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BUNINYONG & CRESWICK ADVERTISER.

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THE AUCTION MART,

(In conjunction with the Ballarat Times.)

At the earnest solicitation of several merchants, auctioneers, storekeepers, theatrical managers, private friends, and others, the Proprietor of the *Ballarat Times* has decided to publish, in conjunction with the *Ballarat Times*, an

ADVERTISING SHEET,

The object of which is to give **GREATER PUBLICITY**

To notices of Private Sales, and

SALES BY AUCTION,

OF

LAND,

STORES, MERCHANDISE,

and every description of

PROPERTY

in Ballarat, Geelong, Creswick, Buninyong, Smyth's Creek, and Avoca.

The Auction Mart will be published on the Mornings of Tuesdays and Thursdays (the "Times" being published on Saturdays as usual), and distributed

GRATIS

To all Auction Marts, principal Stores, and other places of Business, and all Hotels, Restaurants, etc., etc.

The Auction Mart appears at present as a single sheet, but will be gradually ENLARGED in size, and if circumstances warrant PUBLISHED DAILY; thus

REDUCING THE NECESSITY

for large and

EXPENSIVE POSTERS.

The Proprietor having hitherto received and being promised in future a considerable amount of support, has resolved to make a

REDUCTION OF ONE HALF

in the charges for Advertisements, which will be displayed in a CONSPICUOUS and APPROPRIATE STYLE; and if the Auction Mart be sufficiently patronized the charges will be still further reduced, — the object of the Proprietor being not so much to solicit the patronage of subscribers and the public towards the support of the Auction Mart, but to bring out a publication which shall, of its own merit and utility, command the support of all men of business, and if he fails, the public shall not be losers.

MESSRS. RANKEN & DOUGLAS, Brokers for the Oriental Bank, Ballarat and Geelong, purchase Gold at the highest price for Cash, Drafts on Melbourne, Geelong, and Sydney; or Oriental Bank Deposit Notes, payable at 3, 6, and 12 months date, and bearing interest at 3, 4, and 5 per cent. per annum.

NOTICES.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE FRUIT AND PRODUCE STORE,

17, Bourke-street, West, opposite E. Row & Co.'s Victoria Sale Yards.)

M. BELFORD begs to inform storekeepers and others resident at Ballarat, Buninyong, and Creswick's Creek, that he has prepared to make up orders of green and preserved fruits, confectionery, hams, pickles, spices, sauces, Colonial potted butter, cheese, potatoes, oats, corn, maize, bran, &c., of the very best quality and brands, at the lowest possible prices for cash.

Reference at Ballarat: Mr. H. Seekamp, *Ballarat Times* Office, by whom remittances can be made.

WILLIAM DUNKIN, General Smith and Horseshoer, Armstrong-street, Ballarat Township, near the Victoria Hotel, (late of the Eureka), begs to return his thanks to his Friends and the Diggers for past favors, and to inform them that he has removed to the above-named premises, where he intends to carry on his business, in all its branches, with neatness and despatch. All kinds of agricultural work on the shortest notice.

A good wheelwright will hear of something to his advantage, by applying to the undersigned.

W. DUNKIN.

ROBERT UNDERWOOD, Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchant, Armstrong Street, has now on hand for sale, a large and well-assorted stock, consisting of the following articles:—

- Brandy, in hhds. and cases.
- Rum, best Jamaica, in hhds. and puncheons
- Hill and Underwood's Old Tom in hhds.
- Booth's, Nicholson's, and Tanqueray's ditto in cases
- Whiskey in hhds.
- Port and Sherry Wines, in quarter-casks, hhds., and cases
- Champagne in baskets and cases
- Champagne Cider in cases
- Claret in cases
- Porter and Ale, in hhds. and cases
- Hill & Underwood's Vinegar, in draught
- Tea
- Cheese
- Sugar
- Pickles, in pts. & qts.
- Loaf ditto
- Mustard
- Flour
- Pepper
- White Peas
- Bottled Fruits, Jams
- Preserved Lobsters, Salmon, Fresh Herrings
- Red Herrings in tins, Sardines
- American, Westphalia, & Cumberland Hams
- Bacon
- Soap
- Treacle
- Sperm Candles
- No. 2 Manilla Cheroots.
- Tobacco
- Tartaric Acid and Carbonate Soda
- Long Boots, and a large assortment of Ladies Boots and Slippers
- A large assorted stock of Crockery, &c. &c. &c.

CALIFORNIAN MART, Ballarat Township, back of the Post Office—to Storekeepers, &c.—Messrs. M. H. COBEA and CO., Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchants, Grocers, &c., beg to inform their friends and the public generally, that they have now on hand an extensive and select stock of goods, to which they respectfully invite attention. N.B. A quantity of empty casks and kegs for sale, at moderate prices.

GARDEN SEEDS of every description, at Geelong prices, to be had at Skinner's Store, Buninyong, opposite the Crown Hotel. Orders will be received at Skinner's Store, Eureka, near the Free Trade Hotel.

PREMISES TO LET.

MR. MORGAN, is desirous of letting his House and Land situated in Doveton-street, Ballarat.

THE STORE is very spacious, perfectly dry, and well situated, independent of which are Four Rooms, 11 x 12.

