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Nicholls' Consumptive Cure.

THIS wonderful remedy is of only recent introduction into English speaking countries. Hitherto it has been held as a profound secret amongst a few tribes of North American Indians.

Personal testimony to that effect can be given.

PRICES, 5s and 10s per bottle.

HERB POUITICE for the Spine, 1s extra.

Nicholls' Bodagraine,

For RHEUMATISM, RHEUMATIC GOUT, NEURALGIA.

This is a certain cure for all rheumatic ailments. Persons who have suffered the most excruciating pain for twenty years and more have had their rheumatic afflictions quickly expelled by the taking of BODAGRINE.

The most obstinate cases of Rheumatism have been overcome by it, and the sufferer surrenders to it on the taking of a few doses.

PRICE, 5s per bottle.

Nicholls' Asthma Cure.

This terribly distressing complaint has baffled the skill of physicians in its work.

PRICES, 10s, 6s and 2s.

Nicholls' Blood Purifier,

NERVE TONIC, RESTORATIVE, and all HERBAL REMEDIES on application.

JOHN NICHOLLS,

375 FLINDERS LANE, MELBOURNE.

The Sufferer's Best Friend.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS

All Disorders affecting the Liver, Stomach, and Bowels.

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.

Weakness and Debility, Nervous Irritability.

The wholesome effect exercised by these admirable Pills over the blood is like a charm in dispelling low spirits, and like a tonic in restoring the system to its normal condition.

To Regain Health, Strength, and Vigour.

Whenever persons find themselves in that state termed a "little out of health," it is necessary that Holloway's Pills should be perseveringly taken, as they not only rid both solids and fluids of all morbid matter, but regulate all disordered actions, 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.

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

Age, Asthma, Bilious Complaints, Bowel Complaints, Colic, Constipation, Dropsy, Erysipelas, Female Irregularities, Fevers of all kinds, Fits, Gout, Headache, Indigestion, Jaundice, Liver Complaints, Lumbago, Piles, Rheumatism, Scrofula, Sore Throat, Stone and Gravel, Syphilis, Secondary, Symptoms, Tic-Doloureux, Tumours, Ulcers, Venereal Affections, Worms of all kinds.

The Pills and Ointment are Manufactured only at 75 New Oxford St. (late 538 Oxford St.) London.

And are sold by all Vendors of Medicines throughout the Civilized World; with directions for use in almost every language.

Purchasers should look to the Label on the Boxes and Pots. If the address is not 538, Oxford Street, London, they are spurious.

JOHN HUMPHREYS, COMMISSION & INSURANCE AGENT

ACCOUNTANT ETC., 7 Wellington Street, Beaufort.

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

Agency Business of all kinds attended to.

ALBION HOTEL, GENERAL STORE, NEWS AGENCY WATERLOO.

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

Farmers' Constant Companion.

A CURE FOR ALL ILLS.

A MARVELLOUS REMEDY

Solomon's Salve

FOR HUMAN BEINGS AND QUADRUPEDS.

Acknowledged by all who have used it as being the best Horse Embrocation that ever came into their hands

Effectively Cures every Disease incidental to Horses.

FOR HUMAN BEINGS

It is the most valuable Curative Ointment known.

Can be used on the most robust Man or frailest Child.

Should be in every Farm-house.

Never known to fail when the instructions for application are strictly followed.

See Book of Instructions, forwarded, post free, on application to the manufacturers.

TESTIMONIALS.

A Wonderful Cure.

St. Arnaud, 1st May, 1894

Dear Sir,—I can safely say the cure you effected was a wonderful one. I had tried various veterinary surgeons for the last two years, and they, one and all, after vainly endeavoring to cope with the disease (a serious and very rare affection of the abdomen, attended with swelling), pronounced the case hopeless. Your Solution, however, completely restored the horse.—I remain, yours truly, J. STUBBS.

Group Cured.

McConnell-st., Kensington, July 19, 1894.

Dear Sir,—I have found your Solution an excellent remedy for severe Colds and Croup, giving almost instant relief, and also in healing Burns, Cuts, &c., I have found it unequalled. I shall certainly recommend all my friends to try it.—Yours respectfully, Mrs. K. WHITE.

Ulcerated Udder.—A Bad Case Cured.

Newmarket (Vic.), 20th Nov., 1890.

I have used Mr. Cox's Solution for a cow's ulcerated udder (as bad a case as I have seen), and in a week or two the cow was milking all right. I also used it on a dog that had the mange for two years; it cured him, and the hair grew as well as ever.—Yours truly, Mrs. J. PARSONS.

Obtainable All Storekeepers, Saddlers & Chemists.

PATENTERS AND MANUFACTURERS: Solomon Cox & Co., 42 BOURKE STREET, MELBOURNE.

Minerva Tonic

stands alone among preparations of a similar character as a pure and nutritive combination of the most modern and effective ingredients for restoring tired and weakened nature to its normal condition.

In cases of physical or nervous debility, or as a restorative after severe illness, Minerva Tonic has no equal.

Minerva Pink Pills

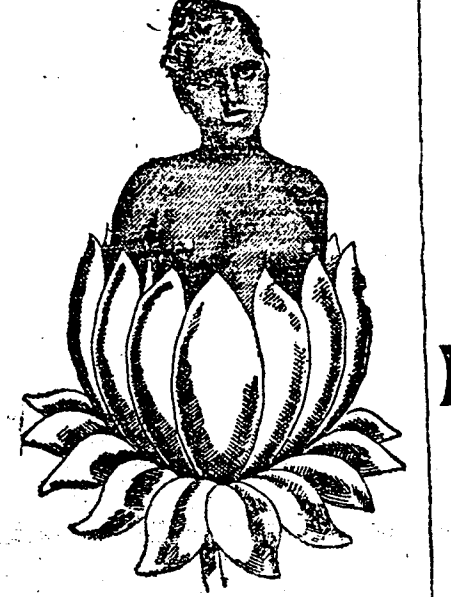
are a purely vegetable and essentially modern family aperient. They are of small size, sugar-coated, easy to take, and certain as to results.

In cases of biliousness, constipation, liver affections, or gastric troubles, they are absolutely the best medicine that can be prescribed.

Minerva Iron Pills

are the most effective combination known for strengthening and enriching the blood, and restoring it to a healthy, natural colour.

The use of these Pills ensures a bright complexion, and women who suffer from nervousness, heart palpitation, headache, cold hands and feet, will speedily acknowledge their value.



The above is a facsimile of the Registered Name and Trade Mark in connection with the

NIRVANA TEA

which is specially selected by experts from the best samples grown on the mountain estates in Ceylon, and is packed in lead for shipment to all parts of the world.

To ensure Direct Distribution to the Public in the Original Packages

The Tea is uniform and unequalled in quality, and is guaranteed to retain its original flavour, thereby ensuring recognition as

THE VERY BEST

that has yet been placed in the hands of the consumer.

It is sold in 1 lb. and 1/2 lb. packets in three different qualities to suit purchasers, and these are distinguished by the colors on the outside wrapper, the Trade Mark in each case being in brown.

At 1/6 per lb. the wrapper is printed in Red. At 2/6 per lb. the wrapper is printed in Green. At 3/6 per lb. the wrapper is printed in Blue.

SOLD BY ALL GROCERS AND STOREKEEPERS.

Sole Proprietors—The Nirvana Tea Co., COLOMBO, LONDON, AND NEW YORK.

Victorian Depot—251 Elizabeth-st., Melb.

W. BAKER,

Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer.

W. Baker has ON SALE the following

lines—Pine Shelving, Flooring, and lining boards, Californian, sash, and clear pine, 1 to 36 inches; cedar, all thicknesses and widths; table legs, sashes, door, and window mouldings, window glass, white lead, oils, turps, and all the building requisites.

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

Hardwood supplied at Timber Yard price.

YOU CAN BUY THE BEST, CHEAPEST, and most STYLISH Clothing in Australia from LINCOLN, STUART & CO. LTD

235 FLINDERS ST., MELBOURNE, opp. Station.

We make Capital Suits To Measure from 30/-

Trousers from 10/-

Ready-made Suits, 5/11

Ready-made Ties, 5/11

Ready-made Shirts, 5/11

Ready-made Caps, 5/11

Ready-made Hats, 5/11

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Ready-made Socks, 5/11

Ready-made Gloves, 5/11

Ready-made Belts, 5/11

Ready-made Collars, 5/11

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Ready-made Neckties, 5/11

Ready-made Handkerchiefs, 5/11

Ready-made Scarves, 5/11

Ready-made Stoles, 5/11

Ready-made Shawls, 5/11

Ready-made Wraps, 5/11

Ready-made Coats, 5/11

Ready-made Jackets, 5/11

Ready-made Blouses, 5/11

Ready-made Dresses, 5/11

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Ready-made Petticoats, 5/11

Ready-made Corsets, 5/11

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NEW SPRING GOODS.

