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MONTHLY STOCK SALE, Thursday, 16th Feby., 1905.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

THE Riponshire Advocate.

THE Riponshire Advocate, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1905.

Mr. J. W. Harris, B.S., Surgical & Mechanical Dentist.

Our Middle Creek correspondents report that harvest operations are drawing to a close...

At the Arratrhine Council meeting on Thursday, Cr. Pickford (says the "Advertiser") drew attention to the fact that at last meeting the Ripon Council asked them to join in clearing out the creek at Mr. McFarland's...

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Twenty-six points of rain fell at Beaufort yesterday, the Minister of Forests and Mines will reach Beaufort by the midday train on Thursday, 9th inst.

The engagement of Mr John Henderson, Gardiner, eldest son of Mrs A. M. Gardiner, of "Baugh Station," Skipton, with Miss Rose H. Ellis, youngest daughter of Mr E. C. Barlow, J.P., of "Finbury," Skipton, has been announced.

The re-appearance of the Lynch Family Bell-ringers at the Societies' Hall on Thursday evening next will doubtless be greatly appreciated by players.

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Serious Railway Accident at Beaufort. TWO GOODS TRAINS COLLIDE. THREE ENGINES BADLY DAMAGED.

THREE MEN SLIGHTLY INJURED. A seasonal railway accident occurred at the Beaufort railway station on Wednesday night, resulting in extensive damage to rolling stock and slight injuries to a driver, fireman, and guard.

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Bungor Sports. President, Mr W. G. Pickford; vice-presidents, Messrs J. Robinson and G. Ellingson; judges, Messrs W. G. Pickford, W. Matheson, and G. Fourstater.

The sixth annual sports meeting under the auspices of the Bungor Athletic Club was held on Monday (Foundation Day) on the sports ground opposite Jones's hotel, and attracted about 300 people.

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Quarrel-mills Handicap; 22 10s and 10s. W. G. Moore, 30yds, 1; J. McArthur, 30yds, 2; J. Jackson, 30yds, 3; J. Robinson, 30yds, 4; G. Fourstater, 30yds, 5; A. G. Carroll, 30yds, 6; G. A. Anderson, 30yds, 7; G. A. Moore, 30yds, 8; G. A. Moore, 30yds, 9; G. A. Moore, 30yds, 10.

ALL NATIONS CONSOLS COMPANY. The half-yearly meeting of above company was held on Thursday, 28th ult.; Mr R. B. Howe presiding.

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THE FACE BEHIND THE MASK.

A ROMANTIC NARRATIVE OF LOVE, TERROR AND DESPAIR.

PART I.

"I did not notice her particularly myself," said the boy, with easy indifference, "and I am not at all in the habit of paying much attention to the young ladies who run wild about the streets at night and jump promiscuously into rivers. However, this woman was rather remarkable for being dressed as a noble lady, with long hair, and a great quantity of jewelry about her, and looking very much like a noble lady. I need not add she is handsome."

In search of a situation, and among that of all the nobles of the court, the Earl of Rochester's livery struck me as the most becoming, and so I concluded to patronize him."

white finger tips, and evidently very dignified at Caliban, immediately struck in: "Who are you, sir, and by what right do you dare to come here?"

"I am Sir Norman Kingsley, your grace," said the duke, "and I have the honor to be acquainted with your grace."

"What is to be done with this other prisoner, your highness?" inquired the duke, making a poke with his forefinger at Sir Norman. "Is he to be kept here, or is he to accompany us?"

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THE AMBITIOUS BOY.

Some fellows like to play baseball. An some like football, too. An some think marbles, too. (An please keep, say so.) But where they say run in them is more'n I kin see. For Burto Bill and cowboys is good 'nough fer me!

IT FOOLED HENRY.

And You Can't Blame Him For It Now Can You? He found it on the breakfast table, just where he had left it for him, and though he wasn't particularly partial to things, he fetched the cork hamme out of the cellar to crack it with. The cork hammer, however, was a complete failure, and the thing refused to budge at all.

A Distant Cousin.

At the wedding anniversary of a rail way magnate one of the guests, noticing a somewhat lonely looking and rather shabbily attired man in one corner of the parlor, walked over and sat down near him.

Vertical text on the right edge of the page, including "What is to be done with this other prisoner..." and "The ambitious boy..."

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Believing that our Customers will appreciate efforts to keep up assortments, we keep Stocks complete—prepared to supply needs as no other house attempts to...

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Just when the Summer Season is at its best, and Summer Goods are in demand, we start to NIP THE PROFITS.

If you haven't procured cool dresses now is the time to buy them from us at a great reduction. Don't suffer the hot weather—provide for it—ENJOY IT. Just a little planning, just a little outlay, and the hot weather can have no terrors for you.

DOES YOUR WIFE WANT A HAT?

Perhaps she does, and doesn't know it. If such be the case, SEND HER TO US. We are well satisfied with the past achievements of our Millinery Dept., and we are now giving real bargains in this dept., profit being no consideration whatever.

