

LUCIUS SULLY.

BY LECHMERE ANDERSON.

IN THE BLOOD.

"I sometimes think it wouldn't be a bad idea for a young fellow to set up as a professional thief; I believe it would supply a long-felt want," said Lucius Sully, as we dived over our dessert. We had thought of going to the tables, but the season was rapidly drawing to a close, and the evenings were too warm to close, and the evenings were too warm to close, and the evenings were too warm to close...

name, but you may save your words, I won't do anything for the nameless brat. She may have had some claim upon my cousin, she has none on me." "Common decency might prompt you otherwise," I interjected hotly, but I am not here to beg for her. She has friends—"I am glad of that," he sneered, "but what then is your business?" "To look for Captain O'Donnell's will," I said. "I think I know where I can lay my hands on it!" "As I spoke I saw his dull eyes brighten, the sprang to his feet and faced me eagerly. "Have you a warrant for the search? or if not your impertinence is—"

the light. Even from where I was I could see there was printing on it. It had the embossed seal, but as I watched, to my horror I saw him hold it above the lamp. He meant to burn it. "Give me your gun, Pat," I whispered hoarsely. "Don't you shoot him, Captain," he began. "There was no time for words. I wrenched the weapon from his hand, raised it to my shoulder, took aim, and fired. I heard O'Donnell's cry of terror as he rushed to the door. "Quick, Pat! Help! the window!" I burst out, speaking loudly in my excitement as I strove to force the window open, but it was fastened. "Pat! Turn his arm through the broken pane, and turn the snap. I could hear O'Donnell screaming for help as I leapt into the room, and seized the paper he had dropped. It was through its centre. I heard feet rushing along the passage, but before they had time to reach the room I had rejoined Pat. Two seconds later we were flying like quail things down the stairs. "Let's the will, Captain," asked Pat between his gasps. "Better than that, I answered, when a voice trembling with excitement from out the darkness interrupted me. "Pat is that you, Pat?" "Whist, Captain, it is Kate herself. Oh Kate," he exclaimed, bursting with impatience. "Miss Kathleen will get her own again. Haven't killed him?" she asked tremulously. "Killed! Who was it you thought I'd kill?" "I can answer for your husband, Kate. The saints be praised," she exclaimed fervently. "Oh, Captain, when I saw his gun was gone I feared—"

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A Repentant Rogue. How He Acted Under the Influence of the Woman Who Loved Him. When Jimmie McKay died, he bequeathed his mansion on North Shore, his founders' shares in the Great Poohah Gold Mining company and the respectable sum of £250,000, invested entirely in colonial stocks, to his "only and beloved child," Victoria Marie McKay. Jimmie McKay was a man of fortune, and in the fact that he was born colonial. Victoria Marie was a lady. She had been well educated by divers teachers. She could play "Home, Sweet Home," with variations, not only absolutely correct, but with a feeling that could disturb no conversation. She had read "Trilby" and "The Woman Who Did." She rode a bicycle and refused to take advantage of the voting paper presented to her by a maternal government. She was the richest heiress in Australasia. It was at Lady Bonham's annual party that Victoria Marie met Cyril Fitzherbert. "I must introduce you to our heiress, Miss McKay," said Lady Boughton. "I had no idea she was your heiress, though I was anxious to meet her," said Cyril. "Still, it would be mere aesthetic folly to say that the possession of a certain number of golden coins could in any way spoil my ideal."

and, flicking some chalk stains off his coat, remarked, "I must really be off. I have an appointment." "With the tall gentleman with the big mustache?" said Victoria Cyril. "How do you know?" cried Cyril in astonishment. "For answer Victoria methodically put aside her cup and saucer, sitting down on the settee, patted the seat at her side with a quietly suggestive motion. "You will come and tell me everything," she said. He sat down, leaning forward with his elbows resting on his knees and his hands clasped. "It is better not," he replied, moodily eyeing the pattern of the linoleum carpeting. She leaned forward and, taking his hands in hers, unclasped them; then, releasing one, she held the other in both of hers. Their heads were close together, and her way brown hair—her one pride, and beauty—brushed his temples. There was no need to speak loud. "You will tell me everything," she reiterated softly. "You know part of it," he answered huskily. "You've guessed somehow that I love you (she pressed his hand), and I wish you hadn't. You see that I'm—I'm a scoundrel, a rogue and a cheat." He pulled his hand from hers almost roughly and continued excitedly: "I'm not fit for you to touch. I've been in jail. I'm a hardened criminal. I don't rightly to be allowed to love any one, and no one should love me. My name isn't Fitzherbert. It's Brown—Cyril Brown." "I'm glad it is still Cyril," she interrupted. "I love Cyril." "Oh, that is nothing—not the name," he said, passionately. "I came here to introduce you to my girl. Look here. He took something out of his pocket and handed it to her without turning his head. It was a piece of folded paper, and when she opened it she disclosed a check—she checked on her bank for £10,000. The signature, unmistakable and clear, was hers—Victoria Marie McKay. "This is not forged," she said, hesitating over the ugly word. "No," he replied, dropping his voice to a whisper; "you signed it in that birth-day book." "See here," she said, speaking hurriedly, as one who wishes to pass quickly over an unpleasant tale. "I've put my private mark in that thing like a tadpole. They will catch it now; they wouldn't have before. I suppose, still with £5,000 you can leave him and—live honestly. Of course, I—I will never tell."

An Amusing Woman

She Was Amusing Because She Laughed at Laughs. Lucy Armitage had been born in a queer little town in Ohio, and no one who ever lived there had appreciated its quaintness so thoroughly as she. Indeed she was so different even by her dearest friends that she made herself unpopular. People wanted to like her, but it was difficult when she was laughing at them. They always forgave her, however, and when she laughed at some one else, downy, but he was the brightest girl in town. So they were laughing when she came to Chicago. Lucy was sorry to leave the little town, but when she found that she would be laughed at, she decided to attach some of her own to the list of all the absurd creatures in a world of absurdity she had seemed the most ridiculous. If she had entertained an ambition, she laughed herself out of it. Her attitude toward herself was that of a woman who had made up her mind to find its way into her mental compound she gave chase to it with derisive mirth. She did whatever she attempted well. In the village there had been only the home duties to offer vent to her activity. She excelled in these. When other girls blundered in broom-making, Lucy turned out white and feathery leaves. When experienced housewives fretted about the monotony of fare, Lucy invented new dishes. She could make dresses and embroider, and sew the lawn, and make hats, and drive a nail. Oddly enough, none of these things had satisfied her—not even the drawing of nails. They had not seemed worth while, and she had not been interested in her own achievements, but when she got to Chicago and found that she had to do a senseless fret and rush and make caricatures of Chicago street scenes on the edges of her schoolbooks. She, who had been an indifferent student, took a fancy to herself through high school, and that, over and over, she cast about for some further fields of work. She had decided to become a part of the breathless and preposterous procession. She went up and looked at the men and women and business and politics and religion with the splendid ease and dogmatism of the young. She sent away a number of ardent lovers. "Love's over 40 now," it's an illusion. "But you are under 20," said one of the protesting ones. "An accident!" cried Lucy. "A mere blunder on my part. It will take me 20 years of my life to rectify it. I shall have no names in my family shall be able to think of nothing else."

PERSONS WITH HOBBIES.

It has remained for a Nebraska, U.S.A., collector to gather looks of hair shaved from the heads of noted criminals when they enter the penitentiary, and these he labels and makes short work of them. A Jersey man devotes himself to collecting doors and windows, and has a collection of muscans numbering over 3,000 examples. A national collection of figureheads is to be made by the Admiralty. There is in Southampton a man who has for some years been pursuing a very curious hobby. He has a mania for collecting railway tickets. He not only collects the tickets, but decorates his mirror with them. When he has been successful in his collecting, the collector, as it were, retains possession of the bit of pasteboard, he is as happy as a child with a new toy. In his possession are railway tickets almost innumerable, and bearing the names of just about every station in the country. He is proudly invited to inspect the "treasures," and laughable are some of the stories he tells of the tricks he has resorted to in order to avoid surrendering his ticket.

A KING'S HOBBY.

The King of Italy's hobby is the collection of coins. It was part of his education to study foreign and rare coins, this having been instilled by his English governess, Miss Lane, who used to purchase old coins and medals for him. Now, it is learned, the King has acquired the Marignoli collection, which is regarded as one of the most valuable private collections in Europe. Every morning, between six and nine o'clock, the King passes more than an hour in arranging the collection, examining the coins, and clearing up the points relating to their history. The didactic of his hobby is that the collection will provide him with work for many months to come.

COLLECTIONS OF OLD PEWTER.

Pewter-collecting is still pursued with deep devotion, and in the collector is an entire set of old pewter—dishes, platters, flagons, mugs. An old Pewter Society exists among some of the aristocrats at Hampton, and there is much rivalry as to the acquisition of new treasures. The club gives dinner now and again, when all the members appear by the different members appear upon the dining-table. The dishes are beautiful in pewter dishes. The pewter most in request dates from the time of Charles I., and is stamped with the Royal Arms. A new member is in reality a pledge, and was given to possess in return for the King for the purpose of carrying on the war. Pewter plates and goblets were given them in acknowledgment. It was only the Royal Arms, and in return they were to have their own repair done when the war was over.

THE VERGER'S HALF-GROWN.

A clergyman, taking occasional duty for a friend in one of the moorland churches of a remote part of England, was greatly scandalized on observing the old verger, who had been collecting the offertory, quietly abstract a half-crown before presenting the plate as alms-rails.

BATTLES.

May, not for fame, but for the right, To make this fair world fairer still, Or lovelier by a single light, Or sun topped tower of a hill, Or high or low, or near or far, Or dull or keen, or bright or dim, Or black or gray, or bright or star, All are but the same to him.

A SOLDIER'S REQUIEM.

Soldier, sleep in martial cloak, As in shroud by love concealed! Cannon roar no longer stroke thee, Follies where thou hast retreated. Warrior, peace! Thy mood of praise Comes not from the spoils of glory; Loving hearts the tribute raise, O'er thy silent tomb and glory. Patriot, rest! A future age, Retrospective glances casting, Shall thy deeds on memory's page Treasured up for revivelling; Of where a household hero sleeps The heartstone's fadless record keeps. —H. L. Watson in Facts From Deaver.

Things Russians Won't Eat.

Great quantities of crabs and lobsters are annually canned in Russia, yet oysters are in little favor, and frogs' legs are regarded with horror. A woman who sold large quantities of crabs upon being asked for some lobsters replied that she "would not touch one of the horrid things for a ruble." Wherever there is water in Russia the frogs abound in such quantities that one is reminded of the noblemen of other days who used to send their slaves out to beat the marshes so that they could sleep. Russians never eat rabbits, as they say they nest with rats, nor will they touch snails or turtles, which are found in great quantities all over the country. Only the aristocrats eat kidneys and then only those of the sheep or lamb. Goose flesh is little esteemed, though the fat is used for culinary purposes.

But the World Went On.

In 1189, astrologers said the world would be destroyed by the conjunction of the planets. A few years later another alarm was raised, and in 1532 Simon Goulart claimed a mountain had opened in Assyria and a scroll had shown him on which was written the prediction that the world was coming to an end. He frightened everybody. Started Housewife—Get away from here, you scarecrow! Dismal Dawson—I ain't no scarecrow. I just trades with one, that's all. —Indianapolis Journal. Uses of Literature. "What is your idea of hammock literature, Alec?" "Any book that's big enough to keep the flies off my face." —Chicago Record. As a Matter of Fact, There Isn't. "I see there is a correct trust now." "Yes, the octopus will soon have in its grasp everything most dear to man." —Indianapolis Journal. As a Souvenir. Mrs. Bonham—This is my first pie. Bonham—Don't you think it would be better to keep it than to eat it?

Guided by a Spider.