FIRST SHIPMENTS NOW SHOWING

J. McKEICH

Has every department thoroughly stocked with an entirely fresh Stock of Goods for Spring and Summer wear, and draws special attention to the BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT OF THE VERY LATEST MILLINERY.

New Dress Stuffs in Tweed, Alpaccas and Lustras, in black, as well as all the leading shades worn.

Ladies' Blouses.—A very fine assortment of the newest shapes at surprising prices.

New Laces.—All the very latest makes from 6d per doz. upwards.

Veilings.—Special values and a great variety to pick from.

The largest range of Ribbons ever held.

This season's Hosiery and Gave Stock beats everything for prices and quality.

A fresh stock of Clothing, consisting of Men's and Boy's Suits, Hats, Shirts, Ties, Braces, & C., marked much under usual retailers' prices.

New Boots. New Boots.—The largest, cheapest, and best stock to select from.

For a Summer Suit to Order don't fail to inspect the really first-class lot of Tweeds. The prices are kept to meet the times.

The reputation for keeping the best quality of goods at the keenest prices will be more noticeable this season than ever.

J. McKEICH, IMPORTER, NEILL ST. BEAUFORT.

To our Readers and Patrons.

THE PROSPERITY OF A DISTRICT DEPENDS chiefly upon the support and encouragement that is given by the population to local enterprise and industry.

It is the duty of every citizen to do his utmost to encourage the growth of local enterprise and industry, and to support the efforts of those who are engaged in these pursuits.

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IRON AND TIMBER MERCHANTS, BEAUFORT.

LIME, CEMENT, & BUILDING MATERIALS.

GUNS AND AMMUNITION,

Ironmongery Novelties & Specialities

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(A LARGE STOCK TO SELECT FROM).

Paperhangings, GLASSWARE & CROCKERY

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REAPER and BINDER TWINES.

DIRECT IMPORTERS OF GALVANIZED CORRUGATED IRON.

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Sole Agents for the Wonderful Antiferment Fruit Preserver.

Bicycles. Bicycles. Bicycles.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Safeties.

Beeston Humber, the best machine in the World.

SINGER'S SWIFT'S PREMIERS.

The Ladies' Singer's Modele DeLuxe, a perfect little gem.

BICYCLES from £16 to £30. Cash or Terms.

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AT LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

"The Advocate" Office, Beaufort.

The Circulation of the Riponshire Advocate

Steadily Increasing.

And the Proprietor, recognising the increased support in this direction, will use his utmost endeavours to merit and sustain the patronage accorded him by giving the Latest possible Local and General News, and the most interesting and instructive information.

"The Advocate," PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING,

CIRCULATES in the following districts:—Beaufort, Stockyard Hill, Lake Coldsmith, Sallor's Gully, Main Lead, Baglan, Clute, Waterloo, Burambun, Bunzong, Middle Creek, Shirley, Travalla, Skipton, and Carriagium.

With every issue of the Paper is given A FOURTEEN-COLUMN SUPPLEMENT,

Containing an interesting Serial Tale, Amusing Anecdotes, Pastoral News, Agricultural Intelligence, Recipes, Gardening Items, Etc., Etc., Etc.

Business Men, Read! It was Benjamin Franklin who wrote—"What

COMMERCIAL.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 5s 6d per bushel, roller-made, 1s 4d...

BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 5s 8d, 5s 10d, 5s 12d, 6s 1d, 6s 2d...

MELBOURNE MARKETS. Mr Harold S. K. Ward reports. Prime, 1s 10d, 1s 11d, 1s 12d...

GELONG MARKETS. George Hague & Co. report. Wool—We offered a small consignment on Friday last...

For Blood in the Liver. The blood is the life of the body. It circulates through the organs of the body...

8 HOURS ART UNION. The Great Event of the Year. 4th ANIVERSARY NIGHT HOURS DAY. GRAND FETE, BAZAAR & ART UNION.

H. GILLOCH.

FAMILY BUTCHER, NEULL STREET, BEAUFORT. W. H. SMITH, FAMILY BUTCHER, BEAUFORT.

Mr J. W. Harris, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST AND REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON.

Mr J. W. Harris, junr., B.D.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist, HAYLOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

MR. H. E. WEBB (OF ARARAT), BARRISTER AND SOLICITOR, MAY BE CONSULTED AT THE GOLDEN AGE HOTEL ON COURT DAYS.

THE Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 1897.

Wishes to notify that having purchased his brother's interest in the business, he will carry on the same himself. None but the best quality of meat kept.

The sale, privately, of the Langi-kal-kal Estate, Trawalla, effected on the 26th inst. in Melbourne by Dalgety and Co. Limited.

The annual elections to fill the vacancies occurring in the Ararat Mining Division, were held on Saturday last.

Things are very quiet at the rush on the St. George's Gully road, no new findings reported.

Edward Seymour Baker, of Beaufort miner. Liabilities, £143 8s; assets, £20 10s.

BEAUFORT MECHANICS' INSTITUTE. The annual meeting of subscribers, held on Monday evening.

The balance-sheet and auditors' report were received and adopted.

The election of officers by the Institute, resulted as follows: President, Mr McKelch; vice-president, Messrs Hughes and Sinclair.

For THE BLOOD IN THE LIVER. CLARK'S WORLD-FAMED BLOOD MIXTURE is the best remedy for all blood diseases.

VISIT OF THE MINISTER OF MINES TO BEAUFORT.

A telegram having been received from Mr E. B. Austin, M.L.A., that the Minister of Mines intended, if possible, to visit Beaufort this week.

Mr Austin referred to the Minister having promised a deputation from Beaufort that he would visit the district.

Mr Wetherston promised to accompany the Minister to Beaufort, and also with a number at Waterloo; the President of the Shire of Ripon (Mr Flynn) to be asked to welcome the Minister to the district.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr Austin, on the motion of Messrs Hughes and McKelch.

The Hon. H. Foster, Minister of Mines, was met at the railway station on Friday.

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He referred to the Minister's Association having done a lot of harm in the past by interfering with the management of the New Victoria and the Hobart Pasha mines.

Mr Martin endorsed Mr Leadbeater's remarks concerning the benefits which a pumping plant would confer.

The Hon. H. Foster, who was most cordially received, said that he was very glad to visit the district.

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RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

MONDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY, 1897. Present—Crs Flynn (president), Austin, Cameron, Bridges, Cushing, Beggs, Lewis, and Russell.

From Mayor of Melbourne, inviting co-operation relative to raising funds towards the Indian Famine Relief Fund.

From Department of Public Works, intimating with reference to the Skipton severance petition.

From Geo. Lewis, Mawallok, stating that Mr Philip Russell would bind himself to have the wire-netting gate applied for closed at night and left open all day.

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culvert, and the metal was apparently sound below the machine went over it.

The engineer remarked that as there was no trace of water over the road it proved that the culvert was big enough.

Small bridges would be required everywhere its provision had to be made for floods.

In Araratshire on the night of the accident 20 culverts had been washed away.

To complain of the culvert showed that Mr Outberson knew nothing about its construction.

Mr Outberson contradicted the engineer's statement that the water had not washed on the road.

The engineer replied that at all events there was no sign of it next morning.

Cr Lewis said that after hearing Mr Outberson and the engineer he did not think the council was liable.

Seconded by Cr Russell. Cr Bridges intimated that the council could now consider the matter.

SLANG OF THE CIRCUS MAN.

Baron Which is Unintelligible to All but the Travelling Showman... The circus folk not only have a slang of their own...

The importation of Australasian wool into Europe and America during 1896 amounted to 1,846,000 bales...

Business man—"You remember that 'ad.' I had in your paper, and took out two months ago? Well, I want to have it put back again."

"Why, I thought you said no one noticed it while it was in."

"The fact of your advertising lets people know you are still in business; also that your business is sufficiently important to stand advertising."

The ancient Romans made all men of full age marry or pay a penalty, and a very old English law also made marriage compulsory for all men of 25 and upward.

