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PRICE THREEPENCE

SNAKE VALLEY.

Mrs. C. Allen has been appointed assistant at the Snake Valley State school, and will commence duty on the 1st of December. Owing to the general attendance at the school, an additional teacher has been appointed to the staff, which now totals four. Mrs. Davies, who has been doing temporary duty, left at the end of November. Reginald Snell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Snell, of Snake Valley, has been appointed junior teacher.

WEDDING.

A pretty wedding was celebrated at St. John's Church, Soldiers' Hill, on the 17th October, the contracting parties being Lavonia Venus Edwards, youngest daughter of Mr. J. Edwards, of Ballarat, and late of Waterloo, and Mr. William McEachern, of the V.R., eldest son of Mr. B. McEachern, of Launching Place. The church had been prettily decorated for the occasion by the girl friends of the bride, and the eve of her marriage a social evening was held, and a presentation made by St. John's branch of the G.E.S. of a beautifully bound prayer book, and also the G.E.S. marriage certificate as a token of esteem. As the bride entered the church on the arm of her father the professional organ was sung. The bride was highly attired in a white crepe de Chine dress trimmed with niwon and veils, and wore the usual wreath and veil, and carried a pretty bouquet of white daisies and asparagus fern. She was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Rose McEachern, sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Gladys Boyd, friend of the bride, both of whom wore cream-colored dresses and picture hats. They also wore gold brooches, the gift of the bridegroom. The bride's cousin, Mr. W. Sadler, acted as best man, and Mr. W. Hunter as groomsmen. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. C. O. Anderson. As the happy couple left the church the "Wedding March" was played by Mrs. Best, and a lucky horseshoe was placed on the bride's carriage by Dorothy Robinson. A large number of guests were entertained at a breakfast in the Macarthur street hall, and the usual toasts were brewed. The Rev. C. O. Anderson presided. Many congratulatory telegrams were received. The evening was spent in dancing and games. Mr. and Mrs. McEachern left amidst showers of flowers for Melbourne en route for Sydney and the Blue Mountains, where the honeymoon was spent. The bride travelled in a mole coat costume and left to match. The bridegroom's car to the bride was a set of silver, and the bride to the bridegroom an umbrella. Many costly and beautiful presents were received.

Wool Appraisements.

The second round of appraisements commenced in the Geelong centre on Thursday, 22nd ult., and was brought to a conclusion next day, when the wool-brokers brought forward altogether 9443 bales. George Higney & Co., Pty. Ltd. contribution amounted to 1700 bales, made up of wools from the Western, Wimmera, and Mallee districts, all of which made an attractive display on their show-rooms. The appraisement, as it did a fortnight ago, passed off without a hitch, the revised table of limits fitting in wonderfully well with all classes of wools. The top price in the Higney sales for merinos was 2/11 for combings 26/3d, and for cross-breds 2/1d.

The following district names appear in the fourth quantity list:—Wounded Creek, J. A. Wilson (Snake Valley), and Warratt, Officer S. Cadwell (Skip-tons).

ALLERGENIC AND HOARSENESS.—Allergic from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be greatly relieved by the most immediate relief afforded by "Brown's Bronchial Troches." "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are now sold by most responsible chemists in this country. People troubled with a "hacking cough," "sore throat," or bronchial affections, should buy them too soon, as similar trouble, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the signature of JOHN I. BROWN & SONS is on every wrapper. Prepared by JOHN I. BROWN & SONS, Boston, U.S.A., European Depot, 33, Farringdon Road, London, England.

RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE.

Notice to Advertisers.

OWING to the inconvenience caused by advertisements being received after the appointed time, we beg to notify that ALTERATIONS TO STANDING ADVERTISEMENTS reach us by WEDNESDAY Morning, such alterations will not be made till the following issue.

In future this rule will be strictly observed, in fairness to our employees. Correspondents are also requested to send reports by Thursday.

All CASH ADVERTISEMENTS (unless the Advertiser has an account in our books) must be PAID IN ADVANCE. No exception to this rule will be made.

Advertisements by Post must be accompanied by Cash.

"LINSKED COMPOUND," Trade Mark of K.W.'s Compound Essence of Linsked, for Coughs and Colds.

Printed and published by the Proprietor, ARTHUR PARKER, at the office of The Riponshire Advocate newspaper, Law-son Street, Beaufort, Victoria.

A Master Baker SPEAKS OF THE WORTH OF Clements Tonic

So ill his friends scarcely knew him and he went to the Melbourne Hospital. A friend recommended Clements Tonic, and that saved him

This letter has been recorded because of its great earnestness, and the way the writer, Mr. Holliday, expresses his suffering and recovery. It shows what Clements Tonic can do. Mr. Holliday writes from his business address, 113 Madeline Street (Bakers Patent Peel Factory), Carlton, Melbourne, 19/5/11.

CLEMENTS TONIC LTD.,
"I am glad to tell you what Clements Tonic did for me. A year ago I was so ill from bad liver and nervousness. I blamed overwork, and a rash of orders. To keep customers supplied I worked day and night, with the result I got so ill I could take no part in the business except to supervise. To give an idea how ill and changed I was, people who had not seen me for months would pass and not know me. I was for five months like this, gradually getting worse. Good advice and medicine did me no good. I decided to go to Melbourne Hospital to see what they could do. I was examined there as an out-door patient. On my return a customer from Bendigo was waiting, and was surprised at my appearance, and persuaded me to take Clements Tonic. He had seen that medicine restore many miners to health in his district. Two bottles gave me great relief, and I kept on taking it for two months and am in grand form again, thanks to Clements Tonic. Use this as you like."
(Signed) HENRY HOLLIDAY."

This is the kind of letter to appeal to all men and women, for it proves that, cases of mental and physical exhaustion caused through overwork and excess of any kind, this medicine tonic restores strength rapidly. Send for it if you are ill from Constipation, Loss of Sleep, Headaches, Poor Appetite, Low Spirits, Weak Kidneys or Nervous System, and ALL CHEMISTS AND ALL STORES SELL IT.

WOOL. WOOL. GEORGE HAGUE & CO. PTY. LTD., THE FARMERS' BROKERS, GEELONG.

DIRECTORS—J. A. ANDERSON, W. DE HENZEL, J. R. HURST, DEPARTMENT—L. N. HURST.
All Departments under Personal Supervision of PARTNERS.
—AMPLE STORAGE ROOM.
—Highland Powder Dip.

JOB PRINTING.

Do not send your best work to the city, and give us the remnants! We can execute job printing with neatness and despatch, and our prices are quite equal to those of the city firms. Before placing your next orders call in and see our samples—we guarantee satisfaction. In every-day lines we can give you an immediate quote for any number. Printing of every description, such as

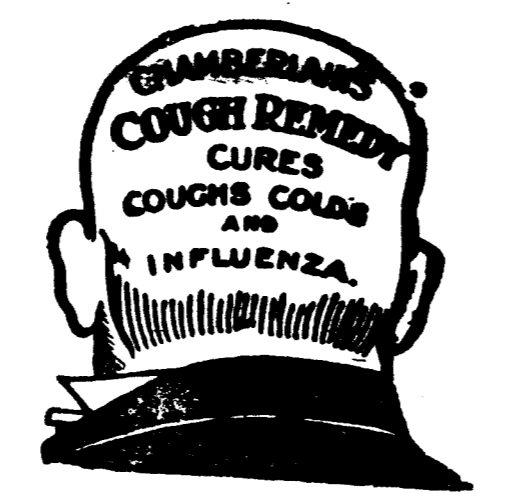
- Ball & Concert Tickets,
- Members' Tickets, Programmes,
- Business, Invitation & Visiting Cards,
- Wedding and Mourning Cards,
- Soiree & Dinner Tickets,
- Mining Scrip, Reports, &c.,
- Pamphlets, Circulars,
- Billheads, Memos, Letterheads,
- Envelopes, Posters, Dodgers,
- Delivery and Receipt Books,
- Drapers' Handbills, Catalogues,
- Books of Rules, By-laws, &c.,
- Printed in the most Modern Style.

Your local Printer spends his money with you, as also does his staff; so indirectly money spent with him, or portion of it, must assuredly, through different channels of circulation, find its way back to your own coffers. Bear this in mind, and when you require anything with printers' ink on it, don't forget to support local industry. Bear in mind that money sent to Melbourne printers is absolutely lost to the town and district, and has no possible chance of ever returning, even by the most roundabout channels of circulation. The local man has undoubtedly the best claim on your orders, and by encouraging him you are helping to build up your own town.

"Advocate" Office, Beaufort.

AN OLD REMEDY FOR CHILDREN.

"Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Should always be used for Children while Teething. It soothes the Child, Softens the Gums, Allays all Pain, Cures Wind Colic and is the Best Remedy for Diarrhoea. Directions for Using MRS WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP.—For a child under one month old, 6 to 10 drops; three months old, half a teaspoonful; six months old and upwards, a teaspoonful three or four times a day. For Diarrhoea, repeat the above dose every two hours, until the character of the discharges is changed for the better. Sold Everywhere.



A warranted Cure for all Acquired or Constitutional Discharges from the Urinary Organs in either sex. These famous Pills also cure Gravel, Pains in the Back, and all Kidney Disorders. Free from mercury. Forty years' success. Sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers throughout the world.



FUNERAL REFORM Established 1860.
A. H. SANDS (Late Wm. Baker), UNDERTAKER, Opposite the State School, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. Hearse and other requisites supplied in town or country. Funerals of all classes furnished at the lowest possible charges. Post, Telegraph, and Telephone Messages promptly attended to.

RECRUITING READY RECKONER For Married Men Prepared to Join the A.I.F. FOR HOME AND EMPIRE.

Rate for a Soldier with	Total Fortnightly Pay.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Total: Incapacitated.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Killed.
A Wife and No Children ...	\$4 9 10	\$4 10 0	\$2 0 0
A Wife and 1 Child ...	\$4 15 1	\$5 10 0	\$3 0 0
A Wife and 2 Children ...	\$5 0 4	\$6 5 0	\$3 15 0
A Wife and 3 Children ...	\$5 5 7	\$7 15 0	\$4 5 0
A Wife and 4 Children ...	\$5 10 10	\$7 5 0	\$4 15 0

In addition to the above, there is 1/6 per day deferred pay, amounting to £18 5s. a year, which the Soldier draws in a lump sum on his return. Then again a man has to remember that he is fed and clothed while in the A.I.F., which is a big item to consider.

Don't forget, too, that the rates quoted above are for the Private. Any promotion you get in rank means a considerable increase all round.

MELBOURNE, 31st March, 1917. State Recruiting Committee of Victoria.