A spider was the direct cause of most serious loss and injury to the Dutch nation at the time of the attack upon Holland by France in the year 1794. A French prisoner at Utrecht, who had spent some of his long, lonely spiders on the study of the habits of the spider, was able to forecast the coming of rain or of frost. At a time when a sudden thaw raised the prospects of the Dutch and seemed to destroy the prisoner's hope of rescue by his countrymen, his humble friends upon the wall gave him sure signs of a renewal of the frost. Upon this he managed to send a message to assure the French generals that within a few days their troops would be able to pass over the frozen waters, a prediction that was soon fulfilled, and so it came to pass that a spider was responsible for the release of Quartermaster Disjonval and for the conquest of the Dutch.

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Bert Tromp, "The juggled hare." The secretary, Mr. Pringle, then read a rough statement of receipts, showing—Sunday's collections, £8 0s 10d; tea meeting, £3 6s 6d; Monday night's collection, £5 2s 9d; collected by Mrs. G. Crowle and W. G. Stevens, £21 10s; total, £43 3s 11d. Mr. Pringle re-echoed Mr. Stevens' statement that he had never known this record to be beaten. [We have since been informed that the receipts from the previous anniversary totalled £36, the present gathering thus showing an increase of over £7.] The singing of "Home Bank" and the pronouncing of the benediction terminated a most enjoyable entertainment.

A monster picnic was held in the Park on Wednesday—the best attended picnic here for many years past—it being estimated that between 500 and 600 persons were present. Members of other denominations who attended by invitation speak in warm terms of praise of the hearty welcome extended and the kind treatment meted out to them; the Methodist picnic is spoken of as the most sociable ever held in the Park. All were treated alike, and the outing was a very pleasant one. The Beaufort Brass Band arrived at 3.30 o'clock and were met by the teachers, officers and scholars and given three hearty cheers. They were then provided with lunch, and cordially welcomed by the Rev. W. J. Bottoms, who, in a neat speech, remarked that it was a great honor to have the Band with them again, as last year they made their first appearance in public at the P.M. picnic, and this year he was pleased to see they made their first appearance there in uniform. He hoped they would enjoy themselves, and felt sure their music would be thoroughly welcomed and enjoyed. Captain Poy officiated as drum major and Mr. W. J. Hill as conductor of the Band. There was a variety of amusements, what with a plenty of games, swinging, races for toys, &c. The adults and children were liberally regaled with refreshments. The choice selections of music discoursed by the Band were greatly appreciated. Before separating the Band played "God Save the King," which was also sung by the people. Mr. G. Crowle, the superintendent of the Sunday School, thanked the Band for the great help which they had given in entertaining the people with their sweet music, and hoped to see them all present again next year. Captain Poy responded on behalf of the Band. He was sure that they would be present next year, and he thanked the school for the splendid way in which the Band had been treated, and only regretted that the picnic had clashed with the Middle Creek sports, which took members away. Three cheers were given for the Band, who responded with three cheers for the Superintendent of the Sunday School.

A Printer Greatly Surprised.
"I never was so greatly surprised in my life, as I was with the results of using Chamberlain's Pain Balm." says Henry T. Crook, pressman of the Asheville (N.C., U.S.A.) Gazette. "I contracted a severe case of rheumatism early last winter by getting feet wet. I tried several things for it without benefit. One day while looking over the Gazette, I noticed that Pain Balm was positively guaranteed to cure rheumatism, so I bought a bottle of it and before using two-thirds of it my rheumatism had taken its flight and I have not had a rheumatic pain since. Sold by J. R. WOTHERSPOON & Co., Beaufort."

Middle Creek A.N.A. Sports.
President—Mr. L. J. Berryman. Judges—Messrs. W. G. Poy, and W. J. Bottoms. Referee—Mr. H. Dunn. Starter—Mr. H. J. Richards. Assistant Starter—Mr. E. G. Kirkpatrick. Lap scorer—Mr. R. A. D. Sinclair. Bellman—Mr. J. P. Timcke. Handicapper—Mr. J. Pearson. Handicappers—Pedestrians, Mr. S. S. Pickford; Cyclists, Messrs. Dunn, Porter and Bell. Stewards to consider protests—Judges, Referee, Lap scorer, and Secretary.
The second annual sports gathering under the auspices of the Middle Creek branch A.N.A. was held in the local Recreation Reserve on Wednesday. The attendance was not so good as last year, a counter attraction at Beaufort and the threatening state of the weather no doubt keeping many persons away. About 300 people were present. The weather was close and muggy, and a disagreeable dust storm occurred shortly after 2 o'clock. The various officials worked hard to ensure success, and the fact that the committee were able to provide a programme containing prizes amounting to £40 showed how energetically the movement was taken in hand, especially when it is considered how small a place Middle Creek is. But it must be remembered that the indefatigable secretary, Mr. W. H. Halpin (who is a regular champion canvasser) found Ararat, Beaufort, and Ballarat a field to work in, and obtained good support here. He also worked like a Trojan on the sports ground, and to his untiring efforts a great deal of the success is due. Where there are post entry entries, long "waits" are unavoidable, but to get off 27 races is not a bad afternoon's work, and the officials deserve every praise for the way in which they carried out their duties. Not that they were perfect by any means, but they worked well, and each one was willing to give a helping hand when required. On the whole the day's sports was good, several events being close and exciting; in fact, there were times when the judges must have experienced a difficulty in placing the winners. The bicycle riding was somewhat unsatisfactory, and the fact was so potent that certain cyclists were only out for an airing that disqualifications for suspicious riding might justifiably have been made. A good deal of the interest was taken out of these events by a rider who entered under the assumed name of "Royal," with the consent of the officials, as it was reported that he had also sent in his proper name with his performances, by the fact that instead of getting a handicap he appeared to be able to give any other cyclist there fully a lap in two miles, and that therefore the finals in which he competed merely resolved themselves into a fight for second honors. To use a sporting phrase, he won in a canter the mile open, the two-mile, and the half-mile races; but in each case a protest was lodged on the grounds that he had not sent in his correct performances. "Royal," or Alexander, rightly, of Ballarat, how-

ever, promptly signed a declaration that his performances were correct, and the stakes were withheld for a fortnight to enable the committee to make further enquiries. The Members' Bicycle Race was won by D. Baker. T. Robinson gained the Maiden Plate. The A.N.A. Handicap Footrace fell to S. G. Grace. J. Nairn obtained pride of place in the Boys' Race. The 440yds. Handicap was awarded to J. J. Stapleton, and the Married Men's Race to D. Baker. A great deal of time was wasted over the Wood-chopping Contest in settling preliminaries, but a lot of excitement was occasioned by it, and an interesting competition resulted in a victory for E. Foley. There was no accident to mar the pleasures of the day. The betting portion of the public found opportunities of "buying money," the odds given by the one bookmaker present being of the shortest; in fact, in one race a modest bet of one to one was given to get a wager on the favorite. The temperance, fruit and refreshment booths appeared to do a brisk trade. The racing did not finish till after 8 o'clock. Appended are the details of the various events—

One-mile Bicycle Race (open)—£2 and trophy value 21s (gift of Endean, Wilson & Co.—First heat—D. A. "Royal," 5yds, 1; S. G. Grace, 2; DeClere, 3yds, 3. Alexander ("Royal" being an assumed name), who won the recent Dunlop road race from Warramboul to Melbourne, rode home in 2min 55sec. Second heat—C. W. J. Castle, 5yds, 1; Brennan, 3yds, 2; J. Clemens, 4yds, 3. Four starters. Won by half a wheel in 2min 52 one-fifth sec. Third heat—D. A. "Royal," 5yds, 1; H. H. Taylor, 2; J. Sear, 3yds, 3. A good race. Won by half a wheel in 2min 52 one-fifth sec. Hendy should have won, but opened out to let McDonald, 2; Roberts, 3; Baker bumped away at the start and maintained the lead throughout, winning easily by 10yds in 2min 25sec.
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How to Prevent Pneumonia.
You have good reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, when you have a severe cold, accompanied by pains in the chest or in the back between the shoulders. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it as directed and it will prevent the threatened attack. Among the tens of thousands who have used this Remedy for colds and the grippe, we have yet to learn of a single case that has resulted in pneumonia, which shows that this Remedy is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. For sale by J. R. WOTHERSPOON & Co., Beaufort.

Mining News.
A crushing of five tons of cement was treated at the Government battery at Beaufort this week for a yield of 134wt. of gold. Another crushing of three tons of quartz from the Maori Queen, Waterloo, yielded 21dw. The half-yearly general meeting of shareholders in the All Nations Extended G.M. Co., Beaufort, is announced for Friday, 13th inst., at 8 p.m., at the George Hotel, Ballarat. The half-yearly general meeting of the shareholders in the Sons of Freedom G.M. Co., Raglan, takes place at the Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort, on Thursday, 19th inst., at 8 p.m., on which date a sixpenny dividend (the sixth) has been declared payable. Transfer books will be closed from 12th inst. Calls are due as follows:—Sons of Freedom South, 3d, on 11th inst; Sons of Freedom Central, 3d, on 11th inst. Sales of forfeited shares in the same companies take place at the Mining Exchange, Ballarat, on 10th inst. The following are the latest quotations of district shares:—Sons of Freedom, b 2s 8d. Sons of Freedom Central, b 3s 3d, s 3s. Sons of Freedom South, b 3s 11d, s 4s 1d, s 4s 1d.

Sons of Freedom Extended, b 3s 8d, s 3s 9d, sales 3s 9d.
All Nations Extended, Beaufort.—The main east wind drive on Baker's run has reached 255ft. Crosscut north of same in 25ft.; wash rising and of fair quality. South-east wash drive off tip on new make in 30ft.; strong slope of payable wash. South-west reef drive 37ft. in fair working reef.
All Nations Consols, Beaufort.—No 2 party—Rise completed and opened out drive to go south-east; same in 18ft., in poor quality wash. No 3 party—Fuddling back surface drift water; nearly completed. Sons of Freedom Extended, 440yds. South drive in total 77ft.; ground haul, drive west. Crosscutting and blocking in the north end in wash up to the average wash-dirt; workings in fair working order; ground not crushing quite so bad. Yield, 10sp. 3dwt.

Sons of Freedom, Raglan.—North end—No 1 crosscut west, panning and crosscutting. No 2 crosscut east extended to 36ft. East end—Crosscutting and blocking. Ground haul, 440yds. Sons of Freedom Central—West drive in 192ft.; opened crosscut south off same and extended 24ft., in wash of a good quality. North-east drive in 90ft. South-east of north-east extended 36ft.; prospects payable. Gold for fortnight, 440yds. Contractors making fair progress with panning machine. The following are the reported local yields for the week ending Saturday last:—Sons of Freedom, 62oz. 11dwt. 10gr.; Sons of Freedom Extended, 50oz.; All Nations Extended, 19oz. 13dwt.; Hancock and party, 28oz.; Chinnow, 36oz. 4dwt. 10gr.; sundries, 12oz. The following are the reported Waterloo yields for the week ending Saturday last:—Last Chance, 5oz. 12dwt.; Morning Star, 3oz. 17dwt.; Martin (purchased), 3oz.; Wait-a-Bit, 1oz. 11dwt.; Brothers' Co., 2oz. 14dwt.; Golden Horseshoe, 3oz. 2dwt.

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

LOST, an OVERCOAT, on the Ararat road, between Beaufort and Middle Creek. Finder rewarded. Apply, BANK OF VICTORIA, Beaufort.

DEBRYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. E. Rozke, B.A., will deliver his humorous Lectures, "Killarney," on Tuesday evening, Dec. 10th, in the Mechanics' Hall, Waterloo; and "Our First Princes," on Wednesday, Dec. 11th, in the Public Hall, Middle Creek, on Wednesday, December 11th. Both Lectures will be illustrated with appropriate songs, and will begin at 8 o'clock. Proceeds in aid of above Church.

BEAUFORT JOCKEY CLUB.
A Meeting will be held at the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday evening next, 10th inst., at 8 o'clock.

