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For Children's Hacking Cough at Night, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. In 6d. The installation of officers of the United Ancient Order of Druids lodge took place on Tuesday evening last. The D.P., Bro. J. E. Loft, installed the following officers:—A.D.B., Bro. T. E. Sands; V.A.B., Bro. A. D. Welch; secretary, Bro. L. A. Jaensch; treasurer, Bro. W. Oehman; A.V.B., Bro. G. Wilson and T. Tyrrell; V.A.B., Bro. G. Outhbertson and R. Kirkpatrick; I.G., Bro. R. Ingram; O.G., Bro. R. Bell; assistants, Bro. N. E. Lewis and Bro. A. G. Shopper, when in Parliament, brought forward a motion that municipal councils should be allowed to make a small charge for admission to reserved seats under Crown grant, provided that the object of the gathering there was charity, and as a matter of fact, when on occasion the council has permitted the gates of the latter place to be closed, ratepayers have asserted their right to free admittance. The Eastern Oval is said to be held under Crown grant by the Town Council, as also is Crown Square, and while the cricket club to whom the Oval is leased is tacitly allowed to make a charge for admittance, the ratepayers' right to free admittance has been asserted here also. O. Shopper, when in Parliament, brought forward a motion that municipal councils should be allowed to make a small charge for admission to reserved seats under Crown grant, provided that the object of the gathering there was charity, and as a matter of fact, when on occasion the council has permitted the gates of the latter place to be closed, ratepayers have asserted their right to free admittance. The Eastern Oval is said to be held under Crown grant by the Town Council, as also is Crown Square, and while the cricket club to whom the Oval is leased is tacitly allowed to make a charge for admittance, the ratepayers' right to free admittance has been asserted here also.

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Attention is directed to the business announcement in our advertising columns of Mr. W. A. McNamara, of the "Golden City Store," 27 Bridge-street, Ballarat.

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During the absence of Mrs. J. Slater and family from their residence, Park-road, Beaufort, on Tuesday night, the place was burglariously entered and thoroughly searched. A rather peculiar incident in the robbery was the fact that the case was torn open and the contents of the watch were thrown away about a hundred yards from the house.

Today, June 3, is the anniversary of the birthday of the Prince of Wales. The holiday will be observed in Victoria on the following Monday. On the latter day post and money order offices will be closed at noon.

REMEDY FOR COUGHS AND COLDS. GIVES IMMEDIATE RELIEF. Empire Day (Wednesday, 24th May) was observed in the Reginald School. The children were assembled, and after the usual manual exercises the Union Jack was hoisted by the two senior male scholars.

Pay, Pay, Pay—Says an exchange. "We would again respectfully urge upon subscribers the necessity of prompt payment of subscriptions.

CURED OF NEURALGIA. "I HAD BEEN suffering for some time with a very bad attack of Neuralgia," writes E. J. Potter, Esq., of Yea, Victoria, "when I was informed by Mr. Fred. Russell, of the club, He alluded to a former resident of Chamberlain's Pain Balm was highly recommended for my complaint. Acting on this suggestion, I bought a bottle, and as soon as I returned home, applied same according to directions, and to my great relief, the pain was completely relieved, and it only took a few applications to effect a complete cure." For sale by J. R. WORTSMAN & CO., Merchants, Beaufort.

FOOTBALL. A match was played at Beaufort on Saturday between the Beaufort and Beaufort teams, and ended in a win for the former, the scores being—Beaufort, 5 goals 15 points; Beaufort, 4 goals 5 points. A. McDonald (2), Tyrrell, Day and From were Beaufort's goal-kickers. Chessman, Tyrrell, Stuart, E. Lilly, Day, McDonald, Ridgwell and Buchanan played best for the winners. For the losers, Murray (2), Robinson, Matthews (3), Bartlett, Lees, and T. McDonald (2) were the best players.

SENT NINE BOTTLES OF CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY TO HER FRIENDS. "A lady customer of mine was so well pleased with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy which she had used for her children, who were suffering from colds and coughs," says F. W. J. Fletcher, a chemist at Homebush, Victoria, "that during a fortnight's time she obtained at my shop nine bottles, which she sent to her friends in different parts of the state, telling them how much good it had done and advising them to give it a trial." Sold by J. R. WORTSMAN & CO., Merchants, Beaufort.

Send-off and Presentation to Mr. W. T. Hill. About sixty citizens of Beaufort and district assembled in the Golden Age Hall on Thursday night to bid farewell to Mr. W. T. Hill, on the eve of his departure from Beaufort to Albury. Mr. J. McCarrill, ex-president of the Beaufort branch A.N.A., was voted to the chair, and briefly returned thanks.

The Chairman, in proposing the toast of "Our Departing Guest, Mr. Hill," said he was quite sure that many who were not able to be present, regretted exceedingly the occasion of the gathering. From time to time in such a community they were called upon to say good-bye to one another, and knew that all of any worth who had to go away were missed sincerely.

Mr. Hill was warmly welcomed to the chair, and in carrying out his own countenance, some of them had to pursue their paths to advance themselves. He himself was some distance from the place of his birth, and Mr. Hill was now leaving. He was not going to take up much of their time, as there were a number of others who wished to speak. It was peculiarly fitting that he should take the chair, as Mr. Hill was nearly the first man to be met in Beaufort. Mr. Hill was then at the Shire Hall assisting, and was an applicant for the position which he (Mr. Carrill) now held (the shire secretaryship). If there is such a thing as luck, Mr. Hill can thank his lucky stars that he was not successful.

While they would miss him very much, and regretted his going, they were glad, and to know he was advancing materially they could rejoice with him. Referring to the day when the applications for the shire secretaryship were dealt with, Mr. Carrill said Mr. Hill was the second to take his hand and congratulate him, and right glad he welcomed him to Beaufort, although Mr. Hill himself was an unsuccessful applicant. He could not do that right off the bat, for a man who could do that right off the bat must be a jolly good fellow at the bottom, and Mr. Hill had proved himself to be that since. There were many instances associated with which Mr. Hill had been associated, but he would leave the reference to those to others. Having secured a good position, they hoped Mr. Hill would hold it for a long time, and as a young man that he would still advance and go on bettering himself as the years went by; that in his private life and family life he would be greatly blessed; and that the little Hills would develop into great mountains. It was thought by those assembled that they would like to give Mr. Hill some tangible proof of their goodwill, and although it was not a very large amount, he trusted he would accept it with hearty good wishes and in the same good spirit that prompted the gift. On behalf of the company and others who were unable to attend, Mr. Carrill then handed Mr. Hill a wallet containing sovereigns, with best wishes for a long, prosperous, and happy life.

Mr. J. R. Worsman, on behalf of Mr. Hill's employers, said his firm felt very much the severing of their connection, as they had always placed the greatest reliance upon Mr. Hill, and it had not been misplaced. Although he had taken a great step in the ladder of business, he felt sure the confidence reposed in Mr. Hill by his present employer would not be misplaced, but that he would carry out his duties with credit to himself and credit to the firm employing him. He was thorough in every way, and his firm could not possibly have had a better man. He felt quite sure if Mr. Hill was blessed with health he would rise to a still better position. It was not everybody who had the chance that Mr. Hill had, and Mr. Hill was extremely fortunate to secure his present position; but when it was considered there were 126 applicants, and he was a young man in a country town such as Beaufort, it spoke volumes for his ability. His employers had interviewed him and were satisfied with him. They were very sorry to lose him, but wished him God-speed and success in his future career.

Mr. A. Nicholson, as the president of the Beaufort branch A.N.A., said they were losing a valuable officer, but as Mr. Hill was not narrow-minded he knew the association would not lose his services, and that in his new sphere of labor he would take the same keen interest in the association as he did here. He considered a word of praise was due to the firm with which Mr. Hill was parting, because it was through his business attainments and experience derived at Wetherston and Co's. that he was able to rise to so high a position. Mr. Hill would be missed in many respects in Beaufort. There had not been a social movement with which he was not connected. He wished him a very prosperous future, and hoped he would continue his interest in the A.N.A.

Mr. A. McDonald, as the president of the Bifle Club, testified to Mr. Hill's valued services as secretary, stating they were losing a real good shot and a splendid officer who took a great interest in his office and did everything he could to further the interests of the club. He alluded to a former resident of Beaufort, Mr. Hogg (who was at Albury, where Mr. Hill was going), having made the highest score for Albury against Wodonga, and hoped Mr. Hill would shine there as he had done here.

Mr. D. McDonald, as a fellow-employee, remarked that Mr. Hill was a real good fellow to work with. He could not say too much in his praise, and felt very keenly his departure. He was glad at his advancement, and felt sure that Mr. Hill carried away with him the best wishes of his fellow-employees.