"KEATING'S POWDER" DESTROYS BUGS, PLEAS, MOTHS, BEETLES, and all other insects, whilst quite harmless to domestic animals.

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.

The musicians with a circus are known as "wind jammers," the "razorbacks," while a man who drinks to excess is either a "lusher" or a "boozer."

Among the riders there are rough riders, pad riders and barback riders, and among the fummakers there are "patter," or talking clowns, singing clowns and knockabouts.

On Her High Horse. A lady was showing a visitor the family portraits in the picture gallery. "That officer there in uniform," she said, "was my great-grandfather. He was as brave as a lion, but one of the most unfortunate of men. He never fought a battle in which he did not have an arm or a leg carried away."

A Curious Ornament. Several specimens of a curious ornament have been found at Nineveh. It is a piece of rose shaped stone or glass, the experts do not know which, that both transmits and reflects the light.

About the year B. C. 220 edible serpents were sold at the rate of 20 for 40 cents in the Egyptian markets. They were shipped to Rome. Italian vipers were cheaper—20 for 15 cents.

For the past quarter of a century there has been an enormous flow of letters bearing testimony to the truth as to the full cure effected by C. A. B.'s World-famed Blood Mixture. This medicine has brought relief and health to thousands of sufferers from Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples and Sores of any kind.

WILLIAM BAKER, UNDERTAKER. Lawrence Street, next Post Office, and Nell Street, opposite State school. Hearse and other requisites supplied in town or country at stated charges.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS. Auctioneer, Valuer, Arbitrator, General Commission Agent. Auction Rooms: BARKLY STREET, ARARAT, and NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

YOU CAN AFFORD IT.

Very few are too poor now-a-days to take their country paper, and it is false economy to try and get along without it. Hardly a week passes that something or other does not appear in its columns that will be of financial benefit to the subscriber...

"AS A SAFE, PERMANENT, AND WARRANTED CURE" for Pimples, Scrofula, Scurvy, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, we can with confidence recommend Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture.

For the BLOOD IS THE LIFE. CLARKE'S WORLD-FAMED BLOOD MIXTURE is warranted to cleanse the blood from all impurities from whatever cause arising.

A man may as well sit down in a meadow and expect a cow to come and be milked, as to sit down in his store and expect to get trade without advertising.

Send your Order to H. A. COLLINS, THE JEWELLER, 148 Elizabeth-st. (near Colonial Bank) Melbourne.

BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION. WILL BE HELD IN THE SOCIETY'S GROUNDS, BEAUFORT, ON THURSDAY, APRIL 1st, 1897.

The following PRIZES will be Awarded for Agricultural and Dairy Produce, Fruit, Flowers, Wines, and Miscellaneous Exhibits: Special Class for Sheep.

Class A—Grain. 1. Eight bushels Wheat. First prize, 20s; second, 10s. 2. Eight bushels Tartarian Oats. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Class B—Roots, Hay, Fruit, &c. 1. Sheaf Hay, not less than one cwt. First prize, 10s; second, 5s. 2. Trussed Hay, in one truss, not less than one cwt. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Class C—Dairy Produce. 1. 4lb. Powdered Butter, put up in rolls as usually sent to the market, and without any print or private mark. First prize, 15s; second, 10s; third, 5s.

GEORGE PAYNE.

Watchmaker and Jeweller, Near the Post Office, Sturt Street, Ballarat. I employ the most complete staff of workmen out of Melbourne in my workshop at 18 Drummond Street North...

THOSE ACHES down your Back and through your Limbs MEAN RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA OR KINDRED ILLS. BETTER HAVE St. Jacobs Oil HANDY. Illustration of a man with a backache.

Quite new solid Gold, 15s; 18 carat, 25s. 15 carat Gold, 2 Diamonds, 15 carat Ruby or Sapphire, 22 1/2 carat pure Diamonds, 43 1/2 lbs.

H. A. COLLINS, THE JEWELLER, 148 Elizabeth-st. (near Colonial Bank) Melbourne. BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION.

Class B—Roots, Hay, Fruit, &c. 1. Twelve bottles Colonial Wine, made in the colony and grown by the exhibitor. Prize, 7s 6d.

Class C—Dairy Produce. 1. 4lb. Powdered Butter, put up in rolls as usually sent to the market, and without any print or private mark. First prize, 15s; second, 10s; third, 5s.

Class D—Agricultural Implements. 1. Double-furrow Plough. First prize, 15s; second, 10s. 2. Set of Harrows. First, 15s; second, 5s.

Class E—Swine. 1. Boar, any breed. First prize, 10s; second, 5s. 2. Sow, any breed. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Class B—Roots, Hay, Fruit, &c.

- 1. Sheaf Hay, not less than one cwt. First prize, 10s; second, 5s. 2. Trussed Hay, in one truss, not less than one cwt. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Class C—Dairy Produce.

- 1. 4lb. Powdered Butter, put up in rolls as usually sent to the market, and without any print or private mark. First prize, 15s; second, 10s; third, 5s.

Class D—Agricultural Implements.

- 1. Double-furrow Plough. First prize, 15s; second, 10s. 2. Set of Harrows. First, 15s; second, 5s.

Class E—Swine.

- 1. Boar, any breed. First prize, 10s; second, 5s. 2. Sow, any breed. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Class F—Poultry.

- 1. Brahma-pootra Cock and Hen. First prize, 5s; second, 2s 6d. 2. Langshan Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.

Class G—Horses and Cattle.

- 1. Draught Entire Horse. First prize, £3 (presented by Geo. Lewis, Esq.); second, £1; third, certificate of merit. 2. Colonial-bred Draught Entire, three years old. First, £1; second, 10s.

Class H—Miscellaneous.

- 1. Twelve bottles Colonial Wine, made in the colony and grown by the exhibitor. Prize, 7s 6d. 2. Collection of Jams. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Conditions.

All entries must be made in writing and lodged with the Secretary, on Monday, 23rd March, not later than 6 o'clock p.m. All exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor, and that if required a declaration is to be made to that effect.

In the Assigned Estate of

GEORGE WEBSTER & Co. JAMES TYLER & Co.

For to inform their customers and public generally, that they have been successful in securing large parcels of Drapery at prices unprecedented in the Annals of the trade...

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th.

Be sure to come early, as the early bird catch the early worms.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Every customer will find something of interest to them in JAMES TYLER & Co. having decided that the whole of their stock will be thrown in with that of the assignees...

Menu of the Great...

Remember that this is no ordinary show, but a grand one, and that the goods are all of the best quality, and their original prices are maintained.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th.

JAMES TYLER & Co. 11, 13, BRIDGE STREET, BALLARAT.

W. M. C. PEDDER.

Blacksmith and Wheelwright, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

WILLIAM BUCHANAN.

BLACKSMITH & WHEELWRIGHT, Having secured one of the LATEST TIRE-SHREKKERS, is prepared to do tires in the most approved style.

GRASP THIS STARTLING FACT.

MIKADO TEA Is Unrivaled.

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Printed and Published by the Proprietor, ARTHUR PARKER, at the "Advocate" Office, of the "Riponshire Advocate" Paper, Lawrence Street, Beaufort.

GARDENING.

MARCH FRUIT GARDEN.

Plant strawberries as soon as the ground is well rooted. Water all recently planted trees and shrubs, should the soil become dry. Towards the end of the month transplant raspberries, strawberry runners, fruit trees and bushes that have shed their leaves. Destroy any old fruit trees that have become decrepit; apply fresh soil and replant with young trees. Commence to prune gooseberries, and fruit-bearing shrubs; also fruit trees as soon as the leaves begin to fall. Prepare ground for later planting.

KITCHEN GARDEN.

Sow early varieties of peas, spinach, A-melon cress and other salad plants, cabbages, cauliflowers, turnips, parsley, celeriac, carrots, onions for transplanting in spring, broad beans and beet-root in limited quantity. Plant onions for seed; also largely of celery, cabbage, cauliflower, borecole and other winter greens; water-cress and other winter greens, radish, shallots. Transplant house-radish and seedlings of rhubarb. Sow potatoes in clumps or collars; clear asparagus bed and apply manure. Prepare horse droppings for mushroom beds. Manure and dig vacant ground. Apply lime to destroy slugs. Sow tomatoes for culture under glass. Water young seedling; water celery before earthing, apply a little soil and soil.

The following seeds may be sown in March—Artichoke, beet, broccoli, cabbage, cress, cauliflower, carrot, celery, endive, kohi rabi, lettuce, onion, onion bulbs, parsnip, parsley, peas, potatoes, radish, salafy, scallions, spinach, savy turnip.