New Zealand Insurance Co., FIRE AND MARINE.
Paid up Capital... £200,000. Invested Funds... £435,000. Mr. John McLean has been appointed Agent for the above Company for Beaufort and district. Insurances effected on all kinds of risks, including hay stacks and stocks.

ALL NATIONS EXTENDED GOLD MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Beaufort.
The half-yearly general MEETING of shareholders in the above-named company will be held on Friday, 19th December, 1901, at 8 p.m., at the George Hotel, Ballarat. Business—Receive reports and balance-sheet. Elect directors and auditors. Genl. Mgr. W. D. THOMPSON, Manager. Exchange, Ballarat.

SONS OF FREEDOM CENTRAL G.M. CO., No Liability, Raglan.
FINAL NOTICE.
All shares in the above company forfeited for non-payment of the 3d dividend. The shares will be sold by public auction at the Mining Exchange, Ballarat, on Tuesday, 10th Dec., 1901, at 12 o'clock noon, unless previously redeemed. J. H. CUNNINGHAM, Manager. 7 Lydiard-street North, Ballarat.

SONS OF FREEDOM CENTRAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Raglan.
Notice.—A CALL (the 11th) of Three-pence per share has been made on the capital of the company, due and payable at the company's office, No. 7 Lydiard-street North, Ballarat, on Wednesday, 11th December, 1901. J. H. CUNNINGHAM, Manager. 7 Lydiard-street North, Ballarat.

SONS OF FREEDOM GOLD MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Raglan.
Notice.—A Dividend (No. 6) of Sixpence (6d) per share has been declared payable to registered shareholders on Thursday, 19th December, 1901, at the office of the company, 28 Lydiard-street, Ballarat. J. A. O'HALL, Manager. 5/19/1901.

SONS OF FREEDOM SOUTH GOLD MINING COMPANY, No Liability, Raglan.
Notice.—All shares (Nos. 1 to 80,000) in above company upon which the 16th call of Three-pence per share shall then remain unpaid will be sold by public auction at half-past twelve o'clock on Friday, 10th December, 1901, at the Mining Exchange, Ballarat. C. H. KING, Manager. 28 Lydiard-street South, Ballarat.

SONS OF FREEDOM SOUTH G.M. CO., No Liability, Raglan.
Notice.—A CALL (the 17th) of Three-pence per share on the capital of the company has been made, due and payable on Wednesday, 11th December, 1901, at the office of the company, Farinall Chambers, 28 Lydiard-street, Ballarat. C. H. KING, Manager. 28 Lydiard-street South, Ballarat.

Sale of Jockey Club's Stocks.
ALL rights and privileges in connection with the following JOCKEY CLUB'S NEW YEAR'S DAY RACES will be SOLD by Public Auction, under Mr. J. Humphreys' wand, on SATURDAY, 7th DECEMBER, 1901, at 8.30 p.m., by Mr. W. Edward Nickols, Auctioneer:—Publican's and Luncheon Booths, and Fruit Stall. A. PARKER, Hon. Secy. Sale by Auction. In the Insolvent Estate of John McEay, of Beaufort, Butcher.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS is instructed by R. VERTZ, Esq., the official assignee in the above estate, to submit to public auction, on SATURDAY, the 14th December, 1901, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises in the occupation of the said John McEay, the whole of the above estate comprising Freehold Land, Dwelling House, Slaughter-house, Cows, Household Furniture, Piano, Book Debts, &c. For full particulars, see Bills. No reserve. Terms Cash. W. EDWARD NICKOLS, Auctioneer.

Mining Lease Declared Void.
ATTENTION is directed to the "Government Gazette" of the 27th Novr., 1901, in which it is notified that the under-mentioned Lease has been declared void:—ARARAT DISTRICT, RAGLAN DIVISION. No. 1765; Wm. McNish and W. Dickman; 161a, 3r. 27p.; Raglan. J. TRAVIS, Secretary for Mines. Office of Mines, Melbourne, 29/11/01.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 10th January next has been fixed as the latest date for receiving applications from Registered Companies for assistance for 1902 under the Mining Development Act. Application forms and full particulars may be obtained at this office either personally or by letter. J. TRAVIS, Secretary for Mines. Office of Mines, Melbourne, 30th November, 1901.

PROPRIETORS and Principals are reminded that by Section 28 of the Education Act, 1900, they are required to furnish to the Education Department each year in the month of January a return showing the names and surnames, sex, age last birthday, residence, and the number of school-days attendance of each child who attended their respective schools during the preceding year. Forms for the purpose may be obtained from this Office upon personal or written application. N.B.—Before transmitting the returns to the Department, Principals and others should be careful to see that the forms are properly filled up and signed. JAMES BAGGE, Secretary. Education Department, Melbourne, 23rd November, 1901.

TENDERS will be received until Eleven o'clock a.m. on Friday, 3rd January next, for the supply of Forage in such quantities as may be required for the service of the Government of Victoria and the Commonwealth Government, as the case may be, at the various Police and Fire Stations in Victoria, from the 1st March, 1902, to the 28th February, 1903. Full details are published in the current issues of the Government Gazette, and copies of the advertisement may be obtained on application at the stations concerned. Printed forms of tender and conditions of contract may be obtained from the Secretary, Tender Board, Treasury, Melbourne, or from the officer in charge of any station, by whom also information or explanation will be afforded to persons applying. Tenders, which should be upon the printed form, will be received for either oats, bran, hay, or straw (the particular kind of hay or straw offered to be stated); but if all be included in one tender it may be accepted for any article only, if advertised for. Alternative tenders are required for White and Algerian oats. Tenders must be enclosed in an envelope, marked "Tender for Forage," and deposited in the Tender-Box, Pay Office, Treasury, Melbourne, if by post, or by hand, addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Board, Treasury, Melbourne. A. J. PEACOCK, Treasurer. Treasury, Melbourne, 21st November, 1901.

OPENING OF THE GROWN LANDS.
THE unadministered applications have been lodged, and will be dealt with by a Local Land Board, to be held at the Court House, Beaufort, on Friday, the 20th December, 1901, at 1.30 o'clock p.m. Section 99, The Land Act, 1898. Parish of Traralgon.—George Topper, junr., 620 acres, allotments 70 and 71; Albert Andrews, 620 acres, allotments 60 and 72. SECTION 92, THE LAND ACT, 1890-8. Parish of Traralgon.—John Hill, 34 acres, allotment 66; John Ellis, 30 acres, part of allotment 60; Francis Millie, 160 acres, part of allotment 72; Helen Topp, 60 acres, part of allotment 72. Parish of Yallog.—Thomas Lane Stuart, 90 acres, part of allotment 41, and north of J. Wright's holding. SECTION 99, THE LAND ACT, 1898. Parish of Lang-kalk.—Samuel Baldwin, junr., Henry Jay, John McNaughton, Peter Grant, all for allotment 64, section A, 200 acres; Michael Flynn, Samuel Baldwin, John McNaughton, William Edward Jay, William Leard Jay, Thomas McNaughton, Peter Grant, Leachlan Grant, junr., Mary Ann Grant, Henry Jay, all for 202 acres, allotment 64, section A. SECTION 65, THE LAND ACT, 1890-8. Parish of Beaufort.—Frederick Guyatt, 20 acres, in section Y, being portion of his 67th section holding. SECTION 99, THE LAND ACT, 1890-8. Parish of Raglan, South-east of the township of Raglan.—Quon Young and Ab Ham, 3 acres, being part of the site formerly occupied by Ah Yow at a market garden. CHAS. J. JOY, Land Officer. District Lands and Survey Office, Ballarat, 5th December, 1901.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.
Christmas and New Year Excursions.
Holiday excursion tickets will be available from 14th December till 3rd January (both days inclusive, Sundays excepted), available for return for one calendar month from date of issue. The journey must be commenced on the date the ticket is issued, but after a lapse of 15 miles has been travelled the journey may be broken at the discretion of the passenger. R. G. KENT, Secretary.

Beaufort Athletic Club's SPORTS.
BOXING DAY, 26th DEC., 1901.
The time for receiving ENTRIES for the principal Events has been EXTENDED TO MONDAY, 9th INST. H. PARKER, Secretary.

SHERIFF OF RIPON.
BY-LAW NO. 8.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Shire of Ripon will, at a meeting to be held at the Shire Hall, Beaufort, on Monday, 6th January, 1902, confirm a special order passed at a meeting of the Council held at the Shire Hall, Beaufort, on the 2nd December, 1901, making a By-law, numbered 8, for the regulation of the Sanitary Service within the township of Beaufort. A copy of such By-law is now open for inspection of persons interested at the Shire Offices, Beaufort, during office hours. J. M. CARROLL, Shire Secretary. Ripon Shire Offices, Beaufort, 3rd Dec., 1901.

NOTICE.
A PUBLIC MEETING of the residents of a Main Lead will be held on Wednesday, the 11th inst., in the Hall, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing Five Trustees in place of those deceased or resigned, and for transacting any other business in relation to the Public Hall. R. GIBSON, Convener.

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SHIRE OF RIPON.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending 30th September, 1901.