THE LAND comprehends quarter of an acre fenced in, and partly under cultivation.

Any person entering into the Wine and Spirit Trade would find these premises advantageous, inasmuch as an introduction will be given to the very best connexion on the Diggings. Any reasonable outlay will be made to suit the views of a respectable tenant.

HENRY MORGAN, Auctioneer.

MESSRS. CROSSLEY & CO.

WHOLESALE & Retail Dealers in choice Groceries, &c. beg respectfully to inform their Patrons that they have removed from Eureka to Ballarat Flat, on the New Road, where they would be pleased to see their old friends, and endeavour to merit a continuance of the patronage hitherto shown them.

The following Goods may be had at Crossley and Co.'s
Fairbank's Improved Patent Platform Weighing Machines to Weigh from 1/4 of a lb. to 500 cwt., and from 1/4 of a lb. to 1,000 cwt.

- American Cook Stoves of assorted sizes.
- Counter Scales and Weights, Collins' American Axes, American Shovels, American Picks.
- Hucanna, American, and Marilla Cigars.
- Honey-dew, Slag, and Bonito Tobacco.
- Black and Imperial Teas, Extra Coffee.
- Loaf, Cossipore, and Havana Sugars.
- Cork Butter, English and American Cheese, English and American Hams and Bacon.
- Fresh Oysters, Lobsters, Salmon, Mackerel, Cod, Haddock, Clams, and Herrings.



EVERY description of Fancy and General Printing, including Bill-Heads, Cheques, Cards, Circulars, Ground Plans, Law Forms, Forms of Agreement, Hand Bills, Posters, &c., &c., executed with accuracy and despatch.

Having just received from London, per "Great Britain," a large quantity of Printing Materials of the first quality, including presses, engraving, ornaments, colored inks, &c., the proprietor is now able to execute every description of printing and at a very considerable reduction of prices, and in a style equal to any of the London offices.

For the convenience of those men of business who live on the diggings, at a distance from the Township, a Branch Office will be opened in a few days on Bakery Hill, (next to the Queen's Theatre, and opposite Paterson's General Store), where advertisements and orders for the "Ballarat Times" will be received.

N.B.—All Job Printing to be paid for before leaving the office.

THE TRADE CIRCULAR, BUSINESS DIRECTORY,

AND GENERAL INTELLIGENCER.

(In conjunction with the Times and Auction Mart.) The Trade Circular is published for the same purpose as the Auction Mart, and devoted to bringing before the public all announcements whatsoever not connected with auction or commission sales.

The charges for advertisements will be the same as in the *Ballarat Times*, and the Auction Mart, viz., one half the rates hitherto made in the *Times*.

PISTLE AND MORTAR FLAG.

MESSRS. ROBINSON & COLE, Wholesale and Retail Chemists and Druggists, in tendering their sincere thanks to their numerous patrons and the public generally, for the very liberal encouragement they have hitherto received, beg respectfully to inform that they have removed their extensive establishment from Eureka to the New-road, Ballarat Flat, leading to the Township, where every genuine article connected with the trade can be procured.

Messrs. R. & C. would especially invite attention to the following list of select preparations, viz:—Robinson's Dysentery Mixture, a novel...

AUSTRALIAN NEWS AND SANDRIDGE ADVERTISER,

a Weekly Journal of politics, and a variety of amusing and miscellaneous news. As it is distributed to all hotels, and on board all ships as they arrive in the bay, missing friends and advertisers generally, will find it an excellent medium for their announcements. Price 6d., or 1s. on the Diggings.

J. KENNEDY & CO., Sandridge, Proprietors.

FINAL Notice.—Creditors of the Estate of Eohn and Johnson, of Buninyong and Ballarat, who have not yet furnished an account of their claims in full, for examination, are requested to do so to one of the undersigned forthwith, as no further dividend will be paid them till such is done; and such creditors as have not signed the Deed of Assignment, (now lying with Messrs. Sandford and Harwood, Solicitors), are informed that their neglect to do so before the 30th instant, will deprive them of all benefit under the said Assignment.

(Signed) **H. R. GOSLING, RICHARD PARKER, JAS. M. SAUNDERS.**

Geelong, 5th October, 1854.

EARthenWARE & CRYSTAL. John Riddoch & Co., Gt. Malop-street, Geelong, beg to inform the Storekeepers and others of Ballarat that they have always an immense assortment of earthenware and crystal, at the very lowest market price. Orders are punctually attended to, and the goods carefully packed; or if desired assorted crates as imported can at any time be forwarded.

DAVIES & SONS, Saddlers, Harness Makers, and Leather Sellers, Lydiard Street, Ballarat Township, and near the Crown Hotel, Buninyong, have on sale, ladies' side saddles, bridles, and whips; gentlemen's saddles, bridles, and spurs; tandem, gig, chaise, and cart harness; draught and leading do.; racing saddles, clothing, &c., &c.; horse brushes and stable utensils; rifles, guns, revolvers, pistols, shot belts, powder flasks, gunpowder, percussion caps, sword sticks, &c., &c.; plain and fancy dog collars and chains; shoemakers' leather and grindery.