FLOWER GARDEN.

Plant anemone, ranunculus, snowflake, crocus, tulip, narcissus, iris, fritillaria, walsburgia and gladiolus bulbs early in the month. Divide and replant primroses, polyanthus, aubretia, pansies, sweet violets and other herbaceous plants, including foxgloves, Canterbury bells and other biennials. Layer shrubs and trees, and put in cuttings of roses, and others that are propagated by that method. Lift bouvardias, loniceras and other shrubs for potting, also summer-flowering bulbs that have lost their foliage, and carnations. Divide phloxes and other herbaceous plants. Sow cineraria, damper, hardy annual of all kinds, an lawn grass. Gather heps, haws and other seeds as soon as ripe. Prepare ground for new shruberies. Prepare holes for large trees and shrubs. Lift tree and other dahlia as soon as the leaves have withered.

PLANT HOUSES.

Repot clematis, calceolarias, pelargoniums and others of similar habit. Pot cuttings of pelargoniums. Lift and pot azaleas and tree-carnations. Prepare roses in pots, mignonette, violets, and bulbs for flowering in pots.

VICTORIAN WOMEN'S TESTIMONIAL TO THE QUEEN.

A special appeal is hereby made to the women of Victoria to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty's reign. As this, the longest reign in English history, is that of a woman, it is considered peculiarly fitting that the event should be commemorated by Victorian women, and it is intended to found as a memorial a hospital for women and children, to be called the Queen Victoria Hospital, on the lines of the famous "New Hospital" in London, which is offered entirely by medical women. A Queen's shilling fund has been started for this object, to which every woman in Victoria is asked to contribute one shilling.

"CLARKE'S WORLD-FAMED BLOOD MIXTURE" is a guaranteed cure for all Blood and Skin diseases. It is the most searching blood purifier ever discovered, and it will free the system from all impurities from whatever cause arising. For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures are mentioned in the "British Dispensary," at 2s 9d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations.

Some of the oil made from plants grown in Gippsland and other parts of the colony is now being used by the Railway department, and, while cheaper than the imported lubricant, is found to quite equal it in quality.

Business man—"You remember that 'ad.' I had in your paper, and took out two months ago? Well, I want to have it put back again." Editor—"Why, I thought you said no one noticed it while it was in." Business man (humbly)—"They didn't seem to until I took it out." The mere fact of your advertising lets people know you are still in business; also that your business is sufficiently important to stand advertising. If you are in business, do not allow it to go without advertising, as it is too much of an advertisement to the world at large. Extract from an interview with a man who has profited by newspaper advertising.

"KEATING'S POWDER" destroys BUGS, FLEAS, MITES, 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 articles you purchase in "KEATING'S," as imitations are so numerous and ineffectual. Sold in Tins, 6d, 1s, and 2s 6d each, by all chemists.

An advertisement is a paper man's workable 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."

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 your hand for value for the printing already. Go into a grocer's or draper's for £3 worth of goods, and the grocer's man or draper will not throw in gratis £1 worth of something else that you may ask for. Try him if you don't believe us.

"FOR THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE" ("CLARKE'S WORLD-FAMED BLOOD MIXTURE" is warranted to cleanse the blood from all impurities from whatever cause arising. For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Sold everywhere, at 2s 9d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations.)

A man may as well sit down in a meadow and expect a cow to come and be milked, as to sit down in his store and expect to get trade without advertising. An occasional customer may stray in, inquire for something, and buy it, but most people go where they have been informed that the goods they want are to be found. Furthermore, a considerable proportion of business is made by advertising. An advertisement often suggests to a reader his want of an article, and he goes and buys when he would not have realised his need if he had not been put in mind of it.

FUNERAL ECONOMY. Established 1860. WILLIAM BAKER, UNDERTAKER, Lawrence Street, next Post Office, and Neill Street, opposite State school. Hearse and other requisites supplied in town or country at stated charges. Post, Telegraph, and Telephone Messages promptly attended to.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Auctioneer, Valuer, Arbitrator, General Commission Agent. AUCTION ROOMS:—BARKLY STREET, ARARAT, and NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. Correspondent and Valuer for the Ballarat Banking Company, Limited.

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

NOTICE. We have resolved to reduce the Subscription to "The Riponshire Advocate" (with which is published a 14-column supplement containing well-selected reading matter) to 3s per quarter, and trust that this concession will be largely taken advantage of.

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

Job Printing, plain and ornamental, of every description, is executed with neatness, accuracy and despatch, and on the most reasonable terms. We take this opportunity of thanking our patrons for past favours, and while respectfully soliciting a renewal of support, desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news we will always endeavour to make our columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, we will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.

ARI HUR PARKER, Proprietor. Beaufort, 5th September, 1896.

YOU CAN AFFORD IT. Very few are too poor now-a-days to take their country paper, and it is false economy to try and get along without it. Hardly a week passes that something or other does not appear in its columns that will be of financial benefit to the subscriber, and by the end of the year he had made or saved or won twenty times the subscription paid for it. The city papers don't take the place of the country ones, though some people appear to think they do. The city papers are all right in their way, but they do not give you that in which you are most interested—your country news. You cannot learn from them when and where your country meetings are to be held, who are dying or who are marrying, who are moving in or who are moving out, court proceedings, and who wants to buy or sell farm or land produce, in fact hundreds of things of which it might be of particular importance for you to know. If you can afford to take only one paper, by all means take the one that is published in the country or district where you live. It will cost you less, and thereby you will be assisting yourself and keeping the money in the district.

"As ASSAID PERMANENT, AND WARRANTED CURE" for Pimples, Scrofula, Scurvy, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, we can with confidence recommend Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture. "It is certainly the finest Blood Purifier that science and medical skill have brought to light." Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Sold everywhere, at 2s 9d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations.

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-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.

The Victorian Parliament will be called together in the second or third week in June, so that a joint address congratulating the Queen on having reigned 60 years may be passed by both Houses.

GEORGE PAYNE, Watchmaker and Jeweller, Near the Post Office, Sturt Street, Ballarat. I employ the most complete staff of workmen out of Melbourne in my workshop at 18 Drummond Street North, and do far the largest repairing trade in Ballarat. I make repairs a speciality, and guarantee you work equal to any shop in the colony. I keep in stock all necessary material for the repairs of every description of English Levers, Watches, Geneva, Waterbury's, and all kinds of complicated watches. My charges are the lowest in Ballarat for reliable and expert work. Repairs done on shortest notice. Clocks repaired at reasonable charges. Old or new gold made into any description of fashionable jewellery. Best brooch pinned for 3d each. A nice selection of jewellery always kept for sale, including bar brooches, dress and engagement rings, bangles and bracelets, gold links, &c. Waltham, Geneva, and Rotherham watches of the best makers. Supply the best watch made on earth for £6 17s 6d. Rotherham's highest grade Lower grade Rotherham's at cheapest prices. Waltham, Geneva, and Rotherham watches, £1s 6d to 5s each. Repairs by post, receive immediate attention. Address, GEORGE PAYNE, Watchmaker, near the Post Office, Sturt Street, Ballarat.

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Jewelry advertisement listing various items like watches, rings, and chains with prices and descriptions.

H. A. COLLINS, THE JEWELLER, 148 Elizabeth-st. (near Colonial Bank) Melbourne. BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION! WILL BE HELD IN THE SOCIETY'S GROUNDS, BEAUFORT, ON THURSDAY, APRIL 1st, 1897.

Special Class for Sheep. 1. Long-wooled Ram, over one year. First prize, 15s; second, certificate of merit.

Class A—Grain. 1. Eight bushels Wheat. First prize, 20s; second, 10s.

Class B—Roots, Hay, Fruit, &c. 1. Sheaf Hay, not less than one cwt. First prize, 10s; second, 5s.

Class C—Dairy Produce. 1. 4lb. Powdered Butter, put up in rolls as usually sent to the market, and without any print or private mark. First prize, 13s; second, 10s; third, 5s.

Class D—Agricultural Implements. 1. Double-furrow Plough. First prize, 15s; second, 10s.

Class E—Swine. 1. Boar, any breed. First prize, 10s; second, 5s.

Class F—Poultry. 1. Brahma-pootra Cock and Hen. First prize, 5s; second, 2s 6d.

Class G—Horses and Cattle. 1. Draught Entire Horse. First prize, £3 (presented by Geo. Lewis, Esq.); second, £1; third, certificate of merit.

