical sympathy of the community, not only in Queensland, but in all the colonies, and this noble outburst of sympathy bursts in like a beam of light. Already from nearly every part of Australia offers of assistance have been received, and it is anticipated that substantial assistance will be forthcoming on behalf of those who have been deprived of their bread-winners. The feeling of sympathy that exists between the colonies is a noble one, and the immediate and generous response which is always given when there is real necessity for such is very marked. As to the future, Queenslanders are in some measure justified in falling back upon the reasoning fact that within the memory of white men no such rain has before visited the watersheds of Southern and Central Queensland. Indeed it may be said that more rain fell during the first eight or ten days of February—the month always has heavier occurred; thus the phenomenal character of the downpour is very apparent. The frequent recurrence of the floods does not, however, appear to teach that lesson which it is so desirable should be taught, and leave the impression that in order to avoid disaster it is absolutely necessary to take proper precautions. The sufferers in Queensland have the warmest sympathy from all the sister colonies, but ordinary sympathy is not sufficient—practical sympathy is what is now urgently required.

Local and General News.

The following applications for licenses under section 123 of the Land Act 1890 (State Forests) have been approved—Clara Dunn, 410a, Raglan; John Fruher, 1072a, Lang-Kal-Kal. The application for a grant by the executor of the late Geo. Prince, for 19a, 3r, Raglan, has been approved.

Mounted-constable Bray, of Beaufort, is in future to receive some remuneration for his efforts to exterminate the rabbits in this district, he having this week received an appointment as rabbit-inspector at a salary of £12 per year.

After a good stretch of sultry weather (the thermometer going to 96 degrees), a pleasant change occurred on Tuesday night, when, at about 10.30 p.m., a fine soaking rain set in and continued till late in the following afternoon. At Beaufort 1.62 inches fell.

The prize-list of the Beaufort Agricultural Society's show (which is to be held on Thursday, 26th March) appears on our fourth page. Daytime will no doubt be pleased to hear that His Excellency the Governor is offering a silver medal as a prize for dairy cows.

A lad named Allan Maher, fifth son of Mr. D. Maher, of the Farmers' Hotel, Beaufort, dislocated his wrist on Saturday morning last. The lad was mounting a saddle on his horse, and fell to the ground. The injury was attended to by Dr. Johnston.

About 50 navvies were brought from Ararat to Beaufort on Thursday and Friday for employment on the regrading works on the Beaufort bank, these men having been engaged at similar work at Ararat. Surveyors, &c., have been engaged this week in laying out the work with a view to starting on Monday. Employment is also to be found for about sixty local men.

A meeting of the Beaufort Athletic Club, to decide whether the bicycle events on Easter Monday shall be run under the League of Victoria, Wellington or not, was held on Sunday afternoon, and was attended by only five members attended (with the exception of a quorum), no business was transacted. It was understood that the meeting would be held on Monday evening.

It is with regret that we are called upon this week to record the death of Mrs. McLeod, the wife of Donald McLeod, farmer, of Traralgon. The deceased, who has been suffering from a cancer for about two years, died on Sunday at her daughter's residence, Ararat, at the age of 58 years. Deceased was an old and respected resident of Traralgon.

The Carrington Cemetery Trust held their annual general meeting at the secretary's office, Prescot Hill, on Wednesday, 12th inst. Present—Mr. J. Sheehan, chairman; Mr. G. Morcombe, treasurer; Mr. J. Christie, G. D. Cameron, Mr. T. Phillips, and Mr. D. Jones, secretary. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accounts were well kept and correct in every particular. All the trustees complimented the secretary on the neat and accurate manner in which the trust's books are kept, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to him. All the officers were highly complimented, and it being the day for electing officers for the ensuing year each officer was re-elected to his former position, with the addition of Mr. Phillips being appointed inspector of works. Mr. Sheehan has taken his seat as chairman for the ninth consecutive year. The balance-sheet shows the receipts to be £26 19s 8d and the expenditure £20 18s 2d, leaving a balance in hand of £6 3s 6d.