School Children are very liable to catch cold. They have to go in all weathers—often having to sit in school with wet feet. Apart from this, they are always face to face with the risk from infection—especially, when epidemics of Whooping Cough, Measles, Diphtheria, Influenza, etc., are about. Mothers of School Boys and Girls however can be always FREE of ANXIETY if they have a bottle of

Hearne's Bronchitis Cure

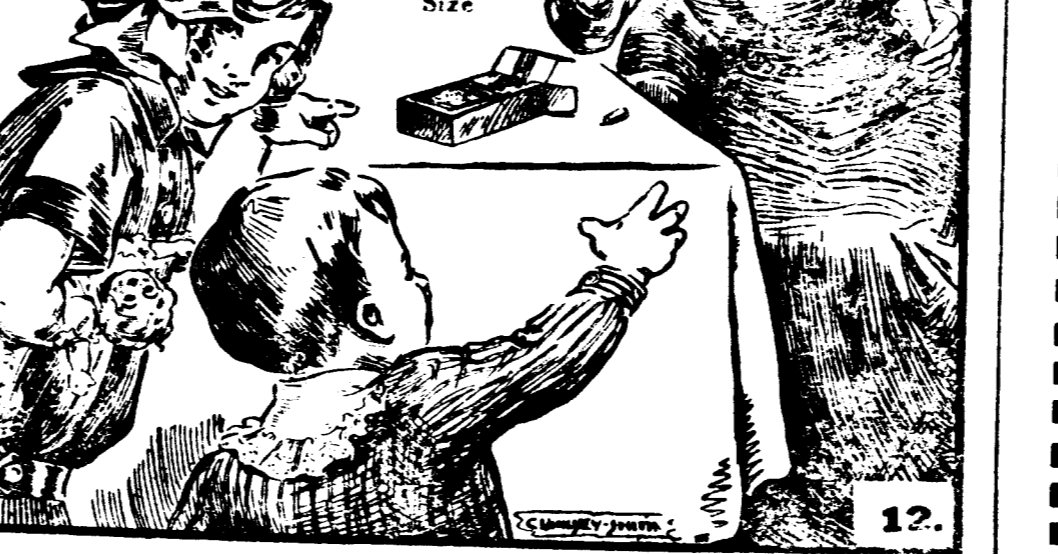
in the house, as one dose of this Medicine at the first indication of a "cold" will at once "nip in the bud" what might otherwise prove to be a serious illness. Cork the bottle up—the rest will keep.

For Coughs, Croup, Colds on the Chest

The REMEDY with the REPUTATION.

From all CHEMISTS and STORES.

W. G. HEARNE & CO. Ltd., GEELONG, VICTORIA. Sydney, N.S.W., Wellington, N.Z.



"For the Blood is the Life." YOUR BLOOD WANTS PURIFYING.

IF YOU are troubled with Eczema, Blisters, Spots, Pimples, Boils, Sores or Eruptions of any kind continually bursting through the Skin.

IF YOU are suffering from aches and Pains of Bad Legs, Abscesses, Ulcers, Scrofulous and Ulcerated Sores, Glandular Swellings or Blood Poison.

IF YOU have that constant itching and inflammation of Piles.

IF YOU are in the grip of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago, Gout, etc.

All these are sure signs of clogging blood impurity, calling for immediate treatment through the blood, so don't waste your time and money on useless lotions and messy ointments, which cannot get below the surface of the skin. What you want and what you must have is a medicine that will get right to the root of your trouble, a medicine that will thoroughly free the blood of the poisonous matter, which alone is the true cause of all your suffering. Clarke's Blood Mixture is just such a medicine. It is composed of ingredients which quickly attack, overcome, and expel from the blood all impurities (from whatever cause arising), and by rendering it clean and pure, can be relied on to effect a lasting cure.

The True Value of **CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE** is certified by a most remarkable collection of unsolicited testimonials from grateful patients—patients who have been cured after doctors and hospitals have given them up as incurable—patients who have been cured after trying many other treatments without success—patients who not only have been cured of the particular Skin or Blood Complaint from which they were suffering, but also have found great improvement in their general health. (See pamphlet round bottle.)

Clarke's Blood Mixture is pleasant to take and unobtrusive, free from anything objectionable to the most delicate constitution of either sex, from infancy to old age.

CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE CURES ALL SKIN and BLOOD DISEASES.

OF ALL CHEMISTS AND STOREKEEPERS. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

REPRISALS

WE in Australia have only a very vague conception of what an air raid is like. We have read with horror the accounts of the atrocities of the Hun in devastated invaded countries. We dropped on a school, and the poor little infants that met their death at the hand of Kultur. Mr. Lloyd George has now decided that reprisals shall be made on German towns.

When asked we give financial help to a relief fund. That is all, we are too far away to realize the full significance of what an enemy invasion means. Since the German air raids commenced in England, London has been in darkness, which alone has caused many hundreds of casualties. The death-roll of peaceful citizens is 191 persons, mostly women and children. There have been 749 persons wounded and maimed. We all read the ghastly report of the results of the bomb that was capable of carrying it on.

BOMB FOR BOMB shall be dropped. That is not sufficient punishment for the Hun. The reprisal must be **MAN FOR MAN.**

The eligible man in Australia to-day has had some old-time mate, brother, or relative who met his death by some fiendish instrument of Hun warfare.

THERE IS A REPRISAL DEMANDED FOR THAT MAN, and YOU, yes, YOU, the results of the bomb that was capable of carrying it on.

Useful Skeleton Wardrobes

Give all the conveniences of the ordinary Wardrobe at a tenth of the price.

No. 1—Corner Wardrobe with one shelf only, 6 ft. high, with 6 hooks and brass rod for curtain - - - 7/11

No. 2—With 2 shelves (like design) 6 ft. 6 in. high, complete with 9/11 brass rod, hat and coat hooks - - -

No. 3—6-ft. Corner Folders, Hinged, and folding up when not in use - - - 10/6

No. 4—Square Frames, 6 ft. high x 2 ft. 6 in. wide, with one shelf only. Complete, 10 hat and coat hooks and brass curtain rod - - - 10/6

No. 5—With 2 shelves, as shown, 3 ft. wide x 6 ft. 6 in. high. Complete, with 12 hat and coat hooks and brass curtain rod - - - 14/6

Complete Furnishing Catalog posted free.

R. TUNBRIDGE & SONS Pty. Ltd. The Big Furnishing Arcade, STURT ST., BALLARAT

Frootoids

For Constipation, Bilioussness, Bad Breath, Headache, Indigestion.

Delightful Family Medicine

CONSIGN YOUR **WOOL, GRAIN, SKINS, HIDES, TALLOW,** TO **THE AUSTRALIAN ESTATES & MORTGAGE CO. LTD.**

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LICENCES REDUCTION BOARD.

Friday, 30th November.

(Before Messrs R. Barr and J. Lock.)

Evidence was taken in regard to the surrendered licence of the Beaufort hotel, Beaufort (owner and licensee, Ernest Henry Welsh), at the annual Licensing Court in Ballarat.

Mr H. Shaw, for owner and licensee, said the property had been sold, devalued, for £1000. It was one of the few hotels which were in a better position than in the statutory period.

Edward James Mintz, sworn valuer, said he valued the property at £1350 licensed, under existing conditions. That would be on the supposition that licensees had nothing better to look toward than they had at the present time. As a going concern £1550 would be a fair value. He estimated that before the war the value would be £1680. He thought a fair compensation for the owner would be £550.

The chairman said the valuer had been reasonable in his estimate. In the case of the Beaufort hotel the owner would be awarded £475 compensation, and the licence £75.

The hotel will close from 31st Decr.

GOOD LINIMENT.

You will hunt a good while before you find a liniment that is equal to Chamberlain's Pain Balm for muscular and rheumatic pains, for sprains and soreness of the muscles. In case of rheumatism and neuralgia it relieves the intense pain and makes sleep and rest possible. In case of sprains it relieves the soreness and restores the parts to a healthy condition in proportion to the time required by the usual treatment. It is equally valuable for lame back and all deep-seated and muscular pains. Sold by all chemists and stores.

The friends and fellow officers of Mr C. D. Hall, district traffic superintendent, Victorian Railways, will regret to learn of his death, which took place on Sunday afternoon at a private hospital in East Melbourne from pneumonia. Mr Hall was taken ill while on duty at Wangaratta the previous week. He was a member of a well-known Avoon district family, and was a very old and experienced railway man, having had charge of Beveridge, Portland, Beaufort, Ballarat, Hawthorn, Birniegulla, Princes-bridge and central railway stations. He was most popular in both public and private life. He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter. Mr Hall was 54 years of age.

THROAT AFFECTIONS AND HOARSENESS.

All suffering from irritation of the throat and hoarseness will be agreeably surprised at the almost immediate relief afforded by the use of "Horn's" Bronchial Trochides. These famous "lozenges" are now sold by most respectable chemists in this country. People troubled with a "hacking cough", a "sight cold", or bronchial affections, cannot try them too soon, as similar troubles, if allowed to progress, result in serious Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the signature of JOHN L. BROWN & SONS is on every wrapper. Prepared by JOHN L. BROWN & SONS, Boston, U.S.A., European Depot, 33, Farringdon Road, London, England.

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB.

Registered Grand Athletic (Unregistered) SPORTS MEETING 1. BEAUFORT RECREATION RESERVE ON BOXING DAY, WEDNESDAY, 26th DECER., 1917.

Admission, 11/-; Children under 10 years of age, 6d. Entrance with last two rows, performance and fees close on Monday, 10th December, 1917.

Beaufort Sheffield Handicap, 150 yds., 25/-, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th.

GRAND CONCERT AT NIGHT.

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CLARKE'S PILLS.

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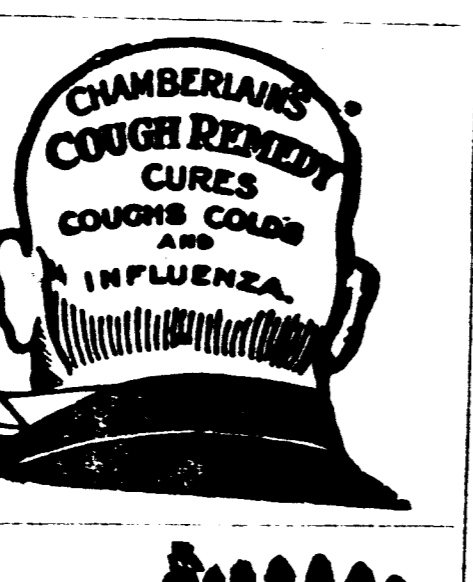
A MINER SAYS

For Years He Worked in Wet Ground, Kidney Pains and Terrible Backache.

Clements Tonic Cured

This letter was written from Tribbal Station, N.S.W., Aug. 1917. Mr. Wiseman, the writer, says he recommends all miners to use this medicine and blood purifier that it contains the most powerful purgative and had the most powerful effect on his health. He writes: "I was a miner for years and worked in wet ground, and got kidney pains and terrible backache. I tried all kinds of medicine, but nothing did me any good. I received a bottle of Clements Tonic and took it for a few days, and I could not walk for a week. I tried all medicines, and pills, but nothing did me any good. I tried Clements Tonic, and the second bottle had a great effect, but the third did. I was surprised at the great change that came. I felt as well as when I was 21. I can eat and sleep well. I was a miner for years, and I think that CLEMENTS TONIC OUGHT TO BE WRITTEN IN GOLD. I HAVE JUST TAKEN 23 BOTTLES, and I never intend being without it. To me it is just all underwritten. I think it is ONE OF THE GREATEST NERVE CURES IN THE WORLD. I recommend it to anyone broken down in health. Do as you will with this letter, as I am here to prove what it has done for me." (Signed) J. WISEMAN.