Class H—Miscellaneous. 1. Twelve bottles Colonial Wine, made in the colony and grown by the exhibitor. Prize, 7s 6d.

In the Assigned Estate of GEORGE WEBSTER & Co.

JAMES TYLER & Co. Beg to inform their customers and public generally, that they have been successful in securing large parcels of Drapery at prices unprecedented in the Annals of the Great Sale, commencing—

Wednesday, Feb. 10th. Be sure to come early, as the early bird catch the early worm.

SPECIAL NOTICE. Every customer will find something of interest to them, as JAMES TYLER and Co. have decided that the WHOLE of THEIR STOCK just purchased, at enormous discounts for Cash.

Menu of the Great Sale. Tables of White and Grey Calicoes, Sherryings, Shirtings, Towels, Flannels, Prints, Muslins, Embroideries, &c.

Tables of White and Grey Calicoes, Sherryings, Shirtings, Towels, Flannels, Prints, Muslins, Embroideries, &c. Stacks of Men's and Youth's Clothing, Men's Shirts, Sox, Ties and Scarfs at your own price.

Remember that this is no rubbish Sale, but Goods that have never seen daylight, direct from Flaxton's Linn in their original Parcels and Boxes.

As we expect a great rush of trade, we have made special arrangements for the convenience of our customers. Sale commences WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, at 10 o'clock.

JAMES TYLER & CO., 11, 13, 15, BRIDGE STREET, BALLARAT.

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 Saddled.

Having secured one of the LATEST TIRE-SHINKERS. Is prepared to do Tires on the most approved style.

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Conditions. 1. All entries must be made in writing, and lodged with the Secretary, on Monday, 29th March, not later than 6 o'clock p.m.

2. All exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor, and that if required a declaration is to be made to that effect.

3. All exhibits must be forwarded by 10 o'clock a.m., excepting Sheep, which must be on the ground by 11 o'clock, and must be kept on the ground till 4 o'clock p.m., on the Show day. No exhibit will be awarded more than one prize, except a prize for sheep or hunter.

4. Members to exhibit ten exhibits free, and for every exhibit above that number to pay 2s each exhibit. Non-members on paying 5s each exhibit, except in garden and dairy produce, poultry and miscellaneous; in these classes 2s 6d must be paid.

5. The Society will not be responsible for exhibits, but every care will be taken. 6. The Society invites the exhibition of any other articles or animals than those enumerated, and prizes may be awarded by the judges to those considered deserving, but not money prizes.

The Riponshire Advocate.

No. 1012.

BEAUFORT, SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1897.

PRICE THREEPENCE.

POSTAL NEWS.

BATES WITHIN VICTORIA.
LETTERS.—Per ounce or under 0 2
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Nicholls' Marvellous Specifics.

Nicholls' Consumption Remedy.

THIS wonderful remedy is of only recent introduction into English speaking countries. It has been held as a profound secret among a few tribes of North American Indians. It has arrested the progress of that fell disease CONSUMPTION, in every instance used. A noticeable case is that of a lady, to whom the most eminent physicians in Auckland and Sydney had failed to give relief, heard of the use of this remedy, immediately relief being given her, and she is now hale and hearty.

This great Herbal Remedy increases the weight and strength of patient immediately, improves the appetite, and imparts to the afflicted peace of mind and rest of body.

This Remedy cannot be beaten the world over in all cases of Coughs, Colds, Chest or Lung Complaints.

PRICES: 2s 6d and 5s per bottle. HERB POWDERS for the Spine, 1s extra.

Nicholls' Bodagrine, For RHEUMATISM, RHEUMATIC GOUT, AND NEURALGIA.

This is a certain cure for a Rheumatic ailment. Persons who have suffered the most excruciating pain for twenty years and more have had their Rheumatic afflictions quickly expelled by the taking of BODAGRINE.

The most obstinate cases of Rheumatism have been overcome by it, and the milder forms surrender to it on the taking of a few doses. PRICE 5s, per bottle.

Nicholls' Asthma Cure.

This terribly distressing complaint has baffled the skill of physicians the world over. This remedy has effected cures in every case used. A trial will prove its efficiency. PRICES, 10s 6d and 2s.

Excelsior Neuralgic Cure.

An absolute cure for all Neuralgic Complaints. Has never failed in a single instance. The most certain cure in the market.

PRICE—Pills, 1s and 2s per box; and Liquid, 2s per bottle.

Nicholls' Kidney, Liver, and Diarrhoea Pills,

Is a certain cure. PRICE, 1s 3d and 2s 6d.

Nicholls' Blood Purifier, 3s 6d; Nervo Tonic, 3s 6d and 7s. Restorative and all Herbal Remedies on application.

If not obtainable in your town write direct to the manufacturers, adding cost of postage or railway freight to price of article. Do not be put off by any article, but insist upon having Nicholls' Remedies.

JOHN NICHOLLS,

37, ELIZABETH ST., MELBOURNE.

THE WORLD'S FRIEND.

A Cure for Piles and Fistulas. Diseases of sensitive parts may be relieved and cured by the proper and diligent use of this cooling and healing Ointment, whose action should invariably be assisted by judicious doses of the Pills—the anxious patient will soon experience wonderful ease from this treatment.

The Ointment should assiduously be rubbed at least twice a day on the chest and between the shoulders, when the symptoms will quickly abate. No medicines are more efficient in chest complaints, none can be used with equal safety and certainty.

GOUT AND RHEUMATISM. These are undoubtedly BLOOD DISEASES, and the poison manifests its presence in the well known symptoms. The only certain means of cure consists in overcoming this depravity in the blood, which is rapidly purified by the use of the Pills. The Ointment, when rubbed upon the skin, penetrates through the pores, acts in unison with the Pills, and soon effects a cure.

DROPSY, SWOLLEN LEGS OR ANKLES. These remedies act directly upon the absorbent system with a power that no dropsy, however inveterate, can long resist. They equalize the circulation—they filter out everything that is morbid or injurious, and they regulate every function.

BAD LEGS, BAD BREASTS AND OLD ULCERS. This invaluable Ointment is an infallible cure for any wound, sore, or ulcer, of however long standing. For pimples, blotches, scalds, and scorbatic humours, it is equally efficacious.

Both the Ointment and Pills should be used in the following cases:

Bad Legs, Cancers, Sore Nipples, Bad Breasts, Elephantiasis, Sore-throats, Burns, Fistulas, Skin-diseases, Croup, Scurvy, Glandular Swellings, Sore Heads, Chills, Itching, Tumours, Crouped Hoarseness, Lumbago, Ulcers, Rheumatism, Piles, Wounds, Contracted and Stiff Joints, Yaws.

The Ointment and Pills are Manufactured only at

18 New Oxford St. (late 538 Oxford St.), London And are sold by all Vendors of Medicines throughout the Civilized World; with directions for use in almost every language.

Purchasers should look to the Label on the Pots and Boxes. If the address is not 185, Oxford Street, London, they are spurious.

JOHN HUMPHREYS,

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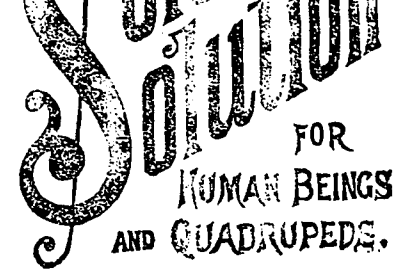
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FOR HUMAN BEINGS AND QUADRUPEDS.

Acknowledged by all who have used it as being the best Horse Embrocation that ever came into their hands

Effectively Cures every Disease incidental to Horses.

FOR HUMAN BEINGS It is the most valuable Curative Ointment known.

Can be used on the most robust Man or frailest Child. Never known to fail when the instructions for application are strictly followed.

See Book of Instructions, forwarded, post free on application to the Manufacturers.

TESTIMONIALS.

A Wonderful Cure. St. Arnaud, 1st May, 1896

Dear Sir,—I can safely say the cure you effected was a wonderful one. I had tried various veterinary surgeons for the last two years, and they, one and all, after vainly endeavoring to cope with the disease (a serious and very rapid affection of the abdomen, attended with swelling), pronounced the case hopeless. Your Solution, however, completely restored the horse.—I remain, yours truly, Mrs. J. PARSONS.

Group Cured. McConnell-st., Kensington, 19th Nov., 1891.