A pleasing ceremony was performed in the Roman Catholic Church, Snake Valley, on Wednesday, Feb. 12th, the Rev. Father Barrett officiating. The contracting parties were Miss M. A. Robertson, daughter of Mr. Robertson, of Cheston, and Mr. George Gebbie, son of Mr. John Gebbie, of Leithridge. The bride, who was attired in a steel and cashmere dress, with veil and wreath of orange blossoms, was given away by her uncle, Mr. McQuillan, and was attended by her sister, Miss Marion Robertson, who wore a pretty dress of grey tweed. Mr. T. McQuillan acted as best man. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bride party left the church for the residence of the bride's mother, where a sumptuous breakfast was laid out for the guests, of whom about 25 sat down. The Rev. Father Barrett presided. The toasts of the "Bride and bridegroom," "Best man," and "Hosts" were duly honored. Mr. and Mrs. Gebbie left during the afternoon for Geelong, where they intend to spend the honeymoon. "Greenvale Standard."

The work of regrading the Beaufort bank has had the effect of attracting a large number of navvies to the town, which has consequently assumed quite a lively appearance. Complaints are already being made of thefts of poultry. The publicans appear to be doing a roaring trade. Drunken men are continually staggering along the streets, and draws are by no means infrequently made. If this is a sign of what may be expected when the work is in full swing, more police protection will undoubtedly be required. One of the two policemen now stationed here is to be paid for combining the duties of a rabbit inspector with those of a guardian of the peace, as the district is badly infested with rabbits; this means that very frequently there will be only one policeman available for duty in the town. During the past week some of the navvies have been most disorderly, and their language has been far from cultured. The residents are crying out for extra police protection, and not without cause. Perhaps our Member, Mr. Austin, will use his influence with a view to getting the local police force strengthened.

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Among the measures to be put on the stocks for next session are the Credit Foncier Bill, to enable farmers to obtain loans from the Government at a cheap rate of interest; the Electoral Reform Bill, the Local Government Act Amendment Bill, and the Water Act Amendment Bill. The recess will be a short one, as Parliament will meet again towards the end of May.

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Does this sound absurd and impossible? Why should it? People over one hundred years of age are frequently met with these days, as they have been as far as human records go back. A man is of no real value until he is past fifty and gained control of his passions and acquired some practical wisdom. After that he ought to have from fifty to seventy-five working years before him. Who dies short of one hundred (bar violence) dies of his own folly or that of his ancestors. One chief thing, however, we must learn. What is it? "Take an illustration—such as we see multitudes on every side."

Mr. Richard Leggett, of New Bolingbroke, near Boston, Lincolnshire, is a man who has lived to the age of 100. He is a man of high respectability in his district. In the spring of 1891 he had an attack of influenza from which he never fully recovered. The severe symptoms passed away, but he remained weak. No doubt he would have built him up, provided he could have eaten and digested it. Yet here was the trouble, his appetite was poor, and what little he took, he could not assimilate. Instead of giving him strength it actually produced pain and distress in the sides, chest, and stomach.

Mr. Lazarus, M.L.A., warns people against going to West Australia, where he has just been. Artisans' wages, he said, were lower than in Victoria, buildings being erected 10 per cent. cheaper than in Bondi.

THE GREATEST AID YOU CAN GIVE YOUR NEWSPAPER IS YOUR JOB PRINTING; if you do not feel able to run an advertisement, surely you can afford to give the newspaper your cards, doggers, bill-heads, letter-heads, envelopes, and all business printing to execute. The newspaper man needs it, and it helps him to pay his printers for setting up the thousand and one free notices he gives you and your town; and you give it to the printer or job printing office that can give you no such return, and is spending neither time, money, nor brains in helping you to build up your town. The time may come when a newspaper can live simply upon the revenue derived from advertising and subscriptions, but no ordinary newspaper in any ordinary town can exist without the auxiliary support derived from job printing. Therefore, if you want a good newspaper—one that can still further help you and your town—give it your job printing.

