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J. W. HARRIS, SURGEON DENTIST. The personal health cannot be maintained in its highest degree without good teeth. Teeth saved, wherever possible, with Gold, Porcelain, Amalgam, and Cement.

J. W. HARRIS, Surgical & Mechanical Dentist, Havelock & Neill Sts., Beaufort. Australian Natives' Association. THE FORTNIGHTLY MEETING of the Beaufort Branch, A.N.A., will be held in the MECHANICAL INSTITUTE on TUESDAY evening next...

Wm. Todd, employed at the Mount Bute station, was helping to roll a 4-ton boiler along some planks, when one of the planks broke and crushed his left foot. Two toes were broken. A social was held in the Societies Hall on Wednesday evening to celebrate the anniversary of St. Andrew's H.B.C. and the opening of the Girls' Guild...

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BEAUFORT POLICE COURT.

THURSDAY, 1ST APRIL, 1909. (Before Mr. M. Flynn, J.P.)

DEBT.

F. G. Prince v. W. Trompf. Order for £7 8s 3d, with 2s costs.

The next two cases of same complaint were settled out of court; in the third an order was made for 12s 10d (which had been paid by defendant), with 10s costs; and the fourth was extended to 27th April, as the summons had not been served.

Same v. Jno. Loutitt. Order for £10 7s 11d, with 2s costs.

The next case of Mr. Prince's was also settled out of court.

Same v. Albert White. Order for £1 15s 9d (£1 having been paid on account), with 15s 6d costs.

As there was a prospect of a settlement in the next case, it was, at Mr. S. Young's request, adjourned till 27th April.

A case of Witherspoon & Co's. was adjourned till 27th April.

F. G. Prince v. P. J. Doyle. Order for £3 12s 8d, with 15s 6d costs. Mr. Young appeared for complainants in above cases.

Same v. H. Sherlock. Claim for £2 for goods sold and delivered. Mr. Young for plaintiff.

Mr. J. R. Witherspoon, J.P., here took his seat on the bench.

Defendant, who disputed the claim, said that Williamson and he were contracting at Buangor, and that Williamson told him to get goods, for them, meat, and that he would pay for them, deducting the amounts from his account. This account had been deducted from him 12 months ago, and he never got a receipt for it. He got a summons one week, when he got a summons. He afterwards admitted to the bench that the only account he got was what he gave to Williamson when he finished the job.

F. G. Prince, butcher, late of Beaufort, gave evidence to the effect that he gave credit to H. Sherlock in his books for these goods, which were delivered on his behalf between February and March, 1908, and that he recognised no one else in the transaction. He had rendered accounts to defendant at Ararat, where he understood he lived, but had not got a reply. Neither did he get an answer from Williamson upon writing to ask him if he knew anything about Sherlock.

W. Glover gave evidence as to the delivery of the goods. He was going up the road, when Sherlock asked him if it was Prince's cart, and he said yes. Sherlock told him he was getting metal out for Williamson, who had told him to defendant was there witness gave him his account and added 2s for meat got that day. Defendant had asked him to bring the account. He made the remark that it was board up in Ararat in a few days, and that he would send the money down.

To the Bench the account was opened in Sherlock's name.

Defendant said that Williamson had driven him out and gave Miss Hornby an order to supply him with stores till the job was done, and also told Mr. Flowers to give him bread. If time were allowed he could prove it.

In reply to Mr. Flynn, witness said he had never got any authority, either verbal or written, from Williamson to supply Sherlock with meat, and that he had never seen Williamson at all.

Mr. Prince gave the same reply.

The Bench made an order for £2, with £1 1s costs, against defendant, informing him that he had his remedy against Williamson.

Defendant said he was not in a position to pay it.

Mr. Flynn said if he made arrangements with Mr. Prince or Mr. Young they would not be hard on him.

Defendant offered to pay 2s 6d a week, when Mr. Young said he could get the lot from Williamson.

Defendant said that Williamson had turned insolvent a year and a half ago, and that was how he had to suffer.

ABSOLUTELY FREE.

So many of the cough mixtures on the market contain narcotics that it has come to be considered by many people that it is impossible for a medicine of that description to be manufactured without them. For that reason, rather than run the risk of taking some poisonous drug into the system, they will let a cold run on, or experiment with some home remedies. They are quite right to run no risks, for although your cold may be cured by one of those mixtures, the narcotic in some has a very injurious effect on your system. If you persist in taking them you may even contract the drug habit. What a relief it must be to those people to learn that there is at least one medicine to be procured that does not contain narcotics, and that is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy—the one that has been officially declared to contain no poison; Chamberlain's Cough Remedy—the one that has saved the lives of thousands of children and adults; Chamberlain's Cough Remedy—without which no home-medicine chest is complete. For sale by J. R. Witherspoon & Co., Merchants, Beaufort.

UNUSED ROADS AND WATER FRONTAGES.

MOE, Monday.

Mr. J. E. Mackey, M.L.A., states that he has had an interview with the Premier upon the subject of unused roads and water frontages, and urged that the basis of rentals should be altered, and that the unimproved grazing value be adopted, so that the rental, say, of 1s per acre should be paid, instead of leaving a rental on the unimproved value, which has almost wholly been created by the settlers themselves.

Mr. Mackey advised the Premier to agree with the proposal, and will recommend the Cabinet to adopt it.

MR. D. ADAMS begs to Thank the residents of Beaufort who subscribed the sum of £2, and gave articles of clothing, &c. also Mr. and Mrs. Halpin, by whom the money was collected, and Mr. Halpin for his kindness in obtaining household necessaries with the funds subscribed.

HORSE for Sale 3 years old; suitable for Glen or any light Cart; cheap. Apply to J. LILLEY, Beaufort.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Members of the BEAUFORT THISTLE CLUB will be held in the MECHANICS' INSTITUTE on WEDNESDAY Evening, 7th inst. at 7.30.

THOS. WILLIAMS, Hon. Secy.

NOTICE.

I BEG to announce that I have taken the Blacksmith's Shop known as Watty Johnson's, Haglan, and hope to get a fair share of public patronage. All kinds of Jobbing work done. Horse Shoeing a specialty.

WILLIAM JOHNSTON, BLACKSMITH, RAGLAN.

NOTICE.

I BEG to announce that, having introduced the "KENT HOUSE" Brand of Toilet Soap, by keeping only the Best of Quality, to give a share of your patronage.

SMALL GOODS A SPECIALTY.

My Motto—"Cleanliness, Quality, Civility."

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Opening Show of AUTUMN GOODS! Our store has taken on new attire. We have opened a great many new creations, and are now ready for you to see them in all their beauty. We bought them well, and by buying a large assortment, secured a tidy discount, which goes back to you in the small prices. NEW DRESS GOODS, NEW MILLINERY, NEW SKIRTS & BLOUSES, NEW JACKETS, NEW FURS, NEW HOSIERY, NEW UNDERWEAR, NEW EVERYTHING! We invite you to call and look at the goods—you will not be asked to buy. J. R. Witherspoon & Co., The Store that Serves You Well, BEAUFORT AND BUANGOR.



Stockyard Hill District Coursing Club.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of Members of the above Club will be held at STOCKYARD HILL HOTEL on WEDNESDAY evening, April 7th, at 8 o'clock.

Business—Election of Officers for ensuing season and general.

WM. LYNCH, Hon. Sec.

Nature's Grandest Gift, Good Sight

Very few need be denied this priceless treasure. Do you, reader, possess this boon? If not, then let this advertisement be the means of your gaining it.

MR. S. B. ABOTOMEY, Sight Specialist & Optician,

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Will visit BEAUFORT on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6th and 7th, and may be consulted at the GOLDEN AGE HOTEL.

His method of examining the eye by means of the Ophthalmoscope and Retinoscope is on the latest Scientific Principles.

Mr. Abotomey has been the means of affording relief to hundreds suffering from Eye and Sight troubles, and can do the same for you. If your vision is affected.

Accurate Sight-testing FREE! Satisfaction assured.

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EASTER MONDAY.

SOCIETIES' HALL, Beaufort.

Programme—"Best yet!"

Maggie Stirling, World-famed Contralto.

Tom Gainer, Champion Tenor.

NORMAN LESLIE, Famous "Scotch Mixture" Comedian.

And other "Stars."

See Programme.

PIPING! DANCING!

Prices—2s.; Reserved, 3s. Box Plan at Cochran's.

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BEAUFORT PARK, EASTER MONDAY

Afternoon, Admission, 1s.; Children under 12, 6d. In aid of Local Improvement Fund. See Posters and Handbills. Don't Miss "Grosby Pig," "The War," "Billie at Hing," &c. PIPING! DANCING! HIGHLAND COSTUMES!

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

RAGLAN SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY!

SUNDAY, APRIL 4.

PREACHERS—3 p.m., Rev. C. NEVILLE; 7 p.m., Mr. R. THOMPSON.

PUBLIC MEETING.

IN compliance with a petition signed by 62 ratepayers and residents of Beaufort, requesting me to convene a Public Meeting for the purpose of appointing a deputation to interview Admiral Bridges and urge him to offer to the Government 5000 acres of his Trawalla Estate for public settlement purposes, I hereby convene a PUBLIC MEETING, to be held at the SHIRE HALL, Beaufort, on MONDAY next, at 8 o'clock p.m.

M. FLYNN, President, Shire of Ripon.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Shire of Ripon, and enclosing five per cent. cash deposit (minimum deposit, £1, in cash or marked cheque), will be received up till 11 a.m., on Monday, 5th April, 1909, for the following works:—

1. NORTH RIDING.

Contract 495—Drainage, filling, &c., Beaufort Park.

Contract 496—Supplying bluestone metal, metallizing, &c., Beaufort and Ararat road.

Contract 497—Clearing, parish of Haglan.

Contract 498—Supplying 300 c. yds. quartz and 100 c. yds. of gravel on the Beaufort and Waterloo road.

Contract 499—Construction of monier pipe culverts.

2. WEST RIDING.

Contract 500—Carting metal and supplying gravel, Skipton and Streamham road.

Contract 501—Carting metal and supplying gravel on the Beaufort and Streamham road.

3. EAST RIDING.

Contract 502—Supplying metal and gravel, Carnaghan, Snake Valley and Linton road.

Contract 503—Carting metal and supplying gravel, Carnaghan and Ballarat road.

Contract 504—Construction of pipe culverts, Muldoon's Flat Hill.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Mechanics' Institute, Skipton; Greyhound Hotel, Snake Valley; and Shire Hall, Beaufort.

E. J. MUNZ, B.C.E., Shire Engineer, Shire Offices, Beaufort, 26th March, 1909.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.

FISHING OR SHOOTING ON THE ERILLDOUNE ESTATE, without written permission from the Manager, is strictly PROHIBITED.

Any person or persons TRESPASSING on the said Estate will be PROSECUTED.

NORMAN WILSON, Manager, Erilldoone, 25th March, 1909.

HERBERT'S need to insure your life if you

own a HERCULES CYCLE! Only the best material is used, and they are built by the best workmen. The numerous races won of late on these machines throughout the States show conclusively that they are Ideal Bicycles. Built in two grades, the LOCO and the HERCULES, and fitted with any parts desired.

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In Aid of the Charities (Toys and Cakes), Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne.

MONDAY, 26th APRIL.

(Eight Hours' Day.) Public and Bank Holiday.

THE EIGHT HOURS' ART UNION.

200 PRIZES. VALUE £1000.

Works of Art by Australian Artists.

1st PRIZE, OIL PAINTING, Value \$500

2nd PRIZE, OIL PAINTING, Value \$100

3rd PRIZE, OIL PAINTING, Value \$50

37 other Prizes ranging in value from \$20.

NOTE.—The Committee are purchasing and paying for the Pictures and Subscribers for the houses of the Art Union, and that, in their opinion, the pictures are worth their price. The Committee offers to any of the WINNERS OF THE FIRST THREE PRIZES for the amounts at which they are so valued.

The Art Union will be drawn at 8 p.m., on Monday, 10th May, 1909, in the presence of representatives of the Press and all ticket-holders who may desire to attend.

Winning numbers will be published in the three Melbourne dailies on the 12th May.

EVERY TICKET SOLD AND NO OTHER HAS TO BE PAID.