The toast was also supported by Messrs L. Jaensch, Sinclair, A. H. Sands, Rev. A. J. Pearce, Messrs D. F. Troy, E. W. Hughes, C. W. Jones, McLean (of Ballarat), W. K. Eastwood, A. Driver, E. W. Muntz, H. H. Menzies, and J. W. Harris, who referred in eulogistic terms to Mr. Hill's uprightiness, honesty of purpose, zeal for local institutions, and goodness to his mother.

The toast was enthusiastically drunk. Mr. Hill, on rising to respond, received quite an ovation. He said they must not expect very much from him, as he felt too full to express his thoughts or to sufficiently thank them for this kind send-off and presentation. It was very nice for any young fellow leaving a town to be able to take away with him such a proof of their good fellowship and comradeship. He had met Mr. Mate in Melbourne last week, and he assured him that he would like to see him when he was going to, and he (Mr. Hill) felt that he was going to go. He could assure the members that it was those sort of ties that had kept him in Beaufort so long. As secretary for eight years he had done his best for the branch. When he took the position there were 35 members and £45 in funds, and it took them all their time to get a meeting to transact the business; in fact, often what had been done had to be confirmed at a half-yearly meeting. He was pleased to say through his efforts to a certain extent the branch membership had increased to 145 and the funds to £140, which was very satisfactory. He had taken even a greater interest in the Rifle Club, having always been fond of the gun, and through his interest in rifle-shooting he had met many jolly fellows. His present position was not got without a certain amount of battling. These kind of positions presented themselves very seldom, and when it came in his way he went for it for all he was worth; and in taking his wife's advice to accept the position he believed he had done what was right. If a man did not say those positions when they came along he would be left behind in the race of life. Every young man with any ambition to advance in life should take the secretaryship of local institutions, if he could do so without interfering with his business work, because the knowledge and experience thus gained stood him in good stead in after life. When he first took the position of secretary to the A.N.A. he did not know anything about the work, and at first thought he would have to throw it up; but after getting some assistance from a late Mr. Alex. Cumming he was able to manage it. This work had been a real good training to him. He felt leaving Beaufort very much, and knew he was leaving a lot of good friends behind. He thanked them very sincerely for this little gathering, for the kind words spoken, and for their presentation, and said that when he got to Albury he would carry out his duties to the best of his ability. He would never forget Beaufort, and assured them that whenever he got a holiday Beaufort would be the first place he would spend it in. Other toasts honored were—"The Commercial, Agricultural, and Mining Industries," proposed by Mr. W. J. Eastwood, and responded to by Messrs J. Eastwood, Sinclair, and Troy; "The Joint Secretaries, Messrs Menzies and Jaensch," and "The Chairman," proposed by Mr. Breen, and responded to by Messrs Menzies, Jaensch and Carrill.

The Chairman apologized for the absence of Messrs Congle and Clark, and was very sorry that the night harmony was curtailed, by Messrs Jones, McLean, Wetherston, Breen, Taylor, and Rev. A. J. Pearce, and the proceedings terminated with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

Correspondence. We do not in any way identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by our correspondents. It is desired that letters to the editor shall be accompanied by the real name and address of the writer, and that no publication, but as a bona fide guarantee.

TO THE EDITOR, "RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE." SIR,—If you would be good enough to permit me, I would, through the medium of your paper, like to bring under the notice of the Riponshire Council and the public of Beaufort the unwarranted and disgraceful way in which some of the footpaths of the town, which have been made and formed at what must have been a considerable outlay of the Shire funds, are just now being willy-nilly driven upon, and up and down in some instances so as to render them quite impassable and dangerous for foot traffic, even at night, much more so at night through the drivers of the bakers' (the chief offenders, I believe), etc., delivery carts, and other heavy vehicles, and a good formed road running alongside. As a most glaring instance, I would suggest that portion of the Local Govt. Act relating thereto was some time ago brought into operation throughout the Shire of Riponshire, and that it should be the duty of the welfare of the public if it were.—Yours obediently,—AN INCONVENIENCED RATEPAYER.

Snake Valley. An officer of the Lands Department (Mr. Black), with several other gentlemen, was shown over the Carrigham common by the local managers on 26th ult., the visit being the result of a proposal to abolish the land. Mr. Black promised the managers that before any definite action was taken by the department they would consult the managers.

A meeting of the Board of Advice was held on 27th ult. Twenty parents asked the board to have an entrance made from the main road on the west side of the school grounds, as the children have to walk a considerable distance to gain entrance to the school. As the land on this side of the school is private property, the correspondent was instructed to write to the committee of the Church of England, the owners, asking permission to have an entrance made. Mr. C. A. Hyland, head teacher of the Snake Valley school, asked the board to grant the two remaining board holidays on 6th and 7th June. The board decided to grant the holidays to the four schools in this district.

A keenly contested match was played at Scarsdale on 27th ult., between Scarsdale and Snake Valley. Mr. Reilly captained the latter, and Mr. Pender the former. Each team took the field below its ordinary strength and after a great struggle Snake Valley snatched victory by 1 point. The scores were—Snake Valley, 2 goals 8 behinds; Scarsdale, 2 goals 7 behinds. For the victors Messrs H. Kelly, W. Chubb, W. Hartney, Reilly, Burdoff, Broers, and S. McBurney showed to advantage; whilst Pender, Harrold, H. Japp, Harper, Porter, Harvey, Stoker, and Wain did well for the losing team. Mr. J. Bayle made a fast and impartial central umpire.

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BY GEORGE E. WALSH

PART 8.

CHAPTER XXII.

WAS AT Miss Stetson's promptly at 10 o'clock. Mr. Jamison was waiting there for me, and Miss Stetson was all prepared for her strange journey.

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"It is for him to tell you," he answered, pointing toward me.

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"He entered the office, followed by my master. After turning up the light into a brighter blaze he removed his overcoat."

"No, Charles; you're wrong in imagining that I do not help you in my treatment. I can see marked improvement in you every week."

"The doctor took a bottle from the mantelpiece and poured out some brandy, swallowing it with a gulp."

"But you know the effect your hypnotic treatment has upon me," my master replied. "Every morning after you subject me to it I'm so weak and languid that I do not care to do anything."

"Merely temporary—merely temporary, Charles. Nobody can be reduced to the hypnotic state without feeling some ill effects of it afterward. But they are merely temporary and not lasting; they leave no permanent injury. You soon rally from your fatigue."

"Yes, I'm all right after a long rest, but it does not seem natural that such a reaction should follow."

"On the contrary, it is very natural—very natural. I should be surprised if it were not so. I cannot enter into a detailed explanation of hypnotism; it would require too much time, but I can assure you that it effects the nervous system for the time, and under the slight strain of nerves are subjected to the most marvelous feats of strength and energy. That is all there is to it. If you were a weak, nervous person, I might hesitate, but one with your strong, vigorous constitution ought to stand it."

"My master did not reply, but remained passive, looking intently at the fire in the grate. Miss Stetson, I replied. "I will explain everything in a few moments. Please be seated in the hall until I light more lamps."

"I left them in the hallway while I bounded up the stairs to see if the old servant was all right. I unlocked the room and glanced in. He was propped up in the same attitude on the bed, and his bandages were secure."

"I closed the door and returned to the room to find the three lights in the put two or three extra lights in this place, placing them so that the rays would gladden the silverware and jewels. I drew off all the coverings of the stolen goods and even arranged many of them so they would show off to the best advantage. With the lights shining down upon them they made a feast for the eyes that was dazzling. It was a spectacular effect that gratified my little vanity."

"I returned to the hall, where I had left my two companions, and said: 'If you will accompany me upstairs, I will make all this mystery plain.' They both eagerly followed me, even Miss Stetson showing more than her ordinary curiosity. She preceded Mr. Jamison, and as she reached the door of the room I threw it open and said: 'Behold, Miss Stetson, Dr. Squires' secret! Here is the mystery which he has safely guarded from you and all the people around here.'"

"She stepped into the room, shaded her eyes with one hand and then stepped back with a little cry of amazement."

"What does this all mean? What mysterious things? Where did they come from?"

"Examine some of them, Miss Stetson," I said. "Look at this handsome silver teapot and water pitcher."

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know the large mansion on the main road just as you turn off from Gates avenue?"

"My master nodded. 'Well, that house is occupied by Dr. Chalmers, a rich old foggy, who has plenty of valuable articles in the mansion. I want you to go there and bring back to me all that you can collect. You must then go down the main highway until you reach the house with two elm trees in front of it. Open the front door with a key you will find in your pocket. Enter it and go into the first bedroom on the right on the upper landing. Undress yourself and go to bed. Sleep there until morning, and when you awake you will remember nothing of tonight's proceedings.'"

"Again my master bowed his assent and waited for further instructions."

"Here are your pistol and dark lantern," the doctor continued, bringing out from a secret drawer in his desk the two articles mentioned."

"I want to caution you particularly tonight," he added. "The house is well protected. There are a burglar alarm, a watchdog and several manservants in the house. You must be extremely careful or you will be caught. Now, do you understand all?"

"Yes, I understand."