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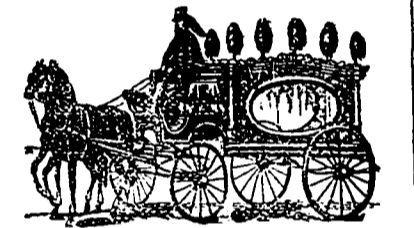
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BEAUFORT RIFLE CLUB.

The adjourned half-yearly meeting of the above was held in the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday evening. Present—Messrs McKelich (president), E. P. Welsh (secretary), B. F. Thompson, Kilberg, W. Hill, Sands, C. Tromp, A. Tromp, F. Troy, Parker, J. S. Brooks, J. Johnston, and W. White.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The secretary submitted a statement of receipts and expenditure for the past half-year, the former amounting to £29 5s 1d and the latter to £10 17s 4d, thus leaving a Cr. balance of £18 7s 9d.

The auditors (Messrs Tulloch and Hobbs) reported that they had examined the accounts and vouchers and found them correct in every particular. They suggested that an official record be kept of all matches fired, so that the auditors will have an opportunity to check the amounts received, as they found £1 0s 6d received from three matches of which no record has been kept.

The balance-sheet and report were received and adopted; the President, Mr. McKelich, thought the club should recognise what work the secretary had done by voting him the same bonus as last year (£2 2s), and moved accordingly. Seconded by Mr. Brooks, and carried.

A committee meeting was subsequently held, the newly-elected President presiding. A letter was read from the Ballarat Rifle Club, asking if the club intended sending a team to the annual matches on 3rd and 4th prox.—To be informed that owing to the unsettled state of the club it is impossible to send a team.

Several circulars from head-quarters, relative to battle-firing, warrants for free railway passes, payments for stores, and affiliation forms, were left to the captain and secretary to attend to. The following accounts were passed for payment:—Riponshire Advocate, 8s 6d; Mechanics' Institute, 12s.

Resolved that a three teams match be fired on Wednesday, 11th March, at ranges of 300 and 500 yds., for trophies presented by Messrs McKelich, Troy, and Kilberg; the first team to take two prizes and the second one; 6 teams to be selected by the donors; and 6d entry to be charged to members of teams and 1s for winners when firing off.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair. The intercolonial cricket match ended on Monday in a hollow victory for the South Australian team, who won by ten wickets. The Victorians in their first innings had made 165, and the South Australians 199, or 34 runs to the good. The wicket was in very bad order on Monday owing to the rain on Sunday, and the Victorians lost six wickets before they had cleared off this deficiency, and the innings closed for 43, leaving the South Australians 10 to make to win. This they did without the loss of a wicket. Jones's bowling on the wet wicket was very destructive, as he took six wickets at a cost of only 15 runs, whilst Jarvis also did well, obtaining four wickets for 24.

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In that inexplicable way in which most political news emanates, it has become an accepted fact that the Victorian Cabinet is to be re-organised during the recess, says a writer in Table Talk. Mr. H. R. Williams is to retire from the Railways, and one of the Ministers is to be made Agent-General, the only two points on which the gossips of Parliament House are agreed upon, and, naturally, it is impossible, at this stage, to ascertain more than gossip. Mr. B-st may take the Railways and give Mr. Foster the Customs. Mr. M'Lean is considered certain to get a portfolio, probably the Lands, and Mr. Vals may be given the Post Office if Mr. Duffy can be induced to retire on the promise of the Government support for his candidature for the Speakership, which people declare Sir Graham Berry will have to vacate through failing health. Mr. Peacock is secretly ambitious of becoming Agent-General, and this ambition may be the means of deferring any reconstruction of the Cabinet until the end of the year. In that case Mr. Turner would resign the Premiership, which position he finds is seriously affecting his health, and Mr. Deakin would be asked to take the leadership of the House, with the privilege of nominating two members to the Cabinet. Whom he would select, not his most intimate friends could be certain, but if Mr. Trenwith's eyesight is restored he will be one. Needless to say the Opposition will strive their utmost to prevent any reconstruction by "jumping" the Treasury benches, and their basis of operations will be an agitation for the repeal of the Income Tax.