We are Pushing Everything...

Everybody who has to do with this Store's doings is working with a will. With the start of another year's selling, the same wide-awake Store-keeping (the kind you like) again takes us to the head of the procession.

Make us a Visit. We gladly invite all to walk through.

J. R. WOTHERSPOON & CO., THE UNIVERSAL PROVIDERS, BEAUFORT & BUANGOR.

The flight of time makes our Summer Goods of less value to us, but it makes the purchasing power of each of our Customers about Double.

Beaufort Athletic Club.

A general meeting of the above club was held in the Mechanics' Institute on Monday, 23rd ult. Present—Messrs H. M. Stuart, President; E. W. Hughes, Secretary; Cameron, Cochran, Stevens; D. F. Troy, Parker (secy.), and Dr. Jackson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A letter was received from W. A. Podder, secretary Beaufort Amateur Miners, thanking the club for their donation of their services...

The balance-sheet and auditor's report having been received, on the motion of Messrs Troy and Hellyer, the secretary stated that when the sports started the club had £18 8d to its credit on current account in the Bank of Victoria.

Mr Cameron moved, and Mr Hellyer seconded, that the auditor's fee, £1 1s, be passed for payment. Carried.

Mr Cameron, in accordance with notice, moved that a bonus of £2 2s be passed to Mr Stevens for the excellent manner in which he had put the track in order.

Mr Hughes said that as they had had a very successful meeting, he had much pleasure in seconding the motion.

Mr Cochran pointed out that there were other ways in which they could spend their money. They had not given a penny to charity. Mr Stevens had fixed a price for the work, and been paid for it, and to his credit (Mr Cochran's) mind was not fair at all.

Mr Parker asked permission to retire, so that the question of a bonus to the secretary could be discussed with greater freedom. Upon being called into the room, the president informed him that Mr Jones's motion (which was seconded by Mr Cameron), that a bonus of £25 be passed to the secretary, had been carried unanimously.

Send-Off to Mr J. Skewes.

On Monday night a number of representative gentlemen of Beaufort and Raglan spent a convivial hour at Jones's Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort, with Mr J. Skewes (late mine manager of the Sons of Freedom Junction at Raglan), who is leaving Beaufort to occupy a similar position at the Happy-go-Lucky mine at Torsquella.

After this toast was loyally honoured, Mr Skewes proposed the health of their esteemed guest, Mr J. Skewes. He would be as brief as possible, so as to give those present an opportunity of expressing their feelings.

Mr Eastwood (a director of the Central Sons of Freedom Company) said he could only re-echo what the chairman had stated. He referred to the loss sustained by the district in losing Mr Skewes, and of his ability and sound judgment as a mine manager.

Mr D. F. Troy (a director of the Central Sons of Freedom Company) regretted Mr Skewes leaving the district. It was with great surprise and regret that he heard of his resignation.

Mr W. J. Bartley also regretted the departure of their friend. He had heard the men express their regret at Mr Skewes leaving. It was no wonder Mr Skewes got on so well, when he was so energetic, quiet, and careful.

Mr J. Stevenson (a director of Central Sons of Freedom Company) fully endorsed all that had been said of Mr Skewes.

Mr A. Stevenson (secretary Raglan A.M.A.) also spoke of Mr Skewes' good qualities, and said he worked under his lip, and was never under a better boss.

Messrs C. Green, J. R. Wotherpoon, and W. D. Smith spoke in similar terms of Mr Skewes. The toast was drunk with musical honours.

Beaufort Mechanics' Institute and Free Library.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SUBSCRIBERS to the above will be held on THURSDAY, 7th February, at 8 p.m.

MEMBERS of the Institute are invited to attend the above meeting. The business to be transacted is:—Receipts Balance-sheet; Election of Officers for ensuing year; to appoint new Trustees.

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BEAUFORT. SALE BY AUCTION.

MONDAY, 6th FEBY., 1905. At 12 o'clock noon, At the Police Camp, Beaufort. In the Estate of J. M. T. SMYTH, late of Main Road, Beaufort, Miner, deceased.

NICKOLS & CHESTERFIELD are instructed by Dr. Bide, the Executor of the Estate of the Deceased Person, to submit to Public Auction a quantity of Furniture and Effects, comprising:—2 Silver Watches, 1 Gold Watch, 2 Gold Muir Chains, Gold Brooch, 2 sets Gold Necklaces, Solitaire Chain, Table, Kitchen Utensils, Bedstead, Clock, Pictures, S.B. Gun, quantity of Tools, Crochery and Glass Ware, and a large lot of sundries. One Diamond Glass-cutter. The whole for Positive Sale, without reserve. Terms Cash.

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CULTIVATION LAND. TENDERS are invited for 3 years' Lease of 109 acres, being Allotments 51A and 51B (Fisher's Hill, Parish of Buramburra. Practically virgin soil; 4 miles from Railway Station. Returnable on 18th February, 1905. SAMUEL YOUNG, Solicitor, Beaufort.

