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BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. Nineteen members attended the annual meeting of the Beaufort Agricultural Society...

ANNOUNCEMENT. EARLY SHOWING OF HAWAIIAN GOODS! AT COUGLE'S, Where Prices are Keenest, the Quality the Best.

OFFERS will be received by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Ltd. until noon, 5th June, 1923, for the purchase of the Beaufort 10th...

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TEN-DAY BARGAIN EVENTS. Join with Thursday Specials. In a DECISIVE SELLING CAMPAIGN. Opening Thursday, May 10. Drapery Money Savers. MEN'S UNBLEACHED COTTON UNDERPANTS.

SALE OF GIFTS AT RAAGAN. A sale of gifts in aid of the church funds was held in the Public Hall at Raagan on Saturday...

SCHOOL COMMITTEE. Seven members of the Beaufort Higher Elementary School attended the monthly meeting of the school committee...

BEAUFORT POLICE COURT. MONDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1923. (Before Messrs H. A. D. Sinclair, D. R. Hannay and A. Smith, J.P.s.)

PHOTOGRAPHER TAKEN IN THE NICHS. It is not often that a man chooses to take a photograph of a crowd...

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STICKING TO BEAUFORT. Beaufort's popular football captain, Mr. Doug. Rogers, received an invitation to play with a Beaufort team this season, but declined to take to his own team.

DEFENDANT. The defendant, Mr. J. D. Stewart, was charged with the offence of being drunk and disorderly.

LAKE GOLDSMITH. (FROM A CORRESPONDENT.) Mr. and Mrs. Lynch held the annual meeting of the Lake Goldsmith Golf Club on Saturday afternoon.

GOLF CLUB. Twenty-six members of the Beaufort Golf Club were present at the annual meeting of the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday night.

BEAUFORT THISTLE CLUB. Fourteen members of the Beaufort Thistle Club were present at the club meeting held at the Mechanics' Institute on Tuesday night.

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Mr. Business Man!

Keep your new business continually before the public through the medium of an advertisement in the "Riponshire Advocate." Bear in mind that advertising always pays, and an "ad" in the "Riponshire Advocate" circulates extensively throughout the district, cannot fail to draw business. It is worth your while to consider a little as to what really is the best means for reaching the people you want to convert into customers.

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Do not send your best work to the city, and give us the remnants. We can execute job printing with efficiency and despatch, and 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:

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- 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.,

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BEFORE YOU GIVE YOUR ORDER To a Traveller from an "outside firm," Ring "Phone 47, and GIVE YOUR LOCAL PRINTER A SPORTING CHANCE.

Innumerable little honorary services as District Publicity Agent should at least entitle him to the QUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Duty is what one expects from others.
Filtration is the safety valve of luck.
Luck is only a short way of spelling misadventure.

My man has been made a happy bachelor for life by some nice woman.
The difference between a woman who is a blessing and a woman who is a curse is that the latter is commonly described as a "bitch."

USEFUL READER.
Every ready should paste this table of weights in his pocket book.

Rabbit Poisons.
TOXA S.A.P. STRYCHNINE (REDUCED IN PRICE) ARSENIC POISONED WHEAT - Large Pockets, 1 1/2 lb.

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We are giving buyers prices to fill. A trial lot will convince you. Price list and address tag on application.

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3ft. long, white cotton cord, 80 per dot. 4ft. long, white cotton cord, 80 per dot.

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FOOTBALL.

BEAUFORT V. SUAGROU.
The Beaufort footballers journeyed to Suagrou on Saturday last, and met the home team for the first time this season on the Bangour ground, in connection with the district competition for the Bennett-Sage pennant. The home team, captained by John Miller, had first use of the lawn, and attacked immediately. L. Laidlaw, forward, was the first to score. A free by J. Miller was followed by a goal by Laidlaw. Suagrou then took the lead, and Beaufort's forwards were unable to penetrate the defence. Beaufort were unable to penetrate the defence. Beaufort were unable to penetrate the defence.

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School Children
School with wet feet. Apart from this, there are others to be feared. They have to do with the risk of infection, especially when epidemic 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 home, as one dose of this Medicine at the first indication of a "cold" will at once nip in the bud that might otherwise prove to be a serious illness. Cook the bottle up - the rest will follow.