A CHANGE can be obtained, with full list of prizes, from your local agents, or direct from the Secretary, in each of the 100, or 25 for 51, by forwarding address, and enclosing Postal Notes, P.O. Order (with stamp for reply) to:

THE 8 HOURS' ART UNION, Secretary Eight Hours' Committee, Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne, Victoria.

Local Agent—MR. J. B. COCHRAN, Buy your Tickets AT ONCE from your local Agents.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

EXTRA TRAINS.

On 8th April a special express will leave Serviceton at 11 p.m. for Melbourne, stopping at the usual stopping places for the ordinary express, and reach Melbourne at 8.17 a.m. on 9th April. Particulars of times can be obtained at local stations, and it will leave Serviceton at 10 a.m., Ararat 3.53, Beaufort 4.46, and Ballarat at 6.55 a.m., 9th April. From Ballarat on 16th April (12th excepted) and on 18th April an extra train will proceed the Adelaide express from Serviceton at 4.20 a.m., and leave Ballarat at 7.25 a.m., reaching Melbourne at 9.54 a.m. On 8th, 9th, and 12th April an extra train, stopping at Beaufort, Ballarat, and Bacchus Marsh only, will leave Ararat for Melbourne at 3.55 p.m.

SEAWELL SPORTS.

On Easter Monday, 12th April, a special train will leave Ballarat at 7.45 a.m., Traralgon at 8.48 a.m., Beaufort at 9.10 a.m., Buangor at 9.45 a.m., Ararat at 11.10 a.m., and return from Serviceton at 8.25 p.m. L. McCLELLAND, Secretary.

LAND AND STOCK SALE

By Public Auction, AT DIXON BROS. & HALPIN'S ROOMS, BEAUFORT—

WEDNESDAY, 7th APRIL, 1909, at 3 p.m.

DIXON BROS. & HALPIN have been

favoured with instructions by the Executors of HENRY JAMESON, late of Raglan, who has deceased, in order to wind up his Estate, to sell, as under, on above date:—

FREEDOM LAND.—Lot 1—Allotments 100, 108, and 119, of section A, parish of Raglan, containing 149 acres 13 perches. Fenced with posts, wires and netting. Lot 2—Allotments 10 and 10A, of section A, parish of Raglan, containing 237 acres 18 perches. Fenced with posts, wires and netting. Beaufort water race runs through property. Weatherboard House of 7 rooms, with sheds and stabling, erected thereon. Lot 3—Allotments 10B and 21, of section A, parish of Raglan, containing 19 acres 1 rood 7 perches. Terms—5 per cent. deposit, and balance within one month.

70s. per acre, may be inspected at the Office of SAMUEL YOUNG, Esq., Solicitor, Beaufort.

SHREPS—Merino and Corriedale—25 6 and 8 tooth Ewes and Wethers, principally Ewes; 30 2 and 4 tooth Ewes; 80 Lambs, mixed sexes; all in vigorous condition.

CATTLE—4 3-year-old Heifers, 3 3-year-old Steers, 2 2-year-old Steers; very forward condition. Terms may be arranged with the Auctioneer.

STOCK SALE will also be held on same date, when several Draughts, Buggy Horses and Ponies, one pair Bay Ponies, about 12 months, riding 3 and 4 years, good match, and perfectly quiet; also sheep and cattle, will be offered. Further entries invited.

W. H. HALPIN, Auctioneer.

SATURDAY, 1st MAY, 1909.

IMPORTANT SUBDIVISIONAL SALE

of a Portion of the FAR-FAMED TRAWALLA ESTATE.

5182 ACRES 2 ROODS 39 PERCHES, Situated from 5 to 8 miles from Beaufort, on the main Adelaide to Melbourne railway line. Beaufort is about 28 miles from the City of Ballarat and stock markets. The area in question adjoins STOCKYARD HILL AND LAKE GOLDSMITH.

Each fenced for Cereal Crop Production, Fat Sheep and Excellent Wool.

There are Two Good Roads leading from this Estate into Beaufort.

It has the Bountiful Average Annual Rainfall of 25.75 inches, extending over 31 years; the lowest register for that period being 20 inches. This register has been taken at Trawalla Homestead.

To be Sold by PUBLIC TENDER. Tenderees may apply for One or More Blocks, or the Whole Area.

A Rare Opportunity to acquire First-class Agricultural and Grazing Land in a Favoured Locality.

TENDERS RETURNABLE at 12 Noon, On SATURDAY, 1st MAY.

Addressed to the Agents, YOUNG BROS. and A. M. GREENFIELD & CO., Post Office, Beaufort.

POSSESSION will be given on WEDNESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1909, but Purchasers may Enter on to the Land, and Fallow ONE-HALF of the Area they Purchase, on or after THURSDAY, 1st JULY NEXT. This is a Consideration worthy of Special Attention.

A. M. GREENFIELD & CO., Ballarat

and Melbourne, and YOUNG BROS., Horsham and branches, in connection with ADMIRAL BRIDGES' Trawalla Estate, Traralgon, near Beaufort, will offer for Sale by Public TENDER, as above, IN AREAS TO SUIT PURCHASERS.

This is an excellent area of rich agricultural and grazing country, admirably adapted for the successful growing of wheat, oats, and other cereals; also rape and green crops. The bulk of it is in native land. Farmers, therefore, in quest of land would do well to at once inspect this estate, it being situated in a locality so convenient to a railway station, and within so reasonable a distance of the Ballarat stock and produce markets.

The country is open and undulating, in every way suited for mixed farming.

The terms are liberal, and the rate of interest reasonable, viz., 10 per cent. of the purchase money to accompany each tender. (To be returned if not accepted), and if accepted, then the vendors will allow interest on the amount paid, calculated from date of acceptance to date of possession, at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

15 per cent. to be paid on 1st March, 1911, 10 per cent. on 1st March, 1912, and the balance on the 1st March, 1917, bearing interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. per annum, and September in each year. OR ALL CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Purchasers will have the right to pay off additional sums of £100, or a multiple thereof, on the 1st March of any year, provided one month's clear notice in writing is given of intention so to do.

TENDERS ARE RETURNABLE at 12 noon on SATURDAY, 1st MAY, 1909, addressed to YOUNG BROS. and A. M. GREENFIELD & CO., Post Office, Beaufort. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

ARRANGEMENTS for INSPECTING THE PROPERTY may be made by communicating with YOUNG BROS., Horsham, Hamilton, Mill, Ararat, and agencies, or A. M. GREENFIELD & CO., Ballarat and Melbourne.

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Large Consignment, direct from Manufacturers, made expressly for the Proprietor.

Beckingsale's Super-fatted Skin Soap; Delightfully emollient; absolutely free from excess of alkali; and can be used for the most delicate skins. Removes sunburn, freckles, &c. Box of three, 2s. Tabs., 9d.

GIBBS' SHAVING STICKS. Produces beautiful soft lather; makes shaving a delight. Sticks, One Shilling.

A large assortment of PERFUMES, suitable for Xmas. Presents. See Window.

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under the entire supervision of the Proprietor, where only the Best and Freshest Drugs obtainable are used.

Having no stale stock, patients can rely on Prescriptions being prepared strictly according to the doctor's directions.

A Few Seasonable Lines:—

Beckingsale's Hair Wash Powder! Cleansing and Refreshing. Packets, 6d.

Beckingsale's Sarsaparilla; Removes pimples, blotches, and old sores; purifies the blood. Large Bottles, 4s.

Effervescent Grape Saline; Refreshing and cooling aperient. Price, 2s.

Glycerine and Cucumber Cream, for rough and chapped hands, sunburn, freckles, &c. Price, 1s. 6d.

THE DENTAL DEPARTMENT is fitted with all the modern requirements. Extractions, Fittings, and Artificial Dentures at Melbourne prices. My work speaks for itself.

BECKINGSALE, CHEMIST & DENTIST,

BEAUFORT.

"As ye sow, so shall ye reap." Illustration of a farmer in a hat and coat, holding a plow. Text: Before sowing, all practical farmers know how necessary it is in this district to plough well and follow—turn the soil over from a good depth, and let the sun and the rain and the fresh air of our southern sky cleanse and purify from all weeds and noxious growths—and then, given a fair season, you can reap your 2 or 3 tons of Oaten Hay to the acre, your 40 or 45 bushels of Oats, your 25 to 35 bushels of Prime Milling Wheat. No doubt good farming pays, and practical, up-to-date farmers use Strong, Serviceable Tools and Implements, as supplied and sold by HAWKES BROS., THE IRONMONGERS, BEAUFORT. At Less than Reasonable Prices. Ploughing Season, 1909. Unbreakable Solid Wrought Steel Shares, easily re-laid and pointed, at 3/6 each. Cast Shares, Geelong made, H in diamond brand, to 6 C or D feet; all sizes; from 1/6 doz. Do, do, "Forgans", from 1/8 doz. Do, do, Horsely Improved, from 13/6 doz. Plough Chains, Dotted Links, guaranteed tested quality, 4 1/2 lb. Plough Hames, full cast, very strong, 7/6 pair. Best Macleod's Bluebonnet, 4 lb. Bright Split Links, all sizes, 9d lb. Burge's Patent Horse Rugs; cannot come off; of best White Canvas and Leather Strapping; 16/6, 17/6, each. Inspect these before buying elsewhere. Cotton, Russian and Manila Hemp Plough Reins, with patent Snaps, from 2/3 pair. Collars, Back Bands, Spider Harness, and all requirements at lowest rates. Local Agents for McCormick Drills

HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE.

The Famous Remedy for Coughs, Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Pleurisy, Asthma & Consumption

Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its splendid healing power. Sufferers from Bronchitis, Cough, Croup, Asthma, Difficulty of Breathing, Hoarseness, Pain or Soreness in the Chest, experience delightful and rapid relief...

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By "Common Sense."

A constipated condition of the bowels is the commonest cause of ill-health. If the waste matter, which the bowels should regularly remove...

Warner's Safe Pills are not a drastic cathartic. They do not irritate the bowels, and bile is nature's cathartic.

SKIPTON.

The annual distribution of prizes for the Presbyterian Sabbath school took place in the school hall on Friday...

Mr. John Burdett has installed an oil-engine on his farm to drive the shaft for the water pump and other mechanical work.

At the laying of the foundation stone of the new agricultural high school at Ballarat, the Premier, Mr. Murray, said that the determination of the present Government...

On Saturday evening, 20th ult., the P.I.C. held a meeting for the purpose of taking for the candidate to represent the Labor interest in the Corangamite Division.

It is currently reported that we are to have a branch of the Bank of New South Wales opened here also that there is to be a new police station and perhaps a new post office in the near future.

Chamberlain's Tablets have proved remarkably successful in curing stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation.

Mr. Watt, State Treasurer, says that the increase of expenditure in Victoria last year was 71 a head of the population more than in 1899-1900.

SNAKE VALLEY.

A very sudden death occurred here on Tuesday morning, 23rd ult., when John McSwan, a well-known resident, passed away.

Although rather early to talk about municipal election matters, rumors are floating about the district...

Several petty thefts have been reported during the last few weeks, and residents should be on the guard as to the safety of their property.

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SOME OF THE BISHOP OF CARLISLE'S PRECEPTS.

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TRY A LUNG BATH.

"Our lungs, quite as well as our bodies, need baths," said a well-known physician.

WIDOWS' CAPS.

Why do widows wear caps? Perhaps you may say because they make their heads look so interesting.

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THE QUESTION OF FATE.

By ETHEL COLSON.

"I never did find it easy to be in an overlying Fate or Providence," cried the girl, impatiently; "throwing down the daily paper; and every day it grows harder. Did you ever know Bruce Standish? ..."

"Yes," said the woman again, her eyes lit up at the blue distance; "I've been thinking about it all day. ..."

"The eyes of the woman fell at last from the floor clouds to the flushed face of her companion, resting there with tender sympathy and comprehension. ..."

"I have said that he was susceptible to feminine influence. Well, from his earliest childhood he was drawn to a girl who certainly complemented his nature, and whom he certainly loved. ..."

CORSICAN BANDIT KING.

ESCAPES IN THE MOUNTAINS.