FUBLIC NOTICE. I BEG to announce to the Public of Beaufort and district that I have purchased the W. JACKSON well-sorted stock of Boots and Shoes at considerably under cost price, and am therefore in a position to sell same at exceptionally low rates. The business in future will be carried on by me. All kinds of Boots and Shoes made to order, and repairs neatly and cheaply executed. Satisfaction guaranteed. A trial solicited. R. J. THURSTAIN.

OUR MR. E. H. ROGERS WILL OPEN Sale and Sample Room, NEILL-ST., BEAUFORT. From 23rd inst. NOTE.—GREAT VARIETY OF XMAS AND NEW YEAR GIFTS...

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"In for a Long Spell of"

is the forecast of Mr. Baracchi with regard to the hot weather we are now experiencing. We can help to make life less unpleasant by offering some "cooling" lines at "refreshingly" low prices.

Meat Safes... 14-inch 7/6 16-inch 9/6 18-inch 13/6 each.

Water Bags... 1/3 1/6 1/9

Green or White Bamboo Blinds... All Sizes. Low Prices.

Garden Hose... 5/6d., 6/6d., 8/6d. per foot. We can fix up a hose for you to fit any tap or tank.

Seltzogenes or Sparklets... With Charges for Both.

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Fly Catchers... In great variety, from Tanglefoot Sheets to Gauze Traps that will clear a room in less than no time. Our Store is noted as one of the coolest spots in Beaufort, and as we stock all those numberless little Summer Sundries that help to make life run easily, we can make shopping a pleasure for you. HAWKES BROS., THE IRONMONGERS, BEAUFORT.





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SUNDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1905

THE Riponshire Advocate

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1905

Special reports are crowded out of the 'LIVERED COMPOUND'

The Beaufort Catholic Sunday School has arranged to hold its annual picnic

The tender of H. G. Jackson, at £609, has been accepted by the Railway Department

Riponshire Council

MONDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY, 1905. Present - Crs. Douglas (President), Slater, Sinclair, Boddie, Flynn, Begg, Stewart, and Lewis.

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The Minister of Mines

at Beaufort

In compliance with a promise made by his predecessor, Mr. Murray, the

Minister of Mines, Mr. McLeod, visited Beaufort on Wednesday

night, when he received several deputations, and on Thursday

formally inspected the forests. He was accompanied by Mr. C. Lewis,

Inspector of Forests, and Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. D. S. Oman,

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Stockyard Hill

A grass fire started about six o'clock on Thursday evening

at the Stockyard Hill, and spread rapidly, burning down the

grass and some of the trees. The fire was extinguished

by the fire engine which arrived at about eight o'clock.

The fire was caused by a spark from the chimney of the

engine, and the cause is being investigated.

The fire caused considerable damage to the property of the

Stockyard Hill, and the loss is estimated at about £100.

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Mining News

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MY LADY'S SIN, OR THE WICKED PLOT THAT FAILED.

The Author of "The Exchanged Will," "The Secret of the Grace Cup," "Counterfeit Claims," Etc., Etc.

PARTE 15.

Mrs. Allingham's face, however, made no attempt to show any signs of the indignation which she felt. "You are right," she said; "it shall be to-morrow."

followed her with a mingled tenderness and fierce displeasure. "The car!" he muttered. "She might have loved me but for him!"

Mrs. Allingham! the madhouse ten minutes ago! "The madhouse! The madhouse! The madhouse!" he had said, and she had passed her lips when Dr. Allingham's strong, relentless grasp was placed on her shoulders. "Piercingly, harshly, he answered:

MYSTERIOUS SIGN LANGUAGE OF CRIMINALS. UNDERSTOOD BY ALL CRIMINALS. "It was only by chance," says M. Lombroso, the well-known scientist,

ONE-FOURTH OF THE SCHOONER VESTA. The Schooner Vesta turned into the Saxifrage River under full sail, and after traversing nine miles of that placid stream, Captain Pumphrey ported his tiller, and the two negro sailors, inspired by some spilted orders from the skipper, turned the sails in such a way that the schooner came to an anchor in the little town as easily as a child would enter its bed room.

ready for him to go ashore, and hastened towards the beach farm. "Miss Pritchett," said he, abruptly on entering the room where the lady was seated, "will you please sell the quarter interest in the Vesta at any price?"

OTHER LANDS. Major J. Moore, of the Army Veterinary Department, lecturing at the Royal United Service Institution estimated that the horse supply of the world was about 80,000,000 of animals.

CHAPTER XXXII. A BRAVE CHOICE.

CHAPTER XXXIII. A FRIGHTFUL FINALE.

ALUMINIUM.

THE AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

THE WHITE HOUSE.

A POSTPONED WEDDING.

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CHAPTER XIII.

"Let us go," said the queen, glancing at the revolting sight, and turning away with a shudder of repulsion. "Laugh! The sight of blood has made me sick!"

"And taken away my appetite for supper," added a youthful and elegant beauty beside her. "My Lord Gloucester was hideous enough when living, but now dead he is ten times more so!"