Receipts.						Expenditure.						
Totals.	North Riding.	East Riding.	West Riding.	Beaufort Water Supply.	Trust Account.	Totals.	North Riding.	East Riding.	West Riding.	Beaufort Water Supply.	Trust Account.	
To Riding balances	£22 0 0	6 16 4	5 18 9	9 4 11	276 0 9	By Bank balance, 30/9/00	£171 4 11	274 3 11	13 7 6	79 4 6		
Subsidy on foxes	...	...	...	...	...	Riding balances	25 0 6	7 15 2	6 15 2	10 10 2	
Municipal endowment, 2nd moiety 1900, and 1901	1341 16 11	415 19 6	362 6 0	563 11 5	6 10 9	Audit fees	39 16 7	17 3 0	7 8 2	6 18 11	8 6 6	
Pound sales	6 10 9	...	...	...	...	Interest on overdraft	170 0 0	52 14 0	45 18 0	71 8 0	
Rent of Shire Hall	4 10 0	1 7 11	1 4 4	1 17 9	7 9 7	Charitable and other donations	14 0 0	4 7 9	3 16 6	5 18 10		
Collection of statistics	7 9 7	...	...	...	...	Legal expenses	7 0 0	...	...	...	7 9 7
Overpayment of contract (refund)	10 0 0	...	...	...	...	Collection of statistics	1 1 0	0 6 6	0 5 9	0 8 9	
Miscellaneous—						Poisoned wheat for sparrows	49 9 0	...	...	49 9 0	
Sale of pipes (R.W.S.)	£0 9 0	...	...	...	...	Rabbit destruction	10 0 0	...	...	...
Contract deposit forfeited	1 19 3	...	...	...	...	Overpaid on contract	10 0 0	...	...	...
Joint water supply, Victorian Railways	80 1 11	...	...	...	...	Joint works—					
Sale of map	1 0 0	...	...	...	...	Lexton Shire, 6 15 4					
Sale of old bridge decking	5 6 0	...	...	...	...	Arnaville Shire, 19 6 3					
Sale of log	1 1 0	...	...	...	...	Ballarat Shire, 28 18 3					
Sale of timber	0 2 6	...	...	...	...	President's allowance	54 19 10	35 13 7	19 6 3	12 12 0	
Sale of horse	15 0 0	...	...	...	...	£17 5/	30 0 0	9 6 0	8 2 0	12 12 0	
Water sold for mining, joint W. supply	2 18 6	18 16 3	2 0 6	3 2 9	81 0 2	Deputation and election expenses	31 13 6	16 5 2	6 0 5	9 7 12	124 11 0	
Licenses, equivalent	380 0 0	261 0 0	107 0 0	12 0 0	2 18 6	Contractors' deposits returned	124 11 0	...	...	...
Licenses, slaughtering	7 0 0	5 0 0	2 0 0	...	...	Commission on dog fees	43 11 3	19 5 0	10 16 3	13 10 0	
Licenses, noxious	1 0 0	1 0 0	...	...	...	Health Act expenses	42 5 10	13 2 2	11 8 5	17 15 3	
Licenses, dancing	3 3 0	3 3 0	...	...	...	Pound expenses	32 12 8	10 2 4	8 16 2	13 14 2	
Contractors' deposits	239 0 0	...	...	...	...	Printing	36 0 6	11 3 6	9 14 5	15 2 7	
Water rates, current, R.F. W. supply	239 0 0	...	...	...	...	Miscellaneous—Municipal Association	27 19 0	...	...	...
arrears	28 8 0	...	...	...	...	Treasurer's guarantee	1 0 0	...	...	...
current, Snake Valley W.S.	22 19 0	...	...	...	...	Theodolite	17 5 0	...	...	...
arrears	5 1 0	...	...	...	...	Insurance, Shire Hall	2 18 6	...	...	...
current, joint water supply	29 0 0	...	...	...	...	Bush fires	5 0 0	...	...	...
arrears	6 10 0	...	...	...	...	School fêtes, Grand Old Flag	20 15 6	...	...	...
current, Waterloo W.S.	2 0 0	...	...	...	...	Repairs, Shire Hall	4 6 0	...	...	...
arrears	3 0 0	...	...	...	...	Shire garden	6 7 6	...	...	...
General rates, current	2856 11 0	875 5 0	757 11 0	1222 15 0	239 0 0	Sundries	13 8 1	...	...	...
arrears	55 10 0	20 18 0	27 2 0	7 10 0	28 8 0	Compensation—J. Jess	75 0 0	...	...	...
Reserves	53 7 6	18 6 0	14 16 6	20 5 0	29 0 0	T. Liston	15 0 0	...	...	...
Weighbridge fees	18 13 4	5 15 9	5 0 10	7 16 9	6 30 0	Beaufort township, Country Fire Brigades Board and lighting	20 17 2	20 17 2	...	...
Pound fees	86 12 6	37 15 0	21 12 6	27 5 0	...	Weighbridge fees commissions	28 4 0	10 13 3	7 8 3	10 2 6		
Dog fees	59 2 6	59 2 6	...	...	...	Reserves	79 19 6	79 19 6	...	...
Pan sales	21 0 9	21 0 9	...	...	...	Sanitary expenses	226 2 2	226 2 2	...	...
Pan fees	25 0 0	25 0 0	...	...	...	Redemption and interest, Water Supply Loans	134 4 6	...	...	...
Government grant, Mt. Cole road	25 0 0	25 0 0	...	...	...	Snake Valley water supply	1 8 0	...	...	...
						Contracts	1906 2 0	418 6 2	668 9 6	819 6 4		
						Salaries	390 7 6	121 1 0	105 7 9	163 18 9		
						Office expenses	53 8 3	16 12 1	14 8 7	22 7 7		
						Advertising	60 18 4	18 17 9	16 9 0	25 11 7		
						Joint water supply	39 2 6	12 2 3	10 11 1	16 9 2		
						Maintenance	159 15 9	...	...	...
						Stationery	1192 4 9	408 18 6	348 3 7	321 6 0	159 15 9	
						Bank balance	23 8 9	7 5 4	6 6 8	9 16 9	113 16 8	
						Less unrepresented cheques	8 19 2	...	...	...
							143 8 5	...	...	...
						Riding balances	£5,512 10 4	£1,859 7 1	£1,383 1 6	£1,694 3 4	£496 0 5	£132 0 7
						Per contra	369 17 6	50 3 6
							£5,882 7 10	£182 4 1

J. M. CARROLL, Shire Secretary.

1st October, 1901.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

To THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCILLORS, SHIRE OF RIPON.
 Sir and Gentlemen.—We have the honor to report that we have completed the audit of your books and accounts for the year ending 30th September, 1901, and that we find them correct. We recommend that your weighbridge keepers make at least monthly payments of all receipts to your treasurer.—We have the honor to be, Sir and Gentlemen, yours obediently,
 T. MARTIN, Government Auditor.
 JOHN HUMPHREYS, Local Auditor.

Shire Hall, Beaufort, 11th November, 1901.

STATEMENT OF RATES.

A General Rate of 1/- in £ to 31st December, 1901, was made by Council of Shire of Ripon on 7th day of January, 1901.

	Valuation.	Amount of Rate.	Arrears Brought Forward.	Current Rates Collected.	Arrears Collected.	Abandoned.	Arrears Carried Forward.
North Riding	£18372 0 0	918 12 0	44 11 0	875 5 0	20 18 0	8 14 0	58 6 0
East Riding	15794 0 0	790 6 0	44 4 6	757 11 0	27 2 0	4 19 0	44 18 6
West Riding	24455 0 0	1222 15 0	7 10 0	1222 15 0	7 10 0	...	...
Beaufort Water Supply	£58,621 0 0	£2,931 13 0	£96 5 6	£2855 11 0	£55 10 0	£13 13 0	£103 4 6

STATEMENT OF WATER SUPPLY RATES.

	Total Current Rates.	Arrears Brought Forward.	Current Rates Collected.	Arrears Collected.	Abandoned.	Arrears Carried Forward.
Beaufort Water Supply	302 4 0	48 5 0	239 0 0	28 8 0	3 15 0	79 6 0
Snake Valley Water Supply	34 4 0	18 16 1	22 19 0	5 1 0	8 0 0	17 0 1
Joint Water Supply	39 10 0	9 10 0	29 0 0	6 10 0	...	13 10 0
Waterloo Water Supply	6 15 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	...	...	3 15 0
	£362 13 0	£76 11 1	£293 19 0	£39 19 0	£11 15 0	£113 11 1

WATER SOLD FOR MINING.

Joint Water Supply	£2 18 6
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GENERAL SHIRE FUND.

Assets.	Liabilities.
Bank Balance	143 8 5
Arrears Water Rates	113 11 1
General Rates	103 4 6
Municipal Fund	34 5 0
	£394 9 0
Pound sales, trust account	24 4 0
Contractors' deposits	344 2 6
Contracts	...
	£394 9 0

VERMIN DESTRUCTION LOANS.

Statement at 30th September, 1901.

LOAN No. 1.		By Balance, Cash in Bank	
To Cash in Bank 30/9/00	£2 5 7		£2 5 7
Repayment by borrowers	6 2 6		6 2 6
	£8 8 1		£8 8 1

LOAN No. 2.		By Government of Victoria	
To Cash in Bank 30/9/00	3 12 3		3 12 3
Repayment by borrowers	33 5 8		33 5 8
Overdue interest	0 6 8		0 6 8
	£37 4 7		£37 4 7

LOAN No. 3.		By Government of Victoria	
To Cash in Bank, 30/9/00	£1 18 1		£1 18 1
Repayment by borrowers	6 3 3		6 3 3
	£8 1 4		£8 1 4

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Assets.	Liabilities.
To Cash in Bank, 30/9/01, No. 1 account	8 8 1
" " 30/9/01, No. 2 "	1 16 7
" " 30/9/01, No. 3 "	1 18 1
Owing by borrowers; No. 2 account	152 2 6
" " " No. 3 account	26 2 6
	£190 7 9
By due Government of Victoria, No. 2 account	150 0 0
" " " " " No. 3 "	26 2 5
Balance of Assets over Liabilities, as per excess list	14 5 4

BEAUFORT WATER SUPPLY LOANS, 1901.

30/9/00. To Balance due to Government of Victoria	£1876 12 7	By repayment Govt. of Victoria redemption	£60 0 0
Interest	74 4 6	Interest	74 4 6
	£1950 17 1	Balance due Government	1816 12 7
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J. M. CARROLL, Shire Secretary.

1st October, 1901.

Finally examined, settled and allowed as just and true, by a resolution of the Council passed this second day of December, 1901.

JOHN S. DOUGLAS, President.

YOUNG DUNMORE.

STAND this season, at Mr. DUNN'S FARM, STOCKYARD HILL, the pure OLD ENGLISH STALLION, YOUNG DUNMORE. YOUNG DUNMORE is a bright bay, with black points, rising 9 years old, stands 15 hands, with splendid bone and muscles, fine silky hair, in the place, a kind temper, a splendid worker, and has proved himself a sure foal-getter. YOUNG DUNMORE is by Lord Dunmore (imp.), owned by W. T. Cox, Esq., of Joyce's Creek, (Glasgow is PIONEER (winner of many prizes), by CHAMPION OF THE NORTH (imp.); g. dam, Phoebe, by Vanquisher (imp.); g. g. dam, Excell's Lass (winner of 31 prizes), by Old Dunblaton Squire (imp.); g. g. dam, Blossom, by Napoleon (imp.); g. g. dam, by Sir William Wallace (imp.). LORD DUNMORE (No. 217 C.S.B., vol. v.) was bred by Walter S. Park, Esq., Hatton, Bedfordshire, and imported and selected in Scotland by Mr. Hugh Rae ex. s. s. Gulf of Mexico, from London. LORD DUNMORE'S dam, Hutton Belle (22 vol. 3), by Time's Day (875, vol. 2, page 28), winner of prize at Glasgow in 1874, and the Highland Society's first prize at Glasgow in 1875; by Ivanhoe (2nd 350, vol. 1); dam, Lily, winner of first prize at Campbelltown; grand dam, Maggie, by Stanley Jock (1814, vol. 3). The sire of Pure Blood, was imported by Mr. Park, and it is well-known to many, and several others there is no better judge in Victoria than Mr. H. Rae, as he owned some of the best in Victoria, both mares and sires, and he is well-known to many. YOUNG DUNMORE has come from imported stock as far back as can be traced, and is one of the best bred pure blood horses that ever stood in the district. His stock was awarded first and second prizes at 1890 Beaufort show. The class was open for any dog got by any draught horse that was advertised in The Progressive Advocate, 1888, and I have inspected his stock. YOUNG DUNMORE was awarded first prize for best colonial-bred horse at the Beaufort show in 1898, and secured the first prize and championship of the year at Beaufort show in both 1900 and 1901. His progeny also

secured two first and two second prizes the same year. A two-year-old colt by YOUNG DUNMORE was awarded 1st prize at the Ararat show in 1890. TERMS—£3 EACH MARE. Guarantee, £1 4s. good grass paddocks included. £2 to be paid on removal of mare, and balance at end of the season. Also the ROADSTER STALLION, TRAFALGAR, Who stands 14 1/2 hands high, is black, and has good flat bone and splendid temper and action. TRAFALGAR got first prize at the Beaufort show in 1898 and 1900, and his stock also got first for yearlings and two-year-olds, competing against the progeny of thoroughbreds. In 1901 TRAFALGAR obtained second prize, out of five exhibitors, at the Beaufort show. TERMS—£2 2s EACH MARE. To be paid before removal. Good grass paddocks provided, and every care taken, but no responsibility incurred. For further particulars apply to the owner, G. A. DUNNET. ROADSTER STALLION, NIMROD, WHO STAND THIS SEASON, at the OWNER'S FARM, BUANGOR. NIMROD is a dark brown horse, with splendid action, and stands 15 1/2 hands high, and is a very fast trotter. NIMROD, by TOPPER, TOPPER, by TIPTOP, son of IANIC. NIMROD'S dam, Bauwain, bred by the late Ben Hargrave, Esq., Ballarat, was a very fast trotting mare, by the imported trotting horse, FIREWAT, by OLD FIREWAT, the champion trotting horse of England. NIMROD is the winner of 23 first special and champion prizes at Warrnambool, Kororoit, Port Fairy, Portland, and Ararat. TERMS—£2 10s Cash Each Mare. Good grass paddocks provided. All care taken, but no responsibility. DWEN McLEOD, Proprietor. Another dynamic outrage, the second within two months, has taken place at Mount Usher, Queensland. The big drum used for lowering ore was destroyed late one night, and as a result 150 men have been thrown idle.