Tales of Corsican bandits and of incidents in the blood-thirsty island kept an audience enthralled at Burlington House, London, when the Rev. T. Norgate, lecturing under the auspices of the Royal Geographical Society, told something of 'The Land of the Vendetta.' ..."

Mr. Norgate had traced historically some of the vendettas, which had been the cause of hundreds of deaths to such occurrences as one man's pig getting into another man's garden. ..."

"It was a good way out of all the difficulties and trials he was to brave, and many deliberately to evade, having made his own way into them; and it is not to be doubted that he died happy. ..."

THE ANGEL OF DEATH.

A RABBINICAL LEGEND.

There is a Rabbinical legend of the Angel of Death, who once obtained permission to take human shape and to reside partly in the world of the living. ..."

"At all his cases, 'Death' was to appear. If they were hopeless he would stand at the head of the bed, if not, at the foot. ..."

A CONFESSION.

THE DEAD MAN'S RETURN.

The story of baseless confessions ought to have a place in any history of self-hypnotism, and every constable and detective should possess a copy. ..."

Stephen Colvin was arrested, and declared that his brother Jesse had confessed to having killed their father. Jesse was next apprehended, trial, Stephen made a clean breast of it, hoping for leniency. ..."

FRANCE TO-DAY.

A LAND WHERE EVERYBODY IS COMFORTABLE.

We learn by the 'France in the Twentieth Century' of Mr. W. L. George, newly published by Mr. John Lane, that the population of the Republic has apparently arrived at the state of equipoise between the mouths that are to be fed and the mouths that are to bear the burden. ..."

A TRAITOR'S DEATH.

"What was your narrowest escape?" "One day there came up here to the ravine one of our own kind and kin. He often used to come and bring us provisions and news of the latest movements of the gendarmes, and we told him how on the morrow we were going across to another slope of the mountain. ..."

AN IMPOSTOR.

A good story about an unemployed man who did not work was told by Brigadier-General E. J. Stuart Wortley at the Mayor's banquet at Polkstone.

One day on his estate in Hampshire, he said, a man asked him for work. He said, 'Yes, go to my ballif and he will give you a spade, and I will pay you 16s. a week.' ..."

It has been calculated that if a horse were as strong, comparatively, as a common flea, he would draw a dead weight of 800,000lb.

RETURN OF THE CHAPERON.

SOCIETY FINDS IT CANNOT DO WITHOUT HER.

For two seasons the chaperon in London society of the highest class found her occupation gone. Boy and girl danced with the hostess for so long, and the first step to bold dismissal, and young womanhood found itself almost completely emancipated. ..."

Some mothers were doubtful as to the propriety of this state of things. Others took very kindly to it. After all the lot of the chaperon is not so gloomy, as the way, hints a writer in the 'Queen,' is not invariable found to be stimulating. ..."

WARFARE IN MINIATURE.

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IN OTHER LANDS.

WHERE WATER RATES ARE LOW.

Throughout the Hsin Kiang of New Province of China are scattered the ruins of once populous towns, which have been forced out of existence by gradually increasing drought. ..."

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A SENSATIONAL ROMANCE.

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PART 5.

"I won't deceive you. It's a bad case, and he must be perfectly quiet, a great deal depends upon that."

"He'll be quiet enough. I've seen the nature of his husband's mother's case," said Dr. Lucas.

"It was true; Ned Jones was very ill, and hour by hour he seemed to grow worse," said the doctor.

"I wish the doctor would come," said Mrs. Burns, expressing her thoughts aloud.

"Sally, lass, it's no use. The Almighty called, and there's no shirking the answer. He's a captain as cannot be cheated. I'd a liked to have lived a white tonight. There was a bit of intense excitement."

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"I hope so. I know how you have longed to know something more of my father's fate."

"I shall know before long, I am sure," she replied.

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"I am fortunate," he said, as he took her hand, pressing it gently.

"Yes, isn't it lucky I met Joan? And she asked me to come in, though I'm no good, sure that I should have required asking if I'd known you longed for night, when the doctor said he would pay another visit."

"Didn't you see my horse?" "We came across the field path, and in at the back garden gate," said Joan; then looking at her she asked what was the matter.

"Joan, I believe the mystery connected with your father's death is going to be unravelled," said Mrs. Lucas, in a tone full of emotion.

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"Something wrong between you and that young gentleman," said the stranger, crossing over towards the man, who was evidently employed on the estate.

"He's a scamp, but I'm a fool to show what I feel, seeing as I work under his father."

"I don't think you're very wise; but what has the young fellow done?"

The man leaned forward, saying: "You'll have read Nathan's parable of the ewe lamb? Well, he took my ewe lamb and he broke her heart. Never a blither, bonnier lass than my Peggy was, till he crossed her path; and now she's never a word to say, and her face that said it to me, my heart ache to look at her."

"Poor lass! Does his father know the sort of man he is?"

"I don't know. The squire's a good man in his way, but these sort of things don't come to his ears. But if ever Mr. Phil is master here, I shall find work elsewhere or it."

"Well, mate, I'd advise you to find work elsewhere now. Both you and your lass would be better away from that man."

"It's easier said than done," was the man's reply, as Captain Clarke went forward.

"I wouldn't like to say that Mr. Phil will die in his bed if he doesn't keep out of that fellow's way," he thought.

CHAPTER X. FACE TO FACE. After walking some distance, Captain Clarke came to a bridge which crossed a stream, and in another minute he was on a broad, level road. In front of him stood a substantial house, and at a little distance a fine old castle.

"Well, if Squire Basset is the Captain Basset I knew, he's got on pretty considerably," he thought as he quickened his steps, and in a little while stood in front of a massive iron gate, over which was an ancient stone arch.

A kind of keep formed a lodge, and as he passed through the gate, a woman came to the door; but as he walked on she offered no objection, though he could see she was undecided as to the nature of his business.

"Reckon I'm not swell enough for a visitor here," he reflected, as he gazed appreciatively around at the well-kept garden, which even in November was not without attraction.

Presently he reached the principal entrance, and saw that the massive door, studded with brass nails, stood open, but the inner door, which was partly glass, was closed, and as he rang the bell Clarke saw a wide, long hall, which appeared to him more like a room than an entrance hall.

Scarcely a minute elapsed before a manservant opened the door, and in reply to his query received Mr. Basset was at home whether a reply in the affirmative.

"Will you tell him I wish to see him on urgent business?" said Clarke.

"Yes, sir. Step this way," and the man, who knew that his master now and then had visitors whom he would scarcely have called gentlemen, but whose business, being connected with the Stock Exchange, was of vital importance to the squire, showed him into a small room, then asked what name he should say.

"Never mind my name. Just tell Mr. Basset it's a matter of business."

Now, to Squire Basset business meant speculation, and as he had uniformly been successful the word had a pleasant ring, and his face wore a look of satisfaction as he inquired the person's name.

He didn't give it, sir. He said I was to tell you it was a matter of business, only to find that he is several miles out of his reckoning, and has made a bad landfall.

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board the Sea Gull. One of the sailors was a man named Ned Jones, and he was doing some cleaning near the dying man's cabin at the time he gave the diamonds into your keeping, and he heard you swear to deliver them to the man's wife. Have you kept your oath?"

While Clarke had been talking, Basset's keen intelligence had grasped one or two facts which considerably reassured him, and his tone was calm and deliberate as he said: "Suppose your tale about diamonds having been confided to me was true, your proper course would be to seek the widow of the man and ask her if she received them instead of coming to me."

"I should have gone to her first if I had known her name," replied Clarke, who was no diplomatist.

Squire Basset smiled sarcastically. "Don't you think it's rather a cock-and-bull tale to charge me with having received diamonds from a man whose name you do not even know?"

"Jones forgot the man's name, and so did I."

"Look here: it is likely that a man who had heard such a transaction as you tell me he says he did, would remember it and forget the man's name?"

Basset spoke in a quiet, impartial tone, and for a moment Clarke wondered if the sailor's tale had been true. Then as he remembered the man's earnestness he said: "I believe Jones spoke the truth. I suppose you admit that you were at one time captain of the Sea Gull?"

"Certainly. Why should I deny it?" asked Basset, who had been quick to decide what course of action it would be well to take.

(To be Continued.) 1669.

VALUABLE NAUTICAL INVENTION.

Captain H. A. Gadsden, a retired officer of the mercantile marine, of American birth, now living in London, has invented a most ingenious aid to ocean travel, and magnanimously made a present of his ideas for the benefit of all who "go down to the sea in ships" to the Bureau of Navigation to the United States.

Captain Gadsden's invention is as important relatively as the sextant itself. The Japanese navy used it in the war with Russia, and to its employment the commanders of eight ships ascribed in a large measure their ability to surprise the enemy.

Divested of its technical nomenclature, the invention, which is called the "spanner horizon," is intended to correct a false horizon, which the navigator reads almost as much as he does the uncharted sunken rock, for he may be carried many miles out of his course, and not infrequently to a dangerous ambush, in the pathless lane he is following.

Secure in the belief that his "sights are good," which is the nautical way of saying that the safety signals are set, the mariner stands boldly on several miles out of his reckoning, and has made a bad landfall.

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"I don't think you're very wise; but what has the young fellow done?"

The man leaned forward, saying: "You'll have read Nathan's parable of the ewe lamb? Well, he took my ewe lamb and he broke her heart. Never a blither, bonnier lass than my Peggy was, till he crossed her path; and now she's never a word to say, and her face that said it to me, my heart ache to look at her."

"Poor lass! Does his father know the sort of man he is?"

"I don't know. The squire's a good man in his way, but these sort of things don't come to his ears. But if ever Mr. Phil is master here, I shall find work elsewhere or it."

"Well, mate, I'd advise you to find work elsewhere now. Both you and your lass would be better away from that man."

"It's easier said than done," was the man's reply, as Captain Clarke went forward.

"I wouldn't like to say that Mr. Phil will die in his bed if he doesn't keep out of that fellow's way," he thought.

CHAPTER X. FACE TO FACE. After walking some distance, Captain Clarke came to a bridge which crossed a stream, and in another minute he was on a broad, level road. In front of him stood a substantial house, and at a little distance a fine old castle.

"Well, if Squire Basset is the Captain Basset I knew, he's got on pretty considerably," he thought as he quickened his steps, and in a little while stood in front of a massive iron gate, over which was an ancient stone arch.

A kind of keep formed a lodge, and as he passed through the gate, a woman came to the door; but as he walked on she offered no objection, though he could see she was undecided as to the nature of his business.

"Reckon I'm not swell enough for a visitor here," he reflected, as he gazed appreciatively around at the well-kept garden, which even in November was not without attraction.

Presently he reached the principal entrance, and saw that the massive door, studded with brass nails, stood open, but the inner door, which was partly glass, was closed, and as he rang the bell Clarke saw a wide, long hall, which appeared to him more like a room than an entrance hall.

Scarcely a minute elapsed before a manservant opened the door, and in reply to his query received Mr. Basset was at home whether a reply in the affirmative.

"Will you tell him I wish to see him on urgent business?" said Clarke.

"Yes, sir. Step this way," and the man, who knew that his master now and then had visitors whom he would scarcely have called gentlemen, but whose business, being connected with the Stock Exchange, was of vital importance to the squire, showed him into a small room, then asked what name he should say.

"Never mind my name. Just tell Mr. Basset it's a matter of business."

Now, to Squire Basset business meant speculation, and as he had uniformly been successful the word had a pleasant ring, and his face wore a look of satisfaction as he inquired the person's name.

He didn't give it, sir. He said I was to tell you it was a matter of business, only to find that he is several miles out of his reckoning, and has made a bad landfall.

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DISEASES TOLD BY THE EYE.

If there is anything serious the matter with you, the skilled physician can often ascertain the fact, definitely and without error, by looking into your eye. It is one of the most important of the discoveries of science. For, obviously, the most essential thing in the treatment of a sick person is to find out with certainty what is the matter with him. When this much has been learned it is a comparatively easy matter to prescribe the proper remedies.

Some maladies that assail the human body are very obscure. Puzzling symptoms exhibit themselves, and often it happens that the doctor does not know what is the matter with him. For example, such a trouble as a tumour on the brain. It is, of course, concealed from view. Something evidently is wrong. But what? The physician cannot tell. There are suggestions of commencing paralysis, perhaps, with possibly some signs of mental derangement.