"What, Lady Montjoy?" "Enter him to swear fealty, and become one of us, and—"

"And a bridegroom for your ladyship!" suggested the queen with a curling lip. "I think if Sir Norman Kingsley knew Lady Montjoy as well as I do, he would even prefer the black to such a fetid dowry."

Lady Montjoy's brilliant eyes shone like two angry meteors; but she merely bowed and laughed; and the laugh was echoed by the dwarf in his shrillest falsetto.

"Does your highness intend remaining here all night?" demanded the queen rather fiercely. "If not the sooner we leave this ghastly place the better. The play is over and supper is waiting."

"With which the royal virago made an imperious motion for her attendant sprits in gossamer white to precede her, and turned with a disdainful eye to follow."

"You are the same who shot Lord Ashley between this and the city, some hours ago?"

aside, he looked through the arch with a good deal of interest. The apartment was smaller than the one in which he stood—though still very large, and instead of being draped with velvet and silver, and glittering with jeweled hangings, it was a plain room with a wooden floor, and the walls were a dull leaden color.

His highness, with a grin of most exquisite delight, did as directed; and Sir Norman looked steadily at the queen as she received it. One of the gaudy nympha presented it to her, kneeling, and she took it with a look half bored, half impatient, and lightly scrawled her autograph.

The dwarf got up with one of his death-like grins, and began: "Sir Norman, you are convicted as a spy, and the paid hireling of the vindictive and narrow-minded Charles; and the sentence of this court, over which I have the honor to preside, is that you be taken hence immediately to the place of execution and there lose your head by the axe."

The queen, who had been sitting passive, and looking as if she were in a spirit of thousand miles away, now started up, and with a shriek, "I am not a spy! I am not a hireling! I am not a vindictive and narrow-minded Charles!"

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"And that, my Lady Castlemaine, is to be?"

the dwarf laughed in his pleasant way and dashed the candle cautiously inside the door.

"Good-bye for a little while, my dear young sir, and while the headsman is sharpening the axe, I will leave you to do as you please."

"Am I? Perhaps you forget I signed your death-warrant."

"Nothing of the kind. Not one of them would hurt a hair on my head if I refused to sign fifty death-warrants. Now, am I kind?"

"But in the meantime you might have been a good deal of use to the good fairies visiting brave knights and setting their feet in the way of the good fairies."

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"Madame," he stammered, scarcely knowing what he said, "you are kind."

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Well know the man who makes his living by putting his head in the lion's jaws. Did you ever hear of the man who makes his living by putting his head in the jaws of a lion? A press representative met him the other day, on the coast of Kent, and promptly demanded all particulars.

"Then put him in a bucket of salt water and take him into the bar of a public-house, and make him perform?"

"Yes, give him things to bite. Let him catch hold of the end of a stick, and then put him into the air by it. There you make a speech. Ladies and gentlemen, you see, you may as well believe me, but this is a most interesting sight. Would any lady or gentleman like to try?"

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The men of the 65th who paraded with shaggy, bearded giants, roughly clad, and their arms in excellent order. In comparison with New Zealand, and knew it. I had served recently with the Rifles. The Brigade Major, mounted on a rough, top-bound animal, rode straight at me, pulled his horse on his haunches, swung him a bit to the left, and shouted out:

"You think yourself a small, sir. I am Brigadier-Major. Tall, Colonel Gold, sir, he is hitching the whole war. As for Colonel Murray, I shall have him broke, sir; I shall have him broke. I have reported the whole business to the House of Commons." He rode off, and I had a most interesting experience. I smiled, and ranked him a shilling a day. The details of the successful military career, in which he had gained a reputation for his military capacity, were not given. As usual on such occasions, a Naval Brigade appears upon the scene. The following description is given of them, here as they were at the front, where the author's ideas must be taken with the proverbial grain of salt.

A HANDFUL OF SAILORS.

When the North Dakota regiment arrived at the ferry, says the "San Francisco Examiner," they were, like the soldiers who preceded them, shown into the spacious dining room presided over by the ladies of the Red Cross. It was a good day for the sailor boys. The bill of fare was ample, and none of them were in existence, except to limp to the shore, and then to the long trip, but the majority of them were blessed with a good appetite—the soldier's best friend.

One of the privates in particular enjoyed the feast immensely, and when he finished he sat back in his chair and said: "Go!"

"Did you get enough to eat, sir?" asked a beautiful society girl at his side, her face beaming with kindness.

"I should say," said the soldier, raising his glass, "that the finest meal I have had since I was born."

Then he looked at the pretty girl and frowned in his pocket. Finally he found "what he was looking for, and extended his hand with 10 cents in it."

"What is that?" asked the society girl, smiling.

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STARTING FROM TO-DAY. We will hold a great GOOD-BYE Sale of our Splendid Stock of Summer Fabrics and General Drapery...

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OUR WAY OF SELLING DRAPERY is not to let the goods linger. We must make room for New Goods that are on the water, if we give the Goods away.