SMYTH'S Creek.—Wardyallooh.

Persons arriving on these diggings will find every accommodation at Richard Kellard's "The Digger's Retreat."

CALEDONIAN STORES, CRESWICK'S CREEK.

MACLEOD & GRANT, while gratefully acknowledging the liberal patronage they have been honored with since they commenced business on the Creek, beg to announce Immense Arrivals of **SUMMER GOODS,**



CONVEYANCES

Run Daily from Bath's Hotel to MELBOURNE AND GEELONG, at 6 o'clock, AND CRESWICK'S CREEK at 9 o'clock. Booking Office, Bath's Hotel.

MEDICAL.

A Meeting of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, held at the George, on the 2nd November, moved by Dr Carr, and seconded by Dr Heise,—

"That every qualified Medical Practitioner within the district of Ballarat is requested to submit his certificate of qualification to the Secretary of the Society before the 1st day of December, proximo, in order that their names may be entered in the published list of qualified practitioners."

By Order, **JAMES STEWART,** Secretary and Treasurer.

HAMBURG DISPENSARY.

A. Berger, in returning his most sincere thanks, for the liberal patronage he has hitherto received, begs to state that he has opened a New Establishment, near the Bridge, on the New Road to the Township.

A. B. having engaged a clever and trustworthy Chemist, for his Old Establishment, is very happy to inform his customers residing in the neighbourhood of Red Hill, that they will have Medical Prescriptions of every kind accurately Dispensed, and find the best Drugs in the market, at liberal prices.

Any quantity of Leeches always on hand. A choice selection of Perfumery hair, tooth, and whisker brushes, breast pumps, etc., finest toilet soaps, etc., etc.

Remember the Address
Hamburg Dispensary, New Road, next door to Dr. Sickler.

WHISTLE Store, Gravel Pits.—P.

Paterson begs to intimate that he has taken J. M. Burns, of Geelong, into partnership, and that in future the business will be conducted under the style or firm of Paterson and Burns.

SANITARY IMPROVEMENT.

WATER.—At the solicitation of a number of the inhabitants of Ballarat, and by permission of the authorities, the subscribers have been induced, for the benefit of the public, as well as their own convenience, to erect a hydrant at their premises in York-street, near the Swamp, where pure filtered water, free from impurities and clear of all noxious...

AUCTION SALES.

DEBTS AND IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Safe Investment, and the means thrown open to realise a handsome fortune.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16th.

Sale by Auction of the *Practic House* situate at the "Springs," on the road from Geelong to Ballarat, Creswick's Creek, &c.

THOMAS WILLIAMS

is honored with instructions from Mr. John Robinson, to submit to Public Competition, on the above-named day, at Two o'clock sharp, that lucrative

BUSINESS AND PREMISES,

KNOWN AS THE "QUEEN'S ARMS."

About half-way between the bounding Townships of Ballarat and Buninyong, and embracing

THE WHOLE OF THE TRAFFIC

From Geelong to Mount Alexander; it being the intention of the present proprietor to enter into another line of business.

The Auctioneer feels there is no necessity to describe the premises more particularly. It would be impossible within the limits of an advertisement to point out the many advantages that will fall into the hands of the lucky purchaser.

Mr. Robinson will be happy to show intending purchasers over the premises, and make them acquainted with the amount of business he has done since the opening of his house.

THE STOCK,

Which is all of the first quality, may be taken at a valuation.

There will be refreshment and accommodation provided for man and horse. The terms, which are easy, will be declared at sale.

Remember, —Saturday, Nov. 18th. Two o'clock sharp.

On Tuesday, November 21st, and following days

Great Unreserved Sale by Auction.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THOMAS WILLIAMS

Has been honored with instructions from Messrs. Paterson, Robinson, and Burns, who are about to relinquish their business on the township, to bring shortly before the public the whole of their truly valuable and well-assorted stock; amongst which will be found—

- Sugars, fine crystallized and Sydney pieces
- Tea, best Congou, in chests, halves, and quarters
- Butter, best Cork Rose, in firkins
- Flour, best Chillian and Colonial

JEAS, Brokers for the Oriental Bank, Ballarat and Geelong, purchase Gold at the highest price for Cash, Drafts on Melbourne, Geelong, and Sydney; or the Oriental Bank Deposit Notes, payable at 3, 6, and 12 months date, and bearing interest at 3, 4, and 5 per cent. per annum.
Lydiard Street, Ballarat.

GOLD OFFICE.—The Port Phillip and Colonial Gold Company's Office, Lydiard-street, Ballarat.
Gold Dust purchased for cash, or drafts on Melbourne or Geelong.
MR. EVELYN W. POWLES, Agent

MONEY! MONEY!!—Money to lend, on approved Freehold Security; apply to Mr. O'Cook, Solicitor, Bath's Hotel, Ballarat.
Dated, June 15th, 1854.

MONEY! MONEY!!—A few Hundred Pounds to be lent on Maiden Security.
Apply to Mr. LYNN, Solicitor, Lydiard street, Ballarat.

HOELS, Etc.