Business men should especially read this testimony, and remember that Clements Tonic may renew their lease of life. It will certainly give them new mental and physical strength. For weakness, Brain Fog, Debility, Indigestion, Poor Appetite, Constipation, Weak Nerves, Bad Blood, Low Spirits, it is ever reliable. Mr. Wiseman speaks only as a man who has been cured. He speaks only as a man who has found the great secret and blood medicine. ALL CHEMISTS AND ALL STORES SELL IT.



CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY CURES COUGHS COLDS INFLUENZA.

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We Enlarge Soldiers' Portraits.

Why be content with a small photo of your Soldier Son or Brother? Why not have an enlargement made by Richards & Co., the famous Ballarat Photographers, which will be a source of pride and satisfaction to you? Our enlargements are permanent and lifelike. If you have a portrait of him in uniform, we can put one on in the enlargement. OUR PRICES ARE VERY REASONABLE.

Our World-Famed Bridal Portraits.

The Bride who wishes to have a Bridal Portrait that is unique, distinctive, and beautiful, should sit to us. We KNOW we can please her. Bridal Bouquets, Wreaths, Veils, etc., always available for the bride.

RICHARDS & CO'S. World-famed Studios.

STURT STREET, BALLARAT. J. C. DEARDON, Prop.

YOU SHOULD TAKE

Do not get run down in these stormy times. It is more than ever a duty to keep strong and well—to fortify the digestive power—to get rid of every annoying ailment, as biliousness, constipation, indigestion, flatulence, and the whole train of dyspeptic troubles. For this purpose—correction and toning up the stomach, liver, and bowels—

Beecham's Pills

have long been known as a medicine of remarkable efficacy. Their great value has been sustained ever and over again by people in all classes of society and of all ages. For restoring the proper functions of the digestive system and maintaining them, Beecham's Pills can hardly be overpraised. Do not be satisfied with flimsy testimonials. Take Beecham's Pills and keep fit.

ALL THE TIME

Sold in boxes, labelled prices 2/6d (25 pills), 1/3d (10 pills) & 6d (5 pills)

W. R. GLOVER

(Late F. G. Prince), BUTCHER, HAVELOCK ST., BEAUFORT. ONLY PRIME MEAT KEPT. SMALL GOODS A SPECIALTY. My Motto—Cleanliness, Quality, Civility. Customers Waited upon Daily for Orders.

A. H. SANDS,

Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer and Picture Framer.

A well assorted stock of Softwood Timber, Picture Framing, Paints, Oils, and Window Glass kept on hand.

NOTICE

ANY Person or Persons Trespassing on my Paddocks, or entering same with dogs or gun, without permission, will be Prosecuted according to law. FRANCIS BEGGS. "St. Marnocks," Oct. 2nd, 1917.

LOIE POW,

CHINESE HERBALIST, CORNER OF BARKLY AND KING STREETS, ARARAT.

MAY be Consulted at the RAILWAY HOTEL, BEAUFORT, on Monday, 24th December (from 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.), and every three weeks afterwards.

A large Stock of Herbal Remedies are on hand. Rheumatism. Skin Diseases successfully treated.

H. REHFISCH & CO.,

WOOL AND HIDE MERCHANTS, MAIR ST., BALLARAT. Phone 531. WANTED, Black WATTLE BARK, any quantity; highest prices on any railway station. We take WOOL in large lots for appraisement, and lots under £10 we purchase right out. HIDES, SKINS, TALLOW, &c., taken at highest prompt cash prices.

STEVENSON BROS.,

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT. Estimates submitted for all work in building line.

H. CUTHBERTSON,

BUILDER AND CONTRACTOR, BEAUFORT. Estimates given for all kinds of work. Wall Papers a Specialty.

RECRUITING READY REFINER

For Married Men Prepared to Join FOR HOME AND EMPIRE.

Rate for a Soldier with	Total Fortnightly Pay.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Totally Incapacitated.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Killed.
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There is Nothing Better than

HEARNE'S

Bronchitis Cure

For COUGHS, COLDS on the CHEST, CROUP and WEAK LUNGS

This Medicine can be given with PERFECT SAFETY and the UTMOST CONFIDENCE to the YOUNGEST CHILD, as it does NOT contain, and has NEVER contained any poison or harmful drugs. It is very pleasant to take, and children take it readily—even CLAMOR for it. HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE is prepared by our MR. W. C. HEARNE who is a REGISTERED CHEMIST with nearly forty years' experience.

The REMEDY with the REPUTATION

We now quote—Best Tallow, 12/ 13/ 6 per tin; super full Wool Skins, 13/6 per lb.; super full Wool fallen Skins, 11/6 per lb.; super 1/2 Wools, 11d to 1/ per lb.; Horsehair (good), 1/3d lb.; Calf Skins, from 9d to 1/3 lb.; Hides, from 7d to 1d. No freight or any other charges. No commission. Prompt Cash.

H. REHFISCH & CO., WOOL & HIDE BROKERS, MAIR STREET, BALLARAT. Calls by Phone Invited. Packs, Cases, etc., on Sale.

RABBIT SKINS. Trappers and others should note that as all selling brokers in Victoria are this year on the same footing as regards prices, they CAN SAVE ALL THE FREIGHT by consigning skins of all kinds to us.

STEVENSON BROS., BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS

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"For the Blood is the Life."

YOUR BLOOD WANTS PURIFYING.

IF YOU are troubled with Eczema, Blisters, Spots, Pimples, Boils, Sores, or Eruptions of any kind continually bursting through the Skin.

IF YOU have that constant itching and inflammation of Piles.

IF YOU are suffering from aches and Pains of Bad Legs, Abscesses, Ulcers, Scrofulous and Ulcerated Sores, Glandular Swellings or Blood Poison.

IF YOU are in the grip of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago, Gout, etc.

All these are sure signs of clogging blood impurity, calling for immediate treatment through the blood, so don't waste your time and money on useless lotions and ointments, which cannot get below the surface of the skin. What you want and what you must have is a medicine that will get right to the root of your trouble, a medicine that will thoroughly free the blood of the poisonous matter, which alone is the true cause of all your suffering. Clarke's Blood Mixture is just such a medicine. It is composed of ingredients which quickly attack, overcome, and expel from the blood all impurities from whatever cause arising, and by rendering it clean and pure, can be relied on to effect a lasting cure.

The True Value of CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE is certified by a most remarkable collection of unalloyed testimonials from grateful patients of all classes—patients who have been cured after doctors and hospitals have given them up as incurable—patients who have been cured after trying many other treatments without success—patients who not only have been cured of the particular Skin or Blood Complaint from which they were suffering, but also have found great improvement in their general health. (See pamphlet round bottle.)

Clarke's Blood Mixture is pleasant to take and uncorrupted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution of either sex, from infancy to old age.

To the Man who "CAN'T Go"

YOU have thought it over—and concluded that you "simply can't go!"

Maybe you are just "getting on nicely" in your job, or in some new business venture. Perhaps you are about to be married, or you have some one dependent or partly dependent upon you. You may have obligations that no one knows much about.

BUT—Lots of the men now fighting had better jobs and bigger responsibilities—yet they managed their affairs so that they could get away

to prove their manhood by fighting for their dependents. Ask yourself! "Is not the security of my family and friends worth more than my billet or business? I have brains, and can think—of doing what three hundred and fifty thousand fellow-Australians have already done? My mate is there, and he left his ambitions and his billet behind to fulfil a greater obligation. He knocked the letter 't' out of the word 'can't.'" Ask yourself these questions, and then decide.

"CAN'T" SHALL NOT MEAN "WON'T". GO NOW! VOLUNTARILY!

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Give all the conveniences of the ordinary Wardrobe at a tenth of the price.

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NOTHING SERIOUS.

"Do you know why the bridegroom..."

Neighbour: "They tell me your son..."

Would-be Reader: "I want a large..."

Librarian: "All the large ones..."

Would-be Reader: "No, no, no..."

The Husband: "You're not economical..."

The Wife: "Well, if you don't want..."

JUST IDEAL! It is the privilege of the British...

"I'd be the chaplain," said one...

"Because he ain't got no work to do..."

The second marine snorted contemptuously...

"Would you? Worser?" "Well, the chaplain, if you say..."

"I'd be the chaplain," said one...

AN OPTIMIST. Farmer Smith had rocked thirty...

"Right you are, Hannah," said the farmer...

Shortly after Sir Edward Carson had relinquished the post of Secretary-General...

"I had a boy who went through that ordeal, and when it was over I asked him what had been said to him..."

"A lot of rot!" he replied. "They asked me if my father was the Secretary-General, and when I said that he was, they wanted to know why I wasn't following in his footsteps..."

AWKWARDLY PUT. A preacher was telling his congregation of the sad shortage of eggs to the wounded men in our hospitals...

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ALL THAT WAS LEFT OF IT. A farm boy went to the city to seek his fortune. For six months not a word was heard from him...

Mr. Spurr is writing to me. I am certain," announced Mary, the handmaid of No. 4 to Jane of No. 6.

WEDDING WEATHER. A traveller at a Highland inn got out of his bed one night to see what sort of weather it was...

THE BEGGARS' JOURNAL

Although it is common knowledge that newspapers and weekly journals are published for all sorts and classes of folk...

Only a limited number of beggars' journal are used for all sorts for medicinal purposes...

What sort of news does the 'Beggars' Journal' contain? Well, it contains tips of all sorts for medicinal purposes...

What a shell can do. The testing of a big gun in the United States Navy was recently carried out with remarkable results...

BROWN WAS COOL. Some time ago a party named Brown had an appointment with a man in a distant city...

Make your District Known. Concerning some parts of the district news comes but seldom. This is entirely our fault...

Write the names of persons very distinctly. Don't bother about grammar or spelling; it's the editor's work to look after those trifles...

Write your name and address on some corner—not for publication, but to prove good faith.

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DORINCOURT'S TEMPTATION

— OR — HONOUR AGAINST INTEREST.

By ARCHIBALD THANE.

PART 14. "He's not there," said the worst of it...

note with him, and he was to get it to her as soon as they came out; so I wrote 'Your father in great danger if he attends meeting to-night. Must see you—Grayson,' and left it with him with a promise to be back in an hour...

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What sort of news does the "Beggars' Journal" contain? Well, it contains bits of all sorts for mendicants. For one thing, there are complete lists of the beggars' weddings, and general news to take place each day, so that the beggars can find out where to go to get their daily bread.

WHAT A SHELL CAN DO.

The testing of a big gun of the United States Navy was recently carried out with remarkable results. The gun is set in a concrete shell about 40 feet long and from a projectile weighing 2,000 lbs. The gun was fired with an armour-piercing shell against a 12 in. Krupp plate. The plate had behind it the usual heavy backing of timber and sand, there being a mass of sand backed up against the backing and extending for some 300 or 400 feet.

