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WATERLOO BRANCH. The fortnightly meeting of the Waterloo Branch, A.N.A., was held in the Societies' Hall on Tuesday evening...

Indigestion RESULTING FROM INFLUENZA COMPLETELY CURED

The Case of Mrs. MARY JANE HINTON. (From the "Evening News," Sydney.) In response to a special request, our reporter stepped up as far as Mrs. Hinton's...

Mining News.

Mr. A. W. McPherson, lately manager of the Sons of Freedom Extended Company, Raglan, has been appointed mine manager of the Caledonia Company, Ararat...

HANDICAP RACE.

At 2:30, second horse to receive £1 from stake; saddle or harness; 1st, or over; three times round, about 2 1/2 miles.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Shire of Ripon, and enclosing five per cent. cash deposit, will be received up till 11 a.m. on Monday, 7th APRIL, 1902, for the following works:-

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Liability Raglan - NOTICE - A CALL (the 21st) of Three pence per Share, on the capital of the company, has been made...

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A CURE FOR SUMMER COMPLAINT.

Summer complaint is unusually prevalent among children this season. A well developed case in the writer's family was cured last week by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy...

WANTED, a good GENERAL SERVANT.

EASTWOOD, "Homedon," Beaufort. SATURDAY, APRIL 12th, 1902. At the GOLDEN AGE HOTEL, BEAUFORT, at Two o'clock in the Afternoon.

FREEHOLD LAND, in the parish of BUANGOR.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS is instructed by the Executors of the above Estate to submit to Public Auction, all that piece of Land, being Crown land, No. 30, in the parish of Buangor, county of Ripon, well fenced and watered.

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, Mary Jane Hinton, of Fasting St., Balmaln, Sydney, the Colony of New South Wales, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, containing a true and correct copy of the will of my late husband, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my will and the contents thereof...

THE BEST LINIMENT FOR STRAINS.

Mr. E. H. Wells, the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N.Y., U.S.A., says: "I have always recommended Chamberlain's Pain Expeller as the best liniment for strains. I used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side, resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected."

Death of Miss Beggs.

Residents of Beaufort were yesterday shocked to hear of the sudden death of Miss Beggs, of the Eurambien Estate, Eurambien, that lady having been in the town on Monday last, and being then apparently in good health. The sad occurrence was reported to the police and to the coroner, the latter of whom directed that a magisterial inquiry should be held...

Carnham Races.

The annual meeting of the Carnham Hunt took place on Monday. The weather was perfect, and the attendance large, and the finishes generally exciting. Everything passed off without serious mishap, although in the Trial Stakes two horses, Bobby in the Trial and Mr. G. Dalry's Star (Shoody), were injured by Mr. W. Wooley, Mr. W. Martin clerk of course, and Mr. V. Wendt clerk of scales. The public's booth was in the hands of Mr. P. Burcke, of Ilbarook, and Mrs. Jenkins Williams had charge of the refreshment booth.

TRIAL STAKES.

Of £50, for horses that have never won a prize exceeding £7; W.F.A.; about 6 furlongs. Mr. P. Shannon's Edwin (Simmons) ... 1 Mr. G. Dalry's Star (Shoody) ... 2 Mr. S. Wagon's Bermuda (Corbett) ... 3

HURDLE RACE.

(Handicap) of £10; second horse to receive £1 from stake; 1 1/2 miles. Mr. H. Taylor's Quondam (Price) ... 1 Mr. O. Dalry's Quarrrel (Simmons) ... 2 Mr. C. Dalry's Star (Shoody) ... 3

PONY TROT.

(14 hands and under); of £4; second horse to receive £1 from stake; 5/8 mile. Mr. J. Ker's Jack Tar, 100yds behind, ... 1 Mr. W. J. Illingworth's Little King, ... 2 Mr. M. M. Spark's Shoody, 75yds behind, ... 3

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Dixson's Great Tobacco. YANKEE DOODLE. Finer now than ever. J. HOLDSWORTH wishes to notify that he has a limited supply of BONEDUST on hand this season, and orders sent in at earliest will have despatchment.

THE Cyclone Woven Wire Fence. SO called because it sweeps all before it. It has arrived in this district, and it is come to stay. Sole Agents for Ripon Shire, J. R. WOTHERSPOON & CO., Beaufort.

Curakof. The most efficacious Medicine yet known for the Cure of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, etc. True to its name. Price 2s., from E. SCHLICHT, Beaufort; I. ELDER, SKIPTON.

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No. 1272

BEAUFORT, SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 1902

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

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. When a neighbour or friend asks for the loan of the local paper, tell him or her that for the small sum of 3s per Quarter it is obtainable direct from the office regularly. In addition to complete and impartial reports of all local meetings, an interesting 14-Column Supplement is presented to Regular Subscribers. ORDERS FOR Plain and Ornamental JOB PRINTING Executed with Neatness and Despatch. Bear in mind that! 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

"FOR THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE."
Clarke's Blood Mixture is a world-famed blood purifier and restorer. It is warranted to clear the blood from all impurities from whatever cause arising. For Scrophulous, Scabby, Itchy, and Blood Diseases, Blackheads, Pimples, and Sores 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 Scabby, Cures Blood and Skin Diseases, Cures Glandular Swellings, Clears the Blood from all Impure Matter, From whatever cause arising. It is a real specific for Gout and Rheumatic Pains. It removes the cause from the Blood and Bones. The world-famed Blood Purifier and Restorer is warranted to clear the blood from all impurities, from whatever cause arising. For Scrophulous, Scabby, Itchy, and Blood Diseases, Blackheads, Pimples, and Sores 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 Scabby, Cures Blood and Skin Diseases, Cures Glandular Swellings, Clears the Blood from all Impure Matter, From whatever cause arising. It is a real specific for Gout and Rheumatic Pains. It removes the cause from the Blood and Bones.

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 71, New Oxford St. (Opp. 551, Oxford St.), London. Sold by all Chemists and Medicine Vendors.

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

Postal Intelligence.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS.

MAIL TIME TABLE.

Daily	Closing Time.
Melbourne	8.15 a.m. and 4.50 p.m.
Bellarine	8.15 a.m. and 4.50 p.m.
Geelong	8.15 a.m. and 4.50 p.m.
Traralgon	8.15 a.m. and 4.50 p.m.
Registered mail—8 p.m. previous evening and 4.30 p.m.	
Christchurch	11.50 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Stawell	11.50 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Middle Creek	11.50 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Murtoa	11.50 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Christchurch	11.50 a.m. and 8 p.m.
Reg. mail and p.p., 11.30 and 7.40.	
English mail per Mail Steamer, 6.15 p.m. Tuesday; via Adelaide, 8.15 a.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday.	

STEVENSON & SONS, UNDERTAKERS AND CARPENTERS.

HAYLOCK STREET, BEAUFORT (Opposite Golden Age Hotel), beg to inform the public of Beaufort and surrounding districts that they have purchased the UNDERTAKING BUSINESS of the late R. FARLEY, and hope by moderate charges and prompt attention, to merit a continuance of the patronage accorded to their predecessor.

FUNERAL ECONOMY.

Established 1860.

A. H. SANDS

(Late Wm. Baker), UNDERTAKER, Corner of Neill and Havelock Streets, and opposite State School. Hearse and other requisites supplied in town or country at stated charges. Post, Telegraph, and Telephone Messages promptly attended to.

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

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

P. J. O'SULLIVAN, SADDLER AND HARNESS MAKER, SNAKE VALLEY.

A large Assortment of Saddlery and Harness Requisites kept in stock. All kinds of Harness bought, sold, or exchanged. Repairs neatly and promptly executed. Also Cash Buyer of Hides, Horse-hair, Beeswax, Furled Skins, &c., &c.

NOTICE.

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

The Advertising Rates have also been considerably reduced, and advertisers will find it to their benefit to avail themselves of the columns of "The Riponshire Advocate," which is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the Shire. As the advocate of the interests and 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 newspaper within a given radius of Beaufort.

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

We take this opportunity of thanking our patrons for past favours, and while respectfully soliciting a renewal of support, desire to state that increased attention will be paid to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news we will always endeavour to make our columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, we will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.

ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor. Beaufort, 5th September, 1902.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS

Auctioneer, Valuer, Arbitrator, General Commission Agent.

Auction Rooms—BARKLY STREET, ARARAT, and NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

Correspondent and Valuer for the Ballarat Banking Company, Limited.

Trust and other Monies to Load at Current Rates

JOHN HUMPHREYS

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

RENTS and Debts Collected. Agent for the South British Fire and Marine Insurance Company. Agency Business of all kinds attended to.

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. Shingling a specialty. All sorts of vehicles built and repaired.

YOU CAN AFFORD IT.

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

NEWSPAPER LAW.

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, in writing, are considered as wishing to continue their subscriptions.

2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their newspapers, the publisher may continue to send them until arrears are paid.

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 for the cost of the papers, and are held liable for refusing to take periodicals from the post-office or leaving them uncalled for, "prima facie evidence of intentional fraud."

5. 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 shampoo an elephant with a thimbleful of soap as attempt to do business and ignore advertising."

To our Readers and Patrons.

THE PROSPERITY OF A DISTRICT DEPENDS chiefly upon the support and encouragement that is given by the population to local enterprise and industry. Every venture is to a more or less extent speculative, but each, whilst aiming at the success of the promoter, must offer certain returns to 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 satisfactorily 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. All kinds useful, but not every kind retains its original value. The "paper" money most valuable is a newspaper proprietor is that which is sent him by "Subscribers and Advertisers" and he will do his utmost to entitle him to a good share of it.

"The Riponshire Advocate" is the Advertising Medium for all Contracts of, and notifications of the Shire of Ripon and the ONLY NEWSPAPER That is Printed and Published within the boundaries of the Shire, And as the advocate of the interests and welfare of this district it has a claim for a greater amount of support, has a greater scope for extended usefulness than any other journal or newspaper within a radius of the Shire offices.

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

"The Advocate," PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING, CIRCULATES in the following districts:—Beaufort, Stockyard Hill, Lake Goldsmith, Saylor's Gully, Main Lead, Raglan, Chute Waterloo, Burnham, Bungor, Middle Creek, Shirley, Travalla, Skipton, and Caraculgan.

With every issue of the Paper is given A FOURTEEN-COLUMN SUPPLEMENT, Containing an Interesting Serial Tale, Amusing Anecdotes, Pastoral News, Poultry Farming, Agricultural Intelligence, Recipes, Gardening Items, Etc., Etc., Etc.

Business Men, Read It was Benjamin Franklin who wrote—"What steam is to machinery, advertising is to business." And another writer has said that—"He who in his 'biz' would rise, Must either 'bust' or advertise." And advertisers cannot do better than make "The Riponshire Advocate" the medium for their announcements.

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

JOB PRINTING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. BALL TICKETS & PROGRAMMES, ADDRESS & BUSINESS CARDS, MINEING SCHEMES, REPORTS, ETC., PAN-PHILETS, CIRCULARS, BILLHEADS, POSTERS, DELIVERY BOOKS, DRAPERS' HANDBILLS, CATALOGUES, MOURNING CARDS, SOIREE & 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. MINEING SCHEMES, CALL RECEIPT DELIVERY BOOKS, &c., Prepared on the shortest notice.

NOW SHOWING

For the EASTER HOLIDAYS,

A MAGNIFICENT ASSORTMENT OF AUTUMN & WINTER

MILLINERY, DRESSES,

LADIES' MACKINTOSHES, JACKETS, CAPES,

FURS, MUFFS, TIPPETS, &c., &c.

An entire New Stock of General Manchester

Goods, at prices lower than ever.

New Clothing from the Best Makers.

Men's Suits, Chesterfields, and Mackintosh

Coats, Trousers and Vests, Boys' Suits,

Hats, Shirts, Ties; very special values.

New Boots for the Autumn trade.

All sorts, sizes, and prices to suit all requirements.

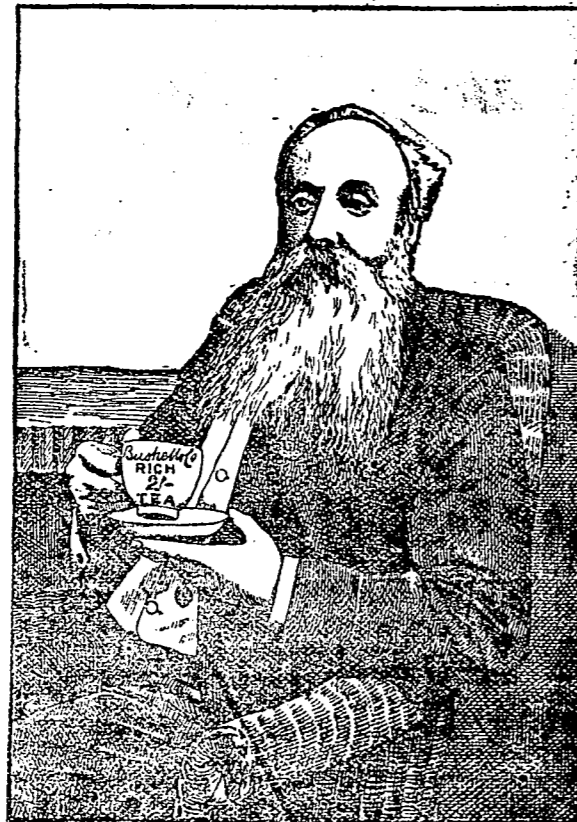
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Agents for Beaufort and District-

J. R. WOTHERSPON & CO.,

General Merchants, NEILL STREET.