"He made a movement as if to pick up the pistol from the desk, but he felt that his time had come, and stepped quickly out of the closet and seized the weapon. Before Dr. Squires could recover from his surprise I had him covered with my own pistol, while the other one was pointed at my master. I did not know what the latter might attempt to do in his hypnotic state."

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"My Sweet Life,—Now I have declared to you my mind for the settling of your state, I supposed that it were meet for me to be thought or consider with myself, what allowance were meetest for me. For considering what care I have had of your estate and how respectfully I dealt with those which both by the laws of God, of nature, and of civil probity, wit, religion, government, and honesty you, my dear, are bound to, I pray and beseech you to grant me £1,000 per annum, quarterly to be paid."

"Also I would besides that allowance, for my apparel, have £500 added yearly quarterly to be paid, for the performance of charitable works, and those things I would not, neither will be accountable for."

"Also, I will have three horses for my own saddle that none shall dare to lead or borrow, none lend but I, none borrow but I."

"Also, I should have two gentlemen, lest one would be sick or have some other lot, also believe it is an indecent thing for a gentleman to stand mumping alone when God hath blessed his lord and lady with a good fortune."

"Also when I ride a hunting or hawking or travel from one house to another I will have three attendants, so for either these said women I must have and will have a horse."

"Also I will have six or eight gentlemen, and I should have my two coaches, one lined with velvet to myself, with four very good horses, and a coach for my women lined with sweet cloth; one laced with gold, the other with pearls, and laced with washed lace and silver, with four good horses."

"Also I will have two coachmen, one for my own coach, the other for my women. Also at any time when I travel, I will be allowed not only carriages (3) and spare horses for me and my women, but I will have such carriages as shall be fitting for all orders; not pasturing my things with my women's, nor theirs with chambermaids, nor theirs with workmen. Also for my maid when I travel I will have them sent away before with the carriages, to eat all safe; and the chambermaids I will have before with the greens, that the chambers may be ready, clean, and dunn."

"Also, for that it is indecent to crowd myself with my gentleman usher in my coach, I will have him to have a convenient horse, and also my own carriage, and my desire is that you defray all charges for me."

"As for myself, besides my yearly allowance, I would have twenty gowns of purple, six of them covered with gold, six of them also for the country, and six of them very excellent good ones. Also I would have put in my purse £2,000 and £300, and so for you to pay my debts."

"Also I would have £5,000 to buy me jewels and £400 to buy me a pearl chain. Now, seeing I am so reasonable unto you, I pray you to find my children apparel, and their school, and also my servants, men and women, their wages. Also I will have my houses furnished and all my lodging chambers to be suited with all such furniture as is fit, as beds, stools, chairs, suitable cushions, carpets, silver warming pans, cupboards of plate, fair hangings, and such like; so for my drawing chambers in all houses, I would have them all furnished with best hangings, such, canopy, glass, chairs, cushions, and all things thereto belonging. Also my desire is that you would pay all my bills, by Ashley House, and purchase my land, and lend no money, as you love God, to the Lord Chamberlain, who would have all, perhaps your life from you. So now that I have declared to you what I would have, I pray that when you be an Earl to allow me a £4,000 more than I now desire and double attendance."

(Signed) EDITH COMPTON.

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Ladder Fatality.

INQUEST ON WILLIAM CLARK.

An inquest was held at the Ballarat City Police Station on Tuesday afternoon by Mr. J. Waykes, J.P., deputy coroner on the body of William Clark, aged 55, of Hawkeburn, whose dead body arrived at Ballarat on Wednesday by the Adelaide express. The previous afternoon deceased was standing on a ladder painting, and when he descended he was seen to stagger, clutch at the ladder for support, and on his back, the ladder falling across his chest. Help was obtained, but deceased declared he would be all right soon, and about 5.30 went off into a sort of trance. Medical assistance was not available, as the Ballarat doctor was ill, and Clark was sent on to Ballarat by train. The express was delayed three-quarters of an hour at Gordons, and deceased died when passing through Millbrook. In his evidence regarding the post-mortem, Dr. G. E. Casson stated that he attributed the cause of death to heart failure, and a lodging was given according to the usual custom of a brother-in-law to Messrs W. C. and A. Pedder, of Beaufort.

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(Before Mr. W. Dickson, P.M.) Donald Murchison was charged with being drunk and disorderly in a public place, Neill-street, Beaufort, on 27th May, and pleaded guilty. Senior-constable Nicholson stated that defendant was very drunk and was lying on the edge of a creek. The police arrested him at 11.30 p.m., and he had been on bail since Sunday morning.

The P.M. said it was very thoughtful of the police to look after the defendant, as there might have been an inquest. Senior-constable Nicholson stated that it was not defendant's first offence, but it was a considerable time since defendant was here.

Defendant said he got a little too much drink and fell over and went to sleep.

A fine of 5s, in default 24 hours' imprisonment, was inflicted. The adjourned maintenance case of Boyd v. Lamb was settled out of court.

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John Murchison and Thomas Thompson were charged with behaving in an offensive manner in a public place at Beaufort on 31st May, and pleaded not guilty. Constable E. J. Stacey gave evidence to the effect that at about 11.15 p.m. on 31st May he was at the police station gate and heard voices calling out, and went up to the bridge in Neill-street and found the defendants going along the road. They were creating a disturbance and making a great noise, and were very drunk. People in the neighborhood were standing at their doors watching the defendants. One of the men had evidently been fighting. When he arrested them they denied that they had been fighting or making any noise at all, but witness said he could hear them a quarter of a mile off. He did not hear them make use of any bad language. Bradbury and Thompson had been having a fight.

Thompson asked witness if he had not told him that he had been set upon and assaulted, and that he did his best to defend himself, and witness answered in the affirmative. He also said the defendants were singing half-drunk songs. They were going along the road towards the show-ground.

To Senior-constable Nicholson—Witness had received complaints about defendants' conduct before he went after them, and before he got up to them he heard them making a disturbance.

Thompson said he was assaulted on the road home, and might have been a little excited. He told the constable he thought it was cruel to be set upon by this man, with whom he had dissolved partnerships.

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Senior-constable Nicholson, in reply to the P.M., said the defendants were residents of Beaufort, and that it was some considerable time—two or three years—since either of them had been before the court.

Thompson denied having been brought up at the court before. Senior-constable Nicholson replied that if he wanted to know he was bound over to keep the peace for six months. Thompson—That was against my own wife, 7 or 8 years ago.

The P.M. told defendant it was a pity if they wanted a glass of beer that they did not take it quietly and go home, instead of making a row. Beaufort was a notoriously quiet place, and the people would not stand that sort of thing. Defendants would be fined £1 each, or 7 days' imprisonment.

On the application of Thompson, a week's time was granted in which to pay the money.

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The Middle Creek.

CONFERENCE BETWEEN THE ARARAT AND RIPON COUNCILS. THE LOWERING OF THE "V." LEGAL ADVICE TO BE TAKEN.

Riparian rights have from the earliest days of civilization been surrounded with many difficulties, and present such complex phases that those who have to deal with them of necessity require expert legal aid. The riparian rights of the riparian owners of the Middle Creek have been the subject of a long and arduous legal process. For about a quarter of a century the question of the distribution of the waters of the Middle Creek has been the subject of the attention of the Ripon and Ararat Councils, but though many difficulties have arisen and been removed, the matter is far from settled. The watershed of the main creek of the locality is Mount Cole, where the assembled riparian rivalries descend upon the extreme edge of the Ninety Mile Plains north of the Ballarat Road. The main creek, and part of the stream swept down the partially silted-up old line of the watercourse, are determined. The watershed of the main creek of the locality is Mount Cole, where the assembled riparian rivalries descend upon the extreme edge of the Ninety Mile Plains north of the Ballarat Road. The main creek, and part of the stream swept down the partially silted-up old line of the watercourse, are determined. The watershed of the main creek of the locality is Mount Cole, where the assembled riparian rivalries descend upon the extreme edge of the Ninety Mile Plains north of the Ballarat Road. The main creek, and part of the stream swept down the partially silted-up old line of the watercourse, are determined.

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Russia and Japan.

GREAT NAVAL BATTLE. LATER PARTICULARS.

A report received at St. Petersburg states that when the fight between the Russian and Japanese fleets was at its height, many of the men of the Baltic fleet were so maddened by the accuracy of the Japanese fire that they jumped overboard in order to escape the bursting shells. The entrance to Vladivostok harbour is now being guarded by Japanese warships. It is also stated that all the Russian battleships were sunk by the Japanese fleet, with the exception of the Orcl, 13,576 tons, and the Emperor Nikolai I., 9762 tons, and that these two have been captured. The total number of Russian vessels engaged was 26. It now appears that the Vladivostok squadron started to meet Admiral Rozhdzestvensky, but returned. Admiral Togo's report received on Wednesday is as follows:—"Twenty-two Russian ships have been sunk or captured. Admiral Rozhdzestvensky is a prisoner and wounded. No Japanese warships have been seriously damaged." The French newspapers are unanimous in recommending the conclusion of peace. "The New York Herald," which holds pro-Russian views, declares that President Roosevelt desires to mediate, and there are indications that the Czar has been informed to that effect.