At the same time the sufferer appears to be otherwise in good health. All of his vital organs are in excellent working order. The symptoms suggest something wrong with the brain—pressure upon the thinking organ, perhaps. But how is it possible to find out? One can hardly look inside a person's skull. Even X-rays may reveal nothing in such a case. But there is no difficulty whatever about looking into the person's eye, and that, if a brain tumour exists, will show the fact at a glance. In any case of the kind the optic nerve is pretty sure to be markedly swelled and unduly prominent.

No matter what the disease that afflicts you, it is fairly certain, if it be anything serious, to make itself manifest in the eye—not in the external appearance of the eye, but in the structure of the nerve screen, called the "retina," which lines the interior of the eye. In fact, it takes the place of the photographic sensitive plate, the eye being nothing more nor less than a small and very skilfully constructed photographic camera.

Here are some of the details of such diagnoses as supplied by an eminent physician. The beginnings of Bright's disease are often obscure, and may not be recognised by the physician from the early symptoms. It is extremely important, however, that they shall be recognised promptly, because this deadly, fatal to so many human beings, is curable when it has not gone too far. Even in its very early stages it manifests itself in the eye.

It certainly does seem strange that an affection of the kidneys should touch the eye; yet such is the fact. The physician, examining the interior of the organ with the aid of a simple little instrument called the "ophthalmoscope," sees that the nerve screen is sprinkled over with little white patches. The secret is out at once. It may be that previously there had been no suspicion of the existence of such a trouble. But the indication is infallible, and no time is lost in confirming the diagnosis by other and well-known means. Then a suitable treatment, largely a matter of diet, is prescribed.

The everyday doctor does not attempt to make a study of eyes. Medicine nowadays is such a big subject that it has to be divided up into branches, and ophthalmology, as eye science is called, is a specialty all by itself. An ordinary practitioner, however capable, rarely knows how to make accurate observations of the kind here described.

Accordingly, if he entertains any suspicion, he sends his patient to a skilled oculist for examination. But it often happens that oculists and opticians likewise, examining eyes for the mere purpose of prescribing glasses, notice such symptoms; and then, as a matter of course, refer the matter to the attention of a general practitioner—usually the patient's family doctor.

IS CANCER SHOWN BY THE EYE? Diabetes—another very deadly disease, the early symptoms of which are obscure—manifests itself in the eye in a way quite similar to Bright's disease. In fact, the evidences are so much alike that only a highly skilled oculist can tell the difference. There is the same sort of white patches over the nerve screen, with, it is likely, traces of many small hemorrhages, due to rupture of tiny blood vessels. But in the case of diabetes, some of these patches exhibit a peculiar starshape noticeable to the trained observer.

Cancer exhibits itself in the eye by a degeneration of the structure of the nerve screen—the retina—not easily describable, but capable of being recognised by the skilled observer. That terrible, maldy called "loco-motor ataxia," which chiefly affecting the spinal cord, inevitably falls in the course of a few years, shows itself in the eye. It causes an atrophy (wasting) of the optic nerve, due to a partial cutting off of the blood supply.

If you try to look into a person's eye through the round hole called the pupil, you can see nothing. The reason why is easily explained. No rays of light go from your own eye into the dark chamber of the eye, you are looking at, and so no rays are reflected back. On this account the pupil appears black. But if you take a piece of mirror with a small hole bored through it, hold it in front of the observed eye in such a way as to throw light into the latter, and look through the hole from the back you will behold the interior plainly. It is a trick that must not be tried with sunlight, because that is too strong and would be likely to do injury.

This is the simple principle of the ophthalmoscope, which was invented by Helmholtz, the celebrated physicist. Previously nothing was known of the interior of the living eye. All the wonders of the inside of the eyeball, with its wealth of colouring, were uncreated. A small disc of looking-glass, with a hole through the centre, solved the problem, and

made possible the discoveries in eye science which have followed.

Since then the instrument has been much improved by the adjustment of small glass lenses in connection with it, so that the oculist, looking into the eye of a patient, sees the nerve screen many times magnified. Thanks to this magnification, he is able to observe the most minute details of structure, and to detect anything that may be wrong.

Thus viewed, the nerve screen is seen to have a reddish ground, with darker blood vessels running over it like rivers on a map, with many branches. More accurately speaking, the ground may be of any hue, from light yellowish red to dark red and brownish red. This, curiously enough, is a matter of complexion. If you are a blonde, the nerve screen which lines the eye is light in colour; if a brunette it is darker. The tint depends merely upon the amount of pigment—the same pigment which, according to the quantity of it present, makes your skin light or dark.

Towards one side, when viewed through the hole in the mirror, is very noticeable, is a large round spot of lighter colour—rather greyish, in fact. This marks the point where the optic nerve enters the eye from the brain. It is the "blind spot" in the eye. A ray of light from any object falling upon this spot produces no impression, a fact which you can prove for yourself by a very simple experiment.

Take a piece of white paper and mark upon it two black dots with a pen or pencil about five inches apart. Look fixedly at one of them with one eye only, and, by suitably adjusting the distance of the paper, the other dot will entirely disappear. This is because the light rays from the second dot fall upon the blind spot aforesaid.—"Popular Science Monthly."

THE QUESTION OF PITT'S LAST WORDS IS absolutely settled in the 1873 edition of Lord Stanhope's biography. In the last days of his life he saw only his medical attendants, Dr. Preymer, Bishop of Lincoln, his niece Lady Hester Stanhope, who was the lady of his house, and her half-brother, the Honourable James Stanhope, a young soldier then in his eighteenth year. The last named wrote, three days after his uncle's death, a record of the closing scenes, which was preserved in the family, but became known to Lord Stanhope only in 1860.

Mr. Stanhope states that from the morning of Wednesday the 22nd of January, 1806, until his death early on the following day, he never left his uncle except for a few minutes. In the evening of Wednesday Mr. Pitt's mind seemed to be fixed on the affairs of the country. He spoke aloud, but sometimes incoherently, and once cried "Hear hear!" as if he were in the House of Commons. About midnight he moaned a good deal, but ceased this about 2.30 a.m., when he seemed to be dying. "Shortly afterwards," the account goes on, "with a much clearer voice than he spoke in before, and in a tone I shall never forget, he exclaimed

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in hands of North Riding councillors, on the motion of Crs. Slater and Roddis; the President pointing out that the dam was President wanted, and that some 4 or 5 years hadly in council had agreed to bear its proportion of work if Lextonshive would co-operate, it being BUSINESS.

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Most Convincing Evidence. During conversation with Mrs. Genevieve Catherine C. G., of No. 10 Little Fleet-street, Fitzroy, a press representative peccilled the following notes, which are presented for our reader's consideration.

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A public meeting was held in the Mechanics' Hall on Saturday to elect managers to the Cargham Common. Cr. A. C. Roddis presided, and about 2000 acres had been applied for out of an area of 6000 acres, including State forest, it would again be necessary to elect two managers.

MINING NEWS.

The following are the reported yields for the week ending Friday, April 8th:—Morris and party, 18wt. 14wt. 19gr. Last Chance, 3oz. 6dw. 19gr.; Adamshwaite and party, 2oz. 5dw. 14gr.; sundries, 4oz.

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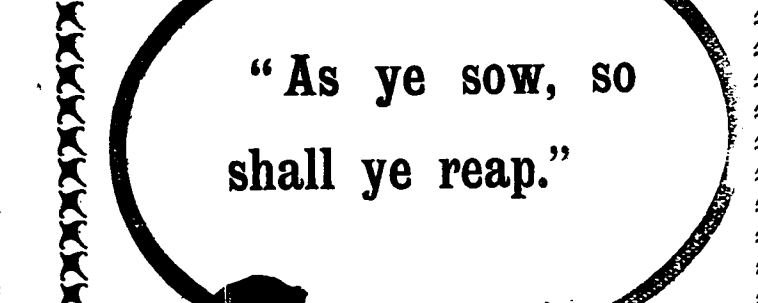
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Every laugh that rings out purely Makes the world a better place; You've a smile about you, surely, Why not wear it on your face? Why go hoarding up your gladness When each sound of sinless mirth Helps to clear away the sadness That should have no place on earth.—"Red Magazine."

DOGS AS ACTORS.

Dogs, like human beings, have in their time played many parts on the stage of life. And in none have many of them been so successful as

behind the scenes, and made a hurried and unrehearsed departure through the fireplace. Bobby's Beat is a clever sheep-dog, who recently appeared at the Adelphi with Mr. Martin Harvey in "The Last Heir," making a great success. Bobby dearly loved his part, and when "overture and beginners" were called each night, an exciting struggle took place to prevent him rushing on before his cue. These are but a few of the many talented dogs who have won histrionic laurels.

IN OTHER LANDS.

THE ISLE OF CLOVES.

Pemba, though not, broadly speaking, a white man's country, save as the direction and employ of native labour, is not at all unhealthy, and seems to offer good prospects of return for enterprise and capital, fully protected by a strictly efficient Government. Like all Pemba trees, excepting that ghost of the woods, the Bombab, the devil's peculiar property, the clove is evergreen, its oval leaves suggesting thornless holly by their shiny surface. Unlike tree products in general, cloves do not succeed the blossom, but are unopened flower buds, resembling honeysuckle in form, and passing from pale green to rose red. The

THE CAPITAL SHIP.

A NAVAL DISQUISITION.

The Prime Minister has lately accepted and endorsed a definition of the two-Power standard which introduces a new term into the official nomenclature of the Navy. This is the term "capital ship." There is, of course, no novelty in the term itself. It is familiar to all students of our naval history. It was perhaps first brooght back into modern usage by a distinguished flag officer in his well-known work on "Naval Policy," published some two years ago under the transparent pseudonym of "Darleur." There is, moreover, no doubt as to the meaning which our forefathers attached to the term "capital ship." They meant by it a ship of war which was, as they said, "fit to lie in a line"—in other words, a ship of the line, as it was called in the terminology of later days. Of late years the ship of the line has generally been called a battleship, and the official nomenclature of the Navy has gradually crystallised into a classification comprising: battleships, cruisers, and small craft—a classification corresponding roughly, to the older classification of ships of the line, frigates, and other ships of lower rating. A capital ship, then, is, if we follow the historical implications of the name, a ship

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HOW THE SULTAN'S ADVISER DID HIS STAR-READING.

With the fall of the old regime in Turkey, Ab-ul-Huda, the Sultan's astrological guide, philosopher, and friend, has come to the end of his brilliant and lucrative career. He is now confined on the island of Prinkipo, in the sea of Marmora, on a charge of high treason. An Arab by birth, Ab-ul-Huda's career has been remarkable. He came to Constantinople as a penniless youth, and used to earn a few pence by telling fortunes at street corners. Then he made connections at the palace, and one day was called to the Sultan. From that day his fortune was made, and for thirty years the crafty wizard enjoyed Abdul Hamid's implicit confidence. He gained a high reputation as an explainer of dreams, but it was chiefly as a magician that he commanded his august patron's faith. He kept up his game by the assistance of an accomplice, a pasha, now in disgrace abroad, who was in charge of the telegraph department at Yildiz Kiosk. This worthy used to send the astrologer advance information of all the telegrams received at the palace from the provincial governmen

HUSBANDS.

WARY, BUT EASILY CAUGHT; OF MANY VARIETIES, GOOD OR BAD.

Husbands are the natural product of most civilised countries. They are plentiful in most of the United States of America, being scarcest in Utah and Massachusetts, where each lady owns but a fraction of a husband, or none at all. Those owning no more than a morbid interest of a husband are called old maids. Although the best husbands in this country are acknowledged by experts to be indigenous to the soil, those commanding the highest market prices are the imported varieties, because of their expensive labels. The Crown brand brings the largest figure. The husband is a wary and elusive animal, fleeing for safety at the first noise like a skit to his lair in clubs, offices, and other remote eyes of his habitat; but he may be coaxed forth by an appearance of indifference on the part of the trapper, as his curiosity can always be aroused by the same creature who could remain immune to his charms; after which he may be easily caught anywhere in broad daylight (though a white night-light or moon-radium is preferable), in a trap composed of iron-rou, talcum, golden

THE OYSTER.