YOUNGHUSBAND & COMPANY (Proprietary Limited), 666 & 668 BOURKE STREET, MELBOURNE. Are prepared to receive consignments of WOOL For SALE in Melbourne or for SHIPMENT to London. REGULAR AUCTION SALES. EXPERT VALUATIONS. PROMPT RETURNS. LIBERAL ADVANCES AGAINST WOOL and all STATI ON PRODUCE. MICHAELIS, HALLENSTEIN, & Co., Proprietary Limited, 382-384 Lonsdale St., Melbourne. Are now buying WATTLE BARK FOR CASH, in any quantity, resulting highest market value on consignments without delay. All bark to be consigned to Middle Footscray Railway Station, where a Government weighbridge has been erected. NO COMMISSION CHARGED. Of you dry to do penance mitowt advertising, you will find yourself already like a boy dying to oblige a hill down mitowt show. Besides dere ish dese differences: ven you don't got some show you gant make 'em; but you can sometimes shenerally always make der advertising come right away quick 'er, all der year round, mitosome moneys. —Joseph. Printed and published by the Proprietor ARTHUR PARKER, at the office of The Riponshire Advocate newspaper, Lawrence street, Beaufort, Victoria.

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Novelties in Ladies' Ties, Collarettes, Veilings, Feather Boas, Neck Chains, Belts, &c.

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Stylish Blouses, Costumes, Lustrous Skirts, Fique Skirts—the best and cheapest ever shown.

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In Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Bonnets, Sailor Tennis Hats; also Children's Frocks, Finisores, Corsets—all prices, shapes and sizes.

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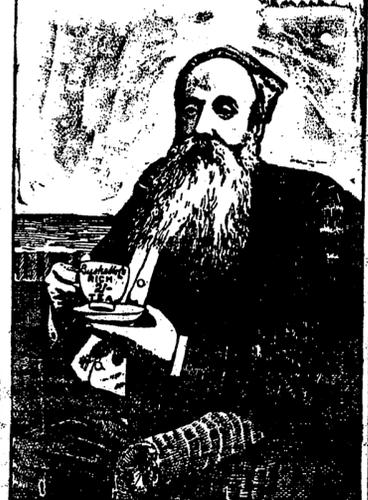
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Bushell's 1/3 Tea

Speaks for itself



Agents for Beaufort and District— J. R. WOTHERSPON & CO., General Merchants, NEILL STREET.

Chronic Diarrhoea. Two tenders were received by the Beaufort Jockey Club for work on the racecourse in connection with the New Year's Day races, namely, from T. Vanderpool, £2 19s, and L. T. G. Smith, £3 7s 6d. The lowest tender was accepted.

Advertisement for Sige's Syrup, featuring the text 'CLEANSES TONES LIVER' and 'CURES CONSTIPATION DYSPEPSIA'.

Having used Sige's Syrup for indigestion and general debility I can testify to its good qualities. Now, thanks to this excellent medicine, I am in better health than I have known for years. I can highly recommend it to anyone suffering from the same complaint. Mr. J. Johnson, 168, Lydiard Street, Soldier's Hill, Ballarat, Victoria. May 5th, 1900.

Advertisement for Commercial Credit Foncier, offering loans to farmers in sums from £50 to £2,000 at 4 1/2 per cent for 3 1/2 years.

Important Announcement. Mr. J. W. Harris, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST and REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON.

Mr. J. W. Harris, junr., R.D.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist. Havelock Street, Beaufort.

Religious Services. Presbyterian Church—Middle Creek, 11 a.m.; Travalla, 3 p.m.; Beaufort, 7 p.m.

THE Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DEC. 21, 1901.

Richard's and Go., The Leading Ballarat Photographers. NEW SHOW OF ART PHOTOGRAPHS.

Mr. Samuel Young, Barrister and Solicitor, Proctor and Conveyancer. NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

ledge that the period of Christmas tends to promote good-will towards men. Yes, it is a time when all strife is hushed, all differences cast to the four winds of heaven, and all petty, selfish feelings toward our neighbors sunk in oblivion.

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Mining at Raglan. The mining developments at Raglan during the past two years have completely transformed that entire quiet village from a sleepy hamlet into a busy, prosperous mining centre.

Next Thursday (Boxing Day) the Beaufort Athletic Club provide an attractive programme of sports in the local Park. Splendid acceptances having been received, no fewer than 23 events appear on the programme.

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SHIRE OF RIPON.

STATEMENT OF CONTRACTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1901.

Table with columns: No., DATE, CONTRACTOR, LOCALITY AND DESCRIPTION OF WORK, BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD, AMOUNT OF CONTRACT, EXTRAS, TOTAL, PAYMENTS AND DEBITATIONS, BALANCE FORWARD.

My Liver Gave Me Fits. CLEMENTS TONIC PROVES THE ONLY RELIABLE LIVER REGULATOR.

The Case of Mr. E. MORAN. (By a Special Reporter.) Public attention is directed to a remarkable event which occurred in the suburb of North Melbourne...

The New Mining Regulations. REQUIREMENTS PRELIMINARY TO THE APPLICATION.

5. The applicant shall apply for a lease in manner prescribed by these Regulations, but within ten days previous to the application he shall do the following things: (a) Erect posts, at least three inches square, and not less than three feet above the ground...

J. M. GARROLL, Shire Secretary.

1st October, 1901.

HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS.

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

Gazette Notices.

Application for Licence as provided in Section 42 of the Statute, 38, Erambone Street, Section 65—Maud M. Lacey, 20a, Beaufort; Elizabeth Loney, 20a, Beaufort...

Having a Run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Between the hours of eleven o'clock a.m. and closing time at night on Jan. 25th, 1902, A. P. Clark, druggist, Gladstone Springs, Va., U.S.A., sold twelve bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

RESIDENCE AREAS.

28. No person shall be entitled to occupy any land on any gold-field as a residence area, unless such area shall for the time being be registered by the mining registrar or other proper officer of the mining district in which such land is situated...

29. Any person may take the holder at any one and the same time of more than one residence area...

40. A notification of the fact of the registration of any residence area registered after the coming into operation of this Act shall be endorsed by the mining registrar or other officer on the miner's right or business license...

41. No such sale or transfer shall have any force or effect until the fact of such transfer or sale shall be registered by the said mining registrar or other proper officer...

42. No person shall be the holder of a residence area situated within a district of ten miles from any other residence area held by him.

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A PRIZE POEM.

A syndicate of Western (American) editors offered 100,000 for the best appeal to newspaper subscribers to pay up their subscriptions. The prize was given to the editor of the "Rocky Mountain Col." This is the poem: Lives of your men, your women and your boys...

Another dynamite outrage, the second within two months, has taken place at Mount Usher, Queensland.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.

Season 1901-1902. WILL hold Weekly Wool Sales as usual every Wednesday afternoon, during the season. They would call special attention to their EXTENSIVE WAREHOUSES, built expressly for the storage of Wool.

Wool, Hides, Sheepskin, and Tallow Brokers.

Adjacent to Railway and Wharf. SHIPPING AGENTS. Agents for South African Fodder Steamers.

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Handicap Hurdle Race of £7.

Two miles, over hurdles about 3ft. 6 in. high. 1st, £5; 2nd, £1. Post entry, 7s.

Maiden Plate of £5.

Half-mile. For all horses that have never won an advertised race. 1st, £4; 2nd, £1. Post entry, 6s.

Pony Race of £5.

(Ponies 14 hands and under) Half-mile. 1st, £4; 2nd, £1. Post entry, 5s.

Beaufort Handicap of £12.

One mile. 1st, £10; 2nd, £2. Post entry, 12s.

Pony Trot.

(Ponies 14 hands and under) A sweepstake of 5s, with £1 added; 2nd, £1. One mile.

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V.R.C. rules strictly adhered to. Jockeys must ride in colors. A. PARKER, Hon. Secy.

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GRAND CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

DRUIDS' 33rd GALA, BAZAAR AND RAFFLE.

EXHIBITION HOLDING, MELBOURNE. PRIZES £1,750. PRIZES Boding Day, 26th Dec., 1901. Last Days! Last Days! Last Days!

ART UNION PRIZES valued at £2,000.

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Local Agent—Mr J. B. COCHRAN.

Examined, JOHN HUMPHREYS, Local Auditor.

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Subscriptions payable on Monday, 24th Dec., 1901, at 8.30 p.m. in the presence of the Representatives and Ticket Holders. The Winning Numbers advertised in the Argus, on Monday, 24th Dec., 1901. Tickets may be had from any agent or direct from the Secretary, at each of the following addresses: J. B. BROWN, 25, St. Marks St., Melbourne. Tickets 2s. Other tickets and 100 tickets. Tickets 2s.

GRAND AND DRUMMOND ST. CAROLINE'S HOSPITAL AND PUBLIC CHARITY.

Local Agent—Mr J. B. COCHRAN.

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Weak Stomach; Impaired Digestion; Disordered Liver.

They are like magic. A few doses will work wonders upon the System. Strengthening the Muscular System; restoring the blood to its normal state; and curing all the various ailments of the Stomach and Liver. It is the best and most reliable medicine for all these complaints. It is sold in all the principal Dispensaries and Chemists. Price 2s. 6d. per bottle. Beware of cheap imitations.

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POSTAL NEWS.

RATES WITHIN VICTORIA.

LETTERS—Per ounce or under 0 2
URGENT LETTERS—Per letter 0 6
 (In addition to ordinary postage)
 (Urgent letters are on arrival at the Post Office in the town to which they are directed, treated as telegrams, and delivered with the utmost despatch. They will not be delivered if addressed to the ordinary delivery by telegraph messenger, nor if addressed to a place having no delivery by letter carrier or telegraph messenger.)

POST CARDS ... 0 1
RAILWAY POST CARDS ... 0 2
LETTER CARDS ... 0 1 1/2
 (2 for 2d., 12 for 1s. 3d.)

NEWSPAPERS ... 0 0 1/2
BOOKS—For every four ounces or under (up to three lbs) 0 1
REGISTRATION FEE ... 0 3
PARCELS—Two pounds or under 0 9

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 in 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 £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; you don't believe us.

"FOR THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE."

Clarke's Blood Mixture

THE WORLD-FAMED BLOOD PURIFIER AND RESTORER.

IS WARRANTED TO CLEAR THE BLOOD from all impurities from whatever cause arising. For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Skin and Sore of all kinds, It is a never-failing and permanent Cure. It Cures Old Sores, Cures Sores on the Neck, Cures Sore Legs, Cures Blackhead or Pimples on the Face, Cures Noury, Cures Ulcers, Cures Blood and Skin Diseases, Cures Glandular Swellings, Cleans the Blood from all Impure Matter from whatever cause arising.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT

Have stood pre-eminent during the past sixty years as **RELIABLE FAMILY MEDICINES.**

They are invaluable Remedies for **Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago, Feverish Attacks, Ague, Bad Legs, Bad Breasts, Old Wounds, Sores and Skin Diseases.**

They have no equal for Affections of the **THROAT, CHEST and LUNGS.**

Manufactured only at 72, New Oxford St., (late 53, Oxford St.), London. Sold by all Chemists and Medicine Vendors.