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Sam Slick Co., Beaufort.—Boring for site for shaft on main quarry. No rock down in strong clay. Jaensch and party's tribute—Driven S.E. wash drive to 80ft. Driven N. and S. of off runs to 20ft. and 25ft. All wash of only moderate quality. Yield, 7oz. 17dwts.

In responding to the toast of "The Mining Industry," at the send-off to Mr. W. T. Hill at Beaufort on Thursday night, Mr. Sinclair said that the Government had decided to do some boring at Ealing, and before the rods 1 ft. in diameter were bored he would like to get some boring done on the Beaufort level. On going round the Allendale district, he was very long-winded, and did not know whether he was the result of that or not, but four days after Mr. Hunter came and bored the site of the bore, and now the bore itself was here. The shaft was then given for Mr. Sinclair, who said that some cones had been made about there was only one lease in existence, and the amount drilled would be a lot. A lot of people were saying what a pity it was that the Sons of Freedom Junction had lost its rise, and that it was a pity that it was not a stop work. The rise was only 30ft. in length, but it was only a matter of 10 days to put up another rise, and if the inch lifts were not able to cover with the water, only £100 was the maximum. If they wanted 22-inch lifts the company would get them. The manager had put a bore up into the mine, and obtained the fine prospect of 300 specks of gold. That spoke well for the future. Now for the time to get hold of shaft, which was for the most part well held. He thought the Junction was going to open up a very big lead, and felt sure before long they would have a goldfield here such as Berriana had. Mr. Sinclair is a director of the Sons of Freedom Junction Company. His remarks were supported by Mr. E. T. T. so far as Ealing was concerned, but thought the boring was not required on the Beaufort level, as a diamond drill had already been at work there, and the All Nations Consols No. 1 tribute had followed the shaft 200ft., and got payable wash 20ft. from the main level. The manager had half a loaf was better than no bread, and he was very pleased that Mr. Sinclair had sent the rods; but what was expected of his requirements it was hard to say. The manager had put a bore up into the mine, and obtained the fine prospect of 300 specks of gold. That spoke well for the future. Now for the time to get hold of shaft, which was for the most part well held. He thought the Junction was going to open up a very big lead, and felt sure before long they would have a goldfield here such as Berriana had. Mr. Sinclair is a director of the Sons of Freedom Junction Company. His remarks were supported by Mr. E. T. T. so far as Ealing was concerned, but thought the boring was not required on the Beaufort level, as a diamond drill had already been at work there, and the All Nations Consols No. 1 tribute had followed the shaft 200ft., and got payable wash 20ft. from the main level. The manager had half a loaf was better than no bread, and he was very pleased that Mr. Sinclair had sent the rods; but what was expected of his requirements it was hard to say.

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ROMANCES OF THE STIRLING

BY DALRYMPLE HARRISON

THE STIRLING PEDIGREE

History tells us that James Stuart, first of Scotland, was the first of the Stirling family to come to the island of Nova Scotia...

THE TOMB OF JOHN THE SECOND

which undoubtedly proved the case, if it were believed, as nearly as it had been made for the purpose...

A NEAPOLITAN LADY

Fortunata Barolotti, whom he married in 1812. This lady had a rather remarkable friend, a Madame Le Normand...

THE LOST CHARTER

On the strength of this evidence he took the title of the Earl of Stirling, but his enjoyment of it was limited by pecuniary embarrassment...

THE JEMON OF PORTLAND

Willy the tempter roared up and around the convict prison at Portland...

Willy the tempter roared up and around the convict prison at Portland one dark night, the last day of August, 188—

BUTTONS MADE OF MILK

For a long time buttons and other articles for which bone is generally used have been manufactured from congealed blood...

NOT THE PLACE FOR THE SOUP

A famous French prima donna, when acting, delights in a big basin of soup, smoking hot, and well seasoned with grated cheese...

CYCLONE IN A BOTTLE

Would you like to see in miniature an illustration of a ship foundering in mid-ocean when struck by a cyclone?

THE FRENCH DOCUMENTS

These rather deviously done, and were kept in a safe in the house of the late Mr. Lyttleton...

DOMESTIC INTERLUDES

HOW TO TELL

Ab, if she greets you with a smile and a giggle for your name, she loves you...

A WIDOW FOILED

Captain W— has just returned from the War in Spain. The captain is a widower...

Matrimonial Arithmetic

Every man has two wives; the one he has and the one he thinks he has.

Medium: The spirit of your wife wishes to speak to you.

Widower: Wait a minute till I eat a few loaves.

Pedestrian: It was only last week that I gave you money to bury your wife, and now you say she is starving!

Well, I'm not going to run any such risk, dear.

That's just like you, John! Ever since you got your wife insured, you've been awfully afraid of her death.

An allowance is something like a bicycle.

How so?

A man can get his wife on it, but he can't make her stay on it.

Is that your wife on a bicycle?

It is.

I thought you said that you would never get her to ride one.

I don't permit it, but what difference do you suppose that makes to her?

Ah, that's Mrs. Dunlop to her husband, who has come home with a black eye and no hat, that's what you get for riding a bicycle.

No, my dear, it's what I get for not being able to ride one.

Now, said the anxious mother, "you do not want to marry that reporter. Think of having a husband who never gets home until two or three in the morning."

But, said the striking milliner, "aren't all husbands that way? Papa is not a reporter, and yet—"

But the anxious mother declined to listen.

Lady: Where is your son to-day, Mrs. Murphy? I hope he is well.

To-morrow, ma'am! My son Mike is to be married to-morrow, I suppose he's gone to bed to-day, while all washes his trousers for him.

All she wanted—A Stuckup: Is this Mr. Stumpson you have engaged yourself to a man of means.

Sensible Daughter: Yes, mother. He means all he says, and that's the husband I want.

Necessary Provision.—Speaking of his rival, she said, "Everyone tells me that he is a miserly fellow."

"Of course he is," he replied. "Nature knows her business. A narrow mind requires a long head."

An impecunious fortune-hunter having been accepted by an heiress, at the wedding, when that portion of the ceremony was reached where the bridegroom says, "With all my worldly goods I do give thee," a spiteful relative of the bride exclaimed—"There goes his rivalry!"

Suggestive.—Her: Do you believe in palmistry, that you can tell anything by the hand?

She: Certainly, now, for example, if I had a certain kind of a ring on a certain finger of my left hand, people would know that I was engaged.

How Indeed?—She: There is a doctor in Berlin, who, after a great deal of study, has found that married men live longer than bachelors.

She: My life.

Heart-Breaking.—"Mr. Billings spoke of you last night as such a womanly woman," said the bride.

The bride once burst into tears. "To think," she sobbed, "that I have been at the forefront of all the intellectual movements for the betterment of Woman's Lot for more than a year, only to get maligned in this fashion!"

A FORTUNE IN A GAP

A romantic discovery of a long-hidden treasure took place in Staffordshire some years ago.

A little girl, the daughter of a poor potter, looked round a little room in her father's cottage for something of which to make a hot dress for her doll.

At length she espied, hanging on a hook, an old-fashioned iron tongs, a dull and rusty-looking piece of iron, the first she had seen since she was a child.

Callous to the last, he died with blasphemy upon his lips as he hurried out of life into eternity.

(The End.)

A FOREGONE CONCLUSION

"What a tall girl Brigham's daughter has grown to be. She must be six feet at least."

"Yes; but she's a nice girl and the little fellow that's going to marry her will be a lucky chap."

"Who is he?"

"I don't know."

"Who just spoke of him as being a little fellow?"

"Well, being a tall girl, she wouldn't marry any but a little fellow, would she?"

"Too Friendly for George.—A miner the other day who could not pay his grocer's bill was in a terrible fix.

At length the grocer arrived and asked for his money.

"The woman replied.—"Ah, honey, my Grocer's dear, I cannot pay you this time."

"The grocer sympathized with her, and said—"Oh, never mind, next time will do."

"The grocer did not leave the house at once, but he talked to her till at last he was not so friendly that George could not stand any longer, so he jumped out of bed, saying—"If my head had been dead, my head would have been dead."

Failed at the Test.—Grace (to her betrothed, who is carrying a blue-eyed girl): I hear your engagement with Fred has broken off.

Bertha (with a sigh): Yes, I found that his love for me was not the deep, true love that nothing will change, so I was compelled to let him go.

Grace: Why, how did you find it out?

Bertha: Easily enough. He got so angry every time poor Florence bit him.

What War Did.—She was fairly beaming when they met.

"What's the matter?" asked her best friend.

"George is going to the war," she answered.

"But I don't see anything pleasant about that."

"Well, you see, it's just this way," she explained. "Nothing short of the shock of being killed would have given him the nerve to propose. That is worth some risk."