A MODEL FOR AFTER-DINNER SPEAKERS.

"The short speech," says a writer in one of the monthlies, dealing with the subject of dinners and after-dinner oratory, "seems to have more vogue among Americans than among our own countrymen. Mr. Lowell, when United States Minister, once gave the members of the Savage Club an example of brevity which might be copied with advantage. "There was the usual Saturday-night club dinner, followed by the usual Saturday-night sing-song. Mr. Lowell arrived rather late in the proceedings, and saw at once that to reply to the toast of his health would tend rather to bore than brighten. So this was all he said: "A learned friend of mine once told me that oysters possessed the power of reason, and when I asked him why, he said it was because they knew when to shut up."

FLOWERS HARMFUL TO SINGERS.

Violets, for some inexplicable reason, are particularly injurious to people liable to throat ailments. Some time ago some very interesting statistics were gathered, based on the experiences of eminent throat specialists. Not only did the majority maintain that the odour of violets had injurious effects on the voice, but several condemned lilies, carnations, and mimosa for the same reason; while it may be with in the recollection of some that Dr. Fauve, the Parisian throat specialist, actually thought it worth while to advise the directors of the Paris Opera House not to allow bouquets of any kind to be put into the dressing rooms of singers. We believe it is well-known to most singers and public speakers that the perfume of violets has a most disastrous effect on the vocal chords, causing them to swell and "quaff." It is not unusual for teachers of singing to forbid their pupils to use any kind of perfume. The delicate, old-fashioned oieander, so much beloved by Edward Fitzgerald, is not, of course, a heavy-scented flower, nevertheless, its exhalations have a narcotic influence hardly less potent than digitalis. The essence of the wild fox-glove exercises a most fatal action on the

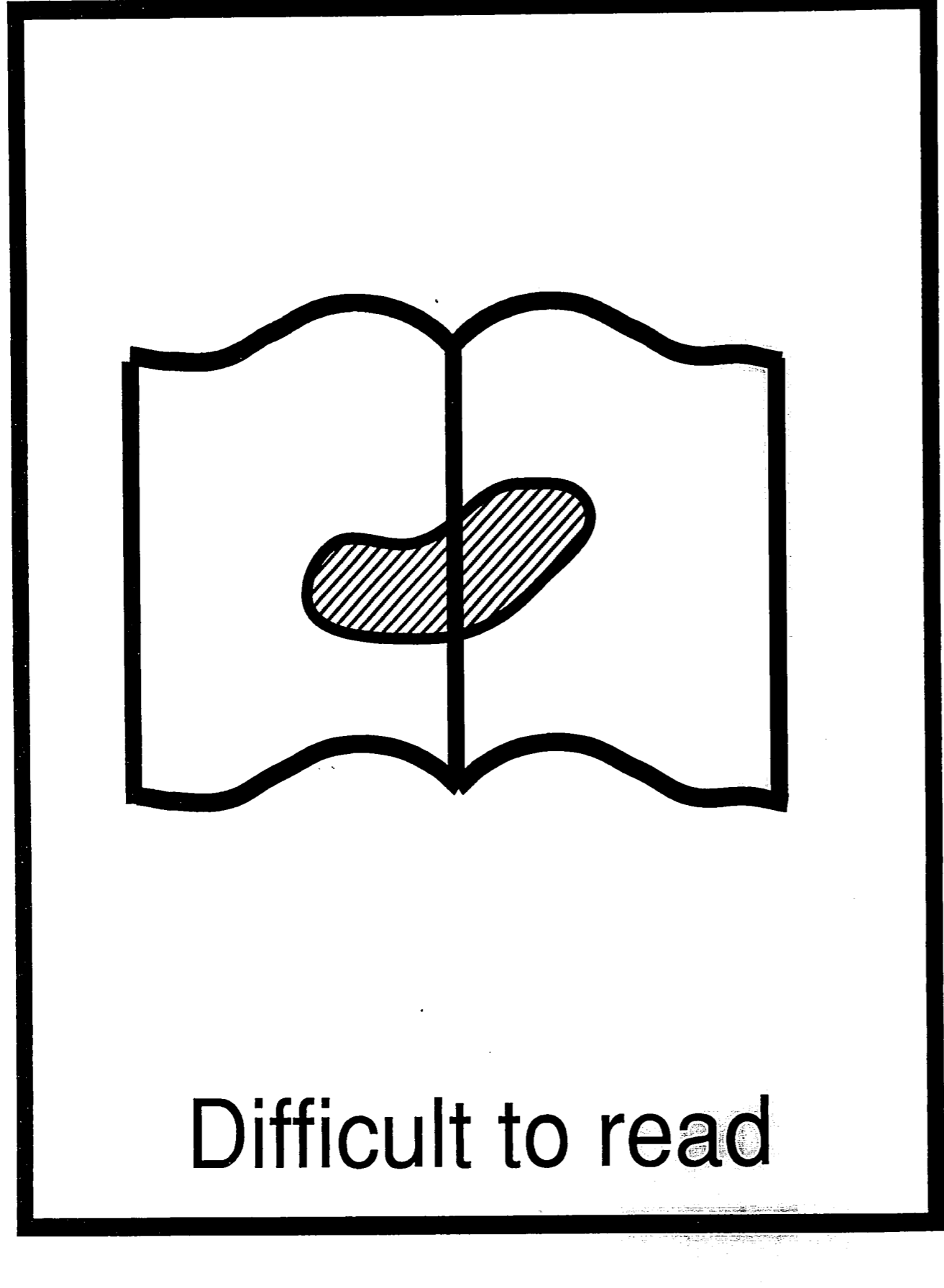
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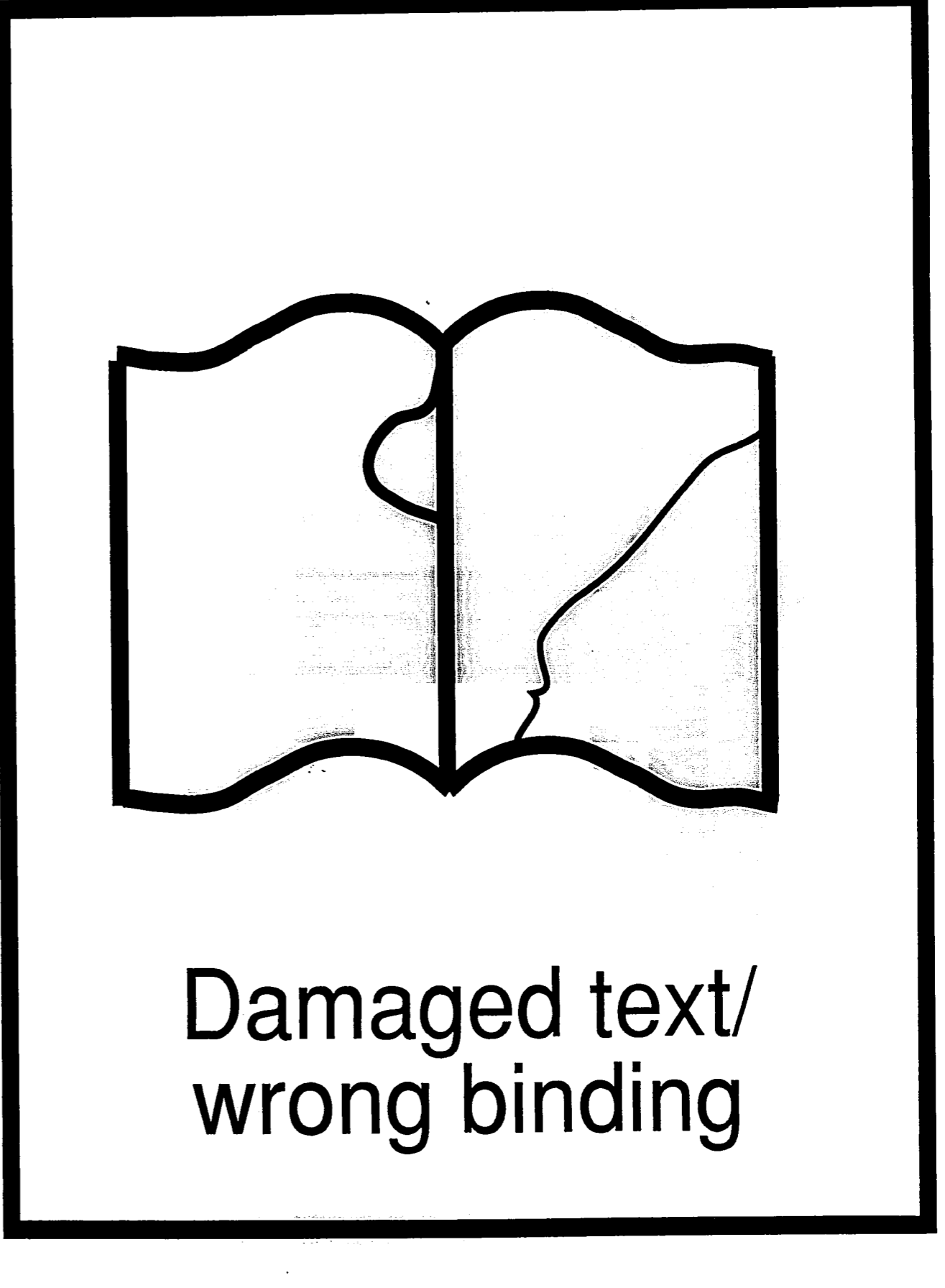
The tale of a plot against the Sultan's heir, and the explanation that there was a lady in the affair

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Wife," at the Haymarket Theatre. This tiny creature was an unfailing source of delight to players and players, his cunning wickedness being an everlasting joy. In the first act a dialogue (?) took place between one of the actors and the dog, who lay placidly on a table and appeared to understand everything that was said. UNREHEARSED INCIDENTS. One of the cleverest dogs that ever fascinated an audience was Binkie, the fox-terrier in "The Light that Failed." His master was Mr. Aubrey Smith, who was so admirable as Torpenhow in the play; and Mr. Smith, who has had dogs of his own for twenty-five years, says that Binkie was the most human, intelligent, plucky, affectionate dog he had ever known. He quickly learnt to shut doors and fetch slippers, and taught himself to extinguish a lighted match, and was quite a professional at hide and seek, never failing to find the ball, even if it was concealed behind the picture or at the bottom of the coal-scuttle. His first appearance was not an overwhelming success owing to an accident, for which he was not to blame. After rehearsing splendidly he made his entrance on the first night quite correctly, when Mr. Smith turned to speak to someone, and accidentally hit Binkie on the nose with his stick. The dog naturally concluded he was wrong, and made an abrupt exit. On another occasion he knew his mistress was

pistol and fired at her breast. She dropped the arm bounded on the floor, and she sprang at him. He was seized by the shoulder and thrown down, but the lioness, before she could injure him greatly, expired on his prostrate body. The nephew, however died the next day. Gassendi was the Herbert Spencer of the seventeenth century, and, if he failed, he failed for very much the same reasons as Spencer. His theory of atoms is astonishingly modern, though, of course, the modern conception of the atom as itself made up of whirling electrons had not dawned upon him, or the still vaster idea of theory—whatever we call it—that the infinitely little is the analogue of the infinitely vast, and that each molecule of matter may be a replica of the universe, electrons replacing planets and moving in an orbit, swayed and controlled with mathematical precision by some unknown force like that of gravitation.—London "Mail."

It would seem that their special function in the line of order-of-battle would be that which Nelson proposed to assign at TRAFALGAR. To an advanced squadron of eight of the fastest sailing two-decked ships, which was to be employed, "I wanted," to strengthen whatever part of the fighting line the Commander-in-Chief might direct. Their high speed would also specially qualify them for the operation known as a "general chase," whereby the great seamen of the eighteenth century were so often enabled to bring a reluctant or a flying enemy to decisive action. In a general chase the appointed order of battle was for a time abandoned in order that the fastest ships of the fleet might overtake the slowest ships of the enemy, and thereby compel him either to abandon them one by one or to fight a general action, which he was doing his best to avoid. A powerful squadron of armoured cruisers all fit to lie in a line, and all faster by several knots than any battleship afloat, would obviously be invaluable for this purpose.—"Times."