BROWN WAS COOL.

Some time ago a party named Brown had an appointment with a man in a distant city, and when the business was transacted he was urged to accompany the other to a restaurant. Brown consented.

Make your District Known

Concerning some parts of the district we know but seldom. This is not our fault; we have no means of knowing what is happening at all the places within our area of jurisdiction. It is the fault of residents who do not place notices.

The following district sales were effected at the Ballarat market on Tuesday, 4th inst.—Cow, Mr G. Foreman, Travalla, £9/5/; calf £9/12/6; 50 combeback ewes, Mrs S. O'Loughlan, Euraheen, to 21/7; 104 aged combeback ewes, Mr J. Carmichael, Middle Creek, to 22/; 49 combeback wethers, St. Enoch's Estate, Stockyard Hill, combebacks 28/6 to 34/8, combebacks 30/9 to 32/; averaging all round 32/2; few merinos at 19/; 6 combebacks, Mr J. G. Kirkpatrick, Nerring, 21/9 to 23/; 59 lambs (woolly), 21/10 to 24/3, averaging 23/1.

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A REMARKABLE CURE

What Clements Tonic can do in restoring the nerves to healthy power and making the weakened system strong. A letter in point which is worth reading.

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CLEMENTS TONIC LTD.,

"Your tonic is one of the quickest nerve and brain cures known. I tried all kinds of doctors' medicines, and got no relief as I have from your tonic. I could not stand anyone talking to me, or the noise of the town traffic. I lost appetite and weight. I was that weak at times a child could push me over. I had to give up work. I lay hour after hour awake, now I can go to bed and almost sleep at once. My case was one of the worst I ever heard of. I thought I would never get well. I can hardly believe the relief I have got from Clements Tonic. Nearly all those symptoms I told you of have left me, and two or three more bottles will make me strong. Before this I was going twice a week to the Melbourne Hospital, and many people were there with the same complaint, but not so bad. I went afterwards to the hospital to see them. They all told me how well I was looking, and asked me what I was taking. I told them Clements Tonic, and strongly advised them to try it. They all promised to. What a relief the suffering will get judging by myself. You can use my statement as you think fit."

(Signed) W. G. SIMPSON.

For NERVOUS BREAKDOWN, LOSS OF SLEEP, POOR APPETITE, STOMACH SICKNESS, OR WEAKNESS, FATIGUE, caused through SUMMER HEAT, or EXHAUSTION, take this tonic, and the symptoms will be relieved. ALL CHEMISTS and STORES.

JOB PRINTING.



Do not send your best work to the city, and give us the remnant. We can execute job printing with neatness and despatch, and our prices are quite equal to those of the city firms. Before placing your next orders call in and see our samples—we guarantee satisfaction. In every-day lines we can give you an immediate quote for any number. Printing of every description, such as

- Ball & Concert Tickets,
 - Members' Tickets, Programmes,
 - Business, Invitation & Visiting Cards,
 - Wedding and Mourning Cards,
 - Soiree & Dinner Tickets,
 - Mining Scrip, Reports, &c.,
 - Pamphlets, Circulars,
 - Billheads, Memos, Letterheads,
 - Envelopes, Posters, Dodgers,
 - Delivery and Receipt Books,
 - Drapers' Handbills, Catalogues,
 - Books of Rules, By-laws, &c.,
- Printed in the most Modern Style.

Your local Printer spends his money with you, as also does his staff; so indirectly money spent with him, or portion of it, must assuredly, through different channels of circulation, find its way back to your own coffers. Bear this in mind, and when you require anything with printers' ink on it, don't forget to support local industry. Bear in mind that money sent to Melbourne printers is absolutely lost to the town and district, and has no possible chance of ever returning, even by the most roundabout channels of circulation. The local man has undoubtedly the best claim on your orders, and by encouraging him you are helping to build up your own town.

"Advocate" Office, Beaufort.

To improve or to fight, maybe, you will lose something that you prize highly. Nearly everybody loses something at one time or other, but in Beaufort few things are lost that can not be recovered through a small ad. in the "Riponshire Advocate." It's easy to mail an ad. to the "Advocate," or just call at the office and tell us your trouble.

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"Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Should always be used for Children while Teething. It soothes the Gums, Softens the Gums, Allays all Pain, Cures Wind Colic and is the Best Remedy for Diarrhoea. Directions for Using Mrs WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP.—For a child under one month old, 4 to 10 drops; three months old, half a teaspoonful; six months old and upwards, a teaspoonful three or four times a day. For Diarrhoea, repeat the above dose every two hours, until the character of the discharges is changed for the better. Sold Everywhere.

A warranted Cure for all Acquired or Constitutional Discharges from the Urinary Organ in either sex. These famous Pills also cure Gravel, Pains in the Back, and all Kidney Disorders. Free from mercury. Forty years' success. Sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers throughout the world.



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"LINSEED COMPOUND" of 60 years' proven efficacy, for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, &c.

RECRUITING READY RECKONER For Married Men Prepared to Join the A.L.F. FOR HOME AND EMPIRE.

Rates for a Soldier with	Total Fortnightly Pay.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Totally Incapacitated.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Killed.
A Wife and No Children ...	\$4 9 10	\$4 10 0	\$3 0 0
A Wife and 1 Child ...	\$4 15 1	\$5 10 0	\$3 15 0
A Wife and 2 Children ...	\$5 0 0	\$6 5 0	\$4 5 0
A Wife and 3 Children ...	\$5 5 0	\$7 0 0	\$5 0 0
A Wife and 4 Children ...	\$5 10 10	\$7 5 0	\$5 15 0

In addition to the above, there is 1/- per day deferred pay, amounting to £18 5s. a year, which the Soldier draws in a lump sum on his return. There again a man has to remember that he is fed and clothed while in the A.L.F., which is a big item to consider. Don't forget, too, that the rates quoted above are for the Private. Any promotion you get in rank means a considerable increase all round.

MELBOURNE, 31st March, 1917. State Recruiting Committee of Victoria.

School Children are very liable to catch cold. They have to go in all weathers—often having to sit in school with wet feet. Apart from this, they are always face to face with the risk from infection—especially when epidemics of Whooping Cough, Measles, Diphtheria, Influenza, etc., are about. Mothers of School Boys and Girls however can be always FREE of ANXIETY if they have a bottle of

Hearne's Bronchitis Cure

in the house, as one dose of this Medicine at the first indication of a "cold" will at once "nip in the bud" what might otherwise prove to be a serious illness. Cork the bottle up—the rest will keep.

For Coughs, Croup, Colds on the Chest

The REMEDY with the REPUTATION. From all CHEMISTS and STORES.

W. G. HEARNE & CO. Ltd., GEEBONG, VICTORIA. (Sydney, N.S.W., Wellington, N.Z.)



"For the Blood is the Life." YOUR BLOOD WANTS PURIFYING.

IF YOU are troubled with Eczema, Blisters, Spots, Pimples, Boils, Sores, or Eruptions of any kind continually bursting through the Skin. IF YOU have that constant itching and inflammation of Piles. IF YOU are suffering the aches and Pains of Bad Legs, Abscesses, Ulcers, Scrofulous and Ulcerated Sores, Glandular Swellings or Blood Poison. IF YOU are in the grip of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago, Gout, etc.

All these are sure signs of clogging blood impurity, calling for immediate treatment through the blood, so don't waste your time and money on useless lotions and messy ointments, which cannot get below the surface of the skin. What you want and what you must have is a medicine that will get right to the root of your trouble, a medicine that will thoroughly free the blood of the poisonous matter, which alone is the true cause of all your suffering. Clarke's Blood Mixture is just such a medicine. It is composed of ingredients which quickly attack, overcome, and expel from the blood all impurities (from whatever cause arising), and by rendering it clean and pure, can be relied on to effect a lasting cure.

The True Value of CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE is certified by a most remarkable collection of unsolicited testimonials from grateful patients of all classes—patients who have been cured after doctors and hospitals have given them up as incurable—patients who have been cured after trying many other treatments without success—patients who not only have been cured of the particular Skin or Blood Complaint from which they were suffering, but also have found great improvement in their general health. (See pamphlet round bottle.) Clarke's Blood Mixture is pleasant to take and warranted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution of either sex, from infancy to old age. OF ALL CHEMISTS AND STOREKEEPERS. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

WHEN WILL THE WAR END?

In his famous speech at Glasgow on 29th June of this year, Mr. Lloyd George, the British Prime Minister, said "This war will come to an end when the Allied Powers have reached the aims which they set out to attain when they accepted the challenge thrown down by Germany."

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, DOES NOT THE ABOVE CONCERN YOU?

Men! Your Honour is at stake, your mates are overburdened doing your work. WHEN YOU ENLIST! Then you might be able to ask, "WHEN WILL THE WAR END?" You surely cannot ask when you are doing nothing to hasten the end.

ENLIST AT ONCE.

Useful Skeleton Wardrobes

Give all the conveniences of the ordinary Wardrobe at a tenth of the price.

- No. 1—Corner Wardrobe with one shelf only, 6 ft. high, with 8 hooks and brass rod for curtain - 7/11
- No. 2—With 2 shelves (like design) 6 ft. 6 in. high, complete with 9/11 brass rod, hat and coat hooks - 9/11

- No. 3—6-ft. Corner Folders. Hinged, and folding up when not in use - 10/6
 - No. 4—Square Frames, 6 ft. high x 2 ft. 8 in. wide, with one shelf only. Complete, 10 hat and coat hooks and brass curtain rod - 10/6
 - No. 5—With 2 shelves, as shown, 3 ft. wide x 6 ft. 6 in. high. Complete, with 12 hat and coat hooks and brass curtain rod - 14/6
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Frootoids

For Constipation, Biliousness, Bad Breath, Headache, Indigestion.

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Wool Warehouse: 573 to 579 COLLINS ST., MELBOURNE. The Company act Strictly as Selling Brokers.

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STATE SAVINGS BANK CREDIT FONCIER. LOANS ON FARMS. In sums from £50 to £2,000. Interest—6 per cent.

TO THE VICTORIAN MOTHERS OF SOLDIERS. You who have already done so much for Australia by giving your sons, brothers, or husbands to fight for Liberty...

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES. The anniversary of the Waterloo Convention was celebrated at the special service at the Soldiers' Hall, Beaufort, on Saturday night...

CONSCRIPTION REFERENDUM. Fully 200 people attended an anti-conscription meeting at the Soldiers' Hall, Beaufort, on Saturday night...

them to send help and give those in the front lines a sign of our sympathy...

PRESBYTERIAN HONOR AVENUE. An honor avenue was recently planted in the grounds of the Presbyterian Church...

COUGLE'S READY-TO-WEAR HOLIDAY CLOTHING. COUGLE'S have the highest class Ready-to-Wear Clothes. Every Garment well finished. STYLISH & Dainty Blouses. SERVICEABLE HOLIDAY COSTUMES.

THE STATE SAVINGS BANK, ELIZABETH ST., MELBOURNE.