MR. SAMUEL YOUNG, Barrister and Solicitor, Proctor and Conveyancer, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. SUNDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1902. Presbyterian Church, Beaufort, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Middle Creek, 3 p.m.-Rev. Stuart Ross.

OFFICE HOURS-10 to 12, 1 to 5. TRUST and other MONIES TO LEND on freehold and other securities.

HAVELOCK TOBACCO. HIGHEST QUALITY MANUFACTURED. DARK OR AROMATIC TOBACCO. FINEST SELECTED AMERICAN LEAF.

The Wonder and Admiration of Beaufort. RICHARDS & CO'S. NEW EXHIBIT OF High Art Photographs.

RICHARDS & CO'S. MASTERPIECES. "A WINDY DAY," "A WINDY DAY," "The general opinion being that the best pictures produced by Modern Photography, and has caused quite a sensation among lovers of art. Do not fail to see it when in Beaufort.

NEW SUBJECT PICTURES. "Elsie and her Pets," "In the Dark of the Twilight," etc., etc.

Although we only do high-class work and take two positions of each stiller, our prices are the same as others. Bridal Bouquets and Veils kept at the Studio. Appointments by letter or wire.

RICHARDS & CO, LEADING PHOTOGRAPHERS. 23 STURT ST., Beaufort.

Important Announcement. MR J. W. HARRIS, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST AND REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON.

Begs to inform the residents of Beaufort and surrounding district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS on the premises lately occupied by Mr. J. B. Cochran, HAVELOCK-ST., BEAUFORT (next to the Old Mechanics' Institute).

CREDIT FONCIER. 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, etc.; to make improvements; to work and carry on the farm, etc.

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MESSRS. J. K. WOTHERSPON & Co. direct attention to their advertisement on next page. Call or write for price lists. Civility, prompt attention, and satisfaction secured.-[Advt.] "It's a well-assorted match" is the exclamation of every loyal Englishman in speaking of the recent marriage of Prince George of Wales and Princess May.

Woods' Great Peppermint Cure for Coughs and Colds never fails. 1s. 6d.

Mr W. Edward Nickols, auctioneer, Beaufort, announces the sale of freehold land, parish of Bangor, in the estate of the late Mr Enoch Holdsworth, on Saturday (to-day), at 2 p.m., at the Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort.

An interesting sparrow match was fired at Raglan on Wednesday under the auspices of the Raglan Gun Club. There was a good attendance. The match was open to all shots within a radius of 20 miles; two nominations being allowed.

For Bronchial Coughs take Woods' Great Peppermint Cure, 1s. 6d.

Messrs Goghlan, Bass & Co. report having sold, on account of Mr A. Taylor, Burrumbeet, a high-class pedigree mare, of rare beauty and excellent quality, by "Darnley" (the property of Messrs Kelly Bros., Eumbean), dam Everingham's Maggie Oyle, to Mr Walverly, Dredgite, for £45, this being a record price for the progeny of any colonial-bred stallion.

The death of an old man named William Osborne was reported to Mr Dickson, P.M., on Wednesday. The deceased was found lying in the creek at Skipton that morning, and it is surmised that as Osborne had been drinking heavily of late he fell in while under the influence of liquor, and died. Mr Dickson requested a local justice of the peace to hold an enquiry into the matter.

Messrs W. Dickson, P.M., and G. Topper, J.P., presided over the Beaufort Police Court on Tuesday. Benjamin Baker was charged by Senior-Constable Jones with removing soil from Leichardt-street, Beaufort, on 7th March, without the consent of the council of the Shire of Ripon.

The usual monthly meeting of the committee of the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute was held on Tuesday evening. Present-Dr. C. Lethbridge (president), Messrs E. W. Hughes, Gray, Jackson, Robertson, Carroll, and Breen (secretary).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The secretary reported that the balance to the credit of the Institute in the bank was £22.

The following accounts were passed for payment:-Librarian, £4 6s 8d; Book Lovers' Library, £5 15s; J. B. Cochran, £3 9s 1d. It was decided to discontinue the monthly Sydney Bulletin after 1st May.

The librarian having reported that Mr Topper was willing to supply the Institute with firewood at 3s 3d per ton, Mr Hughes moved that 20 tons be obtained at that figure. Seconded by Mr Jackson, and carried.

The apper. acting Coronation holds first place in conversation. The world will still till Edward crowned. Then recommence its daily round; While those who gave a loyal cheer May be dead within a year, Unless for colds they do procure W. E. Woods' GREAT PEPPERMINT CURE.

Black's Bridge.

A deputation from Araratshire, consisting of the President (Mr Buckley), Mr Richardson and Stewart, met the engineer (Mr A. Campbell), waited upon the Riponshire Council at its meeting on Monday with regard to the erection of a new bridge with regard to the erection of a new bridge to take the traffic over Fyery Creek formerly accommodated by Black's bridge. The standing orders having been suspended, the deputation was introduced by Cr. Lewis.

Cr. Buckley stated that as representatives of the Araratshire Council they had come down to ask them to re-open the question of Black's bridge, as they had further evidence to place before them. Araratshire was in rather an unfortunate position, because they had let a contract for the bridge and their legal adviser told them they could not go on with it, as it was on the boundary of both shires.

The secretary read it, showing that municipalities were bound to unite in making or repairing a road or bridge on their common boundary. The next clause was also read. This showed that the council of either municipality may serve notice to treat. At the Chairman (Cr. Beggs) request, clause 377 was read. This empowered municipalities to contract with other municipalities and public bodies.

Cr. Lewis was informed by the Chairman that the North riding would have to pay any sum contributed, but if they went to law the whole shire was responsible for the expense.

Cr. Sinclair-"That alters the thing, doesn't it? (Laughter.) Cr. Buckley said there appeared to have been some contract between the two shires under which Ararat was to maintain Black's bridge, but his solicitor held that, once the bridge was swept away the contract ceased to exist. Their position was that they could not go on with the work without making each councilor individually responsible.

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A motion by Crs. Sinclair and O'Sullivan to go into committee was lost by 3 to 2. Cr. Cushing advised the North riding members to retire for a few minutes. Cr. Lewis said that he could not recommend that they pay £200. Cr. Lewis said that he could not recommend that they pay £200. Cr. Lewis said that he could not recommend that they pay £200.

TOPICAL ARTICLE.

OUR NATIONAL BEVERAGE.

When we consider that the average Englishman drinks 32 gallons of beer every year, we may understand that recent revelations—following upon the poisoning of 60 people in Lancashire by the national beverage—has caused a great deal of trouble.

The greedy of manufacturers, which gives us shoddy for our clothing, has, it appears brought about the startling revelation that he who drinks beer takes his life in his hands—or, rather, down his throat.

The brewing trade in the Old Country is wealthy, and politically powerful; but it is hardly likely that this grim exposure will be passed by without eliciting legislative action and reform.

In Australia and New Zealand large quantities of beer are consumed, notwithstanding that it is probably the least wholesome of drinks for warm climates.

Here, again, we may take a lesson from other countries. In Germany and the Scandinavian States the most stringent laws regulate the brewing industry.

This easy spirit of toleration of shameful adulteration is manifested also in these States. It is well known—the fact has been constantly commented upon by the press—that in the matter of liquors, the Australian public drinks what is probably the worst in the world.

It is a palace, a church and a convent in one. The building was commenced in 1565 and took 21 years to complete, costing the equivalent of nearly a million of present-day money.

Then there is the grand room of the sacristy, 108ft. by 32ft., grandly lighted, frescoed and ornamented. The choir, curiously enough, in this church, is placed in an organ-loft-like gallery over the entrance to the church.

In the early days of settlement in Tasmania some enterprising gentleman contrived to brew a beer from the nut cones of the she-oak tree. It was called "She-

OBTAINING POWER FROM THE WAVES.

There have been numberless attempts to utilise the energy of the ocean waves, and while many of them have been successful, they have not been of a nature having any great commercial value.

BRAVEST WOMAN IN THE WEST.

"To the bravest woman in the west; to the woman who saved her husband and baby from death, and saved society from the infliction of 12 desperate criminals; to Susan Kees, who prevented by her heroism a general delivery from the Walla Walla Gaol, Dec. 2 1901, these tokens are ascribed by admiring friends."

Such was the inscription on the address presented with various gifts recently to Mrs Kees, wife of the recently deceased Walla Walla Gaol, in Washington State, in recognition of her bravery in stopping an outbreak among the prisoners.

It happened just before Christmas Three of the incarcerated desperadoes determined to eat their Christmas dinner out of gaol, and hatched a plot to break out. On the Sunday night before Christmas the ringleader escaped from his cell and stunned the warden. Then he released 12 others, and with the warden's keys they made a rush for the doors.

The Spanish Escorial may almost be regarded as one of the wonders of the world. It was built by Philip II., and the edifice rises from his desire to have a burying-place for himself and his descendants, and as a solemn act of gratitude to St. Lawrence, the patron saint of his father and family.

THE SPANISH ESCURIAL.

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STILL-HUNTING IN IRELAND.

Of the many onerous duties discharged by the Royal Irish Constabulary there are none so harassing and yet so cheerfully entered upon by the men as that of searching the country for illicit stills and materials.

MILK HO!

A strange fluid is milk. Pure fresh milk from a healthy cow is almost an ideal food for young and old; but impure or contaminated milk is full of danger, and there is no substance used for food that affords a more fertile soil for the growth of almost all kinds of disease-producing bacteria.

Not long ago a medical society appointed a committee to examine the milk supply of a certain city. What they found was startling. They began with the assumption that good milk should not contain more than 30,000 bacteria to the cubic centimetre (about 15 drops), but the number found in many samples that they examined ran from 90,000 to nearly 3,000,000 in winter and from 240,000 to 516,000,000 in summer.

One cannot wonder at the presence of so many bacteria in milk when it is remembered from what a distance it is brought to a large city—sometimes over 100 miles, and seldom less than 20.

By means of his whistle he soon had his party about him, and their united efforts are concentrated there with the result, sometimes that the still, still-head and worm may be found concealed in pools of water, turf rickles, or near fences.

QUESTION AND ANSWER.

Why did Charles Lever?—Because he did not Lover. What was Thomas Hardy?—Skating on Manville Fenn. Why the Dickens did Charles Reade?—Because he wanted to forget Pain.

HOW CAMPHOR IS PREPARED.

Camphor is obtained by steaming camphorwood chips in roughly built furnaces set in the hill districts. A vapour arises from the chips, which is condensed in steam-waters or receptacles, forming a snow-white deposit of camphor, containing, however, some quantity of oil.

NO PLACE FOR TUNNELS.

A Scotchman who had worked nearly all his life in the building of railways in the Highlands of Scotland, settled in his later years in the fen districts. Soon after his arrival a project came up in his new home for the construction of a railway through the district, and the Scotchman was applied to as a man of experience in such matters.

PATENT BURGLAR ALARM.

Agent: "This is the best protection in the world. The burglar who never enters the house than it gives you the alarm. Mr. Harris: "Hav'n't you one that will alarm the burglar?"

A DARING BICYCLE FEAT.

All previous cycling performances sink into insignificance compared with the dare-devil feat of a Brooklyn electrician who has actually looped the loop on his bicycle.

When his first effort was made he asked the spectators to remain silent. He examined the track carefully, and quietly went up the incline. Pausing a moment to regain his breath he silently mounted his machine, and was off like an arrow almost before the onlookers could utter a smothered "He's off!"

WONDERS OF THE EYE.

The eye is the "barometer of health," but it is so delicate in its structure so minute in its parts that the task of reading it has been a nice process. The ophthalmoscope has made that possible only in part heretofore, but now science comes forward with an improvement which renders the instrument well-nigh marvellous.

TWO RAGAMUFFINS AND A SHOPKEEPER.

A ragged street urchin entered a baker's shop and requested the proprietor to supply him with a "penny buster," likewise a halfpenny roll. The baker did so, whereupon the boy said: "My brother's outside, and if he knows I've got this 'ell take it away. Will you hide it for me, guv'nor, down 'ere?" pointing to the back of his neck.

FROM THE NURSERY.

Lady (who is entertaining her little son's playmate to dinner, aged five): "Willie can you cut your meat?" Willie (who is struggling with a piece on his plate): "Yes thank you (with a desperate saw at the beef), I've cut twice as tough meat, as this at home."