At the age of thirty, the female brain begins to lose weight, but that of the male not until the age of forty. Of late years great effort has been directed by scientists towards investigating the origin, nature, and operation of earthquakes, and an international association has been formed to forward the work. But it may be doubted if all this research and study, useful as it is, will avail for a long time to come to save the human race from a species of earthquake as unavoidable as it is irresistible and destructive.—"Morning Post."

M'Coy the receipts reached nearly £15,000, though the fighters, between them, did not get more than half that sum. It is stated that Tommy Burns has made more than £20,000 during the last two years, exclusive of the money he will get as the result of his fight with Johnson. Several of the prize-fighters who have been named, like Jeffries, Jim Corbett, and Huhlin, are said to be well off financially.—"Liverpool Post."

finding their bodies and Hagen's fine map sketches. "Ten miles from the depot on Lambert Land, Mylius Erichsen and Hagen died. Only Bronlund reached the depot, leaving his dead comrades behind and creeping along on his sore feet alone in the dim moonlight. When he arrived he placed Hagen's sketches and his own last report so that the search-party could not fail to find them, and then, wrapping himself up in his furs, lay down and died. "Here Koch and Tobias found him in the spring of 1908, and here they buried him. "Good-bye, Bronlund, you have been a good comrade," were Koch's last words to him, and he deserved them. "The report which was found on his body ended with the following words:—Perished on 79 deg. Fjord after attempt to go back over the inland-ice in month of November. Arrived here by waning moonlight. Impossible to go on account of feet being frozen, also on account of the darkness. Bodies of comrades to be found in the middle of Fjord below glacier. Hagen died on November 15. Mylius about ten days later.—Jorgen Bronlund."

On an average, the coldest part of the day is at five o'clock in the morning. Berlin has a Divorce Club with 300 members, all of whom are divorced. "Every occupation affords opportunities of its own for the study of human nature," says a Boston man. "If only there be a little aptitude of putting two and two together." At the Hub, which does a little business in stationery on the side, when a young woman was asked by the general old proprietor— "And when does the wedding take place, Miss Blank?" "The wedding?" exclaimed the young woman, blushing. "Why, you don't think."

ITS MEANING. "Ab, Miss Blank!" rejoined the old bookseller. "When a young lady buys a hundred sheets of paper and only twenty-five envelopes I know there's something in the wind!"—"Harper's."

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WEDDINGS.

DAWSON-McDOUGALL.

A quiet and pretty wedding was celebrated at Lillie, at the residence of Mr H. McDougall, overseer on the Travalla Estate, on Wednesday afternoon, 7th inst. The bride was Miss Mary McDougall, and she looked charming in a handsome dress of striped silk, trimmed with silk insertion, chignon, knots of silk ribbon, and tassels. She also wore the usual wreath and veil. The bridegroom was Mr Edward Dawson, eldest son of Mr Henry Dawson, of Travalla. The bride was attended by Miss Elizabeth McDougall (her sister), when the usual cashmere, trimmed with black velvet and insertion. Mr Alex. McDougall acted as best man. The bride was given away by her father (Mr H. McDougall). The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Chas. Neville, of Beaufort. Subsequently, a number of guests were hospitably entertained at luncheon by Mr and Mrs McDougall, when the usual toasts were honored. The happy couple left by the half-past five train for their honeymoon, which was spent in Ballarat. The bride's travelling dress was a green tulle, trimmed with lace and silk lace trimmings, with pale blue picture hat. She received many handsome and useful presents.

BINNS-TOPPER.

The marriage of Mr J. G. Binns, third son of Mr Joseph Binns, of "Spring-leigh," Beech Forest, to Miss Elizabeth (Bessie), youngest daughter of Mr G. Topper, J.P., of "Wattle Grove," Beaufort, was celebrated at St. Andrew's Kirk, Ballarat, on 17th March, by the Rev. J. McKenzie, of Colac. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of cream tulle, with a green silk insertion. She wore the usual wreath and veil, and carried a handsome bouquet. The bridesmaid, Miss Annie Topper (sister of the bride), wore a cream silk costume, with known velvet trimmings; brown hat to match; and carried a handbag, gift of the bridegroom. Mr Thos. Binns (brother of bridegroom) acted as best man. The reception was held at Mr J. M. Kline's. The bride's travelling dress was of green and brown striped tulle, with green satin hat, trimmed with green and brown spotted tulle and autumn leaves. The happy couple left by the evening train for the metropolis, en route for their new home at Alvie. The bride's present to the bridegroom was a set of gold sleeve-links. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a lovely pearl dagger. The bride received many valuable presents, amongst them being a handsome silver teapot, suitably inscribed, from St. John's Methodist Sunday School, and a silver jam-dish from the Methodist Christian Endeavour Society, of which the bride was a member.

CARNHAM RACES.

The annual meeting took place on Easter Monday, in the Recreation Reserve. The attendance was very large, and the counter attractions at Ballarat and other places, was very satisfactory. A good profit should result. Mr L. Stevenson filled the position of judge, and gave general satisfaction. Mr A. C. Radis acted as starter, and Messrs J. S. Douglas and E. Wendt as clerk of scales and pony measurer respectively. Mr W. G. Martin was clerk of course. Following were the stewards:- Messrs A. M. Gardner, Whittaker, E. Rowe, D. McDonald, F. Smith, W. Woodard, E. W. W. C. Murray, and J. O'Shaughnessy. Mr W. F. Woolley carried on the duties of secretary with credit to himself. The Carnham Brass Band was in attendance. Although splendid entries had been received, the fields were smaller than usual. Trial Handicap.-D. J. Larkin's Kimoda, 3st. 3lb. (J. Mitchell), 1; P. Reidy's Darina, 3st. 5lb. (T. Pearce), 2; J. L. Clinton's Reveller, 3st. (Whycross), 3. Betting: 2 to 1 on Kimoda. Won by two lengths. Hurdle Race.-C. Coghlan's Mick, 9st. (T. Pearce), 1; Pern's Cadger, 9st. 5lb. (G. Blunt), 2. Only starters. Betting: 2 to 1 on Mick. Won by 20 lengths. Pony Trot.-W. Bell's Dolly, 150 yds in hand, 1; Maxwell's Dolly, 200 yds in front, 2; McEwen's Irene, 200 yds in hand, 3. Betting: 2 to 1 on Dolly, evens Irene. Carnham Cup.-H. M. Elder's Wellington, 7st. 7lb. (J. Mitchell), 1; D. Poynton's Pearlbrook, 8st. 3lb. (Crosswaite), 2. Only starters. Betting: 2 to 1 on Wellington. Won by two lengths. Pony Race.-M. Flannigan's Miss Hero, 1st. (J. Mitchell), 1; E. R. Davie's Mota, 1st. (Seary), 2. Betting: 3 to 1 on Miss Hero.

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THE PREMIER'S COMMENT.

What you agree with me gentlemen, that special legislation to deal with cases like this is needed? The Premier is reported to have said at Camperdown when representations were made to him by local residents that the progress of the district was blocked by the fact that the Chocoyln Estate, containing some of the most valuable land in Victoria, was used only as a sheep and cattle run, employing only a few station hands. The Chocoyln Estate consists of 4763 acres, and is held by the trustees of the late Mr Richard Howell. Three years ago 4666 acres it was offered to the Closer Settlement Board, but owing to the fact that a higher price was asked than that body thought it was justified in giving, the negotiations fell through. Experts admit that the property contains some of the richest land in the Western district, and is admirably adapted for cultivation. Some of its skirts Lake Colongue. One gentleman acquainted with the estate said that probably it would bring an average of £30 an acre, if not more. As the maximum value of an area that can be taken up under the Closer Settlement Act is £1500, if such an area were bought, say, at £33 an acre, only 45 acres could be taken up each person. For Land Tax purposes the area is classified as first class, and pays on the maximum valuation fixed by the Act, of £4 an acre. The sheep-carrying capacity of the land is the best, and first class land is deemed to be able to maintain two or more sheep. With the exemption of 22000 in value, under the Act allowed, the property pays £206 18s a year in land tax. There is power under the present Closer Settlement Act to acquire land compulsorily. Before an estate can be so taken by the Government a resolution has to be submitted to and passed by both Houses of Parliament. The Konongwootung South Estate, in the Western district, was purchased by putting that provision into operation. If the Government thinks it would be desirable to buy for closer settlement the Chocoyln Estate, the question arises why, pending the amendment of the law, the present act is not availed of as far as possible. Resolutions authorising the creation of wages boards

have to be passed by both Houses of Parliament. The officers of the Lands Department say that the present system of acquiring estates compulsorily is cumbersome and expensive, both in regard to the valuation and arbitration proceedings, and that the experience gained in those directions in connection with the acquisition of the Konongwootung South Estate was not such as to encourage further use of the present machinery. Mr Murray is still in the South-Western district, and was not available to be asked what was the nature of the "special legislation" that he referred to, but as compulsory purchase, without parliamentary resolutions for each estate, is one of the planks of the Government programme, it is believed that that was the proposal he had in mind when he spoke at Camperdown. It is possible that he also alluded to a tax on unimproved land values, which is one of the matters of policy that the Government has under consideration. "Herald."

A new pamphlet for the guidance of intending settlers for mixed farming, locally and in Great Britain, has been issued by the Government. It gives similar information to that contained in previous publications in regard to Crown lands, the Closer Settlement Act and Improved Small Holdings, and in addition announces that "under the Murray Government the dawn of a more progressive and permanent land settlement has been ushered in. The policy of the Ministry embraces the profitable occupation of Crown lands, and the compulsory resumption of large estates on equitable conditions to the owners and the future settlers. Where large private areas block settlement, it is the intention of the Government to provide in a simple and effective manner by law that they may be resumed by proclamation if the owners and the Ministry cannot agree as to value, and compensation will be awarded by a Supreme Court judge." The pamphlet sets out the other announced features of the Government policy, pointing out that "the millions of acres of Victoria's lands still in the hands of the Crown are to be made available on very easy conditions without the system of 'lotting.'" In addition, liberal terms will be offered to new settlers, and a Crown tenant's advance fund will be established for the assistance of settlers. -Age.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Middle Creek, 11 a.m.; Travalla, 3 p.m.; Beaufort, 7 p.m.—Rev. Main Lead, 9 a.m.; Beaufort, 7 p.m.—Mr. W. H. McFarlane (St. Aidan's).

METHODIST CHURCH.—Beaufort, 11 a.m.—Mr. J. Stringer. Raglan, 3 p.m.; Beaufort, 7 p.m.—Rev. Chas. Reed, Lead. 9 a.m.; Beaufort, 7 p.m.—Mr. C. Waldron.

Local and General News.

TRAVALLA LEADS.—Obtained a yield of 70z. 4dwt. 10gr. from about seven sets, which averages about an ounce to the set.

MORE GOLD.—Some very welcome showers of rain fell at Beaufort at the beginning of the week, a total of 600 points being registered.

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VALEDICTORY.

MR. THOS. WILLIAMS ENTERTAINED.

At the invitation of Mr. W. C. Jones, about 80 prominent citizens and residents of the district gathered in the commercial room of the Golden Age Hotel on Friday night, 16th inst., to entertain Mr. Thos. Williams, on the eve of his departure for Clunes. Mr. Williams has been head teacher of the Main Lead State school for four years, and during that time has associated himself with almost everything worthy of the name of an institution in Beaufort. He is at the present time president of the Mechanics' Institute, secretary to the Fieri Creek Masonic Lodge, and has filled a number of other secretarial posts. He has always been a keen sportsman, and has been several years secretary of the cricket, football, golf, and tennis clubs. In addition he has acted as honorary hand-capper and starter of the Athletic Club, and has been one of its most active members. The men of the Beaufort District know him as Lieutenant Williams, and he is as popular among them as he is everywhere else. Although taking a keen interest in public affairs, Mr. Williams has taken a still keener interest in his school work. This has been evidenced by examination results and the number of scholarships lately won by pupils at the Main Lead State school.