Anxious Mamma: Yes, Mr. Lake-side, the fact is I have three daughters who ought to be settled in life. In this western frontier you are a marrying man.

Mr. Lake-side: No, your daughter, I'm afraid he wouldn't want to take more than one of 'em.



ERLUDES.

with a smile... name while... a light, sure... you!

the same with him (Mr. Stewart) he had property in all the ridings, and paid for his dogs in the West.

who had already paid because they were told that otherwise they would not get a vote, and it would not be fair to them.

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Field-Marshal Oyama, before the battle of Mukden, is delivering heavy blows on both the Russian wings.

Announcing is also reported to have been heard westward of the railway towards the Mongolian frontier.

General Linderich, the Russian commander-in-chief, claims to have gained some slight outpost successes near Chagpat, on the railway northwards of Tieling.

The recent occupation by the Japanese of the important town of Onose, which lies between Kirin and the Harbin-Vladivostok line, is regarded as a brilliant piece of military work.

It was carried out by a daring cavalry raid, and is considered the finest cavalry operation of the war.

With the object of advertising the agricultural resources of the state, the Cabinet has decided that 5000 copies of the "Journal of Agriculture" should be sent to England each month, for distribution in agricultural centres.

Referring to letters of complaint by parents on the subject of home lessons, the officers of the Education department said yesterday that new instructions on the subject are included in the new regulations, which will be issued in an early number of "The Government Gazette."

These regulations provide that teachers may order home lessons subject to the reasonable wishes of parents. In no case are lessons to be given which the child cannot perform unaided, and they are to relate to subjects treated during school hours.

Children who have not reached the second class are not to be given any home work. The lessons for the second class scholars should be such as to occupy not more than half an hour.

The Commissioners of Savings Banks are advertising the "Credit Foncier" system of loans to farmers (under which they have already lent nearly £1,000,000) at 4 per cent. interest, with a sinking fund of 12 per cent., which pays off the whole amount of principal in 30 years.

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Peace Negotiations.

President Roosevelt has been officially informed that M. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador in Paris, has been appointed the Russian plenipotentiary to discuss the peace negotiations with a representative of Japan.

It is also officially reported in Washington that Russia and Japan are considering whether Washington, the Hague, or Geneva shall be the meeting-place of the delegates. Notwithstanding these very definite actions, however, there are still the gravest doubts as to Russia's sincerity, and even Washington is less hopeful of peace than it was.

The Tokio correspondent of "The Standard" says that the dilatoriness shown by Russia over the matter, and the fact that M. Nelidoff is of comparatively minor standing, tend to confirm the misgivings entertained by Japan, and to strengthen the belief in the necessity for continuing the offensive in Manchuria.

It is reported that the Japanese Government consulted Field-Marshal Oyama as to the advisability of entering into peace negotiations. He is decidedly averse to any such steps, as he desires to complete the campaign, and drive the Russians back into Siberia.

Japan is determined that the negotiations shall not be allowed to impede her military operations. She has intimated that it is her intention not to sacrifice the victories she has already won. She is willing to meet the Russian plenipotentiaries on the distinct understanding that a sincere effort is made to attain a permanent peace. She is ready to talk business if the Russian representatives are empowered to do likewise, but she will not permit them to be attached to the Russian plenipotentiaries and pulled to her disadvantage.

M. Witte, the President of the Council of Ministers, who is one of the strongest supporters of the peace policy, has created a sensation in St. Petersburg by an interview which he has given to the "Slava." He is convinced, he says, that Japan will negotiate only at Tokio, and that she will not conclude a peace except for half a century. Russia, he says, might drag on the war for five years, with a possibility of success, but for her internal disorders. To these the Government remains obstinately deaf and blind, though every hour's delay brings Russia lower and lower.—"Argus."

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"Never mind. I shall soon be at the gate. But see that he has it all right, as the weather is so hot, and the man left the house, she returned to the drawing room, saying: 'I have had bad news about Miss Gerald, she is very ill—a fit the note says—so I must go to her. Will you expect the car, and I'll be back in a moment. I'll tell her. How are you going to get to Bromhead?' asked Katharine.

"A carriage has come for me. Good-bye, Miss Spender. I hope you will find Miss Gerald better," said Katharine, quite civilly.

A few minutes later Diana left the house, hurrying along the drive towards the gate, and she was nearly there when she remembered she had not brought anything with her, not even the necessities for the night. Well, it would be easy to send for them; she had no objection to that. She drove quickly to the gate, and saw a carriage standing a few yards further on, the driver apparently fastening a strap while the young man who had brought her up to the house, stood near. At the sound of her footsteps he turned round and came towards her touching his cap as he said:

"I'm so sorry, Miss. The harness took more putting to rights than I expected, and I had to hurry up to the house; but we'll soon be in Bromhead."

While he was speaking the driver had scrambled on to the box, and the man turned round and opened the door, as if to get in. Diana was a big, rosy conveyance. The blind at the further side was drawn down.

"I suppose you will drive back," said Diana as she stepped into the carriage; then she uttered an exclamation of fear and dismay, as she felt herself forcibly grasped by the arm, and she was in the hands of the high contracting party who will conduct the war in common, and make peace in mutual agreement with it."

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"AT A FOOTBALL MATCH. During the progress of a football match, the ball became lodged in the branches of a tree which overhung the boundary line. The captain of the visiting team tried to climb the tree, but failed, and their lanky centre-half 'shinned up,' dislodged the ball with his hands, and threw it down."

"One of the opposing team then, rather shabbily, claimed a free kick for 'hands.' As the ball had not been out of play the referee upheld the claimant's demand."

"The claimant was placing the ball under the tree for a kick, when the captain of the home team pointed out that according to the rules the free kick must be taken at the point where the ball was placed."

"The referee concurred, and the half-dressed, being unable to climb up, 'climbed down,' and amidst universal jeers, was fain to compromise by a 'throw up.'"

"A RATHER TALL STORY. William Bowsprit, able-bodied seaman, had just returned from a voyage on a coasting ship, and was retelling his adventures to his pals."

"We were loaded up with nuts at a small island," said he, "when our diver, who had gone down to get some walrus for tea, reported that the sea had washed away the nut-bush of the island, and it was only held in position by a few roots. Our skipper at once cut it adrift; and taking the blessed island in tow, we started off with it, coarcted trees, moving as we went."

"The cap'n's idea was to take the island home, an anchor it in the Thames, or somewhere, an exhibit it at a tanner's time, as a sample to the British Dominions, beyond the seas, as you might say."

"Lor'umme!" gasped one of his listeners. "We got as far as the Bay o' Biscay all serene, dependent on the mate, who had a notion about the matter, the Baltic Fleet, an' thinkin' it was a disguised Japanese cruiser we had in tow, I'm danged if them drunken loonatics didn't blow our island in to smithereens with a torpedo! Bad luck, wasn't it?"—"Wyyer."

"A TALE OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC. Many years ago a whale-ship, while on a voyage to the Pacific Ocean, was with an adventure which would have proved fatal to all hands but for a quick stratagem of the mate."

"On one of the Pelew Islands, all the boats being after whales, and but a few men left on board the vessel, a large band of armed natives suddenly appeared and swarmed over the bulwarks."

"The crew flew to the rigging, leaving a deputation of boys working men. The day following this event Kelly, called on Rhodes, and blandly requested a little cheque. Rhodes was astonished. 'I expect spontaneity in these matters,' Mr. Kelly, 'but you don't know me, did you say, Kelly?' someone asked."

"I told him," replied the imperturbable Kelly, "that if he wanted any spontaneity he must pay for it. In consequence of this he paid half the philosophy of Fleet Street."

"A FLEET STREET AGITATOR. 'To-day' tells an amusing story of one T. M. Kelly, a hoggw agitator now deceased. Mr. Kelly thought it would be profitable, at a certain crisis from South Africa, he organised to the support of Mr. Rhodes, and following on the arrival of the Colossus from South Africa, he organised a deputation of hoggw working men. The day following this event Kelly, called on Rhodes, and blandly requested a little cheque. Rhodes was astonished. 'I expect spontaneity in these matters,' Mr. Kelly, 'but you don't know me, did you say, Kelly?' someone asked."

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THE ALLIANCE OF ENGLAND AND JAPAN.

TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT. An agreement between Great Britain and Japan, giving expression to the common policy of the two countries in the Far East was signed on July 30, 1902. The following is the text of it.

"The Governments of Great Britain and Japan, actuated solely by a desire to maintain the status quo and general peace in the extreme East, being mutually convinced of the interest in maintaining the independence and territorial integrity of the empire of China and the empire of Korea, and in securing equal opportunities in those countries for the commerce and industry of all nations hereby agree as follows:—"

"Article I.—The high contracting parties having mutually recognised the independence of China and Korea, and being mutually convinced of the necessity of maintaining in either country. Having in view, however, their special interests of which those of Great Britain relate principally to China, while those of Japan relate to Korea, is interested in a peculiar degree politically, as well as commercially and industrially, in Korea, the high contracting parties recognise that it will be in the interest of both of them to take such measures as may be indispensable in order to safeguard those interests if threatened either by the aggressive action of any other power, or by disturbances arising in China."