Mr. Thompson had much pleasure in moving that Mr. McKelich be elected captain for the ensuing six months, feeling sure they could not get a better captain, or one who had the interest of the club more at heart. He knew that if Mr. McKelich took the helm the club would flourish. Seconded by Mr. Tromp, and carried by acclamation. Mr. McKelich thanked the members for his election. Although he was not at all anxious for the position, he felt that having been president (which was an honorary position) for 12 months, he should try if possible to be of more service, and if he could assist as captain he was willing to carry out the duties.

Mr. D. F. Troy was elected president, and in returning thanks promised to do his best for the club. The following officers were also elected:—Vice-presidents, Messrs Kilberg and Parker; treasurer, Mr. A. Tromp; secretary, Mr. B. F. Thompson; vice-captain, Mr. J. S. Brooks; Messrs Thompson and McKelich (Messrs Brooks in the duties of this office); committee, Messrs C. Tromp, W. Hill, Sandis, J. Johnston, F. Hill, Sandis, handcarriers, Messrs McKelich, Brooks, and A. Tromp; auditors, Messrs Tulloch and Hobbs.

In vacating the chair, Mr. McKelich thanked the committee for their kindness to him and attention to the matter during his term. The committee had worked satisfactorily, and it was quite a pleasure to sit with them. He was sure Mr. Troy would have quite as pleasant a time during the next six months.

STOCKYARD HILL NOTES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) The annual meeting of the Stockyard Hill and Lake Goldsmith picnic committee was held in the Stockyard Hill School on Friday, 21st inst. Mr. S. Boyle was voted to be the chair.

The treasurer submitted a financial statement, which showed the receipts to have been £20 12s 6d, and the expenditure £16 19s 1d, leaving a Cr. balance of £3 13s 5d. This was considered highly satisfactory. It was unanimously decided to hold a picnic this year, the date of which was fixed for Wednesday, 18th March. An animated discussion took place as to whether all those attending the picnic should be asked for a donation. Ultimately the matter was allowed to drop on the understanding that donations would be thankfully received from all those who feel inclined to give. Notwithstanding the Cr. balance, it is expected that more money will be required to be collected this year, as the committee will have to provide for a great many more. The following were elected officers:—Managing committee, Messrs Exell, Boyle, Belworthy, Kirkpatrick, Dunnett, D. Sutherland, R. O'Neil, W. Ward, P. Cushing, W. Lynch, R. Ward, D. Hannah (treasurer), and G. Crebittin (secretary); collectors, Messrs Boyle, Hannah, Exell, and the secretary.

A petition is to be presented to the Riponshire Council on Monday praying that the unutilised portion of the road leading from Stockyard Hill to Carngarth be metalled before the winter sets in, as, owing to the wood-carriage over it last summer, it is in a very soft state.

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News is just to hand from China to the effect that a serious mutiny has occurred amongst the Chinese garrison stationed at Kiangyin, a town in the province of Kwangsi, near the mouth of the Yangtze Kiang. The soldiers forming the garrison rose in a body, and massacred all their officers. During the conflict a magazine suddenly exploded, killing 200 mutineers, and seriously injuring a large number of others.

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The Earl of Salborne, the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, speaking at Bilston, in Staffordshire, declared that a continuance of the present relations between England and the colonies meant bread and butter to the commercial and industrial classes of the United Kingdom. He considered that a great development was in store for the colonies, and that the strengthening of the navy was imperatively necessary.

Owing to the precautions taken by the Imperial Government to prohibit members of the press from interviewing Dr. Jameson and his fellow officers their arrival was carried out in a most mysterious manner. However, the secret leaked out, and subsequently, on their arrival in London, they were met with loud cheers by those present. Dr. Jameson, Sir John Willoughby, and their brother officers were formally charged at the Bow street Police Court on Tuesday. The charge brought against the prisoners was that of "making war on a friendly state." After the case was formally called on it was adjourned for a fortnight, bail being allowed on a surety of £2000.