Mr. J. R. Wetheropp was voted the chair. He was sure Beaufort was losing a most excellent citizen. Mr. Williams had been connected with the great number of institutions during his residence here, and was deservedly popular with all citizens. He had got the promotion he richly deserved, for he had been a really smart fellow and an excellent teacher. He was going to Clunes on the relieving staff, and their loss would be Clunes' gain, for he took such a keen interest in all local institutions. His loss would be most felt here. He would ask them to drink good health to Mr. Williams. (Applause.) Mr. W. C. Jones was surprised when he got word that Mr. Williams was going away at such short notice, for they all thought they would have him with them until May. He had gone round and met and drank health and success to Mr. Williams. It was not a public affair, but Mr. Williams had been with them four years, and made himself almost one of the family. (A voice: "Star boarder, eh?") (Laughter.) He had always associated himself with every movement in the town, as they well knew, and had been a hard worker for everything he had taken in hand. They would miss him in the house very much indeed, but he would be of assistance, they always found him the right man in the right place. He trusted he would go steadily forward and eventually get right up to the top of the tree.

Mr. E. W. Hughes fully endorsed the remarks of previous speakers. He wished Mr. Williams good luck in his new sphere of labor. He had taken great interest in all public institutions, especially the Mechanics' Institute. He had made one of the best presidents they ever had there. All the best suggestions were made from Mr. Williams. He was also the leading man of the Golf Club, and the best player of that game in Beaufort. He was also closely connected with Masonic and military matters. He wished him good luck wherever he went. (Applause.) Mr. D. R. Hannah felt very pleased to be here. Perhaps he could claim to be the oldest friend of Mr. Williams in the room. It was considerably over ten years since he first met him. At that time he formed a high opinion indeed of his good qualities, and since then he had had a good deal to do with him in public and private life. During those years he had not seen anything about him to warrant his changing his early opinion in the slightest. He need hardly mention it, for they all knew the great interest he had taken in the town. Apart from that, he had not neglected his school duties. At Stockyard Hill he had had experience of his services, and was pleased to know that he had been offered a much higher school than either the one at Main Lead. The respect of his parents and children had for Mr. Williams had had a first-class teacher, and his parents had not been slow to realize this. At 4 o'clock this afternoon he came in to Beaufort to-night. Mr. Williams was a man he would go any distance to see. He hoped that the people of Beaufort would give him a little of their own farewells to-night. (Applause.)

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PART 7.

"My love, I never knew it was an insult for a fellow, particularly if he's heir to an estate and lots of money, to ask a girl to marry him."

"Not if he's a decent fellow; but from such as you it's a downright insult."

"What do you mean?" he asked, in an angry tone.

"I know all about Peggy Marsh," she answered, quietly.

"For an instant I was silenced; then he told himself she must have heard some gossip. Perhaps her maid had brought it to her."

"Where did you see Peggy Marsh?" he asked, in a tone of concentrated passion.

"She came to see me. Your father has been telling people that she is to be married shortly, and she came to warn me."

"I'll find a way to pay her for this," he said, in a vindictive tone that Sybil felt alarmed.

"Remember if any harm happens to her I shall tell what I know," she said, quickly.

"I'll not say anything to her if you'll promise to be my wife. I'm no worse than other fellows, and I'll make you a good husband," he said, speaking quickly.

"I'll sooner die than marry you, and if I thought all men were like you I should pray God to take me; but I know they are not," she said, rising and going towards the door.

"Of course, you think Jack Lucas is a saint," he replied.

"Sybil did not answer him, but she straightened up to her aunt's sitting-room, where she found Miss Melita had just finished writing her letter."

"Don't go downstairs, auntie. I want to talk to you," she said; and drawing a stool, she seated herself in front of that lady.

"I've a very sad tale to tell you, and Sybil proceeded to tell Miss Melita all Peggy Marsh had told her in spite of that lady's exclamations and interruptions.

"My dear, it was very wrong of that girl to tell you such dreadful things," she said, when Sybil ceased.

"I think it was right and kind. She thought I was going to marry Phil, and she resented that I should know the kind of man he is. Oh, auntie, and this very evening he dared to ask me to fix the wedding day!"

so far as the girl was concerned, but the cowardly cruelty he had shown to the child made him feel a contempt for his son, and he scarcely wondered at Miss Melita refusing to sanction the marriage—a refusal he was at first inclined to think very lightly of; but a second reading of the letter showed him there was a firmness and decision he had not expected.

"She means it, and I can never coerce the girl into the marriage if she opposes it. Sybil would be quite equal to inciting her aunt to have her made a ward in chancery," thought the squire as he rang the bell.

"Tell Mr. Philip I wish to see him," he said to the manservant who appeared.

"Two or three minutes elapsed, then Phil entered the room looking cowed and frightened."

"Read that," said his father, handing him the letter. "Well?" he said, when his son laid it down.

"Confound the girl! Why couldn't she hold her tongue?" Phil said, fretting his teeth in his wrath.

"You acted like a brute to the child, and she wasn't likely to keep quiet. Well, you've lost Sybil and her fortune, and more besides."

Phil looked frightened. Was his father going to change his mind and take Geoff back into his favour?

"Don't you think you could persuade Miss Melita to consent to the marriage? Then the two of you might manage Sybil," he said, hoping in this way to distract his father's anger from himself.

"No, I don't. I know when I'm beaten. You can give up all thought of marrying Sybil and other things. You can go now," said the squire, in a determined tone.

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"It was right I should save Miss Marks from you," she said, speaking firmly, but in reality all trepidation to death.

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"You can do it if you like; there's nobody but father would miss me," she said, in a fearful tone.

"You're not worth killing, you shameful creature!" he shouted a voice, which Phil recognised as that of the girl's father, and, letting go her arm, he fled down the garden and out at the gate.

"The coward! Curse him!" said the man, furiously. "Has he hurt thee, lass?" he asked, turning to his daughter.

"My arm's a bit the worse," said Phil, taking up a stout stick.

"Nay, father, let him go his way. It isn't much to do my arm. But how did you get into the house?" she asked, laying a detaining hand on his arm.

Witton, where he would be near Croftstone and able to interview the squire. But here doing so he made up his mind to wait a little longer, and see if he had any news from the sailor, Ned Jones, for whose address he had advertised in the "Daily News."

"Mrs. Dowson and her husband were delighted at his return, the former saying she shouldn't let him go this side of Christmas, and her husband added, "Or New Year, either," and Clarke assured them nothing but necessity would induce him to leave them earlier. Then, as he and the farmer smoked their pipes on the evening of his arrival, he asked them what had been going on while he was away.

"Two or three minutes elapsed, then Phil entered the room looking cowed and frightened."

"Read that," said his father, handing him the letter. "Well?" he said, when his son laid it down.

"Confound the girl! Why couldn't she hold her tongue?" Phil said, fretting his teeth in his wrath.

"You acted like a brute to the child, and she wasn't likely to keep quiet. Well, you've lost Sybil and her fortune, and more besides."

Phil looked frightened. Was his father going to change his mind and take Geoff back into his favour?

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"My dear, it was very wrong of that girl to tell you such dreadful things," she said, when Sybil ceased.

lest all chance of winning Sybil and her money, the latter being the most important item in the young man's estimation.

"I've seen quite a performance in Red Path," he said, looking at his father.

"Indeed! I was the dry response, the squire not having forgiven him his misdeeds."

"Yes; I've seen a fat, middle-aged fellow running as though he was on for a wager, but it turned out he was only chasing Jack Lucas."

"Chasing Dr. Lucas," said Miss Melita; then she added, "I suppose it was a case of sickness."

"But it wasn't. The first thing the fellow said was, 'For Heaven's sake, tell me your name,' and when he heard it, he said, 'By Heaven, it's the same name! Was your father ever in South Africa?' And then Lucas told him to climb into the gig, and they drove to Bridge House; so I expect Mrs. Lucas is going to hear something of the missing husband."

"Lay him on the floor," said Phil, who was tolerably sharp-witted; and as the servants laid the squire on the rug, Sybil knelt down and unfastened his collar, doing all she could think of to ease him, forgetting his unkindness of late, and remembering only the good.

"The doctor must be fetched. One of the men had better go on horseback for Dr. Maples," said Miss Melita.

"Nonsense! Dr. Lucas is at his mother's. He must be fetched," Phil interposed.

"Your father doesn't like Dr. Lucas," said Miss Melita, anxiously.

"My father wouldn't care who attended him so long as they brought him round," replied Phil; and he told one of the footmen to see that a message was sent to Bridge House asking Dr. Lucas to come at once.

"Then Phil turned to look at his father, who lay so still and death-like that he wondered if he was really dead."

"I think it's a fit, sir," the butler said, guessing his thought.

"Yes, it must be a fit," Phil replied.

Then he wondered what had caused it. His father had seemed all right when he began luncheon. Suddenly he remembered his father's strange dislike of the Lucas family, and he asked himself if the story he had been telling could have anything to do with his sudden illness.

"Had he known Dr. Lucas, and did he know anything about his disappearance?" Then he told himself it wasn't likely, and his thoughts turned to another subject.

Had the squire, in his anger, decried the will which left the estate to him? If he had, and not made another, then it would be worse for him, as all the freehold property would go to Geoff, and that meant losing the Croftstone estate, and perhaps a lot more, as Phil did not know in what his father's money was invested. But he was inclined to think that he had pushed the matter recently.

"No matter; I have brought you a visitor, who can tell you something about my father," said Dr. Lucas, as he led the way into the morning-room, where Mrs. Lucas and Joan were busy sewing.

"Have you come in answer to my advertisement?" asked the former, as she laid her sewing down and looked up at him.

you going to take?" asked Dr. Lucas, looking at his mother.

"Before she could reply the parlour-maid opened the door and told Dr. Lucas that a messenger had come from the castle requesting him to go at once, as the squire was in a fit."

"Then the matter is settled for the present," said the doctor, as he hastily left the room.

"God's judgments are sure, if they are not always swift," said Mrs. Lucas, then she turned to Captain Clarke, saying:

"We were waiting luncheon for my son; you will join us?"

"Thank you, ma'am, I'm only a plain man, but as you've asked me I'll stay. Then I can hear how Mr. Basset goes on."

"Yes; we shall wait your assistance in whatever we decide to do," said Mrs. Lucas, as she led the way to the dining-room.

Meanwhile Dr. Lucas had reached the castle and found the little group surrounding the squire anxiously awaiting his arrival. A brief examination told him that it was apoplexy, and he informed Miss Melita, who was greatly distressed.

A few minutes elapsed, then Squire Basset was taken to the library, where a bed had been brought down, and the doctor did all that was in his power, after sending a man on horseback into Witton for medicine.

"I suppose you've brought that will I made a little time ago?"

"Certainly; the one in which you left all to Mr. Philip."

"Then give it to me," said the squire; and after looking at it, to satisfy himself that it was the document he wanted, he flung it on the fire and watched it burn.

"You have brought all you require to draw up a new will?" the squire asked, turning again to the lawyer.

"Yes, Am I to make it now, or merely receive instructions and bring it at a later date for signature?" asked Mr. Jackson.

"It must be completed, signed, and witnessed before you leave here. I have had one fit, and I may have another any day."

"Then I will begin at once," replied the lawyer, taking pen, ink, and paper, and looking at the squire for instructions, which were slowly and deliberately given. An hour later the will was completed, and signed by the squire in the presence of the butler and housekeeper.

"Take it back to your office, Jackson, and keep it safely," was his parting injunction. "I'm thankful it's done," thought the squire.

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able to dispense with the nurse and resume some of his old habits.

"Now, Jack, I'm going to have the matter settled," said Mrs. Lucas one day after she had seen Basset drive past.

"You cannot, mother. Any agitation would kill him," replied her son; and Joan begged her to wait a little longer.

"Very well. I don't wish to injure his health; but he had not any pity on me. Look at the weary years of uncertainty I have had."

"Mother, he has suffered. Think of the terrible blow it must have been to a man like the squire to be helpless as a child, and even now he is a wreck," said Joan.

"Yes, he has been punished, and he deserved it," replied Mrs. Lucas, coldly; but she let the matter drop.

At the very time that Mrs. Lucas was talking about him, the squire was seated in a pleasant sitting-room which overlooked the garden, and beyond it the dark hills could be seen. This room had been devoted to his use as soon as he began to get about, and he was deep in thought, as he waited for his lawyer. The previous day he had done some writing, and it had tried him so much that Sybil had playfully assured him she shouldn't let him have pen and paper again until he was quite strong.