BEREAVEMENT CARD. MRS. ARTHUR CRICK desires to express her heartfelt thanks for letters, cards, telegrams and every mark of sympathy in her recent bereavement...

The Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1917.

Sports Entries Extended. As the entries for the Beaufort Athletic Club's sports on Boxing Day have not come up to expectations...

Bank Changes. Mr Philip Lyons, of Waterloo, who has filled the position of junior clerk at the Beaufort branch of the State Savings Bank for three years...

Raglan Sports. At a public meeting held at Raglan on Monday night, it was decided to hold the Raglan public sports on Monday, 25th Jan., 1918 (Foundation Day holiday).

Fortelling the Verdict. At a concert at Waterloo on Monday night, a young man sang a patriotic song, the burden of which was that the men were coming from the way-back towns to help the soldiers at the front.

Police Court. Messrs E. W. Hughes and D. F. Troy, J.S.P., presided over the Beaufort Police Court on Monday. Leslie Lockwood proceeded against Addie Ross for recovery of £2 owing for gas and labor done.

Obituary. The remains of the late Mr Andrew Cameron Kay, of Traralgon, were interred in the Beaufort Cemetery on Thursday 13th inst.

Mechanics' Institute. The monthly meeting of the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute committee was held on Tuesday evening. Present—Mr H. McKeich, president.

Insolvent Factory. In the Ballarat Insolvency Court, before His Honor Judge Winneke, on Monday, Frank O'Loughlan, a farmer, now of Eurambank, and formerly of Lake Goldsmith, applied for a certificate of discharge...

CAUSE OF INSOMNIA. The most common cause of insomnia is disorders of the stomach and constipation. Chamberlain's Tablets for the stomach and bowels...

CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS. These Tablets are intended especially for disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels. If you are troubled with heartburn, indigestion or constipation they will do you good. Try them.

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Do not fall your own flesh and blood. Do not be false to Australia; do not be duped by the enemies in our midst. Send the right men to help your own at the Front, by voting YES on December 20th.

W. M. HUGHES, Prime Minister.

FLOWER SHOW. A flower show in aid of the State Schools' Patriotic Fund, held at the Beaufort school on Thursday afternoon and evening, proved successful.

The speaker thanked the organizers and the audience for their generous support. The proceeds amounted to about £21.

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A sprain may be cured in about one-third of the time by the use of a special treatment...

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Because meats are so tasty they are consumed in great excess. This leads to stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation. Revise your diet, let reason and not appetite control, then take a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets...



FORGE.

TENDERS will be received until 11 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, 18th January, 1918, for the supply of Forage at the various Police Stations and other Stations in Victoria...

SUMMER SEASONABLE APPAREL For Xmas. Holiday Wear.

The Xmas. of 1917 finds us still in the throes of the great War. The difficulties in securing supplies, although great, have been surmounted by us, and as a result, we can offer an altogether exceptionally choice selection to those desiring exclusiveness in dress.

Millinery. Dressmaking. Clothing. Boots & Shoes. The new Hats will be appreciated—they reveal the most charming styles—trimmed after the favoured modes—at most moderate prices.

Our Clothing and Mercery Department is replete with the latest and newest goods. Welsh Margetson's Goods a specialty. One glance will be sufficient.



A. HANNAH Begs to notify the public that he has started business as a BOOTMAKER in NEILS STREET, BEAUFORT...

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB. Unregistered Grand Athletic Unregistered For Patriotic Purposes...

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W. R. GLOVER, BUTCHER, HAVELOCK ST., BEAUFORT. ONLY PRIME MEAT KEPT.

A. H. SANDS, Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer and Picture Framer.

Religious Services. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 1917.

METRODIT CHURCH—Beaufort, 11 and 7; Main Lead, 2; Raglan, 4—Rev. H. Cookman, 11:30—M. C. Walker, 3—Mr. W. T. Martin.

PREBYTERIAN CHURCH—Lexton, 11; Watadoo, 2; Beaufort, 7—Rev. A. H. Ross.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND—Beaufort, 8 and 7; Middle Cross, 11; Trawalla, 9—Rev. W. G. Wood. Beaufort, 11—Mr. E. J. Munns.

LINSEED COMPOUND, for Coughs and Colds. LINSEED OIL, pure and unadulterated.

J. W. HARRIS, CHEMIST & DENTIST, HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

NOTICE. ANY Person or Persons Trespassing on any Paddock, or entering same with dogs or gun, without permission...

LOIE POW, CHINESE HERBALIST, CORNER OF BARKLY AND KING STREETS, ARARAT.

WANTED, Black WATTLE BARK, any quantity; highest prices on any railway station. We take WOOL in large lots for appraisement...

H. REHFISCH & CO., WOOL AND HIDE MERCHANTS, MAIR ST., BALLARAT. Phone 581.

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WE desire to bring under your notice a few lines we have that are specially suitable for this season of the year.

E.P. WARE, CARVERS, *CLOCKS, etc., * GLASSWARE & CROCKERY, TOBACCO POUCHES, LETTER WALLET, SCENTS & SOAPS, WATCHES ENAMEL BROOCHES, and PHOTO. FRAMES.

Orders taken for Gold or Silver Watches and all classes of Jewellery. AGENTS FOR COOPER'S SHEEP DIPS, ROYAL INSURANCE CO., HUPMOBILE CARS, BARNET GLASS TYRES.

PROCLAMATION.

THE Recent Reverses in Russia and Italy have created a situation so grave as to threaten the very existence of Australia and the Empire...

CHRISTIAN RAILWAYS.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued to and from all stations (excepted) from 12th December till 1st January (both dates inclusive)...

THE RAGLAN POLICE SPORTS.

will be held on Foundation Day, Monday, 28th January, 1918.

OPEN-AIR SERVICE!

To be held at the HONOR AVENUE, THE MANSE, BEAUFORT, At 3.30 p.m. on SUNDAY, concluding with celebration of Holy Communion.

BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING of the above will be held in Shire Hall, Wednesday, 19th Dec., at 7.15 p.m. sharp.

NATIONAL REFERENDUM CAMPAIGN.

SOCIETIES' HALL, BEAUFORT, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19TH, 1917.

THEO. W. SCHLICHT, AUCTIONEER, STOCK AND STATION AGENT, BEAUFORT.

AGENT FOR—Yorkshire Insurance Company, H. R. Carter & Co., and Wm. Crosby & Co.

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EXTENSIVE UNRESERVED CLEARING SALE OF FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, ON THE PREMISES, BEAUFORT HOTEL, BEAUFORT.

SATURDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1917, At 12 O'Clock sharp.

KELLY & McDONALD, under instructions from Mr. E. H. WELSH (who has sold his hotel), will sell by Auction as above—

Billiard Table (Alcock), Imperial low cushions, with all requisites; Leather Suite of 6 Chairs, 2 Armchairs, and Sofa; 10 Blackwood Chairs, 12 Vienna Chairs, 4 Sideboards, 6 large tables, 2 Extension Tables, Piano, Wash-trough, Cash Register (National), Child's Chair, Pram, Hall-stand, 3 large Safes, large Oak Ice Chest, large Mirror, Pictures, Satchels, Glassware, Crockery, Trays, Bed-wardens, 6 Duchesses, 6 Marble Washstands, Dressing Tables, Double and Single Beds, Child's Cot, Wire Mattresses, Kapok Mattresses, Blankets, Quilts, Pillows, Linen, Hall Carpets, Hall Linoleums, Mats, Hearthrugs, large number of Linoleums (as good as new), Fenders and Irons, Lampe, Bar Fittings, Patent Glass Washer, Beer Engine, Lead Piping, Taps, Eckersley's Aerated Machine and quantity of Bottles, 8-candle Filter, Demijohns, Pots, Pans, and Kitchen Utensils, Tub, Wash-troughs, Wringer, Dresser, Fly Wire Doors, Horse, Buggy, and Harness, Buggy Lamps, Buggy Pole, 2 Sets Harness and other Harness, Saddle, Horse Rugs, Cow (in full milk), empty Whisky and Wine Casks, Carbide Drums, Stable Tools, quantity of Galvanized Sheet Iron, Fences, Oils, Cordials, 2 pens of prize black Orington Poultry, 3 Galvanized Iron Tanks (600 gals.), 1 Galvanized Iron Tank (150 gals.), and Sundries too numerous to mention.

Full particulars, KELLY & McDONALD, Auctioneers, Beaufort.

Australian Natives' Association.

THIS Fortnightly MEETING of the Beaufort Branch, A.N.A., will be held in the M.C.C. Club, on TUESDAY Evening next, at 8 o'clock sharp.

J. FULLERTON, Secretary.

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REASON ENTHRONED.

Because meats are so tasty they are consumed in great excess. This leads to stomach troubles, biliousness and constipation.

COMPLETE SHORT STORY.

THE YOUNG PILOT'S REVENGE

Near the beginning of the last century there stood on one of the northern coasts of England, not far from the sea, a small, walled garden, solitary and alone, at no great distance from the ocean.

and bullock. Then he continued: "Ah, yes!" and his eyes rested with a singular satisfaction upon the father and son. "Is this man the fisher, of whom report has reached us?"

to the cabin, to await the further pleasure of his captors. "It was an hour later. After an elaborate repast, over which he had lingered with the pre-occupation natural to the misadventure of his plans concerning Rymple."

lad?" asked the admiral, as he indicated a light pointing out the harbour. "He was so anxious to enter the boat that he fell overboard and was drowned."

COMPLETE SHORT STORY.

THE TWELFTH MAN.

"There goes No. 11," said Sniper Smith to himself. "During this time, I shall be able to bag my dozen."

the English accent! Yes, I was hit by a sniper while I was on that job myself. It was bad luck, too. You see, I'd copped eleven, and was just lookin' around for number twelve, when one of your blighters 'bowed me over."

THE END.

KINGS' MINUS CROWNS.

THERE IS ONE EXILED MONARCH, AT LEAST, WHO IS PASSING HAPPY ON TEN BOB A DAY.

It is my last request. Tell her I hope she will find her sweetheart some day. "I will," muttered Sniper huskily, and stretched out his hand. But the doctor intervened.

No 2098 Make your District Known. Concerning some parts of the district comes but seldom. This is entirely our fault. We have no means of power of knowing what is happening at all the places within our area.

THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1917. THE END.

CONSCRIPTION REFERENDUM.

One of the liveliest meetings held in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, for many years took place on Saturday night...

About 150 people were present at the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, on Wednesday night, when a reinforcement referendum rally was held.

Although voting proceeded quietly throughout the day, great interest was taken in the referendum poll at Beaufort on Thursday.

The polling for this subdivision at last conscription referendum was held on Saturday night...

FOR THE EMPIRE.

On Monday afternoon, at the Beaufort railway station, Pte. J. Dames, who was returning to camp after spending his final leave with his parents...

The 37th casualty list contains the names of Ptes. T. F. Keating, Skipton, and F. G. Smith, Snake Valley, who have been wounded.

Beaufort School. The results of the merit certificate examination held in November last have been received.

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB.