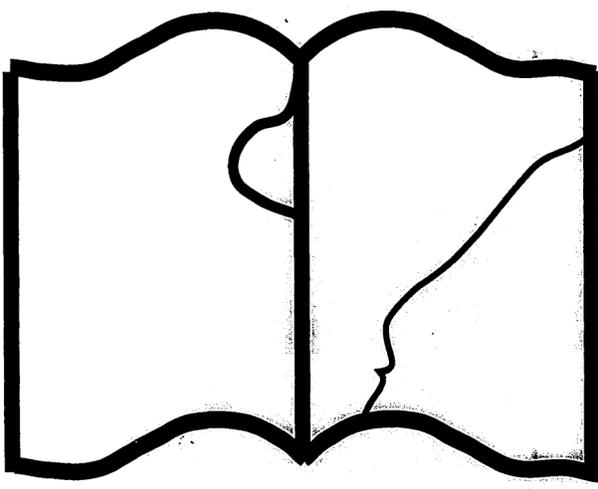
W. EDWARD NICKOLS

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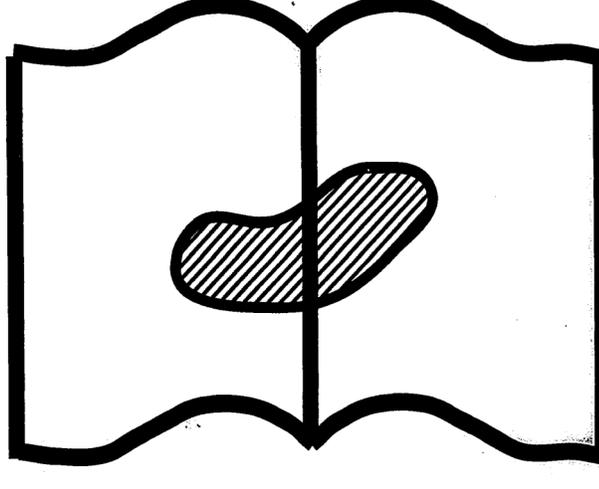
THE PROSPERITY OF A DISTRICT DEPENDS chiefly upon the support and encouragement that is given by the population to local enterprise and industry. Ever venture is to a more or less extent speculative, but each, whilst aiming at the success of the promoter, must offer certain returns to the whose support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

Therefore, Support Local Industry and Local Enterprise.

The law of exchange was never satisfactory in its working; thus it was that the custom of buying and selling using graduated currency was introduced. One form of that currency.



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wrong binding**



Difficult to read

FACTORY POST, wholly by sea.—
 Each parcel of 2lbs or under 1 6
 Each additional lb or under (up to 11lbs) ... 0 9

LATE LETTERS must bear full postage and late fee stamp of 2d. extra, and may be posted at any time not exceeding a quarter of an hour after mail closes; at Melbourne General Post Office, any country Post Office, Railway travelling Post Office; handed to the mail guards, posted in bag at Spencer-street, for Sydney Limited Express up to 4.50 p.m., and for Adelaide Express up to 4.25 p.m.

Late letters for places beyond Australia are charged 3d. extra postage at Melbourne G.P.O. to 2.45 and up to 4.25 at Spencer-street Station.

Give your orders for **JOB PRINTING** to the newspaper in your district, because it prints thousands of reports and notifications for which it receives no payment whatever. It is always spending its time and money to benefit and improve the prospects of the place through which it circulates. It gives you value in return for your printing order.

Bear in mind that!

ADVERTISING ALWAYS PAYS.

Business men should note that as the Local Paper is extensively read in the district, it therefore affords a splendid advertising medium.

Clarke's Blood Mixture.

CAUTION—Purchasers of Clarke's Blood Mixture should see that they get the genuine article. Worthless imitations and substitutes are sometimes palmed off by unprincipled vendors. The words "Lincoln and Midland Counties Drug Company, Lincoln, England," are engraved on the Government Stamp, and "Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture," blown in the bottle, WITHOUT WHICH NONE IS GENUINE.

RE MINING LEASES.

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The man who never asks for trade by local line or ad. displayed. Cares more for rest than worldly gain. And patronage has given him peace. Tread lightly, friends, let no road sound. Disturb his solitude profound. Here let him live in calm repose. Unsought except by men he owes.

And when he dies, go plant him deep. That naught may break his dreamless sleep. Where no rude clamor may disturb. The quiet that he loved so well. And that the world may know it exists. Place on his grave a wreath of moss. And on the stone above, "Here lies A chaump who wouldn't advertise."
 —Mortimer Crane Brown.

"KEATING'S POWDER" destroys Bores, Flies, Moths, Beetles, and all other insects, whilst quite harmless to domestic animals. In exterminating Beetles the success of the powder is extraordinary. It is perfectly clean in application. See the article you purchase is "KEATING'S" as instructions are notorious and in detail. Sold in Tins, 6d. 1s. and 2/6 each by all chemists.

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

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 endeavour to make our columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, we will aim at improvement, and, therefore, we respectfully appeal to the public for increased support.

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

3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their newspapers from the post-office to which they are directed, they are held responsible until they settle their bills, and ordered the newspapers to be discontinued.

4. If subscribers move to other places without informing the publishers, and the papers are sent to the former direction, the subscribers are responsible.

5. The court has decided that is refusing to take periodicals from the post-office or leaving them uncalled for, "prima facie" evidence of intentionality.

6. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he has ordered it or not, is held in law to be a subscriber.

A country paper kindly supplies this beautiful simile:—"You might as well try to shoop an elephant with a thimbleful of soapuds as attempt to do business and ignore advertising."

DRAPERS' HANDBILLS, CATALOGUES, MOURNING CARDS, SOIRÉE & DINNER TICKETS, &c., &c.

PRINTED IN FIRST CLASS STYLE AT MELBOURNE PRICES.

Office—Lawrence Street, Beaufort.

Plain & Ornamental Printing Of Every description executed at the "RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE OFFICE."

BOOKBINDING ON REASONABLE TERMS.

MINING SCRIP, CALL, RECEIPT DELIVERY BOOKS, &c., Prepared on the shortest notice.

No. 1257

BEAUFORT, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1901

PRICE THREEPENCE

POSTAL NEWS.

RATES WITHIN VICTORIA.

LETTERS—Per ounce or under 0.2

POST CARDS—For every four ounces or under (up to three lbs) 0.1

COMMERCIAL PAPERS.—For every two ounces or under (up to 3lbs) 0.1

TERMINAL RATES. SOUTH WALES, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, WEST AUSTRALIA, FIJI, NEW HEBRIDES AND BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

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SUPPORT LOCAL INDUSTRY AND SUBSCRIBE TO THE LOCAL PAPER, THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE.

We ask that our efforts for the district's good shall be recognised. An increased circulation means still greater usefulness on our part.

3s per Quarter. It is obtainable direct from the office regularly. In addition to complete and impartial reports of all local meetings and interesting

14-Column Supplement. Is presented to Regular Subscribers. ORDERS FOR Plain and Ornamental JOB PRINTING.

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39 Falmouth-chambers, Falmouth-road, New Kent-road, S.E. 7, July 8, 1899. P.S.—I should like to mention that when sending a relation for the second bottle for to take a preparation of their own, which they declared to be the best I found this medicine to be good at all.

THOUSANDS OF TESTIMONIALS OF WONDERFUL CURES FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold in Bottles 2s. 6d. each, and in cases containing six times the quantity, 11s.—sufficient to effect a permanent cure in the great majority of low-standing cases.

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GENERAL PRINTING AT LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES. "The Advocate" Office, Beaufort.

Postal Intelligence LOCAL ARRANGEMENT MAIL TIME TABLE. Daily. Closing time. Melbourne ... 8.15 a.m. 4.50 p.m.

STEVENSON & SONS, UNDERTAKERS AND CARPENTERS, HIVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT. Undertakers and Carpenters, HIVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

FUNERAL ECONOMY. A. H. SANDS (Late Wm. Baker). UNDERTAKER, Corner of NEILL and HATFIELD STREETS, and opposite State School.

A. H. SANDS, Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer. A. H. Sands has ON SALE the following A. H. lines:—Pine Shelving, Flooring, and lining boards.

WM. C. PEDDER, Blacksmith and Wheelwright, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. Farm and Timber Waggon, Farm, Road and Spring Drays, Wagonettes, and all kinds of Vehicles made and repaired on the premises.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN, SADDLER AND HARNESS MAKER, SNAKE VALLEY. A large Assortment of Saddlery and Harness Repairs kept in stock.

NOTICE. NEWS PAPER LAW. We have resolved to reduce the Subscription to "The Riponshire Advocate" from 14 columns to 12 columns.

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

JOHN HUMPHREYS, COMMISSION & INSURANCE AGENT ACCOUNTANT ETC., Neill Street, Beaufort.

JOHN J. NAYLOR, Blacksmith and Wheelwright, BEAUFORT. Wishes to inform the public that he has taken the premises lately occupied by Mr. Williams, and trusts by careful attention to business, and by doing good work, to merit a share of public patronage.

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.

Business Men, Read. It was Benjamin Franklin who wrote—"What steams to machinery, advertising is its fuel."

Arthur Parker, Printer and Publisher, LAWRENCE STREET, BEAUFORT.

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The law of exchange was never satisfactory in its working; thus it was that the custom buying and selling, using a standard currency was introduced. One form of that currency known as "paper money" and of paper money there is more than one kind.

The Circulation of the Riponshire Advocate. Steadily Increasing. And the Proprietor, recognizing 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.

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

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A BIG PURCHASE OF

NOVELTIES

SUITABLE FOR

Christmas Requirements.

Novelties in Ladies' Ties, Collarettes, Veilings, Feather Boas, Neck Chains, Belts, &c.

A First-Class Assortment of Silks, Laces of all descriptions, Ribbons, Frillings, Chiffons, Trimmings, Allover Nets,

New Sunshades, Hosiery, Gloves, Curtains, Art Muslins, Table Covers—at less than cost.

Stylish Blouses, Costumes, Lustrous Skirts, Figue Skirts—the best and cheapest ever shown.

CHOICE MILLINERY.

In Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Bonnets, Sailor Tennis Hats; also Children's Frocks, Pinafores, Corsets—all prices, shapes and sizes.

Carpets, Mattings, Floorcloth, Linoleums, Rugs and Mats—cheaper than ever.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.

The Finest Assortment of Men's Suits, in Corkscrew, Vienna, Berges, Serges and Tweeds, in the Fashionable Tailor-Made Goods, at Prices that will Astonish you.

SPECIAL LINE OF MEN'S LIGHT SUMMER COATS, in Lustres, Drill, Khaki, and Flannellets, at any price.

BOYS' K.E. SUITS, YOUNG MEN'S TWEED SUITS, KNICKER and GALATEA SUITS—all Sizes and Prices.

SHIRTS—Men's White, Fine, Silk, and all the Latest Styles, in the Lightest and Coolest Materials, to suit all tastes.

HATS—Over 100 dozen of quite New Styles of Hats, in every shape and color worn, at prices to suit all.

Ties, Collars, Studs, Silk Handkerchiefs, Braces—all carefully selected from the best makers.

BOOTS. BOOTS. BOOTS. Men's Light, Medium, and Heavy Blomors—splendidly assorted. Ladies' Kid and Glass Shoes—in an endless variety. Infants' Boots and Shoes—every size and price.

Inspect This Magnificent Stock. The Best and Cheapest Assortment Ever Offered.

J. McKEICH, IMPORTER, BEAUFORT.

Bishell's 1/3 Tea

Speaks for itself



Bishell's 1/3 Tea

Agents for Beaufort and District—

J. R. WOTHERSPOON & CO.,

General Merchants, NEILL STREET.

Beaufort District Volunteer Fire Brigade.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of Members and Intending Members will be held at the FIRE BRIGADE STATION next MONDAY Evening, 30th inst., at 8 p.m. Business Session of officers and general.

D. D. CAMERON, Hon. Secretary.

CLEANSES TONES LIVER. Sigel's Syrup. CURES CONSTIPATION DYSPEPSIA. Having used Sigel's Syrup for constipation and general debility I can testify to its good qualities. Now I feel like this excellent medicine—I am in better health than I have known years. I can highly recommend it to anyone suffering from the same complaint. Mrs. J. Johnson, 168 Lydiard Street, Soldier's Hill, Ballarat, Victoria. May 5th, 1900.

Sold by all Chemists and Medicine Vendors throughout the world. Prices in Great Britain, 2s 6d and 4s 6d per bottle. Head Office for Australasia: 160, Clarence St., Sydney, N.S.W.

COMMERCIAL. ARABAT PRODUCE MARKET. Wheat, 2s 7d per bushel, bags in; flour, stone-mill, 10s 6d per bushel; bran, 9d per bushel; oats, white, 2s 6d per bushel; Alameda, 2s 6d per bushel; Argentine, 2s 6d per bushel; Warrnambool, 2s 6d per bushel; Ballarat, 2s 6d per bushel; hay, 10s per ton; crossbreds, 2s 6d per ton; lambs, 10s per ton; butter, 2s 6d per lb; eggs, 7d per dozen.