"Mr. Jackson, sir," the butler announced; and Squire Basset turned to greet his lawyer, who had driven over from Witton in compliance with his request.

"Glad to see you so much better, squire," he said, in a genial tone.

"Yes, I'm better, but I'm not the same man. And now about business, I suppose you've brought that will I made a little time ago?"

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"I promise faithfully," Sybil replied.

"That is well. Now take it and lock it up in the safest place you have," he said, in a tired voice.

CHAPTER XV. THE EFFECT OF A LETTER.

It was a bright, sunny afternoon a day or two after Squire Basset had made a new will, and Mrs. Lucas was thinking about him, and wondering how soon Jack would agree to her having an interview with him, when Captain Clarke was announced.

"Mrs. Lucas welcomed him cordially. She had a strong liking for this man, who had brought her news of her husband, and who had taken infinite pains to have the wrong which he knew had been perpetrated, set right. Moreover, he agreed with her that it was time steps were taken to make the squire give her what was rightfully hers. Her son and Joan thought it would be better to wait a while, and in her heart she accused them of being too lenient to the man who had robbed their father."

"I came to tell you, ma'am, that I've the chance of a ship early in the New Year, and as it is a good ship I should like to have it; but, of course, you'll want my evidence when you come to settle with Mr. Basset."

"Of course we shall. How long will you be away?"

"A matter of twelve months."

"I couldn't wait that long. I must speak to the squire before then," said Mrs. Lucas, decidedly.

"I don't think you'd be wise to wait, ma'am, and, you see, I mightn't come back. If you sprang a leak, or there was a big storm, it's likely I should go to Davy Jones's locker," he said, with a smile.

"Oh, I do hope you will come back safely," she replied, so earnestly that Clarke felt gratified.

"It's kind of you to say so, ma'am, but the question is, shall I be able to go?"

(To be Continued.)

A SLAV ROMANCE.

FROM MILLIONAIRE TO SCAVENGER.

The chief of the Sanitary Department of St. Petersburg got a surprise the other day when one of his friends a young man named Vladimir Nidochin, walked in, and asked for a job as street scavenger. The official thought Vladimir was joking, but the man was in dead earnest, and explained his case.

It seems that a year ago Nidochin inherited £50,000 and at once started to spend it. His extravagances had been the talk of the town. Shortly before the New Year was over he entertained his friends on one of the islands in the most sumptuous manner, the guests being conveyed by a specially-built, luxurious yacht.

What their host did not tell them was that the entertainment was meant as a grand finale of his spendthrift career, and that he had come to the end of his resources. The idea of selling the splendid yacht occurred to him, but with the extravagance worthy of a Nero he decided that no one should have the use of it after him, and so he sank it, with all its gorgeous fittings, in the Neva.

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THE HOUSEWIFE'S ONAR.

Come, clean the House, although this Rite of Spring From Cook and Housemaid sudden Warning bring. They're certain to give Notice anyway. For wages rise—and they are on the Wing!

SOME CURIOSITIES OF COLOUR.

HOW COLOUR IS BOUND UP WITH CHARACTER: THE FAVOURITE COLOUR-WORDS EMPLOYED BY WRITERS. It is remarkable how colour acts and reacts upon us, not only affecting our physical being, but unconsciously tinting our very thoughts.

VOICE AND SINGING.

NATURAL VOICE PRODUCTION. BY CHAS. J. BISHENDEN. BAD TEACHERS OF SINGING. I can never understand why teachers of singing make such a mystery of it.

WHITE AND BLACK CONTRASTS.

White, which is the union of the colours, though often cold, is usually extremely pleasant when associated with red, for instance. This verbal colour is generally used by writers dealing with wholesome subjects.

WHAT BLENDS BRING.

The blending of the colours produces very curious effects, which are not mentioned in the course of this article. It may be pointed out, however, that the purer colours have been dealt with.

AN EXPERIMENT.

Ten thousand electric flatirons are to be loaned to reliable customers of the Chicago Edison Company for a period of six months.

DO BOOTS CARRY INFECTION?

It would be a counsel of perfection, says the "Medical Press and Circular," to ask that all persons should disinfect their boots before entering our houses.

LIKE AN AUTOMOBILE.

A large German woman held up a long line of people at the money-order window in the Boston Post Office the other day, and all because her memory went back on her.

BOW-WOW.

THE GROWLS OF A DISSATISFIED DOG-SELLER. One naturally thinks that a man who lives by selling dogs is an ill-conditioned scoundrel, who practices unscrupulous methods.

AVOID THE VIBRATO.

Sing and speak easily, keep the nasal passages clear. Avoid the vibrato and falsetto, both of which will spoil the best natural voice.

ROULETTE PLAY.

I was sitting one morning in a quiet corner of the Casino at Monte Carlo, when two elderly men sat down beside me.

THE THREE PRIMARIES.

Avoiding technical terms, all colours are composed of the union of three simple colours, viz., red, blue, and yellow.

ELECTRICITY IN THE LAUNDRY.

An interesting example of the displacing of steam by electricity is to be found in the up-to-date laundry.

INCUBATORS ARE AN EGYPTIAN INVENTION.

The average annual fall of snow in New York is 77 inches. The snowstorm of January, 1895, cost London nearly £100,000.

MY WORRIES WITH GRAND OPERA.

THE VERY DELICATE ART OF MANAGING GREAT SINGERS. The writer of the following racy "corrections," Mr. Oscar Hammerstein, perhaps the most famous impresario in the world.

THE GARDEN OF THE GODS.

Away in Colorado, on the western edge of the Great Plains, distant five miles from the Rocky Mountains, where Pike's Peak rises gauntly.

LIFE IN LOZENCE.

I should say that one of the most acceptable New-Year gifts one could give friends and relations would be a bonbonniere.

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IN OTHER LANDS.

A NETTLE-BEER EXPLOSION. A correspondent from Bradford, writing to the "Strand Magazine," says that one afternoon the house-keepers of the town were startled by the sound of an explosion in the house.

EQUALITY WITHOUT FRATERNITY.

The "mont-de-piété," as the French equivalent of the pawnshop is called, is not that friendly communion between the lender and the client that one sees in London.

OLD CAIRO.

Now that Egypt has been brought so near to England by steamships and railroads, there is a danger of Cairo becoming so modernised that it will lose its Oriental old-world character.

THE INTEREST CHARGED ON STATE PAVNESHOPS.

The interest charged on state pawns is 7 per cent. per annum, and there is no doubt that the State pawns render great services to all classes of French people.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

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Recitation, "Bill Jinks," Mr. J. G. Swan.

Mr. C. Malcolm proposed the toast of "The Host," in fitting terms, commending Mr. Jones for his thoughtfulness in organising this gathering.

Mr. Jones suitably responded.

Songs, "There is a Tavern in the Town," "Mr. Swan," "Out on the Deep," "The Wetherspoon."

Mr. Jones proposed the toast of "The Chairman," and Mr. Wetherspoon acknowledged the compliment.

The gathering dispersed after singing "Auld Lang Syne."

**PRESENTATION AT MAIN LEAD.**

A pleasant function took place at Main Lead State school on the 23rd inst., when the parents of the children assembled to bid farewell to Mr. Thos. Williams, who had been the head teacher for the past four years. Rev. C. Reed, who spoke in eulogistic terms of the good work done by Mr. Williams, then presented him, on behalf of the residents of Main Lead, with a handsome gold pendant, suitably inscribed. Mr. Williams returned thanks. Songs were then rendered by the scholars, after which afternoon tea was provided by the ladies.

**TENNIS.**  
BEAUFORT v. AVOCA.

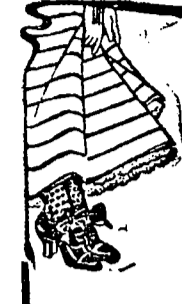
The following pairs have been selected to play against Avoca on the Manse Courts on Monday, 26th April, commencing at 1 p.m.:

Ladies—Misses B. McDonald and W. Wetherspoon and Miss McRae and Mrs. McKee.

Gents—Messrs J. Frusher and J. McDonald and Messrs R. A. D. Sinclair and S. Young.

**WEDDING.**  
McPHERSON—TILLEY.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Augustine's Church, Inglewood, on the 19th inst., the contracting parties being Mr. A. H. McPherson, second son of the late Mr. H. McPherson, of "The Gums," Wycheproof, and Miss Mabel Tilley, second daughter of Mr. R. G. Tilley, Inglewood (formerly of Beaufort). The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a gown of white chiffon taffeta silk, trimmed with fillet lace and chenille tassels, with the customary wreath of orange blossom and veil, and carried a beautiful bouquet of white daisies and fern. Miss C. Tilley, sister of bride, and Miss A. McPherson, sister of bridegroom, acted as bridesmaids. They wore Empire gowns of rosea chiffon taffeta silk, trimmed with cream applique and silver drop fringe, with white felt hats, and carried bouquets of pink carnations and autumn leaves. The bridegroom was supported by his brother, Mr. G. McPherson. Mr. J. Tilley being groomsmen. The



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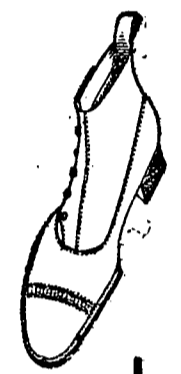
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- Ladies' Glace Kid Shoes, lace and

#### BALLARAT PRODUCE MARKET.

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Wheat, 5/2 to 5/3. Flour, 212. Bran, 1/2 to 1/3. Pollard, 1/2 to 1/3. Maltng barley, 3/6 to 3/8 for prime and 2/4 to 3/8 for medium; Cape barley, 2/4 to 2/6. Peas, 4/4 to 4/6. Oats—Good heavy feed Algerian, 2/ to 2/1; and medium quality, 1/11. Chaffing sheaves, 22 to 227/6; mangar sheaves, 22/6 to 227/6. Straw, 22/6 to 25/. Potatoes, 50/ to 65/. Butter—Prime factory prints, 104d to 11d; lump, 10d; separator, 10d to 104d; dairy, 9d. Eggs, 1/6. Bacon—Sides, 94d; middles, 104d. Honey, 8d to 9d. Cheese, 6d to 9d.

Messrs Dixon Bros. & Halpin report having held a very successful clearing sale of stock and implements at Mr. Colin McPherson's farm, Bungaroo, on Wednesday last. Forward store cows sold from 23 17s 6d to 24; yearling heifers, 21; buggy ponies, 110 to 112; two medium draught fillies, 227 10s and 230 10s; medium gelding, two-year-old, 220; 100 4-tooth comback sheep, forward stores, 9s 7d; 74 weaners, 7s 10d; 30 fat crossbreds, 12s; 23 crossbred lambs, 6s; 100 comback ewes, in lamb, 4 and 6-tooth, 10s; 33 comback wethers, 8s 1d.



**LOCAL LAND BOARD.**

SCHEDULE of Application to be dealt with at this Office on THURSDAY, 29th instant, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m. Parish of Beaufort (in the town)—William Bennett; 3 acres, fronting South and Pullman streets, the southern portion of section 45.

CHAS. J. JOY, Land Officer.  
District Lands and Survey Office,  
Ballarat, 23rd April, 1909.

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All Children intending to join the BEAUFORT JUVENILE CHORAL SOCIETY are requested to MEET at the P.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL, on SATURDAY, 1st May, at 3 o'clock.

JOHN JACKSON.

MR. BLIGH, Lecturer on behalf of the White Cross League, will deliver a LECTURE on "SOCIAL PURITY" in ST. JOHN'S PARISH HALL, Beaufort, on TUESDAY Evening, 27th inst., at 8 o'clock.

**FINAL NOTICE.**

I HEREBY give notice that unless all Accounts owing to me are settled by 27th inst., steps will be taken to recover same.

F. FLOWERS.

**NOTICE.**

ANY Person found TRESPASSING on MONDAY, 26th or WONGAY Estates with Dog or Gun, without Permission, during the Lambing Season, will be PROSECUTED.

DONALD STEWART.  
24/09.

SATURDAY, 1st MAY, 1909.

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