MEDICINAL EGGS.

Eggs are good things. For instance we are assured that a mustard plaster made with the white of an egg will not leave a blister. A raw egg taken immediately will (sometimes) carry down a fish bone that cannot be got up from the throat.

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A SNAKE IN A FIX.

A Texas correspondent of a New York paper gives the following snake story:—One night my wife and myself were awakened by a noise from the shelf which contained our small store of crockery, followed by a crash, which told of great havoc among the cups and plates.

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A Goddess of Africa

ST. GEO RATHBORNE

CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued).

As the man threw up his arms and fell back, Rex saw the noise had settled over his head and shoulders. There was no time to see more, so rapidly did the unlucky devil shoot downward...

Yet he knew he was gazing upon those slumbering internal fires that ages upon ages ago had boiled and bubbled in the tremulous mountain water in their mad upheaval.

Jim Bludsoe looked grimly disappointed and it is to be feared was using some pretty strong language under his breath.

It was not on account of the poor devil of a black he lamented, but the fact that the man who had accompanied the fellow when he made that headlong plunge into the fiery Styx far below...

At first he vented his abuse upon the rope, and loaded it with all manner of opprobrious epithets until he snatched the torch from the hand of his companion and examined the rock around which he had snapped a couple of coils...

Then he called himself a fool for making an effort to save a wretched "nigger" when his death would not have cost him anything more than a few moments of his time...

Little Phil hovered near Lord Bruno, as usual, while Red Eric had climbed upon one of the idols and was busily engaged in a laudible endeavor to punch the eye of the image out, under the impression that they were composed of jewels.

CHAPTER XIV.

THE THROWER OF ASSAULT.

Familiarity breeds contempt...

that they had grown accustomed to the grinning or solemn-visaged chaps, it was small reverence they gave them.

Lord Bruno sounded the retreat, and two by two they stalked into the passage leading to the open air.

The sudden presence of the black spy had warned them that the Zambodi might not be in sympathy with the religion practiced by those who had occupied this region centuries before their coming...

Only by death could the adventurers atone for their audacity in polluting the cemetery of idols with their hated presence.

Under the circumstances they kept a bright lookout as they advanced along the well remembered passage, heading to the east.

The narrow passage was sufficient to give the bold but in places they were compelled to be very cautious lest a slip might prove fatal.

Half the distance had been covered and as yet no note of warning passed along the narrow way.

Then came the shock. Bludsoe had started to creep around an angle, when his eagle eye detected a sudden movement beyond. True to his instincts the plainsman instantly flattened himself out on the narrow ledge...

Nothing occurred to disturb them while they pressed through copse and over blasted rocks, so that the wall was speedily gained.

Jim's judgment was as true as steel, for he had wished to reach the summit by the most direct route, which long practice had made almost perfect.

Jim led off, with Lord Bruno at his heels, the others straggling out. It is easier to climb up a wall of this character than to descend; besides, having once gone over the ground there were in a measure familiar with it.

Bludsoe held himself prepared for an emergency, and acting upon his suggestion every one of the others reacted to bring their progress to a sudden halt, should the signal be given.

They up they climbed. The narrow passage was sufficient to give the bold but in places they were compelled to be very cautious lest a slip might prove fatal.

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BLOWING BUBBLES.

Dubbles, bubbles! soap and water! Flying through the air they go, floating, bobbing to and fro!

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ULLABIES FROM MANY LANDS.

DANISH. Sleep, sleep, little mouse! Sleep, sleep, little mouse!

CHINESE. Snail, snail, come out and be fed, Put out your horns and then your head, And thy mammy will give thee nut-ton, For thou art doubly dear to me.

SPANISH. The moon shines bright, And the snake darts swift and light; I see five baby bullocks And a calf young and white.

ARABIC. Sleep, my baby, sleep, Sleep a slumber hale, Sweetly rest till morning light, My little farmer boy, so bright.

JULI. Hush thee, my baby, Thy mother over the mountain gone, There she will dig the little garden patch, And water she'll fetch from the river.

NORWEGIAN. Row, row to Baltnarck, How many fish are caught in the net? One for father, and one for mother, One for sister and one for brother.

SWEDISH. Hush, hush, baby mine; Pussy curls the big green pine; Mother turns the millstone, Father to kill the pig has gone.

GERMAN. Sleep, baby sleep; Thy father guards the sheep, The mother shakes the dreamland trees, And from it falls sweet dreams for thee; Sleep, baby, sleep.

ROBERT FULTON'S FIRST PADDLE-WHEEL BOAT.

It was said of the boy Robert Fulton that he was what might be called a du.I scholar, and once when chided by his teacher for his inattention to his studies he replied that his head was so full of original notions that there was no vacant place to store away the contents of dusty books.

One of the neighbours of his father, one Denter Grumpp, was very fond of fishing, and he had built for this purpose a flat-bottomed boat or scow, and he used to allow himself the labours of his son Christopher and his neighbour's son Robert to aid him in his pursuit, by getting them to pole the boat over the waters of the Conestoga, and his father would be imagined, this caught my eye was my aunt's name and address engraved round the outside. Then, just as I was on the point of laying it aside, I observed something scratched on the inside. This was an interesting matter, and on a closer and more careful examination I made out the following words:—"To E. L. These were my initials." "Apply to North British Bank."

There was a mystery. The words were roughly scratched with some sharp instrument, and evidently by my aunt herself. "Apply to North British Bank. Certainly" would be something new, without doubt intended for me; but what the result of it would be I had no idea.

A BEAUTIFUL SPONGE.

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of flesh being worn off my bones, and if I had been valued according to the strength that was left in me I would not have been worth two pence. I never had much sympathy for people who did not heart through sickness, but my own experiences taught me to be more sympathetic in future. My life was so full of pain and devoid of pleasure that I did not care how soon it ended.

Presentation to Mr. A. W. McPherson, at Haglan.

A very pleasing ceremony took place in the Haglan Public Hall on Friday night, 4th inst., viz., the presentation of an exceptionally handsome gold pocket watch with four diamonds to Mr. A. W. McPherson, late mining manager of the Sons of Freedom Extended Co., Haglan, by the employees at that mine, on the occasion of his leaving the district for Ararat. There were about 30 present.

The locker bore the following inscription: "Presented to A. W. McPherson by the employees of the Sons of Freedom Extended G.M. Co. as a mark of esteem 3/4/02." Mr. McPherson, in warmly thanking his friends for their kind and generous gift, said that when he first heard of their intention a few days ago it came as a great surprise to him.

The Health of Mr. McPherson was then cordially drunk, as also that of his successor, Mr. Vaughan, who, in thanking them for the welcome given him, said that from the little he had seen of Mr. McPherson he impressed him as an abrewed, common-sense man, fit to battle the way wherever he went.

Middle Creek. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.) The usual meeting of the local branch of the A.N.A. was held on Tuesday evening, the 4th inst. Mr. W. L. Fay in the chair. There was a very fair attendance.

THE BEST LINIMENT FOR STRAINS. Mr. H. Wells, the merchant at Deerpark, Long Island, N.Y., U.S.A., says: "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains."

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"Sulphate and serpents, torrid heat and work are the folks who love them on Queensland's sunny shore." So wrote a young man, with a light heart, a heavy purse, and a grand constitution, came from England, to make a career for himself in the back of his hand a carter with a light purse, a heavy heart, and a debilitated liver.

To live for five months in such a spot as this, with a thermometer registering 122 degrees Fahr. in the shade, subsisting mainly on corned beef, jam, and black tea, all of which had to be prepared in an old kitchen, was a hard task indeed.

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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 Galt.

Lives of poor men don't remind us. Honest men don't stand a chance; The more we work there grow behind us. Bigger patches on our pants.

On our pants, once new and glossy, Now are stripes of different hue; All because subscribers linger, And won't pay us what is due.

Then let us all be up and doing, Send your mite, however small, Or when the odd of winter strikes us, We shall have no pants at all.

THROAT AFFECTION AND HOARSENESS.—All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be greatly surprised at the almost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches."

Death of a Prisoner in the Beaufort Lockup.

CORONER'S INQUEST.

Mr. W. Dickson, P.M., conducted a coroner's inquest, before a jury of five, comprising Messrs John Humphreys (foreman), Wm. Gilson, Wm. C. Deider, J. B. Humphreys, and Jno. McRae, at the Beaufort Police Station, on Saturday night, touching the death of a Dane named Julius Hoffmann, a travelling outler, aged about 55 years, who was to have been sent to the Ballarat goal that morning to serve a sentence of seven days for drunkenness, but when visited by Constable Dunham was found dead.

George Alexander Edin deposed: I am a legally qualified medical practitioner, resident in Victoria, and residing at Beaufort. I was called this morning, 5th April, 1902, about 8 a.m., to see a man at the Beaufort lockup. On arrival I found the man lying on his back on the floor of the cell dead.

There was no evidence of a struggle, and rigor mortis was fully developed. There was one blanket partly on and under the body, and four other blankets and a rug folded up lying close to his head. The face was pale and the lips were blue.

John R. Wotherspoon deposed: I am a merchant, residing at Beaufort. I am a justice of the peace, and presided at the court on 4th April at about 4 1/2 p.m. I fined deceased, Julius Hoffmann, £2, or in default imprisonment for seven days, for being drunk and disorderly. He did not complain of illness on that occasion, and seemed to be in fairly good health.

Senior-constable Jones—He was a man who played a concertina at hotels. So far as I know, when he came here he usually camped out at night. From his breathing and drunken habits I concluded that he was in a bad state, although he seemed vigorous enough so far as that went.

Edward James Dunham deposed: I am a mounted constable of police, stationed at Beaufort. I have been here since July last. On 5th April I began duty at 6:30 a.m. I went to the lockup at 7 o'clock. I opened the door and called the deceased, but received no reply. I walked in and pulled him to wake him up, and found that he was dead. I at once called Senior-constable Jones, who was in his quarters. He came out and together we examined the body. I had not interfered with

deceased in any way. I found deceased lying on the floor of his back, with a blanket partly over his face and partly over his body. He was fully clothed. The clothing was not disturbed in any way. There were several other blankets in the cell beside the one he had on him. There were two half loaves of bread, one of which was partly eaten. There was also water in a tin can. There was a pan also in the cell.

The coroner, in submitting a brief outline of the circumstances to the jury, said that no doubt the deceased had died from natural causes, but seeing that Hoffmann was in custody it was necessary that a full and complete inquiry should be made to show that no blame was attachable to anyone.

The coroner summed up the evidence clearly and concisely. He did not think anything had been concealed, or that there was anything to conceal. Although deceased had complained to Mr. Wotherspoon of being unwell, he was not in a state to be taken to the hospital, and the police force for two years and have seen a lot of drunk men in that time.

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To the coroner—Prisoners are usually very thirsty the day after they are locked up for drunkenness and ask for more water than usual. My opinion of the lockup is that it is comfortable. I sleep in the bar-room, about 17 1/2 ft. from the lockup where deceased was. I went to bed about 10:30 p.m. on the 4th, and was awakened almost at once. I did not wake during the night.

Senior-constable Jones—He was no worse than any other drunken man suffering a recovery. It was more in extenuating circumstances and a plea for leniency on the 3rd that he complained to me of bronchitis, when I said, "If you keep on drinking, it will not make you any better." It did not appear as if he wanted medical attention; he walked from the lockup to the police station in a vigorous state.

some, but was very drunk and not able to walk, and I had to support him. He was breathing heavily, but not unusually so. He made no complaint whatever. I heard what he said the previous day, about bronchitis, and I took that as a plea for leniency. I did not think he was seriously ill, or ill at all. After paying his fine he said, "I am going to Ballarat," but did not say how. He was wearing a suit, and I did not know him before the 2nd. He had not a bad record so far as this station is concerned. In Novr., 1897, he was before the Beaufort bench and discharged for drunkenness, and was fined 2/6 and ordered to pay 1/6 for damaging a pan in the lockup. He then said he was 64, according to the watchhouse book. On 2nd April, nearly five years after, he was 62. The only swag he had consisted of a counterpane with a blanket over it, which he carried in a bag. He had a sash, a fannel shirt, a razor strap, a bible, and a savings bank book showing a credit in the Ballarat branch of £3 10s. It was in deceased's name from August 14th to Decr. 3rd, 1901, the book shows all credits, but all the property. He had no jewellery or money. He had £1 9s 9d in silver when discharged on 3rd April, and when arrested by me that night he had no money whatever. He would have been wanted to Ballarat by Constable Dunham being in Ballarat that morning, returning by midday and then having to drive Supt. Young to Waterloo on inspection duty, getting back a little after two. Owing to the sudden death of Miss Beggs I was engaged at 7 p.m. on 4th April, and came to Beaufort. I went to Karrauphan at 8 p.m. and returned about 8 p.m. Constable Dunham remained at Beaufort, the police being thus engaged in other duty. But for that deceased would have been taken to Ballarat on the afternoon of the 4th by the train. I held him under a warrant of commitment for 7 days to Ballarat goal, signed by J. B. Wotherspoon, J.P. Deceased did not sign for his property, because the book was not prepared by me at 11 p.m. last night. Constable Dunham would have got the prisoner to sign it before starting this morning. His death was quite unexpected, and a great surprise to me. I sent for the doctor straight away. He came out at 7:30 a.m., looked him over, but he had been dead some time, and he said about five hours. There was no sign of any struggle. He seemed to have died quietly and peacefully in his sleep. Had he struggled he must have disarranged his clothing, but it was all neat and in place, with no injury, while in my charge. The police have no instructions to cause prisoners to undress and get into the blankets when in custody in the lockup. I have often seen the prisoners in the lockup when they were in a state of collapse, but did not do so in this case, as I saw no necessity for it. Although he was very drunk on the night of the 3rd, deceased was intelligent enough to know me, and was not stupid in any way. He had evidently been making his way to the lockup when I arrested him, but his legs failed him, and he was making a lot of noise, and I went down to see what it was. There were two other men camped in the same room, but they knew nothing about deceased.