GERLOND MARKETS. (Beaufort) Held our eighth sale of the season to-day, before a large attendance of buyers. Biddings were spirited throughout the sale, and prices fully up to late rates. We had no superior lots, our catalogue consisting entirely of low to medium sorts. We made a good clearance, and report sales as follows:—MF over B (Beaufort), merino fleece 7/6. DD over Travalla (Beaufort), crotch at 6/6 and crossbred at 5/1. 20 over Skipton (Skipton), 1st and 2nd combs at 6/6.

Sheepskins—We offered a large supply, and sold all as follows:—Butchers' fresh pelts, merinos, to 24d, crossbreds, to 18d Country pelts, merinos, to 9d per pound, crossbreds, to 8d per pound. Lambskins, 3d per pound.

Hides—A fair supply, and a lively market. Picked heavies, to 6d per pound. Good condition, 5d to 4d. Rip, to 3d per pound. Calf, to 4d per pound. Tallow—Sales of good mixed at 11d figures, and oddments at current rates.

RICHARDS & CO., Ballarat Photographers. NEW SHOW OF ART PHOTOGRAPHS. The general opinion being that the photographs have previously been shown in Australia.

NEW SUBJECT PICTURES. "A Revolt in the West" and "The Whirlwind" are the very latest.

THE PERMANENT AND BEAUTIFUL ARISTOTYPES AND SEPIA CARBONS SEPIA CARBONS on the NEW SHARDED PAPER.

We take two positives of every artist, and make each a special study, and although our photos are the best, our prices are no higher than those of other photographers.

Richards and Vella kept at the Studio. Appointments by letter or wire.

RICHARDS & CO., Ballarat Leading Photographers. STURT ST.

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

Begs to inform the residents of Beaufort and surrounding districts that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS on the premises lately occupied by Mr J. B. Cochran, HAVELOCK-ST., BEAUFORT (NEXT TO THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE).

Mr HARRIS desires to impress upon the public that only the HIGHEST CLASS OF DRUGS and CHEMICALS will be STOCKED, and SOLD at MELBOURNE and BALLARAT PRICES.

Prescriptions carefully, conscientiously, and faithfully dispensed under personal supervision.

Mr Harris having had considerable experience in country and leading Melbourne houses, customers can rely on having their requirements met, and faithfully and promptly attended to, and he trusts, by strict attention to business, to merit the confidence and patronage of the public.

Mr J. W. HARRIS, Junr., B.S.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist. HAVELOCK-STREET, BEAUFORT.

Has been consulted DAILY from 10 a.m. to 5 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.

NOTE THE ADDRESS—HAVELOCK-STREET (Next Mechanics' Institute), BEAUFORT.

CREDIT FOUNDER.

Loans to Farmers. IN SUMS FROM £50 to £2,000, At 4 1/2 per cent for 3 1/2 years, With option of paying off all or part at any Half-year.

LOANS made on security of Freehold or Crown Leasehold, may be used to Pay Debts or Crown Rents; Part Purchase Land, Stock, Implements, Seed, &c.; to Make Improvements; to work and carry on the farm, &c.

Apply for forms at any Post-office or Savings Bank, or by letter to The Inspector-General of Savings Banks, 25, MARKET ST., MELBOURNE.

BEAUFORT AFFECTION AND INCARCERATION—A suffering from irritation of the throat and larynx will be greatly surprised at the most immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches." These famous "Troches" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country. People troubled with a "hacking cough," a "stitch" in the chest, bronchial affections, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. "See" that the "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are on the Government Stamp around each box.—Prepared by JOHN I. BROWN & SONS, Boston, U.S. Export Depot, 25, FARRINGTON ROAD, London, England.

Beaufort Police Court.

TUESDAY, 24TH DEC., 1901. (Before Messrs R. E. Johns, P.M., and G. Topper, J.P.)

Albert Smith v. Hugh Boyce.—Unlawful assault. Settled.

Senior-constable E. J. Jones v. Ernest Stewart and Fredk. Miles.—Charged with removing the surface of a road, namely, the Beaufort to Raglan road, on 6th inst., without obtaining permission from the local authorities.

Both defendants pleaded guilty. Complaint produced the Government Gazette, showing that the Police Offences Statute had been extended to the Shire of Ripon. He stated to the Bench that Miles was sweeping up the dirt and shovelling it into a bag, and that Stewart was assisting him. Asked by the P.M. for what purpose, the Senior-constable explained that the sweeping of roads and washing it for gold was largely practiced here, it having been found that a lot of gold had been left in the early days, when so much care as now was not taken.

E. J. Muniz, engineer to the Shire of Ripon, deposed that defendant had not obtained permission from the council to remove the surface of the road. The damage done to the road by removing the surface was that the lower portion of the quartz ground up quicker and the crown of the road was loosened and cracked up. He could not assess the damage done by defendant to the road, as he did not know exactly where they had done it out of the several places which he had seen.

Senior-constable Jones said that he had to bring the case forward to prevent others from sweeping the roads. The P.M. said it was a serious matter, involving a penalty of £20, or three months' imprisonment.

Miles stated that it was the first time he had swept the road. He did not know that it made any difference, or that he was doing any harm.

Stewart said the same.

The P.M. having ascertained from Senior-constable Jones that the defendants had not been cautioned, and had not been before the court previously, but were respectable and hard-working, said that under the circumstances they would be fined the nominal sum of 1s each, in default one hour's imprisonment. He, however, advised them to take it as a caution, as roads were made for the benefit of the public, and private persons had no right to interfere with them.

James Gunn, carpenter, of Raglan, Claim for £21, work and labor done and damages for wrongful dismissal.

Mr M. Lazarus for complainant, and Mr F. Haas for defendant.

Mr Johns having ruled that the claim could not be brought for work and labor, but must be for wages under the Employers Act, Mr Lazarus applied to have the summons amended to the effect that the defendant was to pay the claim for wages.

He then opened his case, stating that complainant had been induced to throw up a good billet as a miner on the promise of three months' work as a carpenter.

For the defense, Mr Haas submitted that they had paid the claim for wages, £21 1/6, into Court; that as regards damages defendant said the man was incompetent; that no agreement to engage him for three months was made, but that he was engaged day by day and paid by the hour in full; that he had been in work since the summons was issued, and could not therefore claim damages for eight weeks' work, seeing that the summons was issued on the 23rd Novr. and he was paid up to the 23rd; and that he could not claim damages, even if he were entitled to them, only up to the issue of the summons.

James Gunn, carpenter, of Raglan, gave evidence to the effect that he was out of work for three months before being engaged as a miner at the Sons of Freeman Extended. Eustace and Booth were the contractors for putting up the plant, also for the No. 2 and Central. On 18th Novr. Booth was at work at the Extended when he saw him. Witness had knocked off work on the night shift, and as he had known Booth at Pitfield, often went and had a yarn with him. Booth said, "There's a good chance, Jim, if you want a job, all day shift, to come on with us." Witness replied that he did not care to leave a steady job, but that he would see Mr McPherson, manager of the Extended. Mr McPherson being quite agreeable for him to go on he saw Booth and told him so, when Booth asked him to start straight away, but as witness had been on night shift he preferred to wait till the morning. Booth said he would give him a three months' job, all day shift, till the Central job was finished. He started with them on the following morning (Thursday). He could not remember anything further taking place between them. He worked a month within a couple of days, and was paid up to the 23rd Novr. at the rate of 8s per shift. As it was long shift off he went home and resumed on Tuesday worked till Saturday. He had only worked five hours since.

Under cross-examination, witness said he wanted the Bench to believe he left permanent employment for three months' work at 8s a day as a carpenter. He did not know whether the firm had had any experience of him as a carpenter. He had not done any work for them at Pitfield. He could not exactly remember all that occurred when Booth told him to come on. He had been a carpenter for a number of years. He was a handy man, and had been engaged at a number of different things. He was engaged before 19th Decr. and said. He did not come off and on when it pleased him, but went home on his long shift off every three weeks. It was usual then to lose two days. They paid him according to the number of hours. After accepting payment in this way he claimed damages for wrongful dismissal. That was for losing work. He did not doubt their honesty, but refused to take a cheque for £1 14s left for him where he was boarding because it was inconvenient to get it cashed. Took a cheque from Eustace shortly after, because he was going to Ballarat next day, and could get it cashed. He did not remember being told by Booth, nor Eustace, nor Davis, that he was foolish to leave his former job, as this was only a day job. He had since worked five hours at the South Sons of Freedom mine. He did not tell anybody a job was waiting for him at the Extended, but told Eustace and Booth that Mr McPherson said he could have his job back at the end of the three months, if there was an opening. He had sought employment from the managers of the South and Central; but there was no opening. He remembered Booth offering him cash when he refused the cheque, but to witness's knowledge he had not asked the reason of his refusal. He had never made a demand for the amount claimed, nor had he spoken about it; the first intimation was the summons. He denied going to Booth on 29th Novr. and saying, "Are you going to give me a fresh start?"

To Mr Lazarus—He had not expected payment for the time lost in going home. He was paid weekly, and when knocked off asked Booth to pay the £1 14s due. Booth said if he wanted money he supposed he could get it, but Friday was pay-day. Witness did not tell him at the time he was going to take action. He believed the cheque was drawn out before the summons was issued. He had no difficulty in getting Eustace's cheque cashed in Ballarat. He told Booth that he was under the impression that he could go back to the Extended. The Bench was of opinion that there was no contract, and gave complainant an order for the amount paid into court as wages, with £2 14s 3d costs against him; an order being made for the return of the money paid into court.

John Baker was charged by Constable Dunham with behaving in an indecent manner in a public place at Beaufort about 11 p.m. on 14th inst. As defendant had borne a good character and the hour was late and no one but the police about, he was mulcted in a fine of 2s 6d, which was paid.

George Ditchfield, farmer, of Mt. Cole, was charged by Constable Dunham with igniting certain inflammable material, to wit, brushwood and grass, on 8th Decr., whereby property of Gerald Halpin was destroyed.

Defendant admitted setting fire to rubbish on his own ground. The fire got away.

Senior-constable Jones, in opening the case, said that defendant was burning off rubbish, when the fire escaped from the rubbish and destroyed property belonging to Mr Halpin. The fire had raged in the State forest for eight days, and was a menace to the community.

Gerald Halpin, farmer, of Buramberrin, deposed that he had land adjoining defendant's at Mt. Cole. He remembered the fire occurring in his vicinity lately. He had not received notice from defendant of his intention to burn off. About 30 chains of netting, 3 or 4 of fencing, and 20 acres of his grass were destroyed. As a matter of fact the damage was done by the fire that came from defendant's, but Mr Ditchfield did not do it intentionally.

To defendant—You asked me about a month ago would it be safe to burn, and I said yes. Besides ferns and grass, some valuable wattle trees were burnt; whilst 30 or 36 chains of netting was totally destroyed. You mentioned to my son that you would make it good.

As the offence was admitted, further evidence was considered unnecessary.

Defendant pleaded ignorance with regard to fires. He was simply burning off rubbish, when the wind came and took it away. He couldn't master the fire, being there by himself, although he tried very hard to do so.

Mr Johns remarked that burning off rubbish was an act of carelessness when the grass was very dry. The penalty was a very heavy one—a £100 fine, or 6 months' imprisonment.

In reply to Mr Johns, Senior-constable Jones said he had no reason to doubt defendant's statement that the fire was accidental, and that he had used every effort to master it.

Defendant said he was the heaviest sufferer. It was his intention to compensate Mr Halpin, and had told him so at the time.

The P.M., in imposing a fine of £25 with 3s costs, said that he was relying on defendant's promise and took into consideration that he was a heavy sufferer himself. He, however, would have been dealt with much more severely if there had been no prospect of recovering the damage.