"Article II.—If either Great Britain or Japan, in the defence of their respective interests as above described, should become involved in war with another power, the other high contracting party will maintain a strict neutrality, and use its best efforts to prevent other powers from joining in hostilities against its ally."

"Article III.—If in the above event any other power or powers should join in hostilities against that ally, the high contracting party which is not at war in common, and make peace in mutual agreement with it."

"Article IV.—The high contracting parties agree that neither of them will, without the consent of the other, enter into separate arrangements with another power to the prejudice of the interests above described."

"Article V.—Whenever, in the opinion of either Great Britain or Japan, the interests mentioned in Article IV. are in jeopardy, the two Governments will communicate with one another fully and frankly."

"Article VI.—The present agreement shall come into effect, and shall remain in force for five years from that date. In case neither of the high contracting parties before the expiration of the said five years the intention of terminating it, it shall remain binding until the expiration of one year from the day on which either of the high contracting parties shall have denounced it. But if, when the date fixed for its expiration arrives, either ally is actually engaged in war, the alliance shall continue until peace is concluded."

"HOW TWO GIRLS STARTED A REPUTATION FOR WIT. Two girls of my acquaintance arrived at the conclusion that they were dull and had neither the wit nor the social graces that were their birthright. Of course they were not really dull or they never would have come to that conclusion. But they were not at all satisfied with themselves, and therefore decided to hold a council of war and devise some means of bettering their unfortunate condition."

"It was agreed that they both lacked the qualities that make girls popular; it was also undeniably certain that the presence of strangers not only annoyed them, but they were not at all conversant with any but their own friends, and resolutions were drawn up to mend these conditions at once."

"OVERCOMING DIFFIDENCE WITH STRANGERS. Both girls were constantly receiving invitations to various entertainments from the different members of their large family circles, and both of them were beginning to chafe under the realization that they were receiving favours and never doing their share to lighten the burden of their hostesses."

"As soon as a single strange face appeared at a family party, each of them leaped into the deepest silence and never could be induced to contribute to the general amusement in any way."

"The girls envied their glib-tongued friends who could tell an amusing story or repeat an appropriate joke without losing the point or suddenly forgetting the main part and stopping, tongue-tied and utterly confused."

"To be able to tell a good story and to do well is an art. So these young women argued that if it is an art it can be learned, and they straightway applied themselves to the study of it."

"At an old second-hand shop they picked up a couple of books of anecdotes of famous wits. These were books that had long been out of print, and the stories they contained were old enough to be new again."

"The girls selected the best of them and set to work to learn different stories by heart. They also thought out little conversational dialogues which could lead up to the stories in a natural sort of way, and memorized them so. On the first occasion when guests were invited to dine, the family were quite taken aback by this very charming little anecdote, which seemed to remind her friend of an equally diverting story she had heard, and which she related so easily and fluently. The guests voted that these girls were uncommonly witty, and from that day forth their reputation as popular and entertaining young women has grown steadily."

"The popular girl cultivates ATTRACTIVENESS. The popular girl makes the best of herself and of other people. She cultivates, consciously or unconsciously, those qualities which attract attention and which, in a social manner, deference to the opinion of her elders, and watchfulness for the comfort of others."

"The really popular girl is willing to sacrifice the pleasure of hearing her own voice and of being the centre of attention to the pleasure of listening to the discourse of the man who takes her in to dinner. The girl who knows how to listen attentively soon acquires a reputation for her charm of manner. And the girl who has tact, well-mannered shall rise and call her blessing."

"Any girl who begins her social campaign with the idea that people do not like her need never expect to be a success. The very thought of it breeds self-consciousness, diffidence, and a hesitancy which must like people, and show that you do, if you want them to be interested in you, which, however, is very far removed from forwardness or 'gush.'"

"DANGER OF OVER BOLDNESS. The girl who is a little diffident stands more chance of being popular in the end than the girl who is too forward. The diffident girl will gain confidence in her own abilities to cultivate her mind by reading good literature; her manners will become easier as she watches her elder sisters or other girls in their behaviour, both with men and women. Little questions of etiquette are solved for her by observing the conduct of others. And, finally, she will find out that the secret of popularity is a secret of the heart. It is the secret of kindness to others, enthusiastic interest in what concerns them. Like hearty, popularity should begin at home.—'N. Y. World.'"

"SAD FATE OF A CAREFUL MAN. I had a friend who did his duty to himself and others with such zeal that he never went to bed without taking his temperature or got up without drinking a scientific decoction, the name and composition of which I have forgotten; the favour however, was such that rendered the duty performed particularly meritorious."

"His dietary was based on the most scientific principles; he had his appendix removed, so as to avoid all risk of appendicitis, and, in short, he so fully realized the duty of being healthy and long lived that he never had time to do anything else or to talk about anything else."

"Unfortunately, he never took the fickle jade 'Fortune' into his calculations, and after only a year of striving most manfully to fulfill the duty of being long-lived he slipped on a piece of orange peel and fractured the base of his skull.—'Fall Mail Gazette.'"

"The crater of Mauna Loa, in the Sandwich Islands, the largest volcano in the world, is twenty miles in diameter, and has a circumference of lava issuing from it is fifty miles long."

A CHINA TRAGEDY.

A Dresden shepherdess was shown her companion piece. A bold young china shepherd Upon the mantelpiece. I gazed on her the whole day long. My heart with love did swell. But she only looked with sky blue eyes On the bust of William Tell.

I could not blame my dainty maid When all was done and said. For the potter who had fashioned her Had so put on her head.

And every day I thanked my stars That though I could not stir, The potter who had turned my head That I might look at her.

But now my life is full of woe, For a careless maid did break Each of our china heads quite off, And, horrible mistake!

She put upon my darling's neck My own poor half turned head, And patted firm with tears and glue, Her own upon mine instead.

Here now, alas! the luvelong day (For thus sad fate befell) Her head upon my shoulders, Does gaze on William Tell.

While my poor head, which now is hers, Her 'once a part of me, Can only on my body gaze, The long day mournfully.—Elmer Brown Mason.

MARVELS OF TELEGRAPHY.

Thirty or forty words a minute can be written by a penman, the typewriter doubles that speed, but the operator on the Pollak and Eirag telegraph turns out 40,000 words an hour. This new system is four times as speedy as the present method of telegraphing.

A perforator like a typewriter punches holes in a piece of paper tape. Electric waves pass through the holes and over the wire to the receiving end. Photography records the message, and the sensitized paper is developed in 10 seconds, the writing appearing clearly."

"To the ordinary business man another electrical device appeals more directly. When a caller—let us say Mr. Jones—wishes to interview the busy head of the firm, the clerk in the outer office makes a note on an unobtrusive block of paper. By the operation of the Gray telegraph the writing is shown up immediately on the desk of the great man in his private room. Without interrupting an interview that may be then in progress, the head of the firm can signify that he is 'out' or 'in' for an interview. In the case we illustrate Mr. Jones is asked to call again at 2 o'clock."

"For making unobtrusive inquiries before cashing a large cheque, bank cashiers should welcome the Gray telegraph with enthusiasm."

THE WORLDS GREATEST DIAMOND.

WHO WILL WEAR IT. Following the recent discovery of the world's greatest diamond at the Premier Mine, in the Transvaal, comes the natural speculation as to the future career of the gem."

"It weighs at the present, or it did when found, 0,030 carats, and as a pendant from the neck would bear the same relation to the fair wearer as a head light does to a locomotive or smart motor-car. If the diamond could be cut and polished with facets, without material loss in size, it would still be so big that no woman could wear it without discomfiting; in fact, it would produce a grotesque effect. It is even doubtful if a rotund and red-faced alderman would have the nerve to put it on his shirt-front. What, then, will become of the gem that is larger than a goose's egg and worth over a million pounds? Will it, as has been suggested, be made a colonial gift to the King, or will it find its way into some museum; will it be cut up, and thus be deprived of its distinction; will it be stolen, or will it be lost? At present it is impossible to say."

A STORY FROM THE BACKBLOCKS.

A good story is told of a trial in a remote part of Australia before a rough and ready Irish magistrate. The case was a complicated one of manslaughter, and the prisoner bore the very worst character in the whole neighbourhood. Owing, however, to the squaring of several of the most important witnesses, a verdict of 'Not guilty' was returned.

"I can leave the court, then, without the slightest stain on my character?" said the prisoner to the Bench.

"Yes, can," replied the magistrate, "but have it at once. I know you for the biggest rogue that ever stopped in shoe leather, though you've got off this time. Yes, you can leave the Court without a stain on your character, but, by all the saints, if I find you knocking round any more when I've finished with this job I'll have a stain on your mug that all the soap in old Ireland wouldn't wash off in a year."