BOXING DAY PATRIOTIC SPORTS

The Beaufort Athletic Club is providing an attractive programme of sports for Boxing Day, and as the net proceeds are to be devoted to patriotic purposes...

The following are the handicaps— District Youth's Handicap One-mile Bicycle Race.

Table listing names and times for various races: A. E. Crick, Beaufort, 25.5 18.5; C. T. Crick, Beaufort, 20.5 20.5; W. Anderson, Buangor, 5.5 3.5...

Tradesmen's Woodchop (30-inch girth logs). D. Stevenson, Beaufort, 1.5 sec.

Owing to the poor entries received for footracing, the Sheffield and Red Cross Handicaps have been expanded from the programme...

The following district names appear in the 37th and 372nd casualty lists: Killed in action—Pte. H. Kelly, Snake Valley...

Postmaster-General's Department, Melbourne, 14th December, 1917. CONVEYANCE OF MAELS.

TENDERS will be received by the Deputy Postmaster-General, Melbourne, until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th January, 1918, for the conveyance of mails for a period of one or two years...

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SHIRE OF RIPON. WAX MATCHES. NOTICE is hereby given that the sale of offering for sale, distribution, or use of WAX MATCHES throughout the Shire of Ripon...

Beaufort School. The results of the merit certificate examination held in November last have been received.

STAYED into "St. Enoch's" Red and White Heifer Yearling; branded N.E. talking ramp; tips off both ears. Owner can have same by paying expenses.

STOCKYARD BUSH AND LAKE GOLDSMITH SHIFFER BRIDGE. THE ANNUAL MEETING of the KIRKPATRICK'S HALL on FRIDAY Evening at Nine O'clock.

THEO. W. SCHLICHT, AUCTIONEER.

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB.

THEO. W. SCHLICHT, AUCTIONEER. STOCK AND STATION AGENT, BEAUFORT.

Approved by War Council. BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB. (Unregistered) Grand Athletic (Unregistered) SPORTS MEETING.

Admission: 11. Children under 16 years of age, 6d. Entries (with last two years' performances and fees) close on Monday, 10th December, 1917.

Underhand Wood-chop (45-inch girth logs): Standing Wood-chop (38-inch girth logs); Novice Teams' Standing Wood-chop (72-inch girth logs).

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RABBIT SKINS. Trappers and others should note that as all selling brokers in Victoria are this year on the same footing as regards prices, they CAN SAVE ALL THE FREIGHT by consigning skins of all kinds to us.

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By SEWARD HOPKINS, Author of "On Four Brass Plates," &c.

CHAPTER I.

"You have a long time absent, Attula. Have you found something to occupy you so late?" "No, signor. I have not been working. I have been, as you would say, gossiping." "Oh, then I may judge from that that you have been to Gordon's."

laid upon to remain faithful to him if at any time the turbulent spirit of the Sicilians began to make trouble for one whom they looked upon as an intruder. It was also possible that the fact that I had visited America, and spoke English fairly well, was a further inducement."

Shortly after I assumed my duties in the household of the Denborys, the elder Chiappione, without asking the advice of any portion of my family, sold one-third of the island to two Englishmen named Gordon. These brothers at once built themselves a house, and entered largely into the business of raising grapes and lemons. One of the Gordons — Thomas — was a widower, we understood, and George, a bachelor. Their sister Signora Cuthbert, a typical English woman, kept house for them. It was generally understood that Thomas Gordon had a daughter, but she had been left in England to be educated."

In the rear and follow him in that manner until he reached the villa. Suddenly the report of a rifle broke upon the still night air, and I heard a stifled cry from Denbory. I knew that he had been shot, and with the utmost speed of which I was capable, I rushed to him. He lay upon the ground, not far from the end of the vineyard, with the moon falling full upon his face, and I could see the blood oozing from a wound in his forehead. I held my dagger in my hand, and looked hastily about for the miscreant who had committed this awful crime. But seeing no person near, and hearing no sound, I dared delay no longer, for I knew that my master needed instant care."

"I held my dagger in my hand, and looked hastily about for the miscreant who had committed this awful crime. But seeing no person near, and hearing no sound, I dared delay no longer, for I knew that my master needed instant care. I was old, as I have already written; but I was strong. Taking up my unconscious master with as much tenderness as the occasion permitted, he being no light weight, I started the struggling, and at the same time weeping bitterly, for the villa."

CHAPTER II. Having succeeded, by half carrying and half dragging him, in getting my poor master half the distance from the spot where I found him to the villa, I halted, exhausted with the effort and excitement of the moment. I rested a few minutes there, with the head of Signor Denbory in my lap. Once, with the moonlight shining on his face, I thought he opened his eyes. I spoke, but received no answer. The incident stung me into activity again, and I realised that if he was ever to speak again it behoved me to hasten. Attached to the place there was an old gardener named Luigi, who lived in a small cottage near the lower end of the vineyard. I shouted his name, adding, at the same time, an appeal for help."

FROM KITCHEN TO BOUDOIR. STRANGE ROMANCES OF MAIDS-OF-ALL-WORKS. The eyes of the world have often been dazzled by the sudden translation of maids of low degree from the stage to the glittering circle of the Peerage. Their romantic stories have been written in many volumes. But the modest maid-of-all-work, who finds herself transported from the kitchen to the boudoir, or even to the splendours of a Royal Court, and yet who is often as full of romance as any told of the courtesan who has blossomed into a countess or a duchess."

When William Cobbett, then a sergeant in the 54th Foot, took a stroll through the streets of Halifax, Nova Scotia, one day in 1791, he as little dreamed that he was looking towards his matrimonial fate as that he would in the years to come help to make our laws at Westminster and win undying fame as an author and as the "Liberator of the English Press." He had not walked far when his eyes were drawn to the sight of a girl stooping industriously over a wash-tub by the roadside, her soiled round arms smothered in soap-suds. There was something so arresting in the sight and so seductive in her pretty, flushed face and the laughing blue eyes turned up to challenge the curious stranger that he entered into conversation with the maid of the laundry, and found her as charming as she was beautiful. And before the sergeant resumed his walk he had learned the address of her parents, and made up his mind that, before the day closed, he would secure their consent to make their daughter his wife. Thus romantically began one of the happiest of wedded lives, which linked the girl of the wash-tub with one of the great names in our history."

DOMESTIC SERVANTS WITH FAMOUS NAMES. No less romantic was the first meeting of Sir Henry Parkes, the famous Prime Minister of New South Wales, with his wife, who was destined to quote his own words, to crown his life with a happiness far greater for words to describe. One day the great statesman was dining at the house of a friend, when he was so struck by the maid who waited at the table — by her sweet face, her modesty, and the grace of her movements, that he persuaded his host to allow her to enter his service. "There can be no doubt," Sir Henry himself says, "that I loved her from the first, and each day that she lived under my roof gave such evidence of her singular qualities of head and heart that within a year I decided that she was indispensable to me, and won her consent to be my wife." Thus it was that the pretty housemaid blossomed into Lady Parkes, to become one of the most popular and beloved women in all Australia."

THE DAIRY.

LUCCERNE AND MAIZE IN PORK PRODUCTION. Lucerne and maize are a splendid combination for cheapening the production of pork. At Orbst, in Victoria, large numbers of pigs are fattened on the lucerne stubble and topped off on maize and pumpkins. They are seldom if ever shut up to fatten. The usual method is to throw the maize cobs out to them, and they will do the thrashing. Pumpkins, sugar beet, or mangels make an excellent addition to the grain. When they are used its consumption is lessened."

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SHIRE OF RIPON.

STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ended 30th September, 1917.

RECEIPTS	Total of Accounts.	North Riding.	East Riding.	West Riding.	Beaufort Water Supply.	Trust Account.	EXPENDITURE.	Total of Accounts.	North Riding.	East Riding.	West Riding.	Beaufort Water Supply.	Trust Account.
To Balance as per cash book (including £5 15 2 balance Government Municipal Loan a/c.)	£217 1 11				£395 10 0	£544 13 0	By Balances as per cash book						
Beaufort Boat Account	9 11 0	40 7 8			3 3 10		.. Audit Fees	£16 19 0	5 1 8	4 8 2	£7 9 2		£375 7 4
Contractors' Deposits	103 1 0					103 1 0	.. Advertising	39 11 3	11 17 5	10 5 11	17 7 11		
Dog Fees	139 10 0	44 0 0	£38 15 0	53 15 0			.. Charities	166 5 0	49 17 0	43 4 6	73 3 0		
Police Court Fines	9 10 0	2 18 10	2 10 11	4 6 3			.. Contract Payments	1430 18 9	151 15 10	405 8 5	873 14 6		
Joint Works, Ararat Shire	11 12 4	7 16 3		3 16 1			.. Contractors' Deposits	586 7 0					586 7 0
Joint Works, Hampden Shire	35 2 10		17 11 5	17 11 5			.. Dog Fees' Commissions	67 2 6	20 17 6	19 7 6	26 17 6		
Interest on Rates	11 7 0	2 11 7	2 4 4	3 15 10	£2 15 9		.. Day Labor	1443 15 11	523 16 3	501 14 1	396 4 5	22 1 2	
Joint Water Supply Receipts	120 4 4				120 4 4		.. Deputation and Travelling Expenses	12 6 6	3 14 0	3 4 1	5 8 5		
Licences	201 0 0	132 0 0	62 0 0	7 0 0			.. Election Expenses	9 17 0	2 19 1	2 11 3	4 6 8		
Lake Goldsmith Fees	81 15 0			81 15 0			.. Health Act Expenses	72 12 10	21 15 10	18 17 10	31 19 2		
Miscellaneous (including Hire of Plant, £335 10 5)	748 11 10	279 5 2	175 8 8	289 17 3	4 0 9		.. Interest	39 9 4	10 12 9	9 4 6	15 12 1	4 0 0	
Government Endowment	225 0 0	128 5 0	38 0 0	58 15 0			.. Joint Works—Hampden Shire, £3 14 3 Ararat Shire .. 24 11 0	139 19 9			139 19 9		
Pound Fees	3 2 4	0 18 10	0 16 2	1 7 4			.. Lake Goldsmith	28 5 3	24 11 0	1 17 2	1 17 1		
General Rates, Current	5440 13 0	1649 10 0	1418 8 3	2378 14 9			.. Legal Expenses	58 12 0			58 12 0		
Arrears	80 0 0	44 12 0	12 11 3	28 17 3			.. Maintenance	21 10 6	6 9 2	5 11 11	9 9 5		
Water Rates, Current	518 17 0				485 10 0		.. Miscellaneous	1403 5 9	642 7 7	366 15 9	420 4 7	33 17 10	
Arrears	60 2 0		33 7 0		58 19 3		.. Office Cleaning and Firewood	79 10 6	23 16 11	20 13 7	35 0 0		
Reserves' Receipts	44 9 7		1 3 3				.. Pound Expenses	26 10 0	7 19 0	6 17 11	11 13 1		
Sheep Dipping Fees	25 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	5 0 0			.. President's Allowance	5 8 2	1 12 6	1 8 1	2 7 7		
Sanitary Fees, Current	44 9 7			44 9 7			.. Petty Cash	55 0 0	16 10 0	14 6 0	24 4 0		
Arrears	211 9 3	107 19 3	21 15 0	21 15 0			.. Printing	27 19 3	8 7 9	7 5 6	12 6 0		
Sanitary Pan Sales	58 12 3	40 7 0	9 2 8	9 2 7			.. Overpaid Rates	28 12 0	8 11 11	7 8 9	12 11 10		
Weighbridge Fees	54 10 0	21 8 6	12 5 0	20 16 0			.. Reserves	0 5 0		0 5 0			
							.. Road Rolling	133 18 3	88 5 5	1 3 9	44 9 1		
							.. Salaries	18 7 6	14 17 6	3 10 0			
							.. Stationery and Books	630 10 0	188 18 0	152 18 0	288 14 0		
							.. Sanitary Expenses	35 10 4	10 13 3	9 4 8	15 12 5		
							.. Snake Valley and Waterloo Water Supply	243 19 7	220 2 11	11 18 4	11 18 4		
							.. Street Lighting	5 7 6		5 7 6			
							.. Weighbridge Fees' Commission	198 16 4	92 18 0	79 11 2	20 7 2		
							.. Water Loan and Interest	25 0 6	10 7 2	4 6 0	10 7 4		
							.. Govmt Loan (£15 15), Interest (£88/13/6)	77 10 8				77 10 8	
							.. Sheep Dipping Expenses	104 8 6	38 6 8	24 10 11	41 10 11		
							.. Maintenance, Country Roads Board a/c.	15 10 6			15 10 6		
							.. Bank of Victoria Ltd. Balance £1038 8 11	117 19 2	35 7 9	30 13 5	51 18 0		
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NORMAN B. ACTON, Shire Secretary.
1st October, 1917.