ROGERS' HOTEL, Creswick's Creek.—John Rogers, having obtained a licence for the above commodious hotel, begs to inform his friends and the public generally, that it will be his constant endeavor by good fare and accommodation, together with strict attention and moderate charges, to merit a share of the public patronage. Extraordinary stabling is attached to the above hotel, and travellers may rely upon their horses being well attended to.

QUIP INN.—William and Joseph Tait, having opened their new premises, situated on the Creswick's Creek and Burn Bank road, one and a half miles from Ballarat, beg to solicit the patronage of their numerous friends and the public. W. & J. T. beg to assure the public there will be nothing wanting on their part to make their house worthy of a call.
Good stabling and a stockyard for the accommodation of carriers and cattle dealers.

BEAGLE Dining Rooms, Ballarat Flat.—The proprietors of the above establishment beg respectfully to inform the public of Ballarat and its vicinity, and all travellers, that they have opened the above named place, and trust by civility, attention, cleanliness, and a good table, to merit a share of their patronage. Travellers are particularly requested to note the position of the above named place, situated on the new road, near the Camp, where they will find first-rate accommodation, good beds, &c. Breakfast from 7 to 10; dinner, 12 to 2; supper, 5 to 7; soups from 11 to 1. Coffee and tea, all hours.

Spenn Cresset
No. 2 Manilla Cigarettes. Tobacco
Tartaric Acid and Carbonate Soda
Long Boots, and a large assortment of Ladies Boots and Slippers
A large assorted stock of Crockery, &c. &c. &c.
A lot of empty casks for sale.

JAMES ODDIE

BEGS to inform the public, that having obtained an Auctioneer's Licence, he is, from his long and extensive knowledge of the Ballarat district, its business and mining population favorably situated for the Sale of Land, and every other description of property, trusts, that by attention and punctuality to his orders, to merit public patronage. Place of business for the present, at his late Store, near Bentley's Eureka Hotel.

NOTICE.—Messrs. Fletcher & Paterson in returning thanks to the Diggers and others for the very liberal support they have received since they commenced business on Creswick's Creek beg to intimate that they have just received from Town a very large and varied assortment of Summer Goods, consisting of drapery, hosiery, haberdashery, clothing, boots, hardware, gloves, &c. &c., which they are determined to sell at the very lowest prices. Stockkeepers supplied. Gold bought.

GARDEN Seeds, Garden Seeds.—Messrs. Bolm & Johnson of Ballarat and Buninyong, have garden seeds of the best kinds for sale, at much lower prices than they can be procured at in town. The seeds are all warranted. Cabbages, 9 sorts, cauliflower, 3 do., broccoli, 4 do., carrots, 3 do., turnips, 5 do., onions, leeks, Brussels sprouts, celery, red and white, radish mixed, parsnip, parsley curled, peas, 4 sorts, dwarf do., lettuce, flower seeds, mignonette, sun flowers, balsam, Canterbury bells, sweet williams, sweet peas, lupinus and many other kinds, all warranted.

FINAL Notice.—All parties indebted to the firm of Bolm and Johnson, of Buninyong and Ballarat, previous to the 20th May last, are hereby requested to settle their accounts forthwith, either with Messrs Bolm and Johnson, or with one of the undersigned, whose discharge will be sufficient.

(Signed) H. B. GOSLING,
RICHARD PARKER,
JAS. M. SAUNDERS,
Trustees.
Geelong,
October 5th, 1854.

SHOEMAKERS.—Sole London, Rip, Gull, and Kangaroo, Lasts, Tools, Gimping, &c., good and cheap at DAVIES & SOU'S, Saddlers and Harness Makers, Ballarat Township, and Buninyong.

COFFEE, Cinnamon, and Havana Sugars.
Lump, Cinnamon, and American
Cork Butter, English and American
Cheese, English and American Hams
and Bacon.
Fresh Oysters, Lobsters, Salmon,
Mackerel, Cod, Haddock, Clams, and
Herrings.
Preserved Chicken, Partridge,
Grouse, Woodcock, Lark, Plover,
Hare, Green Peas, and Beans.
Preserved Pine Apples, Peaches,
Apricots, Prunes, Plums, Red, White,
and Black Currants, &c.
English and French Jams and Jelly,
Figs, Confectionery, Pi-Nic, Fancy,
Soda, and Water Biscuit.
English and American Playing
Cards, Chinese and English Work
Boxes, Fanny and Bar Soap, Rice,
Matches, Candies, Pepper, Spices,
Rope and Cordage, Sewing and
Wrapping Twine, Boots and Shoes,
Dried Apples, &c., &c.

DISSOLUTION of Partnership.—The Partnership hitherto existing between James Tyree, William Green and Livens Egelston Reid, under the name of Tyree, Green, and Co., Auctioneers, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, as far as concerns Livens Egelston Reid. The business will, from this date, be carried on by James Tyree and William Green.

JAMES TYREE,
WILLIAM GREEN,
LIVENS EGELSTON REID.

(Witness)
A. J. Jacobs,
Ballarat, October 19th, 1854.

THOMAS WILLIAMS having received large consignments of drapery from London direct is prepared to deal with stockkeepers and others on terms that will prove advantageous to them.

Auction Mart, Bakery Hill
Gravel Pits.
October 19, 1854.