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The search for arms among the Uitlanders on the Rand goldfield is still being actively prosecuted by the Transvaal authorities. As it is suspected that arms are being introduced from the Cape Colony the trains from Capetown are stopped and carefully searched, causing a delay of some hours daily in the railway traffic.

"KEATING'S POWDER" destroys BUGS, PLEAS, MOTHS, BEETLES, and all other insects, whilst quite harmless to domestic animals. In exterminating Beetles the success of this powder is extraordinary. It is perfectly clean in application. See the article you are reading in "KEATING'S" paper, the signature THOMAS KEATING, each tin, as imitations are noxious and ineffective. Sold in Tins, 6d and 1s each, by all chemists.

WORK.

(By Lady Cook, of Tennessee Cladon.) It shows the occasional perversion of social sentiment that the state of least value should often be most esteemed, that labour should be scorned and affluent idleness held in honor. Thus the general ambition of those engaged in work of any kind, and especially in manual work, is to escape from it, to gather riches and retire; for, with a large class, a gentleman is not, as in old times, a man of gentle birth or gentle manners, but simply one who can live without work. We have grown so sordid that wealth overshadows all. With the multitude, virtue, valour, learning, and abilities, obtain less esteem than riches. And even when a stream of titles flows from the Royal fountain of dignities, these are almost solely bestowed upon the very wealthy. If to preserve an appearance of impartiality, a man celebrated for worth or genius here and there receives one, it is only some scrappy thing, the slightest on the list. It would be unpardonable presumption on such occasions for distinguished scientists, inventors, poets, artists, or men of letters, to put themselves on a par with plutocrats, though the latter may be destitute of everything but money. But all these distinctions in favor of wealth are unwise, unjust, and therefore immoral; and calculated to discourage and demoralize the workers, and must eventually fail to confer any honor upon their recipients as soon as high-spirited men refuse them on principle.

Intelligent and responsible work is the privilege and glory of man. It is true in a sense that other animals work, and some of them in communities with regular and orderly division of labour; but even so, their efforts are instinctive, and invariably alike from age to age—without progress and without deterioration. Man, however, can adapt his work to all circumstances and to all needs. He has arrived from the flint file to the circular saw, from the stone javalin to the Armstrong gun, from the jade hammer to the giant Nasmyth, and from fig-leaves to shot-silks. He burrows into the bowels of the earth and robs it of its treasures, explores the bed of the sea, and mounts aloft in mid-air beyond the eagle's highest flight. He has measured and weighed the planets, and put the earth in a balance; has mapped out the universe and determined the components of the stars. Vast and innumerable have been his achievements over the blind forces of matter; dissolving, combining, blending and transposing, and subduing all to his service, forming new substances, discovering new materials, and, at the same time, multiplying and gratifying human wants, pleasures, and conveniences. All this has been the result of work. Brains and hands have united for its production. The quickest brains, the dearest hands, have led the way, and others have followed in their rear. What we are and have to-day depend on the result of the combined forces of mind and muscle during all the past existence of humanity.

All honour, then, to work and to the workers, whether their part be high or low; whether theirs are the master minds that plan, or the patient hands that execute. Whatever their degree, each is essential to the others, and they are to each, as Menenius Agrippa showed the discontented Romans long ago in his fable of the Belly and the Members. No properly informed person could ever suppose it more desirable to idle than to work, or that any man of worth could ever be a do-nothing. The drones of our commonwealth may be anything from tramps to precadilly loungers, may be beggars or paers, but they have no moral right to dwell amongst an industrial community. As a rule, they are the pests of society, high and low—their gossips, gabblers, profligates, and debauchers; the disciples and apostles of sensuality. Those marvellous insects, the honey bees, give a perpetual series of object-lessons in the proper treatment of drones. Their remedy may be sharp, but it is very effectual.