PRINCE BISMARCK AND HIS MASTER.

General Sir E. Hamley used to tell a good anecdote about Prince Bismarck. Hamley was sitting close to the Chancellor at luncheon, with the old Emperor William not far off. Bismarck, talking rather loudly, described the old monarch as being gossamer, but very forgetful. Hamley grew nervous, as he thought the Emperor would hear.

"For instance," continued Bismarck, "I pleased him the other day and he asked me what he could do for me. I said: 'Give me a dozen of that Tokay you have in your cellars,' and he said he would; but," added Bismarck, raising his voice still higher, "he hasn't done it."

"Here Hamley hastily broke in: 'I beg your pardon, but I am really afraid the Emperor will hear you.' 'I want him to hear me,' roared Bismarck; 'that's just what I want.' And a smile broke over the face of his Imperial master."

"One half of the world's happiness is solved when a person learns to mind his own business."

"Yes, but it's the other half that causes the most trouble."

"Getting other people to mind theirs!"

BATTLE BETWEEN AN EAGLE AND A STAG.

A struggle between a large and powerful eagle and a fine antlered stag was witnessed on the lower portion of Corrie-Mor, Strathglass, in Scotland.

"The king of birds was watched for some time as he hovered above a herd of deer, which seemed to have a particular attraction for him. He slowly and majestically sailed around in his airy circles, by degrees getting nearer and nearer to his coveted quarry."

"At last, being within striking distance, he suddenly came to a halt in mid-air, and, poising himself on outspread wings, he seemed for a few moments perfectly motionless. Then, like a bullet from a rifle, he swooped down, and in an instant his talons were firmly fixed in the back of the star."

"The monarch of the glen plunged about in the widest possible manner, evidently in great terror and pain, the eagle holding firm, and, with its heavy blows from its wings, and, when opportunity offered, making desperate darts with its beak at the eyes of the frightened deer. By this time the poor stag's brow was covered with sweat, and, notwithstanding his frantic efforts, he could not disengage himself from his strong and cruel foe."

"At last, seeking to discover that his antlers could reach his savage enemy, he commenced raking fore and aft with them in the most vigorous manner, until he managed to send the eagle sprawling in the heather. The stag had gallantly freed himself, but he had not bounded far when his captor, recovering from his discomfiture, was again on the wing, and in a few seconds he descended, and firmly fixed his powerful claws in the deer's haunches, so far back to be out of reach of the antlers."

"The struggle recommenced, the eagle meanwhile tearing at the victim's flesh with his strong bill, and burying his talons still deeper into his haunches. The poor stag was now very much











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**GEORGE PAYNE,**  
WATCHMAKER and JEWELLER,  
BALLARAT  
(Two doors down Sturt-street from the Post Office.)

**A. H. SANDS**  
(Late Wm. Baker),  
UNDERTAKER,  
Opposite the State School,  
MULL STREET, BEAUFORT.  
Heads and other requisites supplied in town or country.  
Funerals of all classes furnished at the lowest possible charges.  
Post, Telegraph, and Telephone Messages promptly attended to.

**A. H. SANDS,**  
Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer,  
and Moture Framer.  
A well-assorted stock of Softwood Timber, Picture Framing, Paints, Oils, and Varnishes kept on hand.

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

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.

**A Safe Remedy for All Skin and Blood Diseases.**  
If you suffer from any disease due to impurity of the blood, from whatever cause arising, you should test the value of Clarke's Blood Mixture, the world-famous medicine and restorer. This medicine has 40 years' reputation, and is today more popular than ever, because of its safety, undoubtedly because this wonderful remedy does what its professed object is to cure—skin and blood diseases permanently.

**Clarke's Blood Mixture**  
IS THE FINEST BLOOD PURIFIER EVER DISCOVERED.  
It is warranted to cleanse the blood from all impurities, from whatever cause arising. For SCROFULA, SOREY, SCURVY, SOREY, BLACKHEADS, ULCERS, SKIN AND BLOOD DISEASES OF ALL KINDS. It is a safe and permanent remedy. It is the only real specific for Gout and Rheumatic Pains, for it removes the cause from the blood and bones. NOTE—This mixture is pleasant to the taste and warranted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution of either sex, from infancy to advanced age. The Proprietor solicits sufferers to give it a trial to test its value. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it.

**SUPPORT LOCAL INDUSTRY AND SUBSCRIBE TO 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.

**ANOTHER PERMANENT CURE OF BAD LEGS AND ABSCESSSES.**  
Mr. James Waring, of Clay Court Lodge, near Rugby, writes: "I have the pleasure to tell you of the benefit I have derived from taking 'Clarke's Blood Mixture.' For a long time I was troubled with bad legs and abscesses. I was under a doctor for several months, and not getting much better, I went as an out-patient to the local hospital for nine weeks. The doctor then told me I should have to go inside before he could do anything for me. I went in and stayed for thirteen weeks, and after undergoing two operations I got a little better. Before I had been out of hospital a week I became worse than ever, so my wife told me to try 'Clarke's Blood Mixture.' I did so, and after taking five bottles and using the ointment your name was completely cured. I have had twelve months to see if my legs broke out again, but, thank God, they have not. 'Clarke's Blood Mixture' is a world-famous medicine, and has ever been in my life. You can make whatever use you like of this letter."—Oct. 15, 1903.

**THE MAN WHO DOESN'T ADVERTISE.**  
Breathes there a man with soul so dead,  
That to himself he hath not said,  
"My trade of late is getting bad,  
I'll trade no more, unless I find  
If such there be, go mark him well,  
For none of us can bank account sell well—  
No angel watch the golden stair  
To welcome home a millionaire.  
To such a man the noisy din  
Of trade may not enter in,  
For he has not the sense to see  
That he has lost his trade for free.  
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**IMPURETIES IN THE BLOOD.**  
I have seen hosts of letters from all sorts and conditions of people, in which the writers acknowledge the benefit derived from Clarke's Blood Mixture, which as a curative agent cannot be too highly estimated, since it cleanses and clears the blood from all impurities, and restores it to its normal condition. This is a good thing, and the Family Doctor, the popular medical weekly, which goes on further to say—"It is certain that the blood purifier that has done so much for the people, and which we can with the utmost confidence recommend to our subscribers and the public generally."

**MINING LEASES.**  
It is notified for general information that applications for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to lodging the application, to insert in a newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or in a newspaper, then in one published in the district, an advertisement, or notice in the form marked "A" in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

**Justices' Fixtures.**  
The local J.P. have arranged to attend the Beaufort Courts of Petty Sessions as under:—Second Tuesday, Messrs F. Beggs, J. R. Wetherston, and Ben-Admiral Bridges. Fourth Tuesday, Messrs M. Flynn, G. Topper, and T. Beggs.

**THROAT AFFECTIONS 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 Remedy." These four "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country. People troubled with "hoarse cough," "sore throat," or "bronchial affections," cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See the words "Brown's Bronchial Remedy" on the Government Stamp around each box. Prepared by JOHN L. BROWN & SONS, Boston, U.S. European Depot, 35, BARRINGTON ROAD, LONDON, ENGLAND.

**Clarke's Blood Mixture.**  
and beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.  
Sold by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the World.

**Plain and Ornamental JOB PRINTING.**  
Executed with Neatness and Dispatch.  
Bear in mind that:  
**ADVERTISING ALWAYS PAYS.**  
Business men should note that as the Local Paper is extensively read in the district, it therefore affords a splendid advertising medium.

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

**Postal Intelligence.**  
LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS.  
MAIL TIME TABLE.  
RAILWAY.  
Daily. Closing Time.  
Melbourne ... 8 and 4.50  
Ballarat ... 8 and 4.50  
Geelong ... 8 and 4.50  
Traralgon ... 8 and 4.50  
Registered mail and parcels post close 20 minutes prior.  
Sunday, 11.50 a.m., and 8 p.m. (including 11.50 a.m., and 8 p.m.)  
Stawell ... 11.50 a.m. Sundays, Middle Creek, 11.50 Tuesdays, and Murtoa ... 11.50 Thursdays.  
Bangor ... 11.50  
Geelong ... 11.50  
English mail notice by telegraph.  
COUNTRY.  
Daily ... a.m.  
Bagnall ... 9  
Waterloo ... 9  
Walterloo ... 9  
Main Road ... 9  
Ochota ... 9  
Reg. mail and p.p., 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.  
Nering ... 9  
Lake Goldsmith ... 9  
Stockyard Hill ... 9  
Reg. mail and p.p., 9 a.m. Eramubee ... 12.45 Shirley ... 12.45  
Reg. mail and p.p., 20 minutes prior.