THE "ADELAIDE OBSERVER" Newspaper can be obtained at the Diggins on application to the undersigned, Agent in Victoria for proprietors in Adelaide.

Advertisements also received for same by
BRYCE ROSS, Agent,
41, Swanston-street, Melbourne,
Also the Sydney Empire, newspaper.

MATRASSES.—J. Logan begs to inform the Diggers, Stockkeepers, and others on Ballarat and its vicinity that he has commenced Mattress Making, and will be able to supply them with either hair, flax, or straw mattresses on the most reasonable terms.

N.B. Mattresses made to order.
Pennyweight Flat, a little above the Bowling Alley.

Ballarat Flat, leading to the Township, where every genuine article connected with the trade can be procured.
Messrs. R. & C. would especially invite attention to the following list of select preparations, viz:—
Robinson's Dysentery Mixture, a never-failing remedy.
Robinson's Carminative and Preservative for infants and young children.
Robinson's Magnesia Aperient, a delightful and agreeable purgative for bilious affections, indigestion, heart-burn, &c.
The finest concentrated Essence of Jamaica Sarsaparilla.
Russell & Turner's Eye Lotion, the best remedy for blight, &c.
Tonic Bitters, for indigestion, &c.
Lemon Kalia, a delightful summer beverage.
Dr. Gregory's Stomachic Aperient Powders.
Robinson's Amblyne Tincture, for the teeth and gums, and for all disorders to which the teeth, mouth, and gums are subject.

Holloway's Pills and Ointment, all sizes.
Camphorated Tooth Powder.
Concentrated Essence of Jamaica Ginger.
Best Cod Liver Oil.
Robinson's Anti-bilious Pills.
Crosse and Blackwell's Col's Foot Jelly.
Robinson's Furniture Cream.
Calmeid Magnesia, in bottles.
Keating's Cough Lozenges.
Robinson's Patent Groats.

PERFUMERY.
Robinson's celebrated fancy perfume—The Soften Bouquet, extracted from the most fragrant flowers and in favor of which a flattering testimonial was received from the Countess of Suffolk.

Violet Powder, in packets.
Fancy Soaps.
Superior Lavender Water and Eau de Cologne.

Hair, Nail, Tooth, and Shaving Brushes of the newest and best description.
Fancy Soaps and Tobaccos.
Tartaric Acid, Carbonate of Soda, Essence of Lemon, Raspberry, Jargonelle Pear, Pine Apple, Mint, &c.

N.B.—Surgical instruments of all kinds, truss, cupping apparatus, omeia apparatus, electric battery, breast pumps, ripple shields, feeding bottles, puff boxes, &c., &c.

Physician's and surgeon's prescriptions accurately dispensed. Decayed teeth stopped and extracted.
Paints, paint brushes, oils, and colors of all kinds.
Horse and cattle medicines.
W. B. Robinson, Surgeon Dentist.

COLLIER begs to inform residents and travellers that he has now opened his new house, known as Cutler's Hotel, Creswick's Creek, where they will find every accommodation.

Wines, spirits, malt liquors, and provisions, of the best quality.—Good Stabling.

MACLEOD & GRANT, while gratefully acknowledging the liberal patronage they have been honored with since they commenced business on the Creek, beg to announce Immense Arrivals of

SUMMER GOODS,
Now on view, which, in addition to their Cheapness, are equally distinguished for Novelty and Good Taste; and from arrangements made by Mr. Macleod (who is just returned from Melbourne) to see monthly supplies of the

NEW ST DESIGNS,
Their stock of Drapery will always possess advantages which may be looked for in vain elsewhere in this quarter.

M.L. & G. would therefore respectfully solicit an early call. In addition to their extensive Retail Stock they have a large reserve now on hand, and parties taking a whole piece will be supplied at trade prices.

A large stock of Groceries, etc., etc., also arrived, which are warranted of the best quality.

MACLEOD & GRANT,
Proprietors.

QUICKSILVER
FOR SALE in iron bottles of 75 lbs each.

Edward Khul, Bullion Broker, Melbourne.

CARRIAGE to Ballarat.—Blossom's Yard Booking Offices, Elizabeth street, near the Railway station, and opposite the Union Bank, Queen street, Melbourne, Yarra street, Geelong, and at Paterson's, Bakery Hill, Ballarat. The undersigned, with the view of facilitating the transit of general merchandise, luggage, parcels, &c., and from Melbourne, Geelong, and Ballarat, have established a branch Receiving House and Booking Office, at Geelong, where a resident and competent agent will take charge of, and forward to their respective destinations all goods consigned to their care.

Those for the town of Geelong will be delivered immediately, on discharge of the driver, and those for the interior forwarded by well appointed horse-teams at least three times per week.

It would be most convenient that all goods should be brought to the office and duly booked, by which alone they are liable, but if sent to the wharf by consignors directed to their care, they should be equally attended to; or, if more convenient, their collecting vans should call at any store, on application for the same.

DANIEL & GEORGE FORD,
General Carriers.
P.S.—Accommodation for storing two or three hundred tons of goods at Geelong, if required, in transit. — Spring vans for removing furniture. — Goods forwarded to Bendigo and Castlemaine.