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"In for a Long Spell of it" is the forecast of Mr. Baracchi with regard to the hot weather we are now experiencing.

Meat Safes... 14-inch 7/6, 16-inch 9/6, 18-inch 13/6 each.

Water Bags... 1 1/8, 1 1/6, 1 1/8

Green or White Bamboo Blinds... All Sizes. Low Prices.

Garden Hose... 5d., 6d., 8d. per foot.

Seltzogenes or Sparklets... With Charges for Both.

Disinfectants and Phenyle... From 6d. per tin to 4/6 per gal.

Fly Catchers... In great variety, from Tanglefoot Sheets to Gauze Traps...

Our Store is noted as one of the coolest spots in Beaufort, and as we stock all those numberless little Summer Sundries...

HAWKES BROS., THE IRONMONGERS, BEAUFORT.

The Railway Commissioners stated on Thursday, with reference to the Beaufort railway accident...

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W. H. HALPIN, AUCTIONEER, HOUSE, LAND, STOCK, GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, AND VALUATOR.

MONTHLY STOCK SALE, Thursday, 16th Mar., 1905.

Agent for best brands Artificial Manures. Special Potato Manure. SEVERAL LINES OF SHEEP FOR SALE.

COMMERCIAL. BALLARAT LIVE-STOCK MARKET.

Fat cattle—A light yarding, numbering only 105 head, came to hand for today's sale...

CAMP HOTEL, BEAUFORT.

The above Hotel having changed hands, the present Proprietors wish to notify the residents of Beaufort and district...

Mr J. W. HARRIS, PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST, REGISTERED DENTIST.

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Local and General News.

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Ninety points of rain fall at Beaufort on Saturday.

Mr. James Hanna, of Stockyard Hill, has just landed from New Zealand, two high class Leicester sheep...

There was a clean sheet at Beaufort Police Court on Tuesday. The justices in attendance were Mr. Admiral Bridges and Mr. J. R. Wetherapoon.

It is estimated that the cost of the Butter Commission will be £2000.

At a meeting of the managers of the Cargham Common attention was directed to the nuisance the sweet brier was becoming.

The Un-used Roads and Water Frontages Act provides that within six months of receiving notice the owners must either apply for a license to use the road or river frontage...

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The Beaufort Jockey Club invite tenders till 8 p.m. on Monday, 27th inst.

Dixon Bros. (per Mr. W. H. Halpin, auctioneer) will sell by public auction on Saturday, 25th inst., at the late residence of Mrs. Ruthford Chapman, deceased...

Tenders, returnable by 25th inst. to Mr. W. H. Halpin, auctioneer, Beaufort, or to Messrs. McLeod & South, auctioneers and agents, Ballarat...

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Riponshire Council was held in the Scotch Rife Club on Wednesday, 9th inst.

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Sir—Admiral Bridges, of Trawell, having published a warning to sportsmen and fishers, and threatened prosecution to anyone lighting fires near the Emu Creek, I would like to ask him if he thinks the Creek belongs to him...

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DESPAIR. PART 9. CHAPTER XIV.

The interminable Miranda setting down her lamp on the dungeon floor among the rats and the beetles...

"They told me he was your husband," said Miranda, "were an almost immense number then, being divided into three bodies—London cut-purses, Housley, do tell me if there ever was one then half so impulsive or disgusting as that thing?"

"I fancy I must have had a very vague idea of what that one small word meant, and was besides in an unusually contented and peaceful state of mind, or I should, undoubtedly have raised my head and decanted, and smashed his head with it."

"Of all the pictures of ugliness you ever saw or heard of, Sir Norman looked helplessly round, as if relief, and Miranda, after a moment's silence, broke into another merciless laugh."

"You are very kind; but I want no friendship, Sir Norman—nothing but revenge. As I have found out a secret means of exit from each of these vaults, that they know nothing of, but I stayed to see him dead at my command, and since you will not do it, I will make the attempt myself."

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OLD SCORE SETTLED. TWAS EVER TRUE.

The Young Lady Was a Joke, and the Boys Got Even. "I don't know who proposed the thing," said the young man who was telling the story, "but that doesn't matter."

PARSONS' FOOLISH WIVES.

Parsons' wives, like other wives, are good, but, and indifferent. Not a few suffer from what journalists call "the blues." I know of instances on dozens of a friend-ship, poor person, incapable of resistance, till a local doctor threatened her with a trial for manslaughter if the patient died.

Lady de Bluegrove—I want an evening party. But have you got change for a shilling? Gallant Lad—Nivir moind, miss. O'll give ye one for a kiss.

WEATHER PROFITS AMONG THE SAINTS.

I should be sorry to dispel a superstition as innocuous and harmless as that of St. Swinith (says a writer in the "Church Gazette"), otherwise I might point out that, by the change in the Gregorian calendar, the date of St. Swinith's day is now eleven days later than it was before the Gregorian reformation.

FOR CYCLISTS ONLY.