For Coughs, Croup, Colds on the Chest



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IF YOU are troubled with Eczema, Blisters, Spots, Pimples, Boils, Sores or Eruptions of any kind constantly bursting through the skin. IF YOU are suffering from the 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.

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PRESENTATIONS TO MR. E.D. MCGAUGHEY. Mr. McGaughy, who has been in business as a hairdresser and tobacconist...

RIPON SHIRE COUNCIL. MONDAY, 14TH MAY, 1923. Present: Cr. Sinclair (President), Elder, Stewart, J. McDonald, Young, Russell, D. McDonald, Hannah, and Roddie.

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PERSONAL. Mr. W. Gardiner, a former telegraphist at Beaufort post office, paid a visit to the town...

LAKE GOLDSMITH. FROM A CORRESPONDENT. On Thursday, 17th inst., a number of persons gathered at the lake...

BEAUFORT A.N.A. Mr. J. P. O'Connell (president) presided at the meeting of the Beaufort A.N.A. held on Friday, 18th inst.

PRICE-LOWERED DRESS GOODS. 40-inch NAVY SERGE. Special value—splendid for children's wear.

OUR SPECIAL CIRCULAR GIVES FULL DETAILS. We have given to this occasion so much thoroughness, and it has been preceded by such careful preparation...

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Price-Lowered Dress Goods. 40-inch COL SERGES. In Fawn, Mole, Saxe, V. Rose. Usually 4/11; TEN DAYS' SPECIAL, 4/6.

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BY WHOSE HAND? A Story of Love, Plotting and Mystery.

By DERWENT MIALI.

Author of "The Missing Diamonds," "The Prize of the Troop," etc.

CHAPTER I. Captain Brown of the Riponshire...

CHAPTER II. "Nothing much, here's your mail..."

CHAPTER III. "Who is he?" asked Tom.

CHAPTER IV. "At any other time the advent of a visitor..."

CHAPTER V. "This is a very queer fish, I should say..."

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Nothing was, perhaps, more gratifying during the war than the death of the silk hat...

THE TRACHEROUS TROUBLE. Kidney diseases are very dangerous. They come on silently...

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BEAUFORT THISTLE CLUB
Fifteen members of the Beaufort Thistle Club were present at a general meeting held at the Mechanics Institute

ACCIDENTS
On Saturday, Eric Wilson, a Beaufort farmer, was standing on the roof of his house when he fell

FOOTBALL
The following is the position of date in Beaufort football:
Saturday, May 26, 1923

REMEMBRANCE CARD
MR. E. RUTHERFORD and Family, late of Waterloo, desire to thank the kind friends for sympathy shown

IN MEMORIAM
FUHRSTROM—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, P. C. W. Fuhrstrom (2nd Battalion), died 2nd May, 1918

PERSONAL
Mrs. Geo. Smith of the Camp Hotel, Beaufort, has been in good health of late, and is undergoing treatment

STREET LIGHTING
The Ripon Shire Council has resumed the lighting of the Beaufort street lamps, which are only permitted to guide the traffic during the winter months

NEW SCHOOL
Principally owing to representations made by the Ripon Shire Council, the Returned Soldiers' League, the old school building, recently returned from Malakoff to Brewster, Trawalla Soldiers' Settlement, has been condemned

SCHOOL FOOTBALL
The Beaufort schoolboys played a football match at the Beaufort Park on Saturday, prior to the senior football of the visitors were defeated

RATS
For several years past rats have been making their presence felt on farms and sheep stations in the Beaufort district

BEAUFORT CROQUET CLUB
In order to wind-up the croquet season, the members of the Beaufort club were entertained at a book tea by Messrs T. M. Brown and J. H. Taylor

FIREMEN'S SOCIAL
There was a larger attendance than usual at the Beaufort Firemen's social on Wednesday night at the Mechanics Institute

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A.W.N. LEAGUE
About 40 members of the Beaufort A.W.N. League, desire to thank the members of the Mechanics Institute on Tuesday afternoon, for the presentation of a banner

BEAUFORT MECHANICS' INSTITUTE
The annual meeting of subscribers to the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute was held on Monday night, thirteen members were present

BEAUFORT POLICE COURT.
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PART 3. The farmhouse rooms were light and pleasant. With their low ceilings and bright wall papers and chintz, they seemed delightfully cheerful and dimmutive to Nancy, after the lofty, gloomy rooms which some eighteenth century architect had designed to match the importance of the Childeroys, when first that august family settled at Field Court.