Beaufort, October 31st, 1917.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCILLORS OF THE SHIRE OF RIPON.

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to report that I have completed an audit of the books and accounts of your municipality for the financial year ended on 30th September, 1917, and have certified to their correctness. The books have been well kept by your officers, and everything was presented to me in excellent order.

I am, Gentlemen, yours faithfully,

WM. RAIN, Government Municipal Auditor.

Finally examined, settled and allowed as just and true, by a resolution of the Council, this 3rd day of December, 1917.

DONALD STEWART, President.

NOTHING SERIOUS.

A WAY THEY HAVE

By a piece of good luck the new recruit had been appointed orderly to the captain, and the latter was now giving him the instructions.

"You rise at five o'clock," he said, "take yourself and clean your boots and equipment. Then you clean my boots, buttons, belt, etc., shave me, clean my horse—which you must do thoroughly—and clean the equipment. After that you go to your quarters to serve the breakfast, and after breakfast lend a hand washing up. At eight o'clock you go on parade, and drill till twelve."

The recruit, whose face had been growing longer and longer, then interrupted.

"Beg pardon, sir, but is there any one else in the Army besides me?"

SMART SHOEMAKER

A somewhat amusing incident is told of a woman whose husband, a wealthy man, died suddenly, without leaving a penny to the widow, desiring to leave the whole of the property to his only son, who was a poor shoemaker, and intended to take the wife with him to his workshop, which was very small, and the lawyer was called in to write the will. The wife, in order to write the will, begged the husband to give her the property, and she was to be done with the remainder," asked the lawyer.

The remainder," replied he, "I gave and bequeath to the poor little shoemaker across the street, who has always been a good neighbour and a deserving man," thus securing a rich widow for himself.

The wife was thunderstruck with the man's audacious cunning, but did not dare to expose the fraud, and so the two rogues shared the estate.

MATHEMATICS IN WAR.

The wounded "Tommy" was relating the experiences to a circle of friends.

"Yes," he said, "I was in a bit of a hole once. There were two German snipers at me and I'd only one bullet left. They were a good bit apart, too, so I couldn't work round to get them in line. And if I shot at one of them I'd get the other. What did I do? Well, my knowledge of mathematics saved me. I got behind a stone, worked out a few calculations and angles on a scrap of paper, stuck my bayonet in the stand with the edge towards me, took careful aim at it, and let her go. And boys, the plan worked, for the bullet struck the bayonet and the bullet was split clean in halves, and one hit killed the German on the right and the other hit blotted out the lighter on the left. Another time I was—"

But his audience had fled.

Mrs. Greenwell entered the taxidermist's with a stuffed parrot in her hands.

"Do you remember the bird you stuffed for me last Christmas?" she asked. "Well, the work was so badly done that the feathers are simply falling out."

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The voluntary offering of this remarkable letter by Mrs. Robins is evidence in itself of her genuine and it is also proof that in cases where the blood is impure and the disease is intensifying by this condition, the blood-purifying power of Clements Tonic is fully asserted.

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"Your medicine has been a great blessing to me. I suffered with Eczema for eight years; my legs were swollen to an awful size and covered with watery blisters that would keep on breaking. All that time I was confined to my home, never being out except when taken to the hospital. They decided to take me in and pronounced me incurable. Your medicine was recommended to me by Nurse Grace, who said it was a splendid blood purifier, and my only hope was to get my blood into good order. That is three years ago, and after taking a few bottles of Clements Tonic the swelling was reduced and the blisters disappeared. I could go to my household work, which I had not done for years. For my eight years that I there was like of me left, but now I am quite strong again, and get about Adelaide as before. I have nothing to thank Clements Tonic and the nurse who advised me to take it. Hundreds of people who know me can vouch for the truth of these statements."

(Signed) Mrs. ELIZABETH ROBINS.

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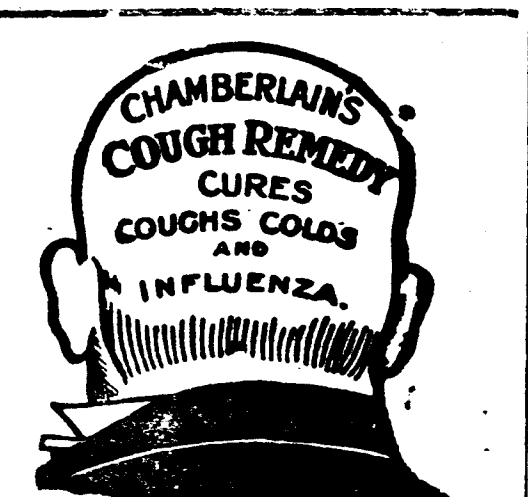
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Rates for a Soldier with	Total Fortnightly Pay.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Totally Incapacitated.	Fortnightly Pension if Husband Killed.
A Wife and No Children	£4 9 10	£4 10 0	£2 0 0
A Wife and 1 Child	£4 15 1	£5 10 0	£2 0 0
A Wife and 2 Children	£5 0 4	£6 5 0	£2 10 0
A Wife and 3 Children	£5 10 0	£7 5 0	£4 5 0
A Wife and 4 Children	£5 10 10	£7 5 0	£4 15 0

In addition to the above, there is 1/- per day deferred pay, amounting to £18 6s. a year, which the Soldier draws in a lump sum on his return. Then again a man has to remember that he is fed and clothed while in the A.I.F., which is a big item to consider.

Don't forget, too, that the rates quoted above are for the Private. Any promotion you get in rank means a considerable increase all round.

MELBOURNE, 31st March, 1917. State Recruiting Committee of Victoria.

School Children are very liable to catch cold. They have to go in all weathers—often having to sit in school with wet feet. Apart from this, they are always face to face with the risk from infection—especially when epidemics of Whooping Cough, Measles, Diphtheria, Influenza, etc., are about. Mothers of School Boys and Girls however can be always FREE of ANXIETY if they have a bottle of

Hearne's Bronchitis Cure

in the house, as one dose of this Medicine at the first indication of a "cold" will at once "nip in the bud" what might otherwise prove to be a serious illness. Cork the bottle up—the rest will keep.

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YOUR BLOOD WANTS PURIFYING.

IF YOU are troubled with Eczema, Blisters, Spots, Pimples, Boils, Sores or Eruptions of any kind continually bursting through the Skin.

IF YOU have that constant itching and inflammation of Piles.

IF YOU are suffering from aches and Pains of Bad Legs, Abscesses, Ulcers, Scrofulous and Ulcerated Sores, Glandular Swellings or Blood Poison.

IF YOU are in the grip of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lumbago, Gout, etc.

All these are sure signs of clogging blood impurity, calling for immediate treatment through the blood, so don't waste your time and money on useless lotions and messy ointments, which cannot get below the surface of the skin. What you want and what you must have is a medicine that will get right to the root of your trouble, a medicine that will thoroughly free the blood of the poisonous matter, which alone is the true cause of all your suffering. Clarke's Blood Mixture is just such a medicine. It is composed of ingredients which quickly attack, overcome, and expel from the blood all impurities (from whatever cause arising), and by rendering it clean and pure, can be relied on to effect a lasting cure.

The True Value of CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE is certified by a most remarkable collection of unsolicited testimonials from grateful patients of all classes—patients who have been cured after doctors and hospitals have given them up as incurable—patients who have been cured after trying many other treatments without success—patients who not only have been cured of the particular Skin or Blood Complaint from which they were suffering, but also have found great improvement in their general health. (See pamphlet round bottle.)

Clarke's Blood Mixture is pleasant to take and warranted free from any injurious element, and does not contain a trace of other set, being entirely of vegetable origin.

CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE THE WORLD'S BEST BLOOD PURIFIER. CURES ALL SKIN and BLOOD DISEASES. OF ALL CHEMISTS AND STOREKEEPERS. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

"The Voluntary System of Enlistments"

will continue. Our motto is to be "Business as Usual," said the Director-General of Recruiting.

Australia has to find 7,000 men per month, and it is the earnest wish of every Australian citizen that the greater part of that number will be composed of men who enlist their services voluntarily.

Australia has sent her troops to fight a foe who, prompted by the dream of a world's aggression, waged war on humanity in such a manner that every true British patriot could not resist the desire to suppress this brutal exponent of Prussian Kultur.

Their Commander, General Birdwood, has now voiced their opinion, and it is not one of complaint; it is a direct appeal to the manhood of Australia to go to their help.

YOUR MATES WANT YOUR HELP VOLUNTARILY. STAND NOT UPON THE ORDER OF YOUR GOING. BUT GO! AS A VOLUNTEER!!

Useful Skeleton Wardrobes

Give all the conveniences of the ordinary Wardrobe at a tenth of the price.

No. 1—Corner Wardrobe with one shelf only, 6 ft. high, with 5 hooks and brass rod for curtain - - - 7/11

No. 2—With 2 shelves (like design) 6 ft. 6 in. high, complete with brass rod, hat and coat hooks - - 9/11

- No. 3—6-ft. Corner Folders. Hinged, and folding up when not in use - - - 10/6
 - No. 4—Square Frames. 6 ft. high x 2 ft. 2 in. wide, with one shelf only. Complete, 10 hat and coat hooks and brass curtain rod - - 10/6
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XMAS TREAT. Never before have local children received such a Xmas treat as that given to 100 soldiers' children and relatives at the Societies' Hall, Beaufort.