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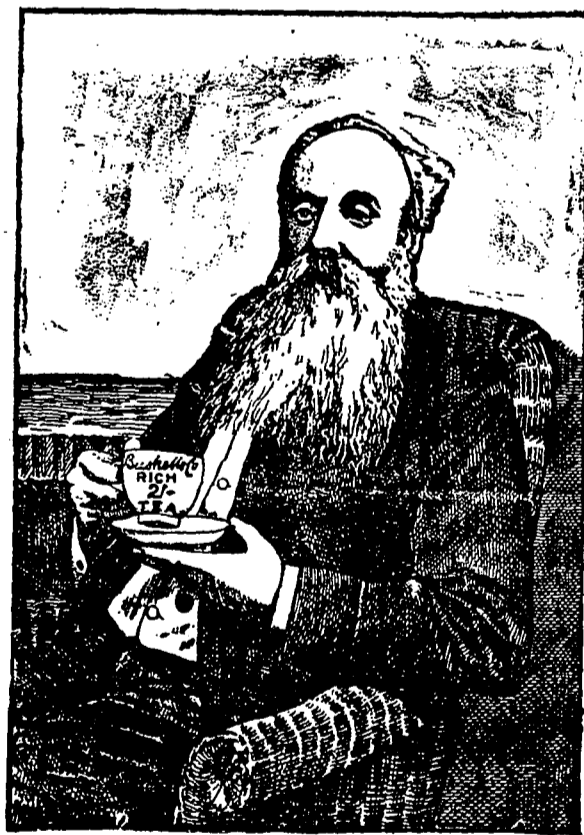
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TRUST and other MONIES TO LEND on freehold and other securities.

At the first annual meeting of the Political Labour Council of Victoria, in Melbourne, on Saturday, the retiring President, Mr. M. Hannah, declared that the men at the back of the Parliamentary Reform movement were hostile to labour, and that movement was designed to conceal an attempt to prevent the re-enactment of the Factories and Shops Act.

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BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Tuesday. Fat Cattle.—236 head came to hand for to-day's sale, about one-fourth consisting of quality ranging from good to prime, remainder chiefly comprising useful descriptions, with a few only middling. There was a good muster of the trade, and for all suitable trade lots competition was animated, last week's extreme rates being fully maintained. Quotations.—Prime pens bullocks, £15 to £16; extra do., £17 to £19 10s; odd best, to £20; good do., £13 to £14; medium do., £11 10s to £12 10s; prime pens cows, £10 to £11 7s 6d; good do., £8 to £9. Fat calves.—37 forward, including a few good vealers, which met a ready demand; best, to £5 2s 6d. Fat sheep.—3872 was the number penned for to-day's sale, only a small proportion being good to prime, balance ranging from medium to useful. The attendance of buyers was fully up to the average, best descriptions meeting with a keen demand, and for such prices show a material advance on last week's values, closing very firm, other sorts unaltered. Quotations.—Good crossbred wethers, 10s to 17s 6d; odd sheep, to 21s; medium do., 13s to 14s; prime crossbred ewes, 16s 6d to 18s 6d; extra heavy, 19s to 23s 3d; good do., 14s to 15s; prime merino wethers, 14s to 14s 11d; good do., 12s to 13s; merino ewes, to 12s 3d. Fat lambs.—3080 to hand, a very small proportion being up to trade requirements, best descriptions selling at about late rates, others easier. Prime, 13s to 14s 2d; good, 11s to 12s; medium, 7s to 8s 6d. The following district sales are reported:—By Messrs Macleod and Booth.—50 lambs, 9s 6d to 14s, averaging 11s, for W. Roberts, Middle Creek. By Messrs Hepburn, Dowling, and Crawford.—7 lambs, 9s 6d, for J. Allen, Chesapeake.

BALLARAT DAIRY PRODUCE MARKET.

Thursday. Wheat, 4s to 4s 1d; bran, 1s 3d; pollard, 1s 4d; oats, 2s 8d to 2s 9d; peas, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; barley, malting, 4s 9d to 4s 10d; Cape, 3s to 3s 3d; potatoes, £3 10s to £4; chaffing sheaves, 22 6s to £2 10s; manger hay, £2 15s; straw, 30s; flour, 2s 5s to 2s 10s; butter—prime dairy, 1s 1d to 1s 2d; factory, 1s 6d to 1s 4d; separator, 1d 3d; eggs, 1s 4d; cheese, 5d to 8d.

MELBOURNE PRODUCE MARKET.

Friday. Wheat—Prime milling, 4s 1d. Oats—Prime milling, 3s 8d; feed, 3s to 3s 2d; inferior, from 2s 10d to 2s 11d. Bran, firm, 1s 3d to 1s 4d. Pollard, 1s 4d. Onions, 16 10s to 17. Potatoes, 14 10s to 15. Peas, 3s 10d to 3s 2d. Barley, prime malting, 4s 10d; feed, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; Cape, 3s 6d. Chaff, 13 10s.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

SUNDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1902.

Presbyterian Church.—Beaufort, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Waterloo, 3 p.m.—Rev. Stuart Ross. Linton, 11 a.m.; Raglan, 3 p.m.; Waterloo Mechanics Hall, 7.30 p.m.—Rev. J. A. Barber, B.A. Methodist Church.—Beaufort, 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7 p.m. (Harvest Thanksgiving Service)—Rev. W. J. Bottoms, Raglan, 3 p.m.—Mr. Williams, Raglan, 7 p.m.—Mr. Brown, Evangelistic Services, Chute, 3 p.m.—Mr. Brown, Main Lead, 3 p.m.—Mr. Ellingsen.

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It is generally supposed that the Australian public is a reading public, fond of books and fairly up-to-date in its literary tastes. We do not feel at all sure that that is particularly true of the present younger generation. Some experience of country towns in Victoria would lead to the conclusion that there is not much inclination towards general reading among our younger people. Apart from our personal knowledge of individuals, (the only test of the question is the way in which the public libraries are supported. This test does not tell a flattering tale, for it must be admitted that most of the lending libraries in the country are much neglected, and that they require to be constantly kept before the people to secure any attention at all. This should not be so. In the metropolitan cities people live among proprietary libraries and revel among books of every kind by the tens of thousands, and can read any one of them gratis or for a very small payment. In the country books are few and hard to get, and it might be expected that they would, for that very reason, contract a divine discontent, the longing for the unattainable, a thirst for literary provender denied to them by harsh circumstances. If, as we opine is not the case, it is much to be wished that the people should become possessed of a desire for at least such supplies of books as are ready to their hand, for it is only so that their supplies are likely to be increased. Without going further afield, the library at the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute is badly supported, and we should like to see this condition reversed. At last week's committee meeting a sub-committee, consisting of the President (Dr. Lethbridge) and Messrs Casell and Troy, was appointed to canvass the town and endeavour to get new subscribers. Considering the privileges membership gives, the wonder is that so few deem it worth their while to contribute the required subscription of £1 per year. We are informed that the members total 62, and when it is remembered that the population of the town alone is over 1000, and that the householders probably number 300, it seems somewhat of a reflection upon the residents that so worthy an institution has to complain of the poor support it receives. We should like to see the committee in a position to spend more money in new books. The committee is a live one, and the people have only to respond to its efforts to have the library a live institution too. It is not necessary to repeat old platitudes about the benefits of reading. An accustomed reader has only to leave books for a short time and neglect to look at the new literature of the day to find how rusty-minded he gets, how out of touch with thought of his immediate age, out of knowledge of himself and his surroundings. He finds that one mind is not sufficient for itself; if it is not kept fed with the thoughts of a hundred minds, it falls back into the knowledge of nothing but food and meal-times, clothes, and the grind of money-making. Not only so, but the mind fails to keep appreciation clear and bright of even these things. By reading and by exchanging ideas and enlarging our own, we possess the vision of accumulated knowledge, the mental breadth which alone lifts us above the untutored savage. This enlarged horizon and improved sight makes the pleasure of living infinitely deeper

and more varied. It is to stand upon a mountain and see the magnificent landscape around, as compared with dwelling in a hollow where no view is to be seen. It is to have the eyes clear and strong, as compared with semi-blindness. The people who scarcely read at all never feel the need, perhaps, of any expansion. Neither does the mole, burrowing in the ground, feel the need of sight. But, to young people especially, we would say—try what it is like to become friendly with the best minds of the day; read a little good literature; commence where you like—you will start with fiction—but start. The present is an opportune time to become a subscriber to the Mechanics' Institute, and we trust that the list of members will be at least doubled.

Local and General News.

MESSRS. J. K. WOTHERSPOON & Co. direct attention to their advertisement on next page. Call or write for price lists. Civility, prompt attention, and satisfaction ensured.—(Adv.)

The secretary of the Beaufort Brass Band desires to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a donation of 10s 6d towards the funds of the Band from Cr. D. Stewart.

The miners of Raglan have arranged to hold a ball in the Public Hall on Monday night next, in aid of the Cardigan Disaster Relief Fund. The price of a double ticket is 2s. Refreshments will be provided.

Mr. J. Ball having generously offered to convey the members of the Beaufort Brass Band to and from Raglan free of charge, the Band will play selections of music at the ball during the night.

At a general meeting of the Beaufort Brass Band, held on Monday night in the temporary practice room (the old butter factory), it was unanimously decided to hold the annual concert in July next, on a date to be fixed by the sub-committee. A committee was formed for the purpose of arranging a concert at Raglan, in about three weeks' time, in aid of the Cardigan Disaster Relief Fund and the Ballarat Hospital.

A painful accident befel Guard J. Dunn on Tuesday evening. He was in charge of the 3.15 goods train from Stawell, which stopped at Dobbs to shunt some trucks. He had just uncoupled the trucks, when a heavy iron stanchion, used on the truck to keep the tarpaulin up, fell suddenly, striking him on the head, and inflicting a severe wound, which bled profusely.

Mr. J. Dunn was knocked down by the stanchion, and his clothes bespattered with blood, creating some concern amongst the railway officials, with whom he is very popular.—"Star."

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We have to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the constitution and rules of the Machine Shearers and Shed Employees' Union. The hon. secretary is Mr. J. Lesby, and the office is at Queen Place, Ballarat. The Union claims to be run on true Union lines as "a Union of workers, not a clique of agitators."

A correspondent writes:—Football was the game they played; the scene, a fine, stately street, Beaufort. It is an unalloyed game if played in any of the public thoroughfares within the township boundary, as everybody knows. Yet, the old saying still holds good—"boys will be boys"—and hence on Thursday afternoon a number of lads indulged in a fierce contest at the locality mentioned above. They, however, knew they were transgressing, and hence (good generals they were) they considered it necessary to place outposts in certain places within an easy distance of the field of battle in order to report the approach of the enemy in the person of Senior-constable Jones. And well did they do this, and the result was the battle of the Union, and the combatants all excited to reach the goal, when the ominous word, "Chivvy," rent the air, and in less time than it takes to record it, there was not a combatant on the field. Never did Boers or British retire in greater disorder, nor more effectually efface themselves from the view of enemy than did these juvenile footballers. Senior-constable Jones now led the fold alone, which a few minutes previously had been the scene of a terrific encounter for supremacy. All unconcerned of the events of the past half-hour, the constable, with regulation step, wended his way homeward. Had he but cast his far-seeing eye westward, he would have noticed a group of what looked like sparrows perched on a fence in a line with the western horizon. Need it be said these objects, on examination, would have been found to be footballers, not sparrows.