Two days later Nancy met him on the moorland. His fishing-rod was under his arm, and he walked with her up to the gate of the farmhouse where she was staying. Next day Clara was indisposed, and again Nancy went for a short ramble. She was leaning on an old crumpled stone on a hilltop, looking down at the beautiful country spread out before her, when suddenly she found Sir Francis.

"I wish I could play like that," said Nancy, at last. "It must be such a relief when anything happens that makes one feel very deeply."

"I am engaged to be married," she said, all smiles and cordiality. "Is it Tom Minto? Of course I know him. I worship you, Miss Adair. You may have heard hard things about me and some of them may have been true. I am no saint, but I will be so to please you. God knows, I have never loved a woman before now - never. I always longed for this to come to me, while at the same time I dreaded it. I'm not like other men. I always knew that when I came to love a woman that feeling would master me utterly and for ever. I can't fall in and out of love like other men. Save me - save me from myself, and give me at least the happiness I have never yet been able to find."

"I am aware, Strafford," the old lady had said, "that living in the world as you do, you must mix with all sorts and conditions of men. But that man shall never enter my house."

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HOTELS ON WHEELS.

The largest and most powerful railway engine ever used in the British Isles has just been introduced by the Great Northern Railway Company.

The new locomotive was built to the design of Mr. Gresley, the company's engineer. It has a total heating surface of 3,450 square feet, or 8,545,000 square feet more than that of the company's next biggest engine.

The engine and tender together weigh one hundred and fifty tons; the combined vehicles can carry eight tons of coal, five thousand gallons of water, and can haul a load of six hundred tons at fifty-five miles an hour.

This mammoth locomotive will be used to draw the "Flying Scotsman" express that has left London for Scotland at ten o'clock every morning for more than sixty years.

The same company have also built for their Scottish service some new sleeping cars which are the last word in travelling luxury. They have a patent device for preventing rocking. In addition, there are specially constructed beds, hot and cold water, semi-indirect lights which can be dimmed for use as night-lights, and switches controlling the lights, fans, heating ventilators, and bell, which can all be operated by the passenger from his bed.

A BIRD CHEMIST.

CREATURE THAT DOES NOT HATCH ITS EGGS.

There is a bird here in Australia, known as the Megapodidae, that is not only a chemist, but also a builder of nests that, in proportion to its size, when compared with man, make the efforts of the latter seem pygmalike.

This bird, about the size of a partridge and weighing about two pounds builds a nest 14ft. high, with a circumference of 150ft. A man weighs on an average 130lb., and in order to build a structure corresponding to the nest of the bird he would have to accumulate a mountain of earth which would be almost double the height and bulk of one of the great pyramids of Egypt.

The bird's task completed, the workman confines its eggs to it. The female usually lays eight, which she deposits in a circle in the centre of the nest among the herbs and leaves which lie heaped up at this spot. The eggs are placed at exactly equal distances from each other, and in a vertical position.

THE PENALTY OF OVERWORK

MANY PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO FEEL THE STRAIN.

The heavy tax of overwork, the extra strain so necessary to many trades and occupations, is hard on the kidneys. The kidneys fail in their work and the poisonous matter collects in the system.

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Write your name and address on one corner - not to be published, but to prove good faith.

Table with columns for months and years (1910-1923) and rainfall amounts.

The expectations of the Presbyterian soldier settlers on the Chestrove side of the Trawalla settlement that they would soon be in a position to attend religious service in their own chapel were rudely dispelled by the gale which swept across the settlement on Friday, 18th inst.

STACK MEASUREMENT.—To find the contents of an oblong stack with perpendicular ends, multiply the length by the average width (between bottom and eaves) and the product by the height from the ground to the eaves.