NEWS FROM WOOD-CHOP. Mr H. J. Buchanan, secretary of the Beaufort Men's Red Cross branch, has received the following from headquarters.

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB. Boxing Day Patriotic Sports. Officials: President, Mr. M. Dames; vice-president, Mr. R. H. Piche.

NOTHING SERIOUS. We sometimes hear the expression "Nothing serious." Many years ago something was going on in the village of Beaufort.

COUGLE'S READY-TO-WEAR HOLIDAY CLOTHING. COUGLE'S have the highest class Ready-to-Wear Clothes. Every Garment well finished. STYLISH & DAINY BLOUSES. SERVICEABLE HOLIDAY COSTUMES. Come to COUGLE'S for your MILLINERY. Select from Trimmed or Untrimmed. Smart Shapes that Win Popular Favor. PANAMAS for Ladies and Children. COUGLE'S READY-TO-WEAR Saves the Buyer's Time and Trouble. Every Price to Suit Every Pocket. G. H. COUGLE, The Store for Good Values, BEAUFORT. PHONE 22.

BEREAVEMENT CARD. MRS. A. KAY and Family desire to thank their many kind friends and relatives for expressions of sympathy, letters, cards, telegrams, and floral tributes during their recent bereavement in the loss of a dear husband and father.

IN MEMORIAM. In fond and loving memory of my dear wife, Johanna McNish, who passed away on 27th December, 1916. -Inserted by her loving husband. At rest.

The Riponshire Advocate. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1917.

Police Court. There was a clean charge sheet at the Beaufort Police Court on Monday, the customary Xmas "drunks" being conspicuous by their absence.

Furniture Sale. Messrs Kelly and McDonald report having held a successful furniture sale on a site of Mr. H. W. Walsh at the Beaufort hotel on Saturday.

Scouts' Encampment. The 4th Ballarat troop of Boy Scouts, who are camping in the Beaufort Park for a few days, arrived here by the mid-day train on Thursday.

Narrow Escape from Drowning. Ivan, the little son of Mr and Mrs H. J. Buchanan, of Beaufort, had a narrow escape from drowning at the local swimming baths on Friday evening.

Xmas Holidays. A large crowd of people was in evidence in the streets of Beaufort on Xmas Eve, and a great deal of shopping was done.

THE BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB. The Beaufort Athletic Club's annual Boxing Day gathering was conducted on similar lines to last year, the club securing the co-operation of the local ladies' branch of the Red Cross Society.

COUGLE'S READY-TO-WEAR. COUGLE'S have the highest class Ready-to-Wear Clothes. Every Garment well finished. STYLISH & DAINY BLOUSES. SERVICEABLE HOLIDAY COSTUMES.

FOR THE EMPIRE. The 374th casualty list contains the following district names: -Killed in action -Sergt. A. Crick, Beaufort; sick -Pte. R. Robinson, Bangor; missing -Corpl. W. H. Chibnall, Beaufort.

Writing recently to his relatives at Beaufort, Sergt. Wm. Chessman, of this township, informed them that he would have received his commission as 2nd lieutenant.

Corpl. Norman Andrews, an old Beaufort boy and one of the original Anzacs, was recently wounded for the third time.

The list of returning soldiers published on Monday contained the name of Pte. A. H. Cougle, of Beaufort.

The Snake Valley Mechanics' Institute was crowded to overflowing on Friday evening, 21st inst., when the pupils of the State school gave a first-class concert to augment the school's already generous contribution to the War Relief Fund.

Mr. Walter Bell, of Beaufort, who was recently invited home owing to wounds received in France, has received his discharge from the A.I.F.

Mr. T. W. Schlicht will sell on Saturday, 5th prox., at 3 p.m., a/c Mr. G. Collins, house (for removal), on road between Traillville and Nerring.

A meeting of the Beaufort Athletic Club is to be held on Wednesday evening to pass accounts in connection with Boxing Day sports.

Dalgely & Co. Young Bros., and Kelly & McDonald (in conjunction), will sell at the Cr.-S. Roads yards, near Beaufort, on Wednesday, 9th prox., 6000 Eurambone East sheep and 9000 other sheep.

The Shire of Ripon invites tenders for a number of Country Roads Board and Shire contracts.

A by-law for making and levying a rate for water supply purposes is advertised by the Shire of Ripon. This by-law, which has been adopted by the council and will be confirmed at its next meeting, is open for inspection during office hours.

The trustees of the Stoneleigh Estate are calling for tenders for construction of 2 1/2 chains of metalled roads.

The 4th Ballarat troop of Boy Scouts are holding a camp-meet on Saturday night at Beaufort Park.

REASON ENTERTAINED. Because meats are so costly they are consumed in great excess. This leads to stomach troubles, biliousness, and constipation.

HOW TO CURE A SPRAIN. A sprain may be cured at almost any time if the time required by the usual treatment by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm and rubbing the directions with each bottle.

LIBERATED COMPANION. For Coughs and Colds, loosen phlegm, allays irritation.

USEFUL READY RECKONER. Every farmer should paste this table of weights in his pocket book.

LIBERAL EDUCATION. A young woman who for some years had been a teacher in the village of Beaufort, received a note from one of her pupils.

AN ARGUMENT. "Are you sure that everything was on the seventeenth of the month?" asked the lawyer in a tone which seemed to imply that certainly upon such a point was almost beyond the reach of the human intellect.

WHAT'S IN A LORD? An English lord who visited Scotland was at a dinner given in his honour at a private residence.

"THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE." O WING to the largely increased cost of production it is impossible to supply "The Riponshire Advocate" to country subscribers without adding the postage.

Subscriptions will not be allowed to run longer than six months, and papers will be discontinued if three quarters after the 30th June, 1917, unless paid for in advance, when the old rate will be adhered to.

A PARKER, Proprietor. Beaufort, 25/6/17.

ENLARGED PORTRAITS OF SOLDIERS. Let us make you a beautiful permanent enlargement of your Soldier Son or Brother: we guarantee satisfaction.

Beautiful Bridal Portraits. No wedding nowadays is considered complete without the Bridal Portrait, and no Bridal Portrait is considered satisfactory unless it bears the name of RICHARDS & CO. This is a perfect picture.

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CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS. These Tablets are intended especially for disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels. If you are troubled with heartburn, indigestion or constipation they will do you good. Try them. Sold by all chemists and stores.

CAUSE OF INSOMNIA. The most common cause of insomnia is disorders of the stomach and constipation. Chamberlain's Tablets for the stomach and to correct these disorders and enable you to sleep. Sold by all chemists and stores.

NOTHING SERIOUS.

SIMPLE SIMON.

W. sometimes hear the expression 'nothing serious' and know the meaning of it. It is a phrase used by the law.

BUSINESS IN BUSINESS.

The farmers met in Lewes market, and there was a calculating business done in the eyes of both as they looked at each other.

THE CHURCH FAULT.

At the close of the services of her father-in-law, she observed a lady who had been recently married to a man who she looked at with interest.

GENERAL EDUCATION.

A young woman who for some time has been a member of English Church, received a note from one of the parishioners which caused her to inquire whether she was divinely appointed to her mother tongue.

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"Are you sure that occurrence was on the seventeenth of the month?" asked the lawyer, in a tone which seemed to imply that certainly upon such a point was almost beyond the reach of the human intellect.

WHAT'S IN A LORD?

An English lord who visited Scotland was at a dinner given in his honour at a private residence. A little daughter of his host, who was too well bred to stare, but who eyed him covertly as the occasion presented itself, finally ventured to remark: "And you are really and truly an English lord?"

DEATH OF MR. JAS. PRENTICE.

The death occurred at his residence, "Thursley," Lexton, on Monday of a highly respected resident and pioneer of the district of 56 years' standing in the person of Mr. James Prentice.

BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB.

A GENERAL MEETING of the above Club will be held at the Mechanics' Institute on WEDNESDAY, 2nd prox., at 8 p.m. to pass accounts in connection with Boxing Day sports.

WATERLOO.

Mr. Philip Lyons, who has been secretary to St. Andrew's Sunday school and is leaving the district, was on Thursday night the recipient of a token of esteem from the teaching staff: Mrs. Fraser (the oldest teacher) making the presentation. Mr. Lyons suitably responded.

IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE OF THE EURAMBEEN EAST STATION-BRED SHEEP AT THE CROSS ROADS YARDS, NEAR BEAUFORT.

6000 EURAMBEEN EAST SHEEP. 9000 OTHER SHEEP. WEDNESDAY, 9th JAN., 1918.

SALE BY AUCTION—HOUSE (for Removal)—SATURDAY, 6th JAN., 1918, at 3 p.m., at the building situated on road between Trawalla and Nerring.

The above premises are in first-class repair, outside and inside, being almost practically new. Terms at sale.

Religious Services.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30th, 1917. CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Beaufort, 11 and 7; Main Road, 8.—Rev. W. C. Wood, Waterloo, 7.—Mr. D. Jackson, Beaufort, 11 and 7; Raglan, 8.—Rev. E. H. Coltman, Raglan, 7.30.—Mr. W. T. Merrin, Chute, 8.—Mr. C. Walker, Beaufort, 11 and 7.—Rev. A. H. Ross.

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SHIRE OF RIPON.

BY-LAW NO. 20, MAKING AND LEVYING A RATE FOR WATER SUPPLY PURPOSES. THE President, Councillors and Ratepayers of the Shire of Ripon do hereby, in pursuance of and in exercise of the powers conferred on them by the Water Act, 1913, make the By-law following for the Water Supply District of the Ripon Shire Council:

1. The rates for the year hereinafter specified are hereby made, and shall be levied upon the occupiers or owners of all lands and tenements which are rateable property within the meaning of the Water Act, 1913, within the Shire of Ripon.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Council will be held at the Shire Hall, Beaufort, on Monday, 7th day of January, 1918, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the said Resolution for passing the above-mentioned By-law will be submitted for confirmation.

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Council, will be invited to undertake the works to be carried out under the provisions of the Country Roads Act, 1915:—

SHIRE OF RIPON.

TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Shire of Ripon, and enclosing 5 per cent. each deposit (minimum deposit £1), will be received up to 11 a.m. on Monday, 7th January, 1918, for the following works:—

SUMMER SEASONABLE APPAREL For Xmas. Holiday Wear.

The Xmas. of 1917 finds us still in the throes of the great War. The difficulties in securing supplies, although great, have been surmounted by us, and as a result we can offer an altogether exceptionally choice selection to those desiring exclusiveness in dress.

Millinery. Dressmaking.

The new Hats will be appreciated—they reveal the most charming styles—trimmed after the fавouring modes—at most moderate prices.

Clothing. Boots & Shoes.

Our Clothing and Mercery Department is replete with the latest and newest goods. Famous foot-wear, fresh from the best factories. A day on your feet proves the value of Boots purchased here.

Hot Weather Clothes at Merit Prices. True economy lies in buying good things. You like good things—we supply them.

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Orders taken for Gold or Silver Watches and all classes of Jewellery.

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