Dear Sir,—I have found your Solution an excellent remedy for severe Colds and Group, giving almost instant relief, and also in healing Burns, Cuts, &c. I have found it unequalled. I shall certainly recommend all my friends to try it.—Yours respectfully, Mrs. C. WHITE.

Ulcerated Udder.—A Bad Case Cured. Newmarket (Vic.), 20th Nov., 1891.

I have used Mr. Cox's Solomon Solution for a cow's ulcerated udder (as bad a case as I have seen), and in a week or two the cow was milking all right. I also used it on a dog that had the mange for two years; it cured him, and the hair grew as well as ever.—Yours truly, Mrs. J. PARSONS.

Obtainable at all Storekeepers, Saddlers & Chemists, PATENTERS AND MANUFACTURERS: Solomon Cox & Co., 422 BOURKE STREET, MELBOURNE.



The above is a fac-simile of the Registered Name and Trade Mark of

NIRVANA TEA

which is specially selected by experts from the best samples grown on the mountain estates in Ceylon, and is packed and sold for shipment to all parts of the world.

To ensure Direct Distribution to the Public in the Original Packets.

The Tea is uniform and unequalled in quality, and is guaranteed to retain its original flavour, thereby deserving recognition as

THE VERY BEST that has yet been placed in the hands of the consumer.

It is sold in 1 lb. and 3 lb. packets in three different qualities to suit all tastes, and these are distinguishable by the colours on the outside wrappers, the Trade Mark in each case being in brown.

At 1/6 per lb. the wrapper is printed in Red. At 2/6 per lb. the wrapper is printed in Bronze Blue. At 3/6 per lb. the wrapper is printed in Green.

SOLD BY ALL GROCERS AND STOREKEEPERS. Sole Proprietors—The Nirvana Tea Co., COLOMBO, LONDON, AND NEW YORK. Victorian Depot—221 Elizabeth-st., Melb.

W. BAKER,

Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer.

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, easels, doors, architecture, and other mouldings, window sashes, 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.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES. SUNDAY, 27th MARCH, 1897.

Church of England—St. John's, 11 a.m. Subject, "A story of the commencement of the subject dispensation."

Primitive Methodist Church—Morning, Mr. Davis; evening, Rev. H. Bridge Barber; Raglan, 3 Middle Creek, 11 Main Lead, 4.30 Rev. H. Bridge Barber; Chute, 3, Mr. Davis; Waterloo, 6, Mrs. Barber; Raglan Sunday School Anniversary will be repeated on Monday evening next, at 7.30 p.m.

THE Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1897.

We have been informed by Mr. Gill (solicitor for the complainant) that the law costs given against P. DeBaere, in the recent County Court action of Welsh v. DeBaere, have been taxed at £51.

Owing to Mr. Warden Leader being occupied at Ballarat, there was no sitting of the Beaufort Warden's Court on Monday. The clerk adjourned the case of E. Verey v. D.F. Troy and Ernest Baker, concerning a registered residence area in the occupation of Seymour Baker, till Monday next.

The right to the public's booth at the Beaufort Agricultural Society's show on Thursday, 1st April, was submitted to public auction last Saturday by Mr. W. Edward Nickols, and was bought in. It was afterwards sold privately for £5. Mr. M. Kelly of the Beaufort Hotel, holds the right to the booth.

At a largely attended meeting of the Local Beaufort Lodge, M.U.L.O.F., last evening, Dr. Erson was appointed medical officer in the room of the late Dr. Johnston.

We would advise the Beaufort Agricultural Society's show close with the secretary (Mr. John Humphreys) on Monday next, 29th inst., not later than 6 p.m.

The show takes place next Thursday. Mr. J. H. Heily, manufacturing, pharmaceutical, and analytical chemist, informs the public of Beaufort and district, by an advertisement in another column, that he has opened a first-class pharmacy in Neill Street (next door to Mr. H. Tromp).

The children attending the Beaufort State school were treated to a very enjoyable picnic in the Park on Wednesday. Races were got off by the teachers; the successful children being rewarded with prizes in the shape of toys, &c.

The other sources of amusement, the formal games, with boating and swinging, the children were regaled with a plentiful supply of peaches, fruit, and lollies.

Creation, a lad about five years of age, and son of Mr. John Preston, of Beaufort, had a narrow escape from drowning on Wednesday afternoon. It appears that he was playing near the boat-house in the Park at the State school picnic, when he tumbled into the lake.

An extraordinary vacancy having occurred in the Riponshire cricket club, the resignation of Captain Bridges, R.N., of the election of a new captain, was announced last evening, 15th April. Candidates must be nominated before 4 p.m. on 2nd prox. Mr. R. A. D. Sinclair offers himself as a candidate, and trusts to receive the support and interest of ratepayers.

A ball in aid of the Beaufort Cricket Club is announced to be held in the S. G. Hall next Thursday night.

Dr. Leger Erson, of Melbourne (formerly hon. physician Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind, and surgeon Coast Brigade, Royal Artillery), announces that he has taken over the house and succeeded to the practice of the late Dr. Johnston, in Neill Street, Beaufort.

We understand that Mr. E. H. Austin, M.L.A., has sold St. Enoch's Estate to Mr. Bell, of Banool, Skipton. The price was £50 per acre, and the estate, which was valued at about 2000 acres, is to be taken possession of in November.

Mr. W. Edward Nickols announces the sale by auction, on 5th and 6th April, of the valuable and well-kept household furniture and effects in the estate of the late Dr. Johnston. Persons having claims against the estate are requested to bring their accounts without delay to Mrs. Johnston or Mr. Nickols.

The following changes in the staff of the Beaufort State school have recently taken place:—Miss Hunter, formerly assistant in the school, has been promoted to Hill State school. Miss Gray, formerly Miss Hunter, has been appointed as permanent teacher in Miss Hunter's place. As the result of the competitive examination on 12th February, Miss Gray, Miss Hunter, and Miss Morrison were appointed as pupil teachers.

Miss Sutherland, of the Victorian Children's Aid Society, will deliver an address on the "Dark side of City Life," in the Beaufort School Hall, at 8 o'clock to-morrow (Sunday) evening. A collection will be taken in aid of the Society.

The annual harvest festival is to be held at St. John's Church of England, Beaufort, next Wednesday evening. The Rev. J. Bayly, St. M., Vicar of St. Paul's, Ballarat, will preach.

Mr. Thos. Stephens, a sheepfarmer, residing at Livingstone (between Waterloo and Lexton), died suddenly in his paddock on Wednesday. It appears (writes a Waterloo correspondent) that in company with another man he went out to inspect the ground which he had been engaged to purchase. His companion returned to the house a short time after and told Mr. Stephens he had left her husband in one of the gullies, and that he appeared to be dead; the visitor, wanting to catch a train, leaving him and returning by himself. Upon hearing this Mrs. Stephens went in search of her husband and found him lying under a tree, he having died a short distance away.

The deceased was over 70 years of age, had not been in good health for some time past. Mr. Grayling, J.P., of Lexton, gave an order for burial, considering it unnecessary to hold an inquest. The remains are to be interred in the Lexton Cemetery to-day (Saturday), the funeral leaving deceased's late residence at 11 a.m., so as to reach the cemetery about 2.30 p.m.

In connection with the outbreak of a mysterious disease among certain cattle at Raglan (reported in our last issue), Inspector Kyle, of the Stock Department, arrived at Beaufort on Tuesday and was driven out to Raglan by Crown Lands Bailiff Orde. A dying beast belonging to Mr. C. Tucker, and also one in the early stage of the disease, was destroyed and dissected. The disease is commonly known as "staggers," which is very prevalent this year throughout the dry districts of the colony. It is caused by want of nutriment in food, and cattle being kept too long in one place feeding on hard dry grass, which they are unable to digest. The inspector stated that the last two springs had not provided sufficient recreation for the beasts, and that the disease should be thoroughly scourged out and changed into good pasture. As showing the effect of a change of food, it might be mentioned that Mr. Tucker tried this last week in the case of two badly infected beasts, with the result that they have thoroughly recovered. The disease is not infectious. The inspector recommended a remedy for the disease that should be thoroughly scourged out and changed into good pasture.

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POLITICAL ADDRESS.

MR. E. H. AUSTIN AT WATERLOO.

Mr. E. H. Austin, M.P. for Ripon and Hampden, addressed between 30 and 40 electors in the Mechanics' Hall, Waterloo, on Saturday evening last, and met with a cordial reception.

The President of Riponshire (Or M. Flynn) occupied the chair, and briefly introduced Mr. Austin.