Idleness is the mother of mischief, and a man or woman without an occupation of some sort is on the high road to moral ruin, if not to financial. Idleness has been the bane of women of the wealthy classes in the past, and has seriously retarded female progress. But a new era has dawned for the sex, and it will devolve upon the enlighteners, members of all classes to lead the way for a thorough and permanent reform. It is gratifying to know that the idlers are in a comparatively small minority. Many of our hardest workers are men of rank and wealth. Our national sports are robust, and indicate a manly, hardy race, and English gentlemen are not afraid to soil their oft-favorite dandies as they play or work. The star of affluence and idleness is no longer in the ascendant, and the motto of "Rope's" "Sporus" becomes annually smaller. How savagely the poet lashed this dainty "Lord Fanny,"—"Sporus," that mere white curd of ass's milk.

"Ambitious giant! That acting either part, The trifling head, or the corrupted heart, For at the toilet, flatterer at the board, Now trips a lady, and now struts a Lord. Eve's tempter thus the Rabbits have express, A chorub's face, a reptile all the rest. Beauty that shocks you, parts that none will trust, Wits that can creep, and pride that licks the work are not the only advantages it offers. We are too apt to think of these alone, to contrast our own existence with the frail coracles not yet extinct, and our complicated net work of roads and canals and magnificent bridges with the one trackless forests and impassable rivers, now traversed in every direction. Health is not the least of our benefits, and nothing contributes more to this than a regular occupation. Not the work that overstrains, nor the slavery of the "awoater," nor the sordid haste that hurries; but calm, solid, steady, well-digested labour, fairly remunerated and wisely planned, a rational diversion. This is the golden recipe for the Mens sana in corpore sano. The poem Ootian said of such:—"Why is our food so very sweet? Because we earn before we eat. Why are our wits so very few? Because we nature's ralls pursue. Whence our complacency of mind? Because we act our parts assigned."

SKIPTON NOTES.

A correspondent writes:—One of the employes of B. Brynolok station, whose name is Alex. McInt. met with a very painful accident on Wednesday morning last. It seems he was riding full over on top of him, breaking his collar-bone and injuring his thigh. Dr. Donaldson at once attended the sufferer, and did all he could to alleviate his sufferings.

Mr. J. M. Reed, one of the senior assistant surveyors from Melbourne, was busily engaged sketching the township of Skipton on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, with a view to having the township surveyed afresh. Mr. Austin, M.L.A., made a promise to some of the residents, at the time of his election, that he would have Skipton re-surveyed, as some have built on the streets, while others have fenced in the streets, or portions of them, through not knowing where the boundaries are. We are pleased to see that Mr. Austin has kept his promise. I understand it is Mr. Reed's intention to recommend to the Secretary for Lands that all land facing the main roads should be surveyed in 1 acre blocks, and offered for competition at a reasonable figure.

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A telegram from Windsor, Queensland, states that the drought still holds out there, and hundreds of stock are dying on the adjacent stations. For over a hundred miles along the Birdsville road the country is without grass. The Blood is the source from which our systems are built up, and from which we derive our mental as well as our physical capabilities. If the blood is diseased the body is diseased. Sufferers from Scrofula, Scanty, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds are solicited to give Clarke's world-famed Blood Mixture a trial to test its value. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Sold everywhere at 2s 9d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

The Legislative Assembly was again in a working mood yesterday (says Thursday's Argus) and cleared the business sheet of the Government measures. When the House met Mr. Zou drew attention to the polluted condition of the Yan Yean water supply, and asked the Minister of Health if he would take steps to protect the public interest in this matter. Mr. H. R. Williams replied that the Board of Public Health made every endeavour to induce the local bodies and water trusts to protect water supplies from pollution, and to inform the public of the steps necessary to guard against danger from polluted water. The Minister of Agriculture promised Mr. Sterry that he would cause inquiries to be made into the recent poisoning of cattle by eating amber cane, and that the best means of preventing death from this cause would be disseminated among stock-owners. The amendments made by the Council in the Factories and Shops Bill were further considered, some being concurred in and others disagreed with, and the bill was returned to the Council with amendments amid cheers. The Appropriation Bill, which is the undoubted sign of the nearness of the close of the session, was then passed through all its stages, after members had drawn attention to a variety of matters, none of which, however, were of special importance. A short bill to amend the Companies Act 1893, providing that a company should be deemed to be in course of being wound up as soon as a petition for its winding-up was lodged, was passed through all its stages, and subsequently portions of the comprehensive bill dealing with the companies law relating to writing down capital and shares and imposing obligations on directors and promoters of companies, and referring to alterations in the objects of a company, were passed, the bill in this amended form being sent to the Council.