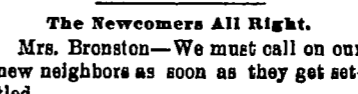
Do not ride a wheel until you have mounted it. When you meet a young lady acquaintance smile confidently, take off your cap with your hand, or both, and choose a soft place to fall. Best your own on the handle-bars. Any other position would give the impression that you were a novice.

A FLOOD OF SOUV. REIGNS.

King George II. was once invited out to dine with a wealthy and eccentric old duke, who possessed more money than he very well knew what to do with. Upon this occasion, wishing to impress his majesty with the immensity of his riches, he had the floor of the dining-hall paved from end to end with sovereigns, the head being up. Each coin was stuck in a mixture of lute, which soon dried, leaving the precious "tile" securely fastened. When the king arrived, and was awfully told that he had been dining on his majesty's gold sovereigns, he was so much shocked by the display of such wealth that he was unable to sit down.



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CLING TO THY MOTHER.

Little ones, cling to your mother, With kisses pure and sweet...

WILLIE'S PROMISE.

I want to tell you about a little boy named Willie—a nice little boy, too...

WHAT THEY CAUGHT.

Four deluded youngsters On a summer day, Just to go fishing...

THANKFUL FOR SMALL MERCIES.

Not long ago, a clergyman, in the course of his ministrations among the poor...

WHY HE WAS SILENT.

A physician describes a remarkable case of a patient's confidence in his medical adviser...

A CLERGYMAN'S STORY.

At the Church Pastoral Aid Society's meeting recently, held in Wolverhampton, England...

WIDE OF THE MARK.

Mr. McDougall was a Scotsman, and of him a good story is told. He was a large, pompous man...

DEVELOP A GRACEFUL CARRIAGE.

One of the most important points in the culture of physical beauty is the attainment of a graceful carriage...

JUST AS GOOD.

A manufacturer of tombstones in a provincial town received a call from a customer who wished to buy a stone...

A MATTER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. Sankey once entered a shop and asked to see some musical boxes...

SOMETHING IS WRONG.

Your head aches, you feel dull and generally unwell...

Cricket.

The employees of the leading establishments of the town have been doing some practice lately at cricket...

WOLVERHAMPTON.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Jaensch, b Perry, Tyrrell, b Perry, etc.

Second Innings.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Jaensch, c Walsh, b Oulton, etc.

Third Innings.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Perry, b Wilson, Welch, c Davis, b Cuthbertson, etc.

Fourth Innings.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Troy, run out, Welch, c b Wilson, etc.

Fifth Innings.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Bowling analysis, Wilson, 42 balls, etc.

Sundries.

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BEAUFORT V. TRAWALLA.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Bowling analysis, Johnston, 42 balls, etc.

TRAWALLA.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like H. Ferguson, c Baker, b E. Lilley, etc.

Sundries.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs. Includes names like Bowling analysis, E. Lilley, 42 balls, etc.

Beaufort Mechanics' Institute.

The annual meeting of subscribers was held at the Institute on Tuesday, 7th inst...

Mr. Nicholson, in a few well-chosen sentences, congratulated the committee upon their able management.

The whole of the office-bearers were re-elected. Mr. Young withdrew from the presidential chair in favor of D. Eadie...

Mr. Young, in returning thanks, said the work had been a pleasure to him, and was really a labor of love.

A vote of thanks was recorded for the secretary, Mr. Perry, and the treasurer, Mr. Green. Flattering testimony of Mr. Green's secretarial services were given by the president and Mr. Menzies.

The appointment of Miss Tompkins as librarian at a salary of £40 a year was approved, and the usual bonus of 5 per cent. on the subscriptions collected during the past year was voted to her.

The committee afterwards met. The secretary mentioned that the president and Mr. Perry had applied to the Chief Secretary for a grant of £10 for the purchase of a new table.

Railway Time-Table.

The following is the local railway time-table: A mixed train leaves Ballarat at 11.20 a.m., Trawalla at 12.7 p.m., reaching Beaufort at 12.22, and taking its departure at 12.30.

Police Magistrate's Fixtures.

The following are the police magistrate's permanent engagements in the Ballarat district, with the necessary proviso, added by Mr. Dickson, "unless otherwise engaged":

Important to Applicants for Mining Leases.

Applicants for leases within the district covered by The Riponshire Advocate are reminded to peruse the following facts: The New Mining Regulations require that when a lease is marked out the applicant shall insert in a newspaper PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT WHERE THE LAND IS SITUATED, or if no such newspaper, then in the one published nearest the district, an advertisement or notice in the form marked A in the schedule prescribed.

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BE LED NOT ASTRAY. Here's Your Chance. The Case of Mrs F. E. MARTIN.

OUR MR. E. H. ROGERS WILL OPEN Sale and Sample Room, NEILL-ST., BEAUFORT, From 23rd inst.

It anybody is undergoing a similar experience to that spoken of by Mrs. Frances Edith Martin, of No. 61 Southland-street, Beaunswick, it will be well for her to peruse these few lines...