Mr. Austin, who was received with cheers, said that he had come there on account of a pledge given, namely, that after every session he would address them from this platform, so as to question and see if he had carried out his pledges.

His opponents had said that he would not do so, and that it was only a vain boast. But when he made a promise on the platform he had to keep it, or he would not be fit to represent them in Parliament.

He was not afraid to give an account of his stewardship. The last session was of ordinary length—6 months exactly—and the number of bills passed was 39. Referring to the Shops and Factories Bill, Mr. Austin spoke of the difference between the County Council and the Assembly, and of the Government backing down, resulting in the Bill being placed upon the statute book. One of the Ministry had said in Ballarat that no sooner was the ink dry than the Bill had to be amended. Social legislation was a very hard undertaking. One clause in the Bill meant practically one Chinaman one factory, and it took four years to pass it.

Mr. Austin said it was full of legal questions, and that during its consideration the lawyers held the floor of the House, and had fought it very strongly. The Government, he said, was not well disposed, but that the lay members did not take the interest in the discussions that they should have done, and although it was wearisome listening to the lawyers, yet members should have known what they were voting for. It was complained of in the House that the Government was carrying the Bill by main force. On one occasion there were only 25 members in the House, the Government being in a minority, but when the bells were rung and the members trooped in from the billiard room or from where they had been occupied with the Government, they carried the Bill by a large majority.

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assisted to the extent of £7,700. When he spoke against it in the House, the Premier said he had been grossly insulted, but as he had not meant his remark to be taken in that way and had no wish to debate it, he apologised. A sum of £75,000 was to be spent on railways—he did not think it was really necessary—£43,500 being for repairs to old waggon. With the railways in their present state this was a great amount of money to spend, and he thought that money should not be borrowed to tinker up old carriages. He objected to the mode of borrowing money under the Treasury Bonds Bill. These bonds had to be repaid with 3½ per cent. interest, and after 1899 £2500 would be paid back per year. The present Treasurer had objected to being forced to repay loans contracted by previous Treasurers, and yet he was doing the same thing. As regards the Mining Development Bill he had a copy of it with him, and if anyone present wished to see it with the object of obtaining money from the Government, he would only be too happy to show it. £5000 a year had been set apart for the next two years under this bill for prospecting purposes. Application had to be made to the Minister, who also was satisfied that the applicant was able and willing to pay £ for £. No company was to receive more than £250. He was very sorry that the Mining Bill had not become law. It was promised as one of the first bills of the session. He had asked a question in the House as to when it was to be brought forward, as the miners in this district were crying out for it. Just as the session was closing it came in. It was a very large bill, and the members were worthy of the credit of not debating it at length, having refused to do so, so that it might become law that session. The Government received almost a unanimous vote upon it. There were two very good and important clauses in the bill with regard to looking after the individual miner. In the past companies were subsidised for getting gold out of the ground, but as to how it was got that was not looked at. Many mines had been badly ventilated, and although paying grand dividends, the men had to work in the vilest dens. This bill compelled the owners to provide good ventilation. It was a step in the right direction to look after the health of men who won the gold from the earth. With regard to tributing, he believed that under the bill better regulations were made concerning private property. It was the matter of private property that was the subject of the bill. In some cases the tributors had entered into a bad form of lease, but now a uniform lease for all over the colony was made, and it was not legal to break away at any moment. Judging from what the mining members had said, this also was a step in the right direction. Although Mr. Foster was late in bringing the bill in, yet he deserved great credit for the bill, as well as the thanks of the miners of Victoria. There was one matter concerning landowners he would refer to. The bill made mining on private property much easier to the miner, as he only had to pay for the surface damage done, and he thought that was perfectly right. When the Government sold the land they did not sell the minerals with it, but specially exempted them. To get these minerals the miner had to go upon private land, and the bill modified the conditions under which the miner was to work. He was shortly after the House met, if the Government pushed it on. Mr. Austin, in alluding to the recent visit of the Minister of Mines to the district, said that he had suggested him to come, and when once he had given a direct promise he kept the matter before him persistently. But unfortunately he had come on short notice, so that sufficient miners were unable to attend. Mr. Foster had to send one of his officers up to go through the district thoroughly, and he said that was also his view, and that if he would write to that effect he would send one up. The Prospecting Board had also made a similar application, and he had called to see Mr. Foster, but unfortunately he was not at home. He left the letters, and that day had received a reply stating that the matter would have the Minister's strict attention. No doubt in a short time the officer would come to the district and report to the Minister. When he came he (Mr. Austin) would see that they got due notice, as he wanted as many working miners as possible to let him know their opinions of the bill. He wanted expert evidence. When the miners heard that the officer was coming, he asked them to make it their business to see him. He would try and arrange to have the officer at Waterloo all one evening, knowing that the miners were to leave their work, and not intending to let him go out of the district without a thorough inspection. He trusted that the Minister's report would be good in the letters, and that Mr. Foster had said, the finances, and to a certain extent they had pretty well balanced them, but not quite. The Government had to spend money, if he might say so, to keep their supporters sweet, and the issue of Treasury bonds was suggested. But this was only keeping up the national debt more than ever. £375,000 was to go towards paying for the management of directors. It was said that no honest man would become a director under this Bill, but he had not noticed any resigning, although the duties were made arduous, whilst they were very lax in the past. Now directors earned their pay, whilst formerly many of them went to meetings only to draw a guinea or two. 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GARDENING.

MARCH.

Plant strawberries as soon as the runers are well rooted. Water all recently planted trees and shrubs; should the soil become dry. Towards the end of the month transplant raspberries, strawberry runners, fruit trees and bushes that have shed their leaves. Destroy any old fruit trees that have become decrepit; apply fresh soil and replant with young trees.

KITCHEN GARDEN.

Sow early varieties of peas, spinach, American cress and a bar salad plants, cabbages, cauliflowers, turnips, parsley, early carrots, onions for transplanting in spring, broad beans and beet-root in limited quantity. Plant onions for seed; also largely of celery, cabbage, cauliflower, turnip and other winter greens; water cress with the first rains; garlic, shallots. Transplant horse-radish and seedlings of rhubarb. Sow potatoes in clamps or cellars; clear asparagus bed and apply manure. Prepare loss droppings for mushroom beds. Manure and dig vacant ground. Apply lime to decayed stags. Sow tomatoes for culture under glass. Water young seedling; water celery before earthing, apply a little soot and salt.

The following seeds may be sown in March:—Artichoke, beet, brocoli, cabbage, cress, cauliflower, carrot, celery, endive, kohlrabi, lettuce, mustard, onion, onion bulbs, parsley, peas, potatoes, radish, parsnip, scorzenera, spinach, savoy turnip.

Plant anemone, ranunculus, snowflake, crocus, tulip, narcissus, iris, tritonia, watsoua and gladioli bulbs early in the month. Divide and re-plant primroses, polyanthuses, auriculas, pansies, sweet violets and other herbaceous plants, including foxgloves, Canterbury bells and other biennials. Layer shrubs and trees, and put in cuttings of roses, and others that are propagated by that method. Lift bonanides, heronias and other shrubs for potting; also summer-flowering bulbs that have lost their foliage, and carnations. Divide phloxes and other herbaceous plants. Sow chionodoxa, daphni, lady's mantle of all kinds, and lawn grass. Sow hebe, haws and other shrubs as soon as ripe. Prepare ground for new shrubbery. Prepare beds for large trees and shrubs. Lift trees and other shrubs as soon as the leaves have withered.

Re-pot plants, calceolarias, pelargoniums and others of similar habit. Pot cuttings of pelargoniums. Lift and pot azaleas and tree-carnations. Prepare roses in pots, mignonette, violets, and bulbs for flowering in pot.

For the past quarter of a century there has been one constant flow of letters bearing testimony to the wonderful cures effected by Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture. "The Blood Purifier that science and medical skill have brought to light." Sufferers from Blood Diseases, Scoury, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Scalp Diseases, Pimples, and Scurvy, are solicited to give it a trial to test its value. Sold every where at 2s 6d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

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The Victorian Parliament will be called together in the second or third week in June, so that a joint address congratulating the Queen on having resigned 60 years may be passed by both Houses.

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NOTICE. We have resolved to reduce the Subscription to "THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE" (with which is published a 14-column supplement containing well-selected reading matter) to 3s per quarter, and trust that this concession will be largely taken advantage of. The Advertising Rates have also been considerably reduced, and advertisers will find it to their benefit to avail themselves of the columns of "The Riponshire Advocate," which is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the Shire. As the advocate of the interests and for the welfare of this district, it has a claim for a considerable amount of support, and has a greater scope for extended usefulness than any other journal or journal within a given radius of Beaufort.