Defendant, on being allowed permission to go down the street and cash a cheque so as to pay the fine, thanked the Bench and wished their Worships a merry Xmas.

Edward C. R. Cooper was granted a collector's license.

A Printer Greatly Surprised.

"I never was so greatly surprised in my life, as I was with the results of using Chamberlain's Pain-Balm," says Henry T. Crook, president of the Asheville (N.C.) U.S.A. Gazette. "I contracted a severe case of rheumatism in the winter of 1900, and it was so bad that I was unable to get out of bed. I tried several things for it without benefit. One day while looking over the Gazette, I noticed that Pain-Balm was positively guaranteed to cure rheumatism, so I bought a bottle of it, and before using two-thirds of it my rheumatism had taken its flight and I have not had a rheumatic pain since." Sold by J. R. WOTHERSPOON & Co., Beaufort.

Our Representatives in Parliament.

Speaking in the Legislative Council recently on the Sports Betting Suppression Bill.

The Hon. Thos. Dowling stated that he intended to vote for the second reading of the bill, because it was a step in the right direction; but that was about all he could say for the measure. He felt almost certain as to that the bill would not attain the object its promoters had in view. The history of Victoria clearly showed that legislation directed against gambling had signally failed to carry out what was thought to be most desirable; and he had come to the conclusion that if the gambling propensity of the rising generation was to be stayed the momentum at that end would have to originate at the mother's knee. If the rising generation were not brought up to ignore this fatal betting, he had very little hope of much good being achieved by any legislative enactment against gambling. However, he trusted that when this measure became law it would do some good. Its object was to close sports meetings of professional betting men. He sometimes felt that all the laws against gambling might just as well be repealed, especially when the looked round and saw the highest of the towers, the sets on horse races, foot races, and all kinds of sport. He could not help feeling that it was perfectly hopeless under such circumstances to expect any good results to come from anti-betting legislation. The true cure for the evil was to train up a child in the way he should go when he was old he would not depart from it.

The Hon. S. G. Black stated that he was in very full sympathy with the measure, which he thought was in every way a highly desirable one, and one which was very much desired by the general public. This question of betting at large, and bicycle meetings was a very different thing from the question of betting on horse racing that had been raised by a large number of honorable members that night. They had had it from sports club all over the State that they were very anxious to have power on the Statute book in this respect altogether. However, that was not the question before them that night. The question was whether they would give the promoters of sports meetings permissive power. He thought it would be a desirable thing to try and get this measure on the Statute book this session. They could see how it worked, and if it worked satisfactorily, as he hoped it would, it would be one good step in the right direction.

During the second reading of the Education Act Amended Bill, the Hon. S. G. Black observed that he wished to direct attention to one point in clause 4 which he thought had not been sufficiently dealt with before the House, and that was with regard to parents being deprived of the right to employ their children on those school days when it was not necessary for the children to be at school. They could be absent from school on 25 per cent of the days without the parents being summoned for the breach of the Act. On the other hand, clause 4 forbade parents to employ their children in any casual work. The child must be at least 14 years of age if it was away from school on the 25 per cent of the days it was allowed to be absent under the Bill. That was a provision which was very important in country districts, where a child might very aptly indeed be able to do heavy labour themselves, but they could do light work that would otherwise necessitate the keeping of the child at home, and of stronger grown-up people being employed to do the work. This provision also applied to the town, and would prevent girls from being employed to help their mothers in the house. It was a most despotic act to say that no mother might keep at home a girl of eleven or twelve years of age to help her mother, while the younger members of the family who went to the evening school, or to other employment which would enable her to earn extra money to keep the home going. He thought that was despotic to a great extent, and that members ought to resist it by every means in their power. In regard to clause 5, which provided for granting certificates of efficiency to pupils of schools, he would like to know what the inspector to examine the pupils or the principals of these schools? The clause stated in the most vague manner that—

The Minister may cause any of such schools to be inspected by an inspector of schools, and if such school is found by the inspector to be deficient as to the instruction therein given in reading, writing, spelling, composition, and arithmetic, the Minister shall cause such school to be included in a list of efficient schools.

Members ought to have some clear knowledge as to what was meant by that clause.

The Hon. A. Wynne—I will give this in committee.

The Hon. S. G. Black said that sub-clause (b) of clause 5 was very vague as to whether private tuition was to be allowed. Every one expects on education had been amended the system of payment by results and members must welcome the proposal to do away with it. He regretted that the information as to the expense of the increase of the age at which children were to remain at school, and with the introduction of continuation schools and of training schools, extra expenditure must be incurred. Undoubtedly, extra money would be involved in keeping children at school until they were thirteen years of age if they got a certificate, and until fourteen if they did not. He thought the House should have some clear and definite information as to the expense before the Bill is passed.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

You have good reason to fear a attack of pneumonia, when you have a severe cold, accompanied by pain in the chest or in the back between the shoulder blades. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it as directed, and it will prevent the threatened attack. Among the tens of thousands who have used this Remedy for colds and la grippe, we have not in vain a single case that has resulted in pneumonia, which shows that this Remedy is a certain preventive of the dangerous disease. For sale by J. R. WOTHERSPOON & Co., Beaufort.

A funeral which, if not exactly unique in character, was at any rate very unusual, has taken place in London. A mother stood at the grave of her infant son, surrounded by 20 of her children. The woman has only just turned 40 years of age, and she bears forty happy family burden cheerfully. Her husband is in receipt of a wage of less than £2 per week.



THE MAN-DOG.

A TRAGIC STORY OF MAGNOLIA ISLAND IN THE BLACK SWAMP.

My first knowledge of the singular being called "Du Chien, the Man-Dog," began when we were on duty down in the Peche country, a short time after General Taylor's celebrated "Run on the Banks," in the vicinity of Mansfield. The cavalry had really very little to do except "to feed" and await orders. As a result of this idleness many of the officers and men formed pleasant acquaintances with the hospitable planters in whose neighborhood we were located.

HER LAST APPEARANCE.

WHAT BEFEL AT THE BENEFIT OF A FORMER PET OF PARIS.

Mme. de Mirambo had been a very pretty woman. More than that, she had been an actress of the first rank—an artist, in fact, who had been the petted idol of the Parisian public. She had been the further mistress of growing old; and the public—which is a philosopher after its fashion, giving out when it receives—forgot her. She was the girl of a former day who was slowly dying of loneliness and ennui, struggling one but with all the strength of an upturned little old woman against poverty, in a small room on the sixth floor of a dark and cheerless house, among memories that made her age seem only the greater.

A BALLROOM FLIRTATION.

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Mrs. Dane-Barton looked up with a vexed expression from the letter she was reading. "How annoying!" she ejaculated. "What is the matter?" asked her husband, unconcernedly, chipping the shell of his second egg. He was used to his wife's little worries, and did not intend they should spoil his breakfast.

X-RAY EYES.

IT IS NECESSARY TO STATE AT THE OUTSET THAT THIS STORY COMES FROM AMERICA.

It is necessary to state at the outset that this story comes from America. In West Texas, says a newspaper correspondent, Guy Fenley, the 14-year-old boy, who has a pair of eyes that are "X-ray" among the stockmen. This boy, with his remarkable pair of eyes, can see water at any depth in the ground, and has located a large number of wells, each having an unfailing supply of water. Fenley's services are in such demand by ranchmen who want to put down wells for their livestock that he is kept busy at work all the time.

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QUITE CONTENT.

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Beaufort Athletic Club. BOXING DAY SPORTS.

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Chronic Diarrhoea. Dr. C. B. Wingfield, of Fair Play, Mo., U.S.A., who suffered from chronic dysentery for thirty five years, says Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy did him more good than any other medicine he had ever used.

THE WAYS OF PROVIDENCE. While the travel along the pathway of this probation is long, we must meet with circumstances that we fall to understand. Some men we see by the wayside, while Providence keeps others, better far, forever staid in the midst of tribulation.

SABINA WILKINS. Miss Sabina had finished her morning dress, had dressed the better, swept the back porch and turned the broom up in the corner, as neat housekeepers do, had gathered flowers and seed and eggs and now seated herself by the window to sew.

Between the windows stood an old fashioned bureau, whose mirror reflected Miss Sabina informed of all the changes in her face, which she prayed Father Time to touch gently, as it might yet be her fortune.

As Miss Sabina sat musing on life and its inequalities she heard the sharp whistle of a train which passed right in front of her house. Something must have happened. The whistle did not usually sound so far from the station.

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Woman's wilds often lead us to such covers. David, when he was not sleeping, spent most of his time watching the door. Sabina, when she was not cooking or making bouquets, spent most of her time gliding stealthily by the door, for of course she was too modest and proper to enter it except occasionally with neighbors who called upon the unfortunate minister.

Mrs. Sabina Topp, a neighbor and a great believer in the law of compensation, made Sabina blush herself nearly to death by saying: "Well, Sabina, the Lord took the minister's foot, but he'll be sure to give him something in place of it. You've been good enough to let him have the little parlor you don't even open for most folks, and maybe you'll get your pay in some manner you do not expect."

David was at last able to limp out to the porch, where he caught Miss Sabina sitting under the vines. The nurse was down in the village, Rex was asleep on the floor, Sabina blushed like a girl of 18 and was afraid to sit with the minister for fear a neighbor might come and catch her.

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The New Mining Regulations.

REQUIREMENTS PRELIMINARY TO THE APPLICATION.

5. The applicant shall apply for a lease in manner prescribed by these Regulations, but within ten days previous to the application he shall do the following things: (a) Erect posts, at least three feet square, and not less than three feet above the ground, as far as circumstances and the nature of the land will permit, and with a metal plate having painted thereon the words "Applied for Lease" and the name of the applicant.

(b) Insert in a newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or in such newspaper, then in one published in the district, an advertisement or notice to the effect that he has applied for a lease of the land, and that he is prepared to receive applications for the same.

(c) Give to every person occupying the land, or having a claim to the same, a notice in writing, signed by the applicant, to the effect that he has applied for a lease of the land, and that he is prepared to receive applications for the same.

(d) Deposit with the clerk of the land, or (if no clerk) with the clerk of the district, a sum of Five pounds, to be held as security for the applicant's compliance with the conditions of the lease.

6. The applicant shall within ten days after marking out the land, address to the Minister of Mines and leave with the warden the application in duplicate in the form set out in Schedule D. To such application shall be appended a statutory declaration of the applicant, showing how the preliminary requirements have been complied with by such applicant or his agent or agents.

28. No person shall be entitled to occupy any land on any gold-field or "residence area" unless such person shall for the time being be registered by the mining registrar or other proper officer of the mining district in which such land is situated, and unless such person shall be registered as the holder of such area and the number of the miner's right or business license by which he is entitled to occupy such area is also registered.

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Having a Run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Between the hours of eleven o'clock a.m. and closing time, on Jan. 25th, 1901, A. R. Clark, druggist, Glade Springs, Va., U.S.A., sold twelve bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He says, "I never handled a medicine that sold better or gave better satisfaction to my customers."

A PRIZE POEM. A syndicate of Western (American) editors offered 10000 lbs. for the best appeal to newspaper subscribers to pay up their subscriptions. The prize was given to the editor of the "Rocky Mountain Col." This is the poem: Lives of poor men do remind us; Honest men don't stand a chance; The more we work there grows behind us; Bigger patches on our pants.

STATUTORY DECLARATION. I, MRS. M. RICKARD, of the County of Essex, in the State of Victoria, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have read the enclosed document, consisting of two folios and consented in writing to the same, and that I am a resident of the State of Victoria, and that I am a resident of the State of Victoria, and that I am a resident of the State of Victoria.

The ceremony of proroguing the Parliament of Victoria was performed by His Excellency Sir George Sydneyham Clarke, the New State Governor, on Monday, His Excellency, who was accompanied by Lady and Miss Clarke, and the members of his staff, was escorted by the new cavalry regiment, and a band of music.

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