Harvest thanksgiving services are advertised for to-morrow (Sunday), at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., in the Beaufort Methodist Church. Both services will be conducted by the Rev. W. J. Bottoms. Mr. Bottoms will also conduct a pleasant Sunday afternoon service in the Church at 3 o'clock to-morrow. Solos are to be rendered by Messrs A. H. Cunningham and T. Bottoms (of Marton), and Messrs F. Loftus and N. Davey.

The latter service will be taken up in aid of the Primitive Methodist minister. All are cordially invited.

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Australian Natives' Association.

WATERLOO BRANCH.

The fortnightly meeting of the Waterloo branch A.N.A. was held in the Societies Hall on Tuesday evening; Mr C. W. Jones (in the chair), and about 20 members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

From Middle Creek branch, re debate between the two branches, stating that they would be ready by the end of May, and would submit the date later on.—Left in hands of secretary.

From Progress Twp., I.O.R., Beaufort, forwarding complimentary tickets to a social.—The President and Secretary to represent the branch.

From Dr. C. Lethbridge, as follows:—"I am obliged by your communication, enclosing report of sub-committee appointed to enquire into my complaint. I congratulate the sub-committee on the principles they lay down with regard to holding the lists as even as possible. Let me, however, say that I have never had any desire to fetter the free choice of members of a medical officer, but this is precisely what cannot be done in the interest of one medical man in particular does. And that such canvassing has taken place on a very large scale, no unbiased person can doubt. We need go no further than the sub-committee itself—

at least one of its members has been so canvassed. As a member of the Medical Defence Union of Victoria, I am bound to discourage canvassing, either directly or indirectly, as being opposed to the interests and principles of the medical profession. I am glad, therefore, of this opportunity of saying that I am convinced that my adherence to strictness, and, I trust, to my disadvantage, place matters on a more equitable basis."

Consideration of this letter was at first held over till the general business came on, the Chairman stating that perhaps the President or members of the sub-committee would then be present and be able to throw some light on the matter. As none of these attended, it was subsequently decided, on the motion of Secretary Hill, that the letter lie on the table till the next meeting. He remarked that the member of the sub-committee who was evidently referred to was present before the meeting, but had to leave. He saw the letter and wished the matter postponed till next meeting, as he would have something to say with regard to it. It was rather a peculiar accusation, he thought.

Two benefit members were proposed. The Secretary reported that two members were on the sick list, and £2 10s sick pay, was passed for payment, as also 10s 6d as medical fees to the Carlton branch. The Treasurer reported that the contributions for the evening amounted to £8 8s 8d.

The Secretary intimated that the item on the syllabus was a "Musical Night," his name contributed by Messrs C. W. Jones, W. T. Hill, W. D. Smith, and J. R. Wotherspoon; while the names were given by Messrs Wotherspoon and E. J. Jones. Mr Wotherspoon also gave a number of instrumental and vocal selections on his photograph. Each item was cordially received, and a very pleasant time was spent. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the performers, and especially Mr Wotherspoon, for the enjoyable entertainment, on the proposition of Dr. Eadie, seconded by Mr Parker; Mr Wotherspoon responding.

MIDDLE CREEK BRANCH. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The fortnightly meeting of the Middle Creek branch of the A.N.A. was held in the Middle Creek Public Hall on Friday, the 11th inst.; the President (Mr W. L. Fay) in the chair. There was a good attendance of members and visitors present, but on account of the annual picnic committee holding a meeting the same evening, only the usual business in connection with the branch was transacted. One new benefit member was duly elected. A letter was received from the members for M. Burke, thanking the members for a letter of congratulation on his election as president of the association, and being connected with the life of their branch he would always take a great interest in Middle Creek. The president reported that tickets were selling fast for concert in aid of the Cardigan Disaster Relief Fund. They found it necessary to get another 100 printed. He would ask members to assist in disposing of the remaining tickets. The treasurer's report on money taken brought the meeting to a close.

Middle Creek. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

After the A.N.A. meeting on the 11th inst., the annual picnic committee held their final meeting; Mr C. H. Taylor in the chair. Contributions, including balance from ball, amounted to about £25. Accounts to the amount of £23 were passed for payment. Accounts not to hand were left with the treasurer, secretary, and chairman to settle as they came in. It was also decided to have a waitresses' social on Wednesday. Arrangements were left with the secretary. The usual votes of thanks to the ladies and officers closed the meeting.

The Plague has come to light again. To give us a little scare. Death stares us in the face, that's plain. Let every one take care. Attend to every ailment that You may have to endure, Drive off your cough and put on fat With Woods' GREAT PEPPERMINT CURE.

Ararat and Stawell Mining Board.

A special meeting of the above Board was held at the board's rooms, Ararat, on Monday. There were present—Messrs N. McD. (chairman), and Messrs Williamson, East, Bristow, Holt, H. L. C. B. Brown, Humphreys and Curuck.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

From Secretary for Lands, requesting a report upon the following applications—George Stevens, for sale 37a, parcel Mount Cole; no objection. Chas. L. junr., 20a, section 65 Land Act 1893; parish Raglan; no objection. G. Baynes, 20a, section 65 Land Act 1893; parish Raglan; no objection. A. E. Baynes, 20a, section 65, Land Act 1893; no objection. G. A. Dunne, 171a, section 35, Land Act 1901, parish Traralgon; no objection.

From the Department of Mines, stating in reply to the board's application for 10 copies of the Land Act 1901, that the Minister of Lands had limited the supply to one copy.

The chairman thought the board should take some further action in the matter, for they could not really report on leases unless they each had a copy of the Land Act for their guidance. He considered they should again approach the department with a view to getting more copies.

Mr Bath—Kyabram I Kyabram again. (Laughter.)

Mr Browne also urged the necessity for securing a copy for each member, for it was impossible to give a correct report unless they had a copy of the Act to guide them.

Mr Bath—It's the Minister of Mines this time.

Mr Browne—The "Ago" has told him not to.

Mr Bath suggested that they should obtain the influence of the Minister of Mines, and the members for the division, to secure additional copies.

Mr Browne—I must admit that I am endeavouring to secure them on my own account now.

Mr Bath moved—"That further application be made for additional copies of the Land Act." Seconded by Mr Bristow and carried.

From the Department of Mines and Water Supply, stating that the board would be furnished with plans showing the various leases in the Ararat Mining District. Received.

From the Beechworth Mining Board, asking co-operation in an application to the Department to supply tracings of all leases to members of Mining Boards. Members were of opinion that the letter received from the Mines Department showed that the request had already been complied with.

Mr Williamson moved—"That the clerk inform the Beechworth Board that the request has been complied with by the department." Seconded by Mr Curnick and carried.

Mr Hodgkins remarked that at last meeting he asked that certain records be placed before the board in regard to mining board elections. They knew what had been done in the past, but he believed that the Minister intended to introduce some amendments to the mining statutes, and it behooved them to get the amendments they considered necessary incorporated. They were very simple, namely, a small deposit by each candidate and also a provision by which candidates would be enabled to retire. At the present time no provision existed for the retirement of candidates, and it would simplify matters considerably to have one.

The clerk read copies of resolutions carried in regard to similar matters some years ago, which suggested a deposit of £5 by each candidate at mining board elections, and also a date being fixed for the retirement of candidates. These were forwarded to the department, and it was stated in reply that the suggestions would receive consideration when amendments were contemplated.

The correspondence which passed between the department and the board was also read, and after some consideration Mr Hodgkins moved—"That the Minister of Mines' attention be directed to the correspondence from his department, dated the 17th February, 1900, and 23rd April, 1899, in reference to the amendments suggested by this board in any amendment of the Mining Statute, and trusts same will be considered when any amendment of the Statute is proposed by the Minister." Seconded by Mr Curnick and carried.

The chairman expressed pleasure that the board had adopted the resolution, for he thought it was only right in the interests of the Mining Boards that a deposit should be insisted on at elections, and thus restricting the Mining Board elections to legitimate candidates only. He need not refer to what had occurred in the Barkly division, and he considered a deposit a very necessary provision, and was pleased that the board had seen fit to pass the resolution.

Mr Williamson referred to the satisfactory amounts received by prospecting parties in the Ararat and Stawell mining district, under the allocation of the mining grant, and moved—"That the board desire to express its thanks to the Hon. the Minister of Mines for the allocation of the mining grant to prospecting parties in Ararat and Stawell mining district." Seconded by Mr Bath and carried.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for 26th May, to be held at Stawell.—Abridged from "Advertiser."

Mr D. S. Jones, who has been in charge of the Ararat Presbyterian Mission District for about 18 months, and has been appointed to the Forster and Torra District in South Gippsland, will (says the "Advertiser") conduct his farewell services on Sunday next at Dobbs, Cathedral School, and Armatrons.

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TOPICAL ARTICLE.

EXTRADITION.

Scarcely a week passes without the public being informed by the press either that certain police officers from Great Britain have arrived in Australia, charged with the apprehension of some presumed offender; or that some police officers of one of these States have been despatched to England for the purpose of identifying and arresting an absconding defaulter from this part of the world.

But when it happens that the alleged offender has taken refuge in the territories of a foreign Power, the work of recovering him, with the object of having his imputed offence investigated by the tribunals of the country from which he has escaped, is somewhat more complicated.

The extradition of criminals is based upon a principle on which there is international concurrence of opinion. It is held to be to the common interest of mankind that offences against person and property, offences which militate against the general well-being of society, should be repressed by punishment, as the means of deterring others from committing similar crimes, and as well as deterring the criminal himself from repeating the offence.

Indeed after a treaty on the subject with France had been concluded in 1843, the application of its provisions was beset with many difficulties, and in the course of the subsequent twenty-two years, only one demand out of several scores made by France was successful. The great social convulsions of the period may be accounted for the sensitiveness of the public mind to the danger of the possibility of political offenders being delivered over to the vengeance of their rivals; but it was grounded most of the miserable technicality upon some minor considerations.

It was long the practice of various foreign States to surrender fugitives to other States, without the existence of any express treaty stipulations; but the principle of non-surrender without was evolved from the common law of England before the principle was embodied in a statute passed in 1870 which precluded the surrender of fugitives in the absence of a treaty. That Act moreover provides that a person who surrendered shall not be tried or punished for any other offence than that for which his surrender was granted.

The agreement of this doctrine for a time caused some friction between England and the United States. In 1876, a man named Lawrence was surrendered to the American Government, charged with forging and uttering a certain bond and affidavit. On arriving at New York, he was arrested on three warrants in respect of forgery and smuggling, not being offences for which he was extradited.

The British Government demurred to this interpretation of extradition law, and for a time the controversy threatened the existence of the international treaty, but fortunately a

discussion of the Supreme Court of the United States affirmed the principle that a second trial under the circumstances described is not legal, and the difficulty was thus removed. Within the limits of the British dominions such complications are not possible, but the instances referred to are historically interesting. Among the commonest incidents of the world may be noticed the accounts given of the perpetrators, scouring the parts of the earth where they see the most favorable chances of escape, and their movements are watched with keen attention by the public. The clever rogues may find a haven of temporary safety, and give some surrender, but the formal process of extradition proved the hope of permanently evading the pursuit of justice is indeed a brittle one.

HOW DIAMONDS ARE MINED AND CUT.

Modern methods are knocking all that is romantic out of diamond mining. The old-fashioned diamond-seekers have been shoved out of the way by the ingenious combination of machinery that goes to make up a modern diamond mining plant. Somehow it does not seem right and proper to couple ore and crushers, washing machines, cables water electric and compressed air, steam and dynamite, with the regal diamond, but that is just the combination that brings to the surface from the extinct volcanoes in South Africa the gems that have made Kimberley famous.

In the Kimberley mines the precious stones are concealed in a blue "ground" — a sort of cement which is hard and of a greenish-blue colour. In the beginning of the diamond-mining industry in that field the clay was quarried out, drilled, and blasted, just as it was ordinary rock. This clay with its hidden sparklers, lay in the dead crater of a volcano, which, in time became a huge pit, an enormous excavation, having a bottom covering an area of about 20 acres and some 500ft. deep.

After a time this process of excavation reached a point where it was not so economical to mine according to that method, so shafts were sunk, and the diamond mines became the conventional subterranean mines. The diamond-bearing earth after being hoisted to the bottom of the pit, and thence to the surface, technically called the "floor," is hard and lumpy. Machinery prepares the blue earth for the washing process almost as soon as it is sent to the surface.

After the stones are sorted they are sent to Europe to be cut. An uncut diamond looks to the unlearned eye like a piece of quartz, of a dull, white colour. The diamond dust and the little chips that come off during the process of cutting are caught in an iron box, which is partially filled with oil, and kept for the polishing which follows the preliminary cutting.

It is sometimes necessary to split the stone and here again the judgment and experience of the cutter are brought into play. He can split the stone with a chisel if he correctly determines the natural cleavage of the diamond. He is apt to make a mistake, however, and such mistakes are often expensive for many fine diamonds have been ruined because the natural cleavage was not found.

SIR J. WILCOCKS ON THE BRITISH SOLDIER.