Special Lines from all Depots. NOTE.—GREAT VARIETY OF XMAS AND NEW YEAR GIFTS... Any Order you may favor him with will receive our best attention...

£1,000 for 1s. £1,000 (NET VALUE). Melbourne 8 Hours Art Union. Acknowledged to be one of the most genuine of all the Art Unions ever held...

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

1st Prize, value £1,000 2nd Prize, value £150 3rd Prize, value £84 4th Prize, value £25

L. BRAVO, Hairdresser, Tobacconist, and Fancy Goods Depot, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. SHAVING, 3d.; HAIRCUTTING, 6d. CHILDREN, 3d.

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Golden Age Hotel, Beaufort. And trust by keeping the very Best Liquors in Stock, to receive a share of public patronage. I will be in possession on and after Saturday, January 30th.

Beaufort Jockey Club's Annual Races, FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 1905. Member's Ticket, 10s. Admission to Course, 5s. Children under 15, 6d.

Don't it Make you Mad To find that your Newspaper has not arrived in time? Of course it does. This does not happen to the clients of J. B. COCHRAN, NEWS AGENT, & Co., BEAUFORT.

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F. G. PRINCE. Begs to intimate that he has STARTED BUSINESS as a BUTCHER in premises in NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT (next door to Mr. T. Sands), and hopes by strict attention to business and by keeping the Finest Meat, to merit a fair share of public patronage. Small Goods a Specialty.

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R. G. KIRKPATRICK, GENERAL CARRIER. In Soliciting a Share of Public Patronage, begs to announce that he is representing A. M. Greenfield & Co., Ballarat, and can supply all kinds of... Farm Implements, Manures, Twine, Oil, Bags, &c., AT LOWEST PRICES.



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Highest Prices given for Produce of all kinds. Loans negotiated. Money to Lend on Land.

MONTHLY STOCK SALE, Thursday, 16th Mar., 1905.

Agent for best brands Artificial Manures. Special Potato Manure. SEVERAL LINES OF SHEEP FOR SALE.

CAMP HOTEL, BEAUFORT.

The above Hotel having changed hands, the present Proprietress wishes to notify the residents of Beaufort and district that the house has been thoroughly renovated...

Only Best Brands of Wines, Spirits and Ales Kept. FIRST-CLASS BEDS, 11. Meals a Specialty, at any hour, 1/6.

Mr. J. W. HARRIS, PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST, REGISTERED DENTIST, DRUGGIST, HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

Mr. J. W. HARRIS, B.S., Surgical & Mechanical Dentist, HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

Mr. SAMUEL YOUNG, Barrister and Solicitor, Proctor and Conveyancer, BEAUFORT.

A. N. A. BEAUFORT BRANCH, MEETING ON TUESDAY NEXT, AT THE SOCIETIES HALL.

The usual quarterly meeting of the Beaufort Lodge, U.A.O. Druids, was held in the Societies Hall on Tuesday evening.

The death of George Baker, the infant twin son of Mr. William Baker, Beaufort, occurred on Wednesday morning following pneumonia.

The death of Mr. James Smith, an old resident of Beaufort, occurred in the Ballarat Hospital last week after an operation had been performed on him for an internal complaint.

The Beaufort Catholic Church and Church of England Sunday school children and friends held a picnic at the Ballarat Gardens on Wednesday.

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Beaufort Agricultural Society. A general meeting of the above Society was held at the Shiraz Hall on Saturday afternoon.

Several letters were received suggesting alterations in the list for ensuing show. Mr. H. M. Turner, Travalla, wrote, thanking members for his election as vice-president...

Snake Valley. The annual distribution of prizes in connection with Holy Trinity Sunday School, Snake Valley, was made on Sunday evening at the conclusion of the service by the vicar (Rev. J. O. Allen Clark).

Skipton. The annual meeting of the Race Club was held on Saturday evening; Mr. H. Elder in the chair. The financial statement showed a credit balance of £819.

Middle Creek. The usual meeting in connection with the Middle Creek branch A.N.A. was held in the Public Hall on Friday, 17th inst.

Ballararat Supreme Court. Tuesday, 21st February, 1905. (Before Mr. Justice A'Beckett.) ALLEGED INCENDIARISM.

John Hebr pleaded not guilty to a charge of wilfully setting fire to a house at Sallors Gully, the property of Gerald Collins, on 1st January.

Mr. Ham submitted that there was no case to go to a jury. His Honor held that there was.

Accused gave evidence, and denied on oath setting fire to the house. He went back to shut the door to keep the fowls out. The furniture he was removing was his mother's.

When the Supreme Court reassembled next morning his Honor Mr. Justice A'Beckett summed up the evidence. The circumstantial evidence was, in his Honor's opinion, somewhat strong against the accused, and it was for the jury to decide whether or not he should be given the benefit of the doubt.

After Mr. Gurner had addressed the jury his Honor adjourned the court till next day. When the Supreme Court reassembled next morning his Honor Mr. Justice A'Beckett summed up the evidence.