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number of the inhabitants of Ballarat, and by permission of the authorities, the subscribers have been induced, for the benefit of the public, as well as their own convenience, to erect a hydrant at their premises in York-street, near the Swamp, where pure filtered water, free from animalcules, and clear of all noxious insects, may be had at one shilling per load.

To private families, as well as those who use it for commercial purposes, this first necessary of life in a pure state should be a desideratum. The facility with which casks can be filled, is, to the carter, whose time is money, a great consideration.

JAMES & FRANCIS.
James and Francis manufacturers of syrups, cordials, liqueurs, aerated waters, solution of magnesia, &c. The trade supplied at Melbourne prices.

Ballarat, Oct. 26, 1854.

S. LEON & J. JOELSON hereby mutually agree that their connection in business which hitherto has existed between them should cease, and that the said Mr. Leon is willing to take the responsibility of the said business up to this day.
(Signed) S. LEON,
JULIUS JOELSON
Witness—T. Harris

THE Ballarat Circulating Library Ballarat Flat, between the Star Hotel and the Circus. The proprietors beg to call the attention of the public to their well selected stock of books by the most popular authors, such as Reynolds's Mysteries of the Court of London, Lever, Bulwer, Dickens, Tomcokay, Marryat, Gaskell, Lover, and all the other new works now published.

FISLAY & FULLERTON,
N.B.—An early inspection is solicited.

NOTICE.—If any person or persons who sold us gold, between the 15th and 17th of the present month, will call at our office they will greatly oblige us.

JAMES FORSATH & SON,
Gravel Pits Hill,
31st October, 1854.

PORTABLE Steam Engine.—For sale, a highly finished and substantial eight horse-power Steam Engine with a three-horse and remaining machine of the same power, both upon wheels. Also a saw bench with circular saws complete. The whole made by Clayton Shuttleworth & Co. Particulars to be had at the store of Mr. Spencer Wilson, near the Gravel Pits, or by post to J. Learmonth McKenzie, Geelong & Hills, Geelong, where the engine can be seen.

REMEMBER—NO RESERVE.
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Sugars, fine crystallized and Sydney pieces
Tea, best Congou, in chests, halves, and quarters
Butter, best Cork Rose, in firkins
Flour, best Chilian and Colonial
Pickles, sauces, mustard, bottled vinegar and assorted pastes
Arrowroot
Pearl barley
Real herrings and potted do.
Hunt's fresh salmon, best quality
Sardines, large and small tins
Cannon soda
Seditz powders
Holloway's medicines
Cheese, in tins and boxes
Bacon and German sausages
Fresh ground coffee in 28 lb. tins
Pudding raisins, in 50 lb. boxes
Table do. in 25 lb. do.
Currants, Grocer's paper
Best yellow soap in 28 lb. and 56 lb. boxes
Normandy pippins, in 14 lb. baskets
Bottled fruits in 2 doz. cases
Biscuits in 14 lb. tins
Sisal crystal
Whiting and Salt
Sperm candles in 24 and 36 lb. boxes
Good port wine in octaves
Tin dishes and Iron pots
Coke and Iron
Best Colne hay

Tobacco, Cavendish and Barm's
Pope, Tarpanian, and carpeting
Boots and wadded plaids
Dress candlesticks complete
Horse shoes
Hosiery
Together with the following building materials

Whole doors
Deal and spruce boards
Framing boards, groved and tongued
Quartering and battens
Assorted nails, 14 to 2 1/2 inch
Window glass, 12 x 14 best crown
Window frames and sashes, complete, with pulleys and weights
Iron roofing plates
Giro
Plaster's hair
Floor cloth

The store, with the dwelling, stables &c., built on the choicest part of the town, viz.—85 feet to Start-street, by a depth of 12, and 32 feet to Armstrong-street, by a depth of 100 adjoining the premises of the Bank of Australia, Messrs. Sutcliffe & Sons, and the Bank of New South Wales, will also be sold to the highest bidder; with several very valuable allotments in different parts of the town.

The Auctioneer would beg to remind persons in business that an opportunity to step into a business so well established rarely offers itself; and as the whole will positively be sold, most earnestly recommends them to attend.

REMEMBER—NO RESERVE.
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Ballarat Business Directory.

CLERICAL.
CHACKERAY—The Rev. J. R. Chackeray, M.A., Incumbent of Ballarat, Lydiard-street.
MEDICAL.
CAMPBELL—Dr. Campbell, Medical Store near National School, College Hill.
CLENDINNING—Dr. Clendinning, A.M., Surgeon, &c., Hospital, Red Hill, Ballarat.
HOESEN—Hobson and Warner, Surgeons, &c., between the Gravel Pits and 1st Hill, and at Eureka, near the Exhibition Hill.
NEWMAN—Newman & Co., Chemists, &c., Princes-street, Ballarat.
ROBINSON—Hobson and Cole, Wholesale and Retail Chemists, New Road.
SICKLER—A. Sickler, M.D., Surgeon and Accouchur, next the Baths, adjoining the bridge, New Road.
STEWART—Mr. James Stewart, Surgeon, &c., Ballarat Hospital, Bakery-Hill, Gravel-Pit.
WILLS—Mr. Wills, Surgeon and Oculist, Right hand of Bath's Hotel.