"AN HONOUR TO HIS UNIFORM."

Reuter's representative at Southampton had an interview with Colonel Sir James Wilcocks, who left for the front recently. Sir James, who has been in England since his return from Ashanti a year ago, has been offered a district command in India, which he hopes to take up in August next, on his return from South Africa. Lady Wilcocks left for India a few days ago, on a short visit. She will return to London in April before leaving. Sir James, in reply to questions, said: "It was only a fortnight ago that I was informed by the Commander-in-Chief that I was to proceed to South Africa. On reaching Cape Town I shall receive orders as to my destination. I am perfectly well aware of this campaign, now approaching its termination, and I am a totally different character from anything I have ever been engaged in either in Afghanistan, the Indian frontier, Burma, the Sudan, or Ashanti; and I shall no doubt learn much in tactics, but so far as endurance and hardships are concerned I do not expect to find much new."

"In common with all soldiers of experience, I cannot but repeat what has been already said by far greater authorities of the invariable humanity of the British soldier under every form of trial and provocation. Whether with a wounded Afghan, a starved Burman, a dying Sudanese or Ashanti, I have never in all my experience seen a case in which the British soldier has not shown to the greatest advantage and to the honour of the uniform he wore. My own conviction is that a more brave and humane man than 'Tommy Atkins' was never created. As one who has fought side by side with him on many occasions, I record my detestation of the recent calumnies against him."

TIED OUT.

"Are you an Odd Fellow?" "No sir, I've been married for a week." "I mean, do you belong to the Order of Odd Fellows?" "No, no; I belong to the order of married men." "Mercy! how stupid. Are you a Mason?" "No; I am a carpenter by trade." "Worse and worse! Are you a Son of Temperance?" "Doh! you, no. I'm a son of Mr. John Gosling." "And the querist went away."

About Shoes.—Never wear a shoe that pinches the heel. Never wear a boot or shoe so large in the heel that the foot is not kept in place. Never wear a shoe or boot that has depressions in any part of the sole to drop any joint or bearing below the level plane. Never wear a shoe with the toes turning up, as this causes the cords at the upper part of the foot to contract. Never wear a shoe that presses up into the hollow of the foot. Never have the tops of the boots tight, as it interferes with the action of the callus-making one walk badly, and spoils the shape of the ankle. Never wear a short stocking or one that after being washed is not at least one-half inch longer than the foot. Bear in mind that stockings shrink; be sure that they will allow your toes to spread out at the extreme end, as this keeps the joints in place, and makes a strong and attractive foot.

A DRAWINGROOM GAME.

DUMB CRAMBO.

This is a game where the players must be divided into two parties, one party to remain in the room while the other goes out. The party in the room select a word, such as "laugh" or "dance" or "eat," etc. The other party are then called into the room, and are told that the word has been chosen which rhymes with—naming the rhyme for the word selected.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

"An' hoo's the guid wife, Sandy," said one farmer to another when they met in the market-place and exchanged snuff-boxes. "Did ye no hear that she's dead and buried?" "Said Sandy solemnly. "Dear me!" exclaimed his friend sympathetically. "Surely it must have been very sudden?" "Oo, ay, it was sudden," returned Sandy. "Ye see when she turned ill we had na time ta send for the doctor. Sa' I gae'd her a bit medicine I had lying in a drawer for a year or twa, an' that I had ga'e the doctor myself, but had na ta'en. What the medicine was I dinna ver' well ken, but she died dianna ver' well. It was I that was useful, taken shortly before retiring at night."

REMARKABLE DISCOVERY OF ASSYRIAN TABLETS DESCRIBING NOAH'S ARK.

One of the most remarkable archaeological discoveries of the age has recently been made at the British Museum during the slow course of deciphering the cuneiform inscriptions on earthen tablets found in the ruins of the library of Assurbanipal, the magnificent king of Assyria from 668 B.C. to 626 B.C. The new find is that of a tablet, describing in detail Noah's ark, giving the dimensions of the structure, and enumerating the animals that were carried into it to save them from the deluge.

This ancient record, pre-dating even the ancient Assyrian reign by no one knows how many centuries, or even tens of centuries, treats the story of the ark not as a legend but as actual history. According to the dimensions given in the record, the hull of the ark was almost twice as long, and more than ten times as wide as the Oceanic or Celtic, the two biggest ships in the world to-day. Either of the two big ships, when in dry dock tower 80ft. from keel to lower deck. The deckhouse alone, of the ark, according to the tablets, was more than three times as high as that. So large was this deckhouse that neither the Oceanic or the Celtic could accommodate it in their hulls, for it alone was 400ft. longer than either of these ships are over all. The description of the ark as given in the tablet depicts it as having been a good boathouse in form. Thus the present and common conception of what its appearance was is identical with that conveyed by the old record.

The dimensions are given in cubits in the tablet. It is assumed that the cubit used then is the old Egyptian cubit, which is as shown by old measuring sticks found in Egyptian tombs, is 20.64 inches. The Hebrew cubit used later was slightly different, but there has been no positive agreement as to its exact length. In Genesis VI, it is given as being 18 cubits. It is to be 300 cubits in length, 50 cubits in breadth, and 30 cubits in height. Whether the difference between these figures and those found on the newly-deciphered tablet is to be accounted for by the difference between varied cubits is a matter we do not profess to explain, but according to the tablet the ark was 788 cubits long and 410 cubits in its greatest width. It has on its top a deckhouse built of cedar rafters 960 cubits long and 390 cubits wide, and 150 cubits high. Thus using the Egyptian cubit as the basis of measurement, the dimensions of the ark were: Length all over, 1,355ft.; width or beam, 705ft.; height 258ft. If we take what is known as the sacred cubit—25in.—the dimensions of the ark come out bigger even than those just stated.

The Celtic and the Oceanic are 704ft. long, 73ft. and 86ft. beam respectively, and 80ft. from keel to top of the deck. Therefore, if it is floated alongside of either of these two ships would hide them completely. The top of its deckhouse would be much higher than the tops of the masts of the big liners. While no record is given of its weight there having been no system of estimating the sizes of the vessels used in the past, it is evident that the ark must have displaced much more water than did any modern vessel. The tablet, after giving the dimensions of the ark, went on to describe the arrangements of the deckhouse. There was ample room on each side of the deckhouse for moving about, a space 17ft. wide having been left on each side of the craft between the deckhouse and the gunwale of the ark. At each end was a great deck, where the inmates rested during the day. One might suppose that the deck was simply a raised promenade, if not in form to the promenade decks on the modern liners.

The work of deciphering the inscription has not been completed, and only a partial list of the animals that were carried into the ark has been made out so far as yet. The animals in the order given: dromedaries, camels, oxen, mules, asses, sheep, goats, rams, hares, and rabbits as well as the list of birds. Then follow swallows and ravens. All this agrees with the account of the building and voyage of the ark as given in the Bible, except in the order in which the birds are named.

The order in which the birds are mentioned agrees with the story of the deluge told in another Assyrian tablet, of which, however, only a fragment was found. This was deciphered some years ago by George Smith. In it the sailing of the ark is mentioned without the details as in this building, which have been found in the tablet just described. The story there tells how the Assyrian hero at the deluge, Tam-zi (the sun of life), floated for seven days, when there came a calm and he waited seven days and still the water did not subside. So he heeded a dove. It returned. A swallow which returned liberated a smaller dove which returned also. A raven which did not return. Then arguing that the raven had found it was safe to leave the protection of the ark, Tam-zi was filled with hope. He left the ark and made libation on the mountain that appeared above the waters then and which, according to the Babylonian narrative, was Mount Nizar. The order of the sailing out of the birds, it will be seen is different in the Biblical narrative. So is the ending of the deluge story. The

AN ARCHITECTURAL CURIOSITY.

Among its many fine buildings, Turin, in Italy, has an architectural curiosity that few people notice, and fewer people closely examine. It is as inconspicuous as a "big thing" as can be imagined owing to its location, colour and the slender lines of its ambitious spire. It is called the "Mole Antonelliana." What "mole" means is not explained, but the latter part of the name refers to a mad architect who planned and commenced the structure. It was designed as a Jewish synagogue, and aimed to rival the Tower of Babel in height, but it not only did not reach to heaven with its needle-like spire, but it tired out the generosity of the Chosen People who first fathered it and it was sold to the Italian Government without a suggestion of what might become of it in secular hands.

Imagine, if you can, one room 84 ft. square and 333ft. high, standing in a plain which no sense of disproportion is felt, with the spire above it reaching to the height of 538ft. For comparison this is higher than any Cathedral spire in Europe. From the lowest cellar to the highest gallery where one may look round there are 1,024 steps. The Italian Government is completing the building in spite of its deformities as a memorial to Victor Emanuel II., and a place of inscription of the names of 60,000 heroes who have been sacrificed in the numerous wars Italy has suffered. As a whole the "Mole Antonelliana" is a combination of deceptions. It is not conspicuous and yet it is the biggest thing of its kind in the world; it outrages all the standards of proportion, and still it is unusually harmonious when closely or casually examined; it resembles the temporariness of galvanised iron and is, in fact built of the finest material; it suggests the religious but is devoted to secular purposes; instead of being an emblem of peace, it stands a monument to war; instead of dominating the city and competing with the surrounding Alps, it is hidden away among buildings only a tenth its height—it is in fact, not only an architectural curiosity but a bunch of contradictions—a very paradox.

DIDN'T KNOW HER.

Board School Teacher: "I am going to talk to you about an eclipse of the moon. Have any of you ever seen an eclipse?" This question was followed by some minutes of silence, and then a small girl with bright eyes and smiling face, eagerly held her hand up.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

School children sit with their back to the teacher in China. If a man uses a porous plaster he is apt to become very much attached to it. The brass drum doesn't make good music, but it often drowns a lot that is bad. Pineapples, either raw or cooked, are recommended to persons with weak throats. Among the few great joys of life is staying in bed fifteen minutes after we know we ought to get up. The largest egg laid by any European bird is that of the swan; the smallest that of the golden-crested wren.

The noble-minded man is always striving after greater things, yet it is with the consciousness that a benevolent rest upon the common tasks. A good and wise man may at times be angry with the world, and at times grieved for it; but no man was ever discontented with the world if he did his duty in it. If the chimney catches fire, run to the salt-box, and empty it out upon the flames; they will be reduced as if by magic, and further steps can be taken to subdue the outbreak. Few persons know how valuable soap-suds prove when used as a fertilizer. Applied to the roots of vines, trees, &c., they impart a vigour and rapidity of growth which is surprising. No one who is lucky enough to have a garden ought to allow soap-suds to be thrown away.

To keep meat when it comes from the butcher's wife it with a dry cloth and hang it in a cool airy place, with a muslin bag filled with charcoal on each side. In this way it may hang for several days in the hottest weather, and yet be quite fresh when you are ready to cook it.

THE ATLANTIC-PACIFIC CANAL.

There was some fear that on the lapse of what is known as the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty with the United States serious difficulties would arise. Difficulties did indeed arise, and difficulties such as only a temperate and judicial tone of mind on both sides could have overcome. Happily after considerable diplomatic intercourse and correspondence the whole thing has been amicably arranged, and now we have before us in a Parliamentary paper the whole correspondence, with the final and revised treaty, which will be known in history as the "Hay-Pauncefote Treaty" under which the way has become clear for the construction of the great Canal between the coasts of the Atlantic and the Pacific Oceans through a line across a portion of the continent of America.

British Government found itself quite unable to accept the first draft of the new Treaty which was drawn up by Mr. Hay, more objection to certain amendments which had been embodied in it by the Senate. The main point was that the United States had reserved for itself such express powers that the principle of neutralization, to which both Governments had already implicitly agreed, were really set aside. "If the amendment were adopted," said our Government, "the obligation to respect the neutrality of the canal in all circumstances, would as far as Great Britain was concerned remain in force; the obligation of the United States, on the other hand, would be substantially modified. The result would be a one-sided arrangement, under which Great Britain would be debarred from any war-like action in or around the canal, while the United States would be able to resort to such action even in times of peace to whatever extent they might deem necessary to secure their own safety."

In another section it was laid down that Great Britain was placed at a serious disadvantage as compared with other powers, while the United States would have a treaty right to interfere with the canal in time of war, or apprehended war, and while other Powers could with a clear conscience disregard any of the restrictions imposed by the Convention of 1900, Great Britain alone would be absolutely precluded from taking measures of self-defence or resorting to any such action or interests in or near the Canal. By judicial modifications and omissions the Treaty has been brought into harmony alike with the sentiments of America and Great Britain and certainly no higher praise can be given to Mr. Hay and Lord Pauncefote than that throughout they both showed the utmost desire to meet each other in securing the great ends that were desired. 1. The neutralization of the canal was satisfactorily secured. 2. It was agreed that no change of circumnavigating or other territory through which the canal is intended to pass should relieve the contracting parties from their obligations under the Treaty, and that the rules adopted as the basis of neutralization must govern as far as possible all inter-oceanic communication.