The following reports will be submitted to the half-yearly meeting on Saturday (to-day) at the George Hotel, Ballarat.

Your directors beg to submit their report and balance-sheet for the term ended 1st February, 1905.

Mining Operations.—At the date of your last half-yearly meeting the erection of the pumping plant had just been completed. The shaft has been sunk to the required depth and an underlevel has been driven in the direction of the lead for a distance of 200 feet.

Machinery.—The contract for the removal and re-erection of the entire plant has now been satisfactorily completed, and a sum of £500 has been paid to the contractor.

Financial.—Calls amounting to 15 7d per share have been made during the term, and have been well responded to. The financial statement, duly audited, is submitted herewith for your approval.

At the time of taking charge of your mine, which was on the 8th December, 1904, nearly the whole of your plant had been completed, which consists of one 18-inch winding engine, one 25-inch pumping engine, and a 14-inch portable engine, together with three first-class boilers and two puddling machines.

The balance-sheet for the half-year shows receipts amounting to £2800 10s 10d (with a balance of £300 7s 10d due to the bank), the disbursements also totalling £2800 10s 10d.

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Bargains liberally injected into every Department—cheapening everything.

OUR WAY OF SELLING DRAPERY is not to let the goods linger. We must make room for New Goods that are on the water, if we give the Goods away.

...HINTS...

Pretty Prints, New Blouses and Costumes, Hats, Ties, and Clothing, at Half Price. Special Sale of Calicoes and Manchester Goods, Ends of Muslins, Laces, etc., etc. All these Goods at Prices unheard of before.

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The Merchandise liquidation of the between season period gives a great chance for Bargain-Making.

If you go by water, whether you swim or go by steamer or sailing vessel—GET THERE.

If you go by the Overhead route, never mind whether you travel by balloon, air-ship, or parachute—GET THERE.

If you go by land, by train, or tram-car, or go-cart, or buggy, or motor-car, or motor bike or any other kind of bike, or whether you walk, no matter how; but Somehow—GET THERE.

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Correspondence.

We do not in any way identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by our correspondents...

To the Editor. Sir.—Permit me to offer a word or two on the controversy re Lake Goldsmith reserve.

On making the statement that Mr. Sinclair, at first, was confident of victory, Mr. T. F. TROY, promised the support of seven out of eight companies...

THE DEALER KNOWS ITS VALUE. A merchant always sits to please his customer, and when he finds that an article has a genuine merit, he never hesitates to recommend it...

BEAUFORT JOCKEY CLUB. TRENDS are invited up to 8 p.m. on MONDAY, 27th inst., for Leveling and Amalgamating Races...

The Wilson Benefit Concert. The attendance at the Wilson benefit concert in the Societies' Hall on Wednesday night did not come up to expectations...

Cricket. BEAUFORT V. BUANGOR. The above clubs played a match at Buangor on Saturday, when the home team were victorious by 66 runs.

Beaufort Jockey Club. TRENDS are invited up to 8 p.m. on MONDAY, 27th inst., for Leveling and Amalgamating Races...

Clearing Sale. Sheep, Horses, Cattle, Farming Implements, Furniture, &c. Wednesday, 1st March, 1905, At 11 a.m. sharp, At Mr. A. GILLESPIE'S FARM, LAKE GOLDSMITH.

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WANTED: A good GENERAL SERVANT. Apply GOLDEN AGE HOTEL, Beaufort.

NOTICE. A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the MECHANICS' INSTITUTE on FRIDAY evening, March 3rd, at 8 p.m.

A.M.A. SPORTS, RAGLAN. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8th, 1905—IMPORTANT AND SPECIAL NOTICE.

CONCERT by Beaufort Minstrels. FRONTAL SEATS, 2s; BACK, 1s. GRAND HALL AND SUPPER. Double Ticket, 2s 6d. C. SUTHERLAND, Secy.

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For the Farm: Plowshares, Mould-boards, Scythes, Forks, Rakes, Hoes, Chains, Horse-shoes, etc.

For the Mine: Candles, Dies, Ropes, Picks, Fuse, Gelignite, Shovels, Timber, Trucks, etc.

For the Station: Wire Netting, Posts, Rock Salt, Dog Chains, Cartridges, Rabbits Traps, etc.

For the Wood-Carter: Axes, 4-Handles, Saws, Files, Grease, Harness, Horse Feed, etc.

For the Blacksmith: Bar Iron, Steel, Horse Nails, Bolts and Nuts, Fellos, Rims, Shafts, Axles, etc.

For the Builder: Timber, Nails, Roofing Iron, Saws, Hammers, Chisels, Paints, Wall Papers, Hessian, Doors, Sashes, Lime, etc.

For Each and Every one who works we can supply the necessary tools and material. Our Stock is COMPLETE, CLEAN, CHEAP.

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Beaufort Agricultural Society. DIXON & HALPIN will sell by Public Auction, at HALPIN'S AUCTION ROOMS, on SATURDAY, 4th MARCH, at 5 p.m.

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