LEGAL.

ANSDELL—Mr. J. T. Ansdeil, Solicitor and Mining Agent, Gravel Pit Hill, Ballarat.
LYAN—Adam Lotus Lyan, Solicitor, Lydiard street.
O'COCK—Mr. O'cock, Solicitor, Bath's Hotel.

BANKS.

AUSTRALASIA—The Bank of Australasia, corner of Lydiard and Street Streets.
N. S. W. A. E.—The Bank of New South Wales, Lydiard-street.
VICTORIA—Bank of Victoria, Ballarat, the Stone Building, Lydiard-street, three doors south of the Post Office.
VICTORIA—Bank of Victoria, Avoca, near the Commissioner's Camp.

GOLD BUYERS.

BRADSHAW—Bradshaw and Salmon, Gold Buyers, &c., Eureka.
DIXIE—Dixie and Parkin, Gold Prokers and Commission Agents, next to the Bank of Australasia, Lydiard Street.
FORSYTH—Forsyth, James and Son, Gold Brokers, Bakery Hill, Gravel Pits.
RANKEN—Ranken and Douglas, Gold Brokers, next to the George Hotel.
WINE—Joshua Wine, Gold Buyer, &c., Creswick's Creek Township.

WINE MERCHANTS.

CODEA—M. H. Codea & Co., Wholesale Wine and Spirit Store, Grocers, &c., near the Ballarat Times Office.
DIMANT—Alexander Dimant, Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchant, and General Storekeeper, Devon Street.
SIRPLICE—W. Sirplice and sons, Wine, Spirit, and General Merchants, Lydiard-st. Township.
UNDERWOOD—Robert Underwood, Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchant, Armstrong-street.

AUCTIONEERS.

HARRINGTON—Robert Harrington and Co., Auctioneers, Commission Agents, etc., New Road adjoining the Township.
HARRIS—Henry Harris, Auctioneer Valuator, Eureka, Auction Mart, Bakery Hill.
JONES—Isaac Jones and Company, Auctioneers, Commission Agents, and General Colonial Produce Factors, Red Hill Flat.
LILLY—Lilly and Miller, Auctioneers, Commission Agents, and General Brokers, opposite Township.
LINQUIST—Maurice Linquist, Ballarat Auction Mart, near McCre's Public House and the Circus.
MORGAN—Henry Morgan and Co., Auctioneers, etc., Devon-street, Township, and Red-Hill Flat.
ODDIE—James Oddie, Auctioneer, Land and Commission Agent, &c., &c., &c.
TORRANCE—Wm. A. Torrance, Auctioneer, and Commission Agent, &c., &c., &c.
THREE—Lyre, Green, & Co., Auctioneers, Land, and Commission Agents, and Share Brokers, Great Flat.
WILLIAMS—Thomas Williams, Auctioneer, General Commission Agent, &c., Bakery Hill.

HOTELS, ETC.

EAGLE—Eagle Restaurant, New Road, adjoining Township.
EXCELSIOR—Excelsior Board and Lodging House, Red Hill Flat.

BANK OF VICTORIA.—Notice.

The office of the above bank, is removed to the stone premises situate in Lydiard-street, two doors east of the Post-office.

J. BUCKLEY, Manager.

Bank of Victoria, Lydiard-street, Ballarat, Oct. 20, 1854.

BANK OF VICTORIA, BALLARAT.

RATES OF EXCHANGE.

Table with columns: DRAFTS ISSUED, On London, at 30 days sight, 5 per cent prem. Sydney, at sight, 1 " Hobart Town, 1 " Luncheon, 1 " Adelaide, 1 " Belfast, 1 " Bendigo, 1 " Castlemaine, 1 " Avoca, 1 " Geelong, 1 " Melbourne, 1 "

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

RATES OF EXCHANGE.

Table with columns: DRAFTS ISSUED, On London, at 30 days sight, at 5 per cent prem. Sydney, 1 " Hobart Town, 1 " Luncheon, 1 " Adelaide, 1 " Moreton Bay, 1 " Maitland, 1 " Newcastle, 1 " Melbourne, 1 " Geelong, 1 "

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

Notice is hereby given that in consequence of defalcation in the accounts and cash of the Branch of this Bank at Ballarat, Mr. George Dunmore Lang, the Manager, and Mr. Frederick Lee Drake the Accountant, have been dismissed from the service of the Bank.

ALEXANDER STUART, Inspector.

Ballarat, October 20, 1854.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

Notice is hereby given that Mr William Bertram Ochiltree has been appointed Acting Manager of the Branch of this Bank at Ballarat.

ALEXANDER STUART, Inspector.

Ballarat, October 20, 1854.

BANK OF AUSTRALASIA, BALLARAT.

RATES OF EXCHANGE.

Table with columns: DRAFTS PURCHASED, At 30 days, percent, London, 2 prem. 30 days addl. 1 dis. Sydney, 1 " Maitland, 1 " Ipswich, M Day 1 " Melbourne, 1 " Geelong, 1 " Portland, 1 " Hobart Town, 1 " Luncheon, 1 " Adelaide, 1 " 15 days addl. 1 "

RATES OF DISCOUNT.