BEAUFORT PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the Societies' Hall, on Thursday, March 5th, 1896, at 8 p.m. sharp. A full attendance of members is requested. A. KILGOUR, Hon. Sec.

HIRE OFFER. TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Shire of Ripon, and enclosing five per cent. cash deposit, will be received up till 11 a.m. on Monday, 2nd March, 1896, for the following works:— WEST RIDING. Cont. No. 8.—Metalling 30 chains of road near Priddy Tower. NORTH RIDING. Cont. No. 9.—Clearing and forming on the Raglan and Middle Creek roads. EAST RIDING. Cont. No. 10.—Cleaning out dam at Cleeptow. Cont. No. 11.—Forming, &c., by Carngham protection. Plans and specifications can be seen at the Shire Office, Beaufort; and those for the East Riding at the Greyhound Hotel, Snake Valley. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. H. JACKSON, Shire Engineer. Beaufort, 22nd February, 1896.

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WHY NOT LIVE A CENTURY?

"In the coming time," said a famous English poet, "a man or woman eighty or one hundred years old will be more beneficial to the youth or maiden of twenty, as the ripe fruit is more beautiful and fragrant than the green. These ripe men and women will have wrinkles on the brow, no grey hairs on the head, and a firm, elastic step, and mental vigor."

Does this sound absurd and impossible? Why should it? People over one hundred years old are frequently met with in those days, as they have been as far as human records go. A man is of no real value until he has gained control of his passions and acquired some practical wisdom. After that he ought to have from fifty to seventy-five working years before him. Whoso dies short of one hundred (bar his vicarious) dies of his own folly or that of his ancestors. One chief thing, however, we must learn. What is it? Take an illustration—such as we see multitudes on every side.

Mr. Richard Leggett, of New Bolingbroke, near Boston, Lincolnshire, is a man now somewhat over seventy. He is a farmer, well known and highly respected in his district. In the spring of 1891 he had an attack of influenza from which he never fully recovered. The severe symptoms passed away, of course, but he remained weak. No doubt food would build him up, provided he could eat. He was not to be thought of. He had a doctor attending him, as we should expect. If the services of a learned medical man are ever needed they must be in such a case—where nature seems to be all broken up, and the machinery runs slow, as our family clocks do when we have forgotten to wind them at the usual hour.

Well, Mr. Leggett took the prescribed medicines, but got no better. He asked the doctor why that was, and he appeared to be puzzled for an answer at first. He then admitted a doctor's right to admit that his medicines are doing no good, because he expects to be paid for them; and then there is his professional pride, besides.

However, Mr. Leggett said, "If my medicines fail to make you better, it is owing to your age." That idea was plain as a pikestaff, and if the patient had never got any better afterwards, why who could dispute with the doctor? Nobody, of course, who would look just as though Mr. Leggett were really going to pieces from old age. But something subsequently happened which spelt that easy, easy way out. What it was is told in a letter dated February 3rd, 1893.

"After doctoring several months without receiving any benefit, I determined to try Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. I got a bottle from Mr. G. H. Hanson, Chemist, New Bolingbroke. After taking the Syrup for a week I was much better. I had a good appetite, and what I ate digested and strengthened me, and by the time I had taken two bottles I was well and strong as ever. You may publish this statement if you think proper. (Signed) Richard Leggett."

So it proved, after all, that Mr. Leggett was not suffering from old age (at seventy?) Nonsense! It was from indigestion and dyspepsia. When Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup routed that, he felt "well and strong as ever."