The further points in the Treaty of practical weight may be thus summed up: 1. That the canal should never be blockaded, nor should any right of war be exercised, the United States being at liberty to maintain police for its protection. 2. War vessels should not be re-ventured or take stores beyond what is proved to be necessary. 3. No belligerent shall embark or disembark troops on the canal, or munitions of war, or warlike materials of any kind. 4. Vessels of war of a belligerent shall not remain on the waters of the canal for longer than twenty-four hours at any one time, unless in case of distress; and a vessel of one belligerent shall not depart within twenty-four hours from the departure of a vessel of war of the other belligerent. 5. Plant, etc. in time of war, as in time of peace shall enjoy complete immunity from attack or injury by belligerents, and from all acts calculated to impair their usefulness as parts of the canal.

Thus the first treaty of any moment signed by King Edward VII. ends a controversy with our kinsmen in America, and ends it in a most satisfactory manner. It has to do with an enterprise which can only aid the development of commerce, intercourse, and good understanding. To bring nations into nearer relations with each other invariably promotes good understanding, friendship and esteem and assures of certain sentiments and underlying aspirations in the minds of statesmen and diplomatists (if not even in the minds of peoples) that definite provisions should be taken to well-framed Treaties in advance to protect such works from all possible disturbances and ravages of war. We cannot insure a continuous peace. It is the unexpected that always happens. But here the contracting parties agreed absolutely to isolate and protect this waterway in all time coming from all possible attack or injury by any belligerent whatever. That we humbly think, is something gained. It is a good omen. We point to ever so much more. We trust it is but the harbinger of a trust that will more and more develop as time passes on. Friendly agreements of this kind in the interests of peace and progress and com-

merce cannot be overvalued. Thus has been secured a real gain to the morale of the world's business. And now what remains to look forward to and hope for? It is to see this canal busy with the commerce of the world. This is money. Distance lessened is something really added to the world's capital—to the world's possibilities, to the chances and the riches of every one. There is no loss in this direction. All are gainers by all such achievements, and gainers only.—"London Budget"

AUSTRALIAN CHARITABLE EFFORT.

In one particular New South Wales in common with the rest of Australia, differs greatly from other countries, especially those of the Old World. Wealth is more widely diffused, and the violent contrast between rich and poor, which seems so peculiar a phase of old-world civilization, finds no parallel in these southern lands.

That there is poverty in the States is unhappily true, but no one in Australia is born into conditions from which it is not easy to escape, and that hereditary pauper class, which forms so grave a menace to the freedom of many states, has, therefore, no existence either in the Commonwealth or in New Zealand. It is estimated that in the United Kingdom nine persons in every hundred possess property to the amount of £100, whereas in Australia the proportion is not less than 16 per cent. In New South Wales as in the other States the chief efforts of the authorities in the cause of charity are directed towards the rescue of the young from criminal companionship and temptation to crime, the support of the aged and infirm, and the care of the imbecile and insane, and in granting assistance to the private institutions for the cure of the sick and injured, and to societies established for the purpose of relieving the pressing necessities of those of the poorer classes who, through improvidence or lack of employment by the breadwinner of the family, find themselves temporarily in want.

In the year ending June 30 1901, the New South Wales State expenditure on hospitals and charities amounted to nearly half a million sterling, the suppression of the malarial plague absorbing over £202,000. The number of metropolitan and country hospitals (exclusive of private institutions) in the state is 116 with 9,335 beds. The total amount annually raised from all sources, public and private, in the state for charitable purposes of every kind cannot be less than two-thirds of a million; probably it is considerably more. Perhaps in no part of the world (writes a Sydney correspondent to an Ararat paper) are those possessed of independent means more ready to assist their less fortunate brethren than in New South Wales.

A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

A sea-captain tells the following story.—Once bound for Melbourne I had as a member of my crew, a Malay named Lerassi. For threatening behaviour and theft I had been compelled to put him in irons for seven days. This seemed to tame him but it did not strangle the devil within him. One evening before dusk I turned in early, but sleep entirely forsook me. A strange uneasy feeling kept me tossing about for some hours. At last I sprang out of bed, partially dressed myself and then mounted the poop. After pacing backwards and forwards for a short time, I leaned over the rail and gazed at the blinking lights on shore. A peculiar noise caused me to look down, when I was amazed to see the door of the saloon open, and a crouching figure emerge, and then shoot into the shadow of the bulwark. An alarm was raised but before my hands could be laid on the murderer, he disappeared over the side. On re-entering my cabin, I saw a sight that struck a chill into my very bones. In quitting my bed, I had thrown the bed-clothes into a heap, which, in the dim light resembled the form of a person asleep. Plunged to the heart in this imagined form was a peculiar two-edged iron knife the property of Lerassi! Next morning—by a strange irony—the body of Lerassi lay athwart our anchor chain, with a fendish grin of seeming satisfaction on his dead features.

QUITE FORGOTTEN.

He was one of the smart men who like to show their cleverness. "See me make him look small," he said, as the beggar approached. Then he listened solemnly to the tale of ill-luck. "That's the same old story you told me last week," he said when the vagrant had finished. "Is it?" was the reply. "Perhaps it is," he admitted. "but I had quite forgotten meeting you for the moment. But I was doing seven days last week and there were such a lot of you see."

Japanese dolls are usually most elaborate and gorgeously attired for the princely families keep their toys and pass them down to their descendants. The braided silks for the dolls' robes are specially woven in miniature patterns on small looms. The wooden dolls are often beautifully carved and enamelled. It appears that William II. is the only European sovereign who always carries a revolver. He is convinced that sooner or later he will be the object of an attempted assassination, and he has decided that when the moment comes he will sell his life dearly.

A Goddess of Africa

ST. GEO RATHBORNE

CHAPTER XV. WITH THE CLIFF CLIMBERS.

Jim Bludsoe did not go down with the avalanche of geists that detached from the face of the mighty cliff...

no longer did the light of the moon passing through the veil that had been drawn across her face serve to illumine the crater...

which the little company of adventurers had found lodged, and their three outcrops warned the whites that their position was accurately known.

ARE ANTS OF AID TO FRUIT GROWERS. CAN the ant be enlisted into the service of man and be utilised for a beneficial purpose by the fruit grower?

HIDING FROM FATHER. There is something peculiarly sorrowful to me in the way in which the children of some households slip quietly out of the door...

A Drink for Life or Death. I came to India in 1855 as a private in the 4th Regiment, and my company formed part of the garrison at Arcoot.

A WALK THROUGH A SALTWORKS. The first thing that strikes the eye in the salt country are huge frameworks, towering up into the sky, looking like the skeletons of cathedral spires.

A CURE FOR SUMMER. Summer complaints are among children this year. I developed cases in the week last week by the use of the medicine...

Stockyard Hill a Smithy. The annual picnic of the residents of Stockyard Hill was held on the 14th inst. in the usual spot...

A CURE FOR SUMMER COMPLAINT
Summer complaint is usually prevalent
among children this season. A well
developed case in the writer's family

Stockyard Hill and Lake Goldsmith Picnic.

The annual public picnic provided by
the residents of Stockyard Hill and
Lake Goldsmith took place on Wednesday

twelve melonades. The ladies who so
assiduously served on the refreshments
were—Mrs T. Ward, Misses Hannah

Execution of McNamara.

At the Melbourne Gaol on Monday
morning Edward McNamara was
executed for a crime of a diabolical

THE SAME OLD STORY.
J. A. Kelly takes an experience similar
to that which has happened in almost every
neighborhood in the United States

MINING NEWS.

The following mining leases have
been declared void:—A. J. Wadsworth
11a, 3r, 21p, parish of Longi-kal-kal

SAM SLICK COMPANY.

The following report was placed before
shareholders at the half-yearly meeting
of the company held at Ballarat yesterday

HISTORIC PARRAMATTA JOINS IN The Praise.

Mr. JAMES J. ARTLETT.

(From the "Parramatta Times.")
Our reporter met Mr. James Artlett, of
Wentworth-street, Parramatta, and
questioned him concerning his recent illness

A GOOD REPUTATION.

"The way in which a good reputation is to
be earned is what you desire to appear."
That is precisely the manner in which
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GROWN LANDS.

THE undermentioned applications have
been lodged, and will be dealt with by
a Local Land Board, to be held at this
Office, on Thursday, 1st May, 1902, at 10
o'clock a.m.

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The reform conference, held at the
Athens Hall, Melbourne, on Thursday
(says the "Age") was splendidly
representative of the strong public opinion
throughout the State in favor of
Parliamentary and public service reform.

The following report was placed before
shareholders at the half-yearly meeting
of the company held at Ballarat yesterday.

Our reporter met Mr. James Artlett, of
Wentworth-street, Parramatta, and
questioned him concerning his recent illness.

"You are putting the cart before the
horse, Mr. Artlett; let us see the facts in
their due order of happening, please."
What was the course of your symptoms?

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Licence declared void.—Edwin Rogie, son, 52a, under 67th section; land to be made available under division III, part 1, Land Act 1901; land not yet available for application.

The Riponshire Advocate.

No. 1274

BEAUFORT, SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 1902

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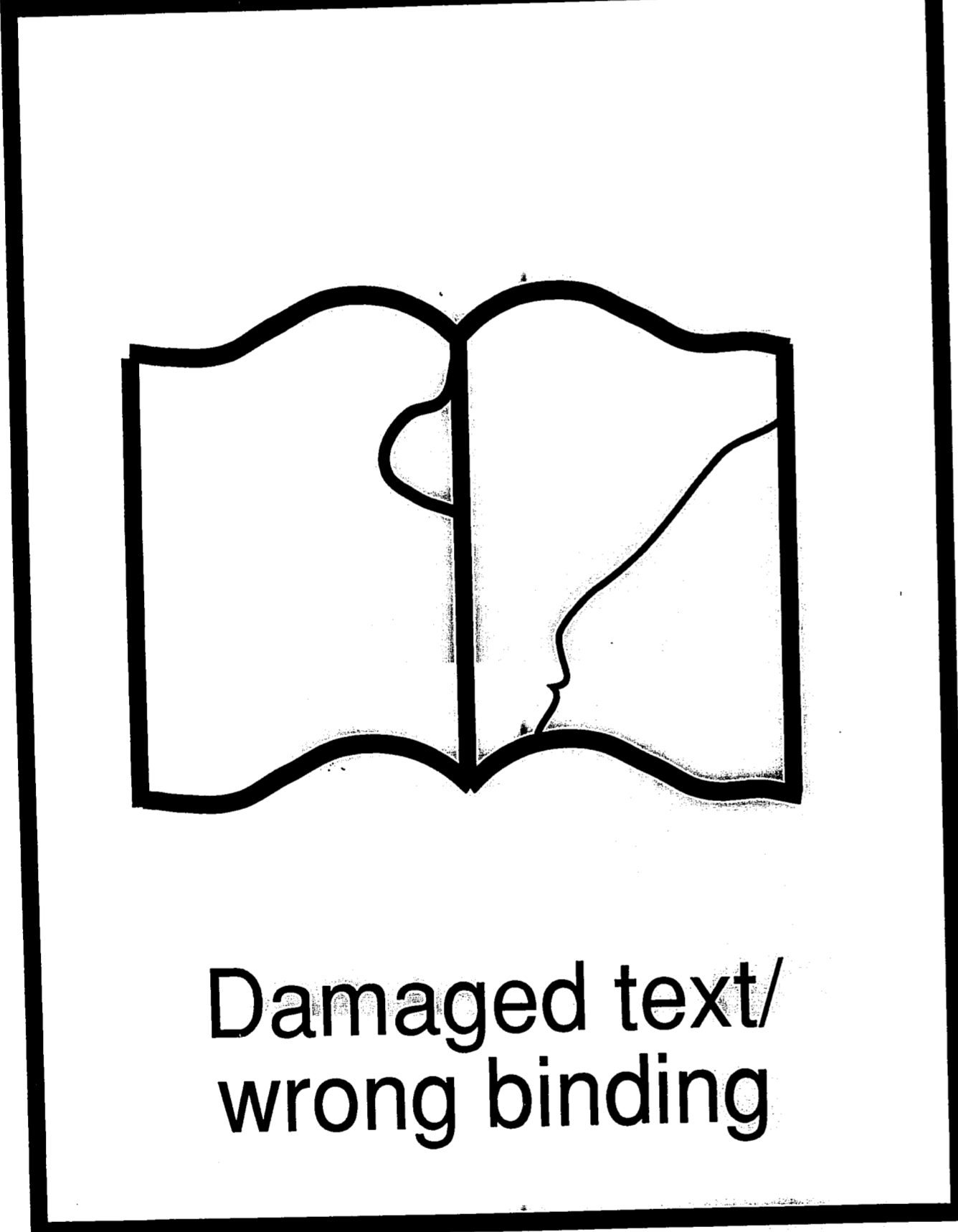


To our Readers and Patrons.