**MAILED INWARD.**  
From Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, and Traralgon, 12.20 p.m. daily and 8.40 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from Melbourne, Ballarat, and Traralgon, 7 a.m., 12.20 and 8.40 p.m.  
From Ararat, Stawell, Middle Creek, and Murtoa, 5.30 p.m. daily. Ararat, Stawell, and Bangor, 10 a.m. daily.  
From Victoria, Waterford, South, Main Road, Bagnall, and Chute, 4.30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.  
From Stockyard Hill, Nering, and Lake Goldsmith, 4.30 p.m.  
From Eramubee and Shirley, 4.30 p.m.  
From England—Weekly.

**POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICE.**  
Two deliveries by postman daily. Office is open daily for transaction of postal and telegraph business, sale of stamps and postal notes from 9 a.m. till 6 p.m., and from 7 p.m. till 8 p.m.  
**MONY ORDER BUSINESS.**  
From 9 a.m. till 6 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
**SAVINGS BANK.**  
From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays, 10 to 12 a.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. for receiving deposits only.  
**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.**  
From 10 a.m. till 3 p.m.  
**OLD AGE PENSION PAYMENTS.**  
9 a.m. till 3 p.m.  
G. M. CEEAGH, Postmistress.

**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, Furred 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, on trust that this concession will be regarded as an advantage.  
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 journal within a given radius of Beaufort.  
Job Printing, plain and ornamental, of every description, is executed with neatness, accuracy and dispatch, and on the most reasonable terms.  
We take this opportunity of thanking our patrons for past favors, and while respectfully soliciting a renewal of support, desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news we will always endeavor to make our columns as comprehensive as possible. In all departments, in fact, we will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support.  
ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor.

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The rainfall at Beaufort for the week amounted to 2.30 points.

Upon our making representations to Mr D. S. Oman, M.L.A., that it was desirable in the interests of the district and of the mining industry that the Mines Department should make public the result of the boring operations now being conducted at Eglan, that gentleman immediately promised to do his utmost to have the required information supplied to us weekly.

The Buttery Club gave a delightful social in the Societies Hall, Beaufort, on Thursday night. About 50 couples were present, and all seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves.

The stages were tastefully decorated with pot plants, art curtains, screens, etc., while large artificial buttercups adorned the walls. The dancing commenced about 8.15, and was most enjoyable.

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Beaufort Athletic Club.

A general meeting of the Beaufort Athletic Club was held at the Mechanics Institute on Tuesday evening.

Present: Messrs H. M. Stuart (president), J. E. Loff, Sinclair, Topper, Broadbent, W. H. Halpin, A. M. Hannab, G. J. O. Baker, Parker, and Dr. G. A. Edie.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The President stated that the secretary and he having consulted together thought it was nothing but their duty to call the Athletic Club together to see whether they intended taking any action in regard to the Park being handed over to the Agricultural Society for a show-ground.

They were aware that if the Agricultural Society got inside the enclosure used as the recreation part of the Park it would mean extra expense to the Athletic Club, which was not a good thing.

To put the matter in order on the club £15 a year, and £100 including gatekeeper or scout, £15 15s was what they had to pay for a day's sport-work on grounds and permission to council for use of Park. If horses were allowed to parade in the circle (which was all made ground) and to jump there they would soon be a bad thing, as the ground was badly drained, and it took them now all their time to get 150 yards to run the footrace.

When the Park was handed over to the council a provision was made for the committee that horses were not to be left inside the ring. This club had to ask permission to be allowed to do anything no good. Another thing to consider was that the Park had been made a recreation ground and beauty spot, but if pig pens, sheep and cattle yards, and other unsightly buildings were put there the Park would neither be a beauty spot nor be fit for recreation purposes, and what was the use of a recreation ground? He assured them that if the men who handed the Park over to the council ever had any idea that it would be turned into a show-yard, they would have put a proviso in the agreement to that effect.

It was time the citizens were up and doing to protest against the proposed change, and he thought the recreation grounds taken away from the townpeople. One at the old lead mine because no one took any action; the one in the centre of the town was taken for building purposes; and the Agricultural Society had already obtained their present show-grounds from the people who had made it into a recreation ground. He noticed by the report of the agricultural meeting that Mr Berryman had asked if they could not get the Park by some manner of means. They wanted to get the Park the same way as they had got their present show-grounds. Just fancy men talking like that, to try to get a Park that was not fit for the people for the people. This generation wanted to destroy what the past generation had done. If the Agricultural Society were allowed to cut up the recreation reserve, the Park would be a double bad instead of forward. He thought that every man having a stake in the town should try to keep the Park intact. There was plenty of ground outside the town for the Agricultural Society to do as the public had done—make a ground of their own. Every man having a stake in the town should protest against the Park being used as a show-ground, in the interests of the women and children who went picnicking there. The Athletic Club had no objection to the Agricultural Society having a show-ground, and left there because they were overrated. The Society never put a nail in from one show to another, and if they got into the Park who was going to keep it in order? He would like them to express their opinions; as for him, he was opposed to it tooth and nail.

Mr Hannab took exception to Mr Berryman's remarks concerning Mr Berryman, as the president had implied that Mr Berryman was not a straight grower. He attended the agricultural meeting and read the report, but failed to remember and did not believe that Mr Berryman made such a statement. Mr Berryman led him to believe that he was totally opposed to shifting the show to the Park. He considered Mr Stuart's remarks totally unfounded.

Mr Stuart asked Mr Hannab what he meant by saying he implied that Mr Berryman was not a straight grower.

Mr Hannab replied that Mr Stuart had emphasized the fact by saying "by some means or other."

Mr Stuart remarked that what he said was that Mr Berryman asked if the Agricultural Society could not get the Park by some means or other.

Mr Parker, on being appealed to, said he could not remember the exact words used by Mr Berryman, but as the "Advocate" was filed at the Institute the paper containing the report of the meeting could be consulted.

The President left the room to get the paper, and Messrs Halpin and Parker assisted Mr Hannab that Mr Stuart was substantially correct as to what Mr Berryman had said.

Mr Stuart having returned, stating he was unable to find the paper.

Mr Sinclair said he did not intend to express his opinion here, as he would have to do that at a more important meeting of the Shire Council. It depended on the Council as to the use of the Park or not. He thought that meeting should appoint two or three delegates to go to the Shire Council meeting when the Agricultural Society's deputation went there at next meeting, so as to safeguard their interests, although he was prepared to say that rights of the Athletic Club would be safeguarded whether a deputation went or not. He knew there was no more loyal supporter of the council, so far as helping to improve the Park was concerned, than the Athletic Club. His opinion was that a deputation would be appointed from the council to meet the Agricultural Society delegates, but he did not see why a deputation from the Athletic Club should not be included—at the Park to see what was wanted, after which the council delegates would put in a report as to whether the application should be granted or not. Without going any further he would suggest that three members be appointed as a deputation to the next council meeting, and the whole matter could end here, as it was no use discussing the thing till they knew what was to be done. Mr Stuart had called this meeting in the best interests of the Athletic Club and the Park.

Mr Loff said he fell in with the views of Mr Sinclair, and moved that the president, secretary, and Dr Edie be appointed a deputation to interview the council at its next meeting and protest against the Park being used as a show-ground.

Mr Hannab thought before they appointed a deputation they should find out whether there was a majority or not in favor of opposing the proposal.

Mr Baker seconded the motion.

The motion was carried.

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Mining News.

The annual report of the Secretary for Mines and Water Supply gives the following particulars relating to the Ararat and Stawell mining districts for the year ending 31st December 1904.

The report states that the quantity of ore treated was 21,332 tons, yielding 6467 tons, or an average of 5.93 dwt. to the ton. The following statistics show the yield of gold from various mines, and from quartz, in the Ararat and Stawell mining districts during the year:

Ararat: Alluvial, 12,085 tons, 10 dwt.; quartz, 11,468 tons, 6 dwt.; total, 24,553 tons, 16 dwt. This was a decrease of 6586 tons, when compared with the 31,039 tons of the district for 1903. The quantity of ore treated was 21,332 tons, yielding 6467 tons, or an average of 5.93 dwt. to the ton.

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Football. ON Y. BEAUFORT. Outable rivals met for the season in the Beaufort Park...

BLUE BLOOD. The Shirlers are one of those "ancient noble families which have stood against the waves and weathers of time..."

AN ERATIC COURSE. For some generations, for old baronies that descend in the female line so often will, and again to become in abeyance...

BREACH OF PROMISE OF MARRIAGE. That ever came into a court of law was brought by a Miss Mary Elizabeth Smith against Washington Sewalls Shirley...

SUGGESTION OF DRINK AND IMMORALITY. and from a highly respectable clergyman he came to take the character of a person of...

THE UNHAPPY YOUNG LADY. was apprised of the fact that the defendant could not marry her, and she was...

THE PINK BONNET. came on June 23rd, 1884, and after the bills for the other things had come in, and Mrs. Smith understood that she had come from London...

THE STRANGER ON A TRAIN. The stranger on a train in Lincoln fell into conversation with a well-dressed young man who seemed to be able to furnish the information he sought...

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