Now for the moral: It is not Father Time who wears people down thus early in life; it is the Demon of Dyspepsia. Keep him away, and—barring accidents—you may live a century.

The Premier has asked heads of departments to furnish him with a list of the officers in the services who are over the statutory age of 60 years, together with a statement of the reasons why they are retained.

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Some little time since the proprietors of the Stanhope Estate, near Rochester, decided to offer 5000 acres of land on the halvs system, in vogue in New South, in lots of 50 to 200 acres. There was a great rush for the blocks, and all have now been taken up.

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An advertisement is a paper man's marketable commodity, and it is quite as much so as a side of bacon, a pound of butter, or a ton of flour. No man can afford to give away the things he sells for a livelihood, and the man who does so in order to get business is generally in a bad way. Don't try to put the paper man "in a bad way." But exercise a little human nature. Support him; he needs encouragement and support; but do it in the legitimate way. If the printer gets a few pounds worth of printing orders from you, he is not in a position to give you a pound's worth of advertising for nothing. And you have had value for the printing already. Go into a grocer's or draper's for L3 worth of goods, and the grocer man or draper will not throw in gratis L1 worth of something else that you may ask for. Try him if you don't believe us.

"If the blood is diseased the body is diseased." Remember that the blood, whether pure or impure, circulates through the organs of the human body—Lungs, Heart, Stomach, Kidneys, Brain. If it is laden with poisonous matter it spreads disease on its course. In cases of Scrofula, Scary, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples and Sores of all kinds, the effects of Clarke's Blood Mixture are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's World-Famed Blood Mixture is sold everywhere, at 2s 6d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

Speaking at Newcastle, Major-General Hutton made some strong remarks about the condition in which he found the New South Wales military forces. The artillery force he had found dead, with equipment execrable, discipline nil, and subject to political and petti-coat influence.

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At Adelaide on Saturday Parsons lowered Lewis' mile bicycle record of 2min. 8 1/2 sec., covering the distance in 2 min. 3 sec.

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 is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes bright and healthy. It softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery, and diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine Dealers everywhere, at 1s 1 1/2 per bottle.

Her Majesty the Queen has sent a cable message to Johannesburg expressing her sympathy with the victims of the dynamite disaster.

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the almost instant relief afforded by the use of the "Brook's Bronchial Tonic." These famous Tonics are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country at 1s 1 1/2 per box. People troubled with a "choking cough," a tight chest, or bronchial affections, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the words "Brook's Bronchial Tonic" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Prepared by JOHN L. BROWN & SONS, Boston St., European Depot, 33, Farringdon Road, London, and England.

The greatest aid you can give your newspaper is your job printing; if you do not feel able to run an advertisement, surely you can afford to give the newspaper your cards, dodgers, bill-heads, letter-heads, envelopes, and all business printing to execute. The newspaper man needs it, and it helps him to pay his printers for setting up the thousand and one free notices he gives you and your town; but don't give it to the printer or job printing office that can give you no such return, and is spending neither time, money, nor brains in helping you to build up your town. The time may come when a newspaper can live simply upon the revenue derived from advertising and subscriptions, but no ordinary newspaper in any ordinary town can exist without the auxiliary support derived from job printing. Therefore, if you want a good newspaper—one that can still further help you and your town—give it your job printing.

IMPROVING THE BLOOD.—We have seen hosts of letters from people who have received great benefit from the use of Clarke's Blood Mixture. It cannot be too highly estimated, for it cleanses and clears the blood of all impurities. It is a most wonderful medicine, and the Family Doctor, which goes on from "ay—ay"—it is the finest Blood Purifier that science and skill have brought to light, and will fit them for a domestic medicine, to be used by our subscribers and the public generally. For Scrofula, Scary, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere, at 2s 6d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

The colony is said to be now in the midst of as widespread and violent an epidemic of typhoid as we have ever experienced. From all parts of the country come reports of the prevalence of typhoid and of the utter inability of the authorities to fight against it.

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