Job Printing, plain and ornamental, of every description, is executed with neatness, accuracy and despatch, and on the most reasonable terms. We take this opportunity of thanking our patrons for past favors, and while respectfully soliciting a renewal of support, desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news we will always endeavor to make our columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.

ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor, Beaufort, 5th September, 1896.

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4. Cwt. Carrots. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
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6. Vegetables, best collection. First, 10s; second, 5s.
7. Cwt. Onions. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
8. Apples, best collection. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
9. Plums, best collection. Prize, 5s.

Class C—Dairy Produce.

- 1. 4lb Powdered Butter, put up in rolls as usually sent to the market, and without any print or private mark. First prize, 15s; second, 10s; third, 5s.
2. 25lbs Salted Butter, made by the exhibitor. First, 15s; second, 10s; third, 5s.
3. Cheese, not less than 50lbs weight. First, 15s; second, 10s; third, 5s.
4. Ham. Prize, 5s.
5. Ditch Bacon. Prize, 5s.

Class D—Agricultural Implements.

- 1. Double-furrow Plough. First prize, 15s; second, 5s.
2. Set of Harrows. First, 15s; second, 5s.
3. Scarifier. First, 15s; second, 5s.
4. Wagon, for farm purposes. First, 15s; second, 5s.
5. Wagonette. First, 15s; second, 5s.
6. Seed Dresser. First, 15s; second, 5s.
7. Chaffcutter and Horseworks. First, 15s; second, 5s.
8. Best collection of Agricultural Implements. Prize, £1 1s (presented by Messrs Hawkes Bros.)

Class E—Swine.

- 1. Boar, any breed. First prize, 10s; second, 5s.
2. Sow, any breed. First, 10s; second, 5s.
3. Boar, any breed, under 12 months. Prize, 10s.
4. Sow, any breed, under 12 months. Prize, 10s.

Class F—Poultry.

- 1. Brahma-pootra Cock and Hen. First prize, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
2. Langshan Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
3. Dorking Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
4. Black Spanish Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
5. Cochin China Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
6. Plymouth Rock C. and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
7. Game, any variety, Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
8. Andalusian Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
9. Leghorn Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
10. Minorca Cock and Hen. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
11. Pair Turkeys. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
12. Pair Common Ducks. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
13. Pair Aylesbury Ducks. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
14. Pair Geese. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.

Class G—Horses and Cattle.

- 1. Draught Entire Horse. First prize, £3 (presented by Geo. Lewis, Esq.); second, £1; third, certificate of merit.
2. Colonial-bred Draught Entire, three years old. First, £1; second, 10s.
3. Draught Mare. First, £1; second, 10s.
4. Two-year-old Draught Colt. First, £1; second, 10s.
5. Yearling Draught Colt. First, 15s; second, 10s.
6. Draught Gelding. First, 15s; second, 10s.
7. Pair Plough Horses. First, 30s (presented by James Russell, Esq.); second, 15s.
8. Draught Gelding or Filly, under three years. First, 15s; second, 10s.
9. Draught Gelding or Filly, under two years. First, 15s; second, 10s.
10. Draught Foal. First, 15s; second, 10s.
11. Draught Foal by any horse advertised in The Riponshire Advocate in the year 1895. First, 15s; second, 5s (both presented by Mr G. A. Duinnet).
12. Blood Entire. First £3 (presented by Wm. Lewis, Esq.); second, £1; third, certificate of merit.
13. Blood Gelding or Filly, under three years. First, 15s (presented by Wm. Lewis, Esq.); second, 10s.
14. Blood Col; Gelding or Filly, under two years. First, 15s (presented by Wm. Lewis, Esq.); second, 10s.
15. Blood Foal, £1 1s (presented by Mr A. Parker).
16. Thoroughbred Mare. First, 15s; second, 10s.
17. Highest Jumper. First, £3; second, £2 (both presented by Captain Bridges, R.N.); third, £1.
18. Hunter, to carry not less than 12st.; to be judged by hunting judges; the jump to be 3ft. 6in. First, £3; second, £2 (both presented by Philip Russell, Esq.).
19. Hackney, mare or gelding, capable of carrying 14st. First, 15s; second, 10s.
20. Hackney, mare or gelding, capable of carrying 11st. First, 15s; second, 10s.
21. Lady's Palfrey, to be ridden by a lady. First, 15s; second, 10s.
22. Delivery Horse, to be driven in spring cart or spring dray. First, £1 (presented by E. H. Austin, Esq., M.L.A.); second, 10s.
23. Buggy Horse, to be driven in buggy. First, £1 (presented by E. H. Austin, Esq., M.L.A.); second, 10s.
24. Pair Buggy Horses, to be driven in buggy. Prize, £1 10s (presented by James Russell, Esq.).
25. Pony Stallion, under 14 hands. Prize, 15s.
26. Pony Mare or Gelding, under 14 hands, to be ridden in the ring. First, 15s; second, 10s.
27. Pony, under 12 hands. Prize, 15s.
28. Pair Buggy Ponies, 14 hands and under, to be driven in harness. Prize, £1.
29. Pair Ponies, under 12 hands, to be driven in harness. Prize, £1.
30. Bull, any breed. First, 15s; second, 5s.
31. Dairy Cow. First, £1 (presented by E. H. Austin, Esq., M.L.A.); second, 10s.
32. Champion Prize.—Certificate of Merit for best Draught Horse or Mare, any age, in the yard.
33. Champion Prize.—Certificate of Merit for best Blood Horse or Mare, any age, in the yard.

Class H—Miscellaneous.

- 1. Twelve bottles Colonial Wine, made in the colony and grown by the exhibitor. Prize, 7s 6d.
2. Collection of Jams. First, 10s; second, 5s.
3. Collection of Sauces. First, 5s; second, 2s 6d.
4. Collection of Cut Flowers. First, 7s 6d; second, 5s.
5. Home-made Bread, loaf not less than 4lbs. First, 10s; second, 5s.
6. Home-made Socks, made of home-spun wool by the exhibitor. First, 10s; second, 5s.

Conditions.

1. All entries must be made in writing, and lodged with the Secretary, on Monday, 29th March, not later than 6 o'clock p.m.
2. All exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor, and that if required a declaration is to be made to that effect.
3. All exhibits must be forwarded by 10 o'clock a.m., excepting Sheep, which must be on the ground by 11 o'clock, and must be kept on the ground till 4 o'clock p.m., on the Show day. No exhibit will be awarded more than one prize, except a prize for jumping, or a prize for hunter.
4. Members to exhibit ten exhibits free, and for every exhibit above that number to pay 2s each exhibit. Non-members on paying 5s each exhibit, except in garden and dairy produce, poultry and miscellaneous; in these classes 2s 6d must be paid.
5. The Society will not be responsible for exhibits, but every care will be taken.
6. The Society invites the exhibition of any other articles or animals than those enumerated, and prizes may be awarded by the judges to those considered deserving, but not money prizes.
7. Members, with their wives and families residing with and dependent on them, will be admitted free, and the publican payment of 2s 6d, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 1 p.m., and 1s after 1 p.m.; children, 1s before 1 p.m., and 6d afterwards.

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1. Long-wooled Ram, over one year. First prize, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
2. Long-wooled Ram, under one year. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
3. Long-wooled Ewe, over one year. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
4. Long-wooled Ewe, under one year. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
5. Merino Ram, over one year and a half. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
6. Merino Ram, under fourteen months. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
7. Merino Ewe, over one year and a half. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
8. Merino Ewe, under fourteen months. First, 15s; second, certificate of merit.
9. Three fat Long-wooled or Crossbred Wethers. Prize, 15s.
10. Three fat Merino Wethers. Prize, 15s.
11. Three fat Long-wooled or Crossbred Ewes. Prize, 15s.
12. Three fat Merino Ewes. Prize, 15s.
13. Champion Prize, certificate of merit, for best Merino Ram.
14. Champion Prize, certificate of merit, for best Merino Ewe.

Class A—Grain.
1. Eight bushels Wheat. First prize, 20s; second, 10s.
2. Eight bushels Tartarian Oats. First, 10s; second, 5s.
3. Eight bushels Short Oats. First, 20s; second, 10s.
4. Eight bushels Algerian Oats. First, 20s; second, 10s.
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