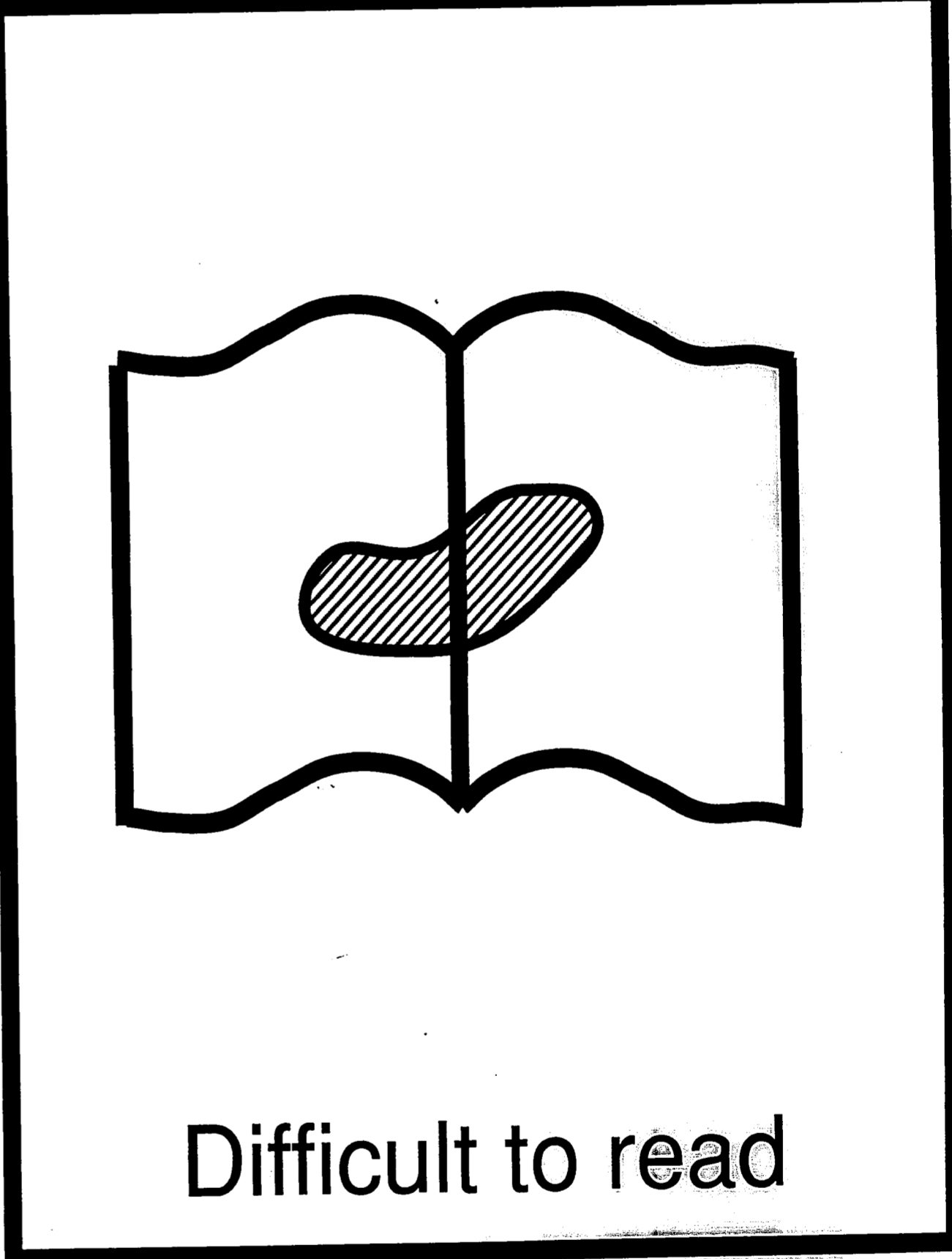
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Give your orders for JOB PRINTING to the newspaper in your district, because it is the newspaper which receives no payment for which it receives no payment whatever. It is always spending its time and money to benefit and improve the prospects of the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

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Executed with Neatness and Despatch.

Bear in mind that

ALWAYS PAYS.

Business men should note that as the Local Paper is extensively read in this 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 passed off by unprincipled vendors. The words "LINCOLN and MIDLAND COUNTIES DRUG COMPANY, LINCOLN, ENGLAND," are engraved on the Government Stamp, and are prominent on the wrapper. NONE BUT GENUINE.

MINING LEASES.

It is notified for general information that applicants for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to lodging the application, to insert in the newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or if no such newspaper, then in one published nearest the district, an advertisement or notice in the form marked "A" in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

No angel watch the golden bait
To welcome home a millionaire.
To such a man the noisy din
Of traffic may not enter in,
For bargain hunters by the score
Shall pass nor heed his dingy door;
For tho' his sign is on the wall
And on some barnyard gate a scrawl,
No people who have cast and sense,
Go prancing around to read the fence.
The man who never asks for trade
By local line or ad, displayed
Cares more for rest than worldly gain
And patronage but gives him pain;
Tread lightly, friends, let no rude sound
Disturb his solitude profound
Here let him live in calm repose
Unthought 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 dispel
The quiet that he loved so well,
And that the world may know its loss
Place on his grave a wreath of moss
And on the stone above, "Here lies
A chump who wouldn't advertise."
—Mortimer Crane Brown.

Don't COUGH.—Relief can be obtained immediately. Use "KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES"—well known as the utterly unrivaled Cough Remedy. Strongly recommended by many eminent physicians. They at once check the cough and remove the cause—without any after effect; the most delicate and feeblest take them. One Lozenge alone gives ease—one or two at bedtime ensures rest. Sold everywhere in this 13th, each.

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

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

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

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, in writing, are considered as wishing to continue their subscriptions.
2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their newspapers, the publisher may continue to send them until arrears are paid.
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 intentional fraud.
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 shampoo an elephant with a thimbleful of soapuds as attempt to do business and ignore advertising."

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OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
BALL TICKETS & PROGRAMMES,
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MINING SCRIP, REPORTS, &c.,
PAMPHLETS, CIRCULARS,
BILLHEADS, POSTERS,
DELIVERY BOOKS,
DRAPERS' HANDBILLS,
CATALOGUES, MOURNING CARDS,
SOIRÉE & DINNER TICKETS,
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Of Every description executed at the
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MINING SCRIP, CALL, RECEIPT
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Prepared on the shortest notice

Advertisement for J. McKeich, Importer, Beaufort. Features 'NOW SHOWING' for Easter holidays, a magnificent assortment of autumn and winter millinery, dresses, ladies' mackintoshes, jackets, capes, furs, muffers, tippets, etc. Also mentions an entire new stock of general Manchester goods at prices lower than ever.

Advertisement for J. McKeich, Importer, Beaufort. Lists various goods including men's suits, Chesterfields, and mackintoshes, as well as coats, trousers, vests, boys' suits, hats, shirts, and ties.

Advertisement for Bishel's Patent, Beaufort. Includes the name 'Bishel's Patent' in a stylized font and mentions 'The Riponshire Advocate'.

Advertisement for J. R. Wotherspoon & Co., General Merchants, Neill Street. Features an illustration of a man with a long white beard and a top hat. Text includes 'Speaks for it', 'The Riponshire Advocate', and lists various services like 'Agents for Beaufort and District' and 'Mr. Samuel Young, Barrister and Solicitor'.

Advertisement for The New Photography at Richards & Co.'s Famous Ballarat Studio. Promotes 'NEW SUBJECT PICTURES' such as 'Easter Sunday' and 'On the Terrace'. Mentions 'FINEST SELECTED AMERICAN LEAF' and 'HIGHEST QUALITY MANUFACTURED'.

Important Announcement. Mr J. W. Harris, junr., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST AND REGISTERED DENTAL SURGEON. Begs to inform the residents of Beaufort and surrounding district that he has COMMENCED BUSINESS on the premises lately occupied by Mr. J. B. Cochran, HAVELOCK ST., BEAUFORT.

Mr J. W. Harris, junr., B.S.S., Surgical and Mechanical Dentist. HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT. May be consulted DAILY from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Teeth fitted accurately in vulcanite or gold at lowest prices.

CREDIT FONCIER. 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.

THE Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 1902. The great Reform Conference has taken place, its decisions have been given to the Victorian Premier, and his immediate reply received.

HAVELOCK DARK OR AROMATIC TOBACCO. HIGHEST QUALITY MANUFACTURED. FINEST SELECTED AMERICAN LEAF. Advertisement for tobacco products.

Local and General News. Messrs. J. H. Womerspoon & Co. direct attention to their advertisement on next page. Call or write for price lists. CIVILTY, prompt attention, and satisfaction ensured.

Some difficulty was experienced on Tuesday in getting sufficient justices to adjudicate at the Beaufort Police Court. At 1:30 p.m., the time for commencing business, only Mr. M. Flynn, J.P., was present, and as he was the plaintiff in a debt case, he declined to sit on the Bench.

The quarterly general meeting of the Raglan branch A.M.A. was held at Waterloo on Saturday night last. Present—Messrs W. G. Davis (president), W. Stevens, A. Skene, M. Robinson, H. Stewart, A. Aldrich, H. Craswell, J. Pope, D. Stevens, D. Kennedy, J. Trainer, R. Laney, A. Rutherford, G. McCracken, E. Finch, W. Harris, H. Bennett, W. Jones, G. Woodfine, H. Smith, and A. Stevenson (secretary).

Mining News. The Government battery at Beaufort has been engaged this week in crushing cement for Mr. S. Baker. The Sons of Freedom Co., Raglan, pays its ninth monthly dividend on 8th May.

Beaufort Rifle Club. The half-yearly general meeting of the above club was held in the Mechanics' Institute on Friday evening, 18th inst. Mr. J. A. Hogg (president) in the chair, and 15 members present.

A Goddess of Africa

ST. GEO RATHBORNE

CHAPTER XVI.—(Continued.)

He received quite a shock, under the impression that he was on the brink, and for the moment dared not move...

Evidently matters were drawing perilously near a crisis of some sort, though the wonder of it was how their enemies could make better progress in the dark than they did by the aid of the torch...

Darkness still wrapped the earth in her sable mantle, and with an occasional flash came from the clouds, the rumble of thunder more distant...

A Private Detective's Story. The Moreton bank was a joint-stock bank in the North of England, with several branches. Each branch was managed by a separate manager...

When the bank closed (by the way, besides Mr. and Mrs. Dale, their three servants, a boot boy, and the two nephews, were the persons who slept in the house, while the keys were not much...

WIVES OF FAMOUS COMPOSERS. Berlioz was twenty-seven years old when he caught the contagion of an enthusiasm for Shakespeare which, thanks mainly to Victor Hugo, was then raging in Paris...

A DOMESTIC BEAR HUNT. Mrs. Thompson and her wife lived at the head of the 'Disunal.' The 'Disunal' is a narrow valley that runs among the wildest portion of the Big Black Mountains in western North Carolina...

BOOK VII. CHAPTER XVII. IN DURANCE VIL. A faint light had been discovered, which they could reasonably presume to be the morning light...

A REWARD OF MERIT. "I bought four dozen eggs of you the other day," he began, as he entered the grocery, and I found—"Two dozen bad ones of course. Well, I'm not responsible. I can't see through an egg shell..."

To BE CONTINUED.

The secretary was instructed to get two 24-inch "ringing" balloons cut down to 20 inches. Mr. Sands undertaking to get one carried out to Raglan.

The committee having arranged to meet on Tuesday night, a vote of thanks was given to the chair terminated the proceedings.

The committee met on Tuesday evening at the Mechanics' Institute; Mr. E. J. Jones (president) in the chair and eight members present.

A CURE FOR SUMMER COMPLAINT. Summer complaint is unusually prevalent among children in the writer's family.

Social and Presentation at Buangor. A very pleasing presentation was made in the Railway Hotel, Buangor, on Friday evening last.

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SHIRTS, TIES, and UNDERWEAR, at Economical Prices. SUITS MADE TO ORDER. New Pattern Books to hand.

W. EDWARD, Painter, Paperhanger, and Glazier, NELL STREET, BEAUFORT. Dealer in Paints, Oils, Colors, Paperhangings, Window Glass, Varnishes, Brushes, etc.

Curakof. The most efficacious medicine yet known for the cure of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, etc. Price 2s. from E. SCHLICHT, BEAUFORT; I. ELDER, SKIPTON.

HAWKES BROS., Importers, Iron, Steel, and Galvanized Iron Merchants, General Ironmongers, Hay and Corn Dealers.

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Place your orders with us, and we guarantee satisfaction. NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. AND AT GEORING.

MINING LEASES DECLARED VOID. ATTENTION is directed to the "Government Gazette," of the 10th April, 1902, in which it is notified that the undermentioned leases have been declared void.

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