On bills not having more than 100 days to run 7 per cent; on bills beyond that currency 8 per cent.

THE BALLARAT TIMES.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11.

Nothing extraneous, nor set down or put in malice.

THE MAGISTRACY AND THE BENCH.

Notwithstanding the host of magis.

POLICE COURT, MONDAY.

(De'o o Mr. Hackett)

William Kennard was charged with being drunk. His Worship enquired how long he had been in custody, and being informed that the prisoner had been in confinement since Saturday evening dismissed him.

Charles Stubbs, for drunkenness, fined 10/- or twenty-four hours' imprisonment.

John Sampson and Patrick Maher were charged by Walter Needham, butcher, with stealing a carcass of mutton on Saturday night, the 4th inst. It appeared that prisoners, both in the employment of complainant, had been nobbling during the evening, and at about ten o'clock at night, while under the influence of liquor, took it into their heads to have a lark with their master's mutton. Needham not relishing the joke, and the fun being quite unpalatable to the bench, the prisoners were remanded till the following day, to give them an opportunity of producing their witnesses.

Elias Elliot and G. W. Vining were charged by Charles Johnson, assistant storekeeper, Eureka, with stealing money, on Sunday, the 5th inst. Mr. Lynn was retained for the defence. It appeared that prisoners came into Johnson's store in the forenoon of Sunday, and that, a few minutes after their arrival, all the money in the till was missing. Mr. Johnson at once suspected the prisoners, Vining in particular, and accused them of the theft. Vining asked Johnson if he would be satisfied if he had the money given back to him. A constable had been sent for and the prisoners were searched, when both prisoners were taken into custody on the spot. They were committed to take their trial at the next general sessions.

House Case.—William McHardy charged Thomas Torrens, auctioneer, Creswick's Creek, with having complainant's horse in his possession on the 26th ultimo. Mr. Torrens said he bought the horse at Mr. Linquist's sale yard, and produced a receipt to that effect. The horse was awarded to Mr. McHardy and an order given by the bench on Mr. Linquist, to have his money returned to Mr. Torrens.

TUESDAY.

Before Capt Evans and Commissioner Johnson.

John Murphy was charged by Sergeant Calwell with being drunk on the night previous. Fined 10s, or twenty-four hours imprisonment.

STEALING.—John Sampson and Patrick Maher were charged by Walter Needham, butcher, with stealing a carcass of mutton, chopper, and steel, on the 5th instant, the property of complainant. Prisoners pleaded drunkenness as a palliat, and that the fact of their being found lying down within ten feet of the shop with the carcass alongside was a proof of their having no felonious intention. The bench asked prisoners whether they would prefer the case to go before a jury, or have it decided at the police court. The prisoners, preferring the latter, were sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

STEALING FROM A DWELLING.—Samuel Brown, a chimney-sweep, charged, a Malay of an unpronounceable name, with stealing 4 ds of gold, £5 12/- in cash, pair of blankets, and a woollen shirt, from his tent, on Sunday, the 5th instant. The prisoner was apprehended by constable Carson the next day, but no property in his possession having been found, he was committed to the police court.

Andrew Anderson and James Carrol were charged with being drunk on the day before. Both pleaded guilty, and each was fined ten shillings, or twenty-four hours in the lock up.

Robert Harrison was charged by Sergeant Calvin with riding furiously through the street, on the evening before. Defendant admitted the charge, but said there were not many on the street as the evening was wet. Case dismissed.

VICTORIA BANK ROBBERY.—Eliza Smith, William Williams, and R. Kelly, were placed at the bar on suspicion of being concerned in the late robbery of the Bank of Victoria. Sub-inspector Carter applied for a remand, Mr. Lynn, solicitor, for Mrs. Smith, objected, as he was in a position to go into the case at once, and that his client had witnessed the robbery. Remanded for eight days.

The prisoners were arraigned on Tuesday evening, at the "Star Hotel," Ballarat Flat, by some Eureka constables, under the following circumstances:—The constables observed the prisoners to be very "flush" of money, and that the notes in their possession were most of them £10 notes, Bank of Victoria,

COMMISSIONER'S DECISION CASE.—

When this case came on for hearing, Commissioner Johnson came off the bench, and Capt. Evans and Mr. Green presided, when Mr. Johnson, the prosecutor in the case, sworn, stated: On Wednesday last, a storekeeper came to me and said he wanted a site for a store, close to the government road, and named the spot he would wish to have. I proceeded to the place, and found a tent had been erected on it, on which tent was a label "this place for sale." I told James Thomas, the defendant, he (Thomas) could not sell government ground; defendant replied, "I do not want to sell the ground, but the tent." I then pegged out the ground occupied by defendant and gave it to the storekeeper, telling defendant at the same time that I would give him forty-eight hours to take away his tent. He refused to comply. Next day, I went to see whether he was complying with my order, when he told me that, "as he could not sell the tent, he would live in it himself." I told him he was now too late, as I had already given my decision in the case. He again refused to comply, and I then summoned him.

James Thomas stated in his defence, that he was in possession of the ground for the last three weeks, that he paid a license, as well as the storekeeper, who now claimed it, and that it was a third case to have to drag down his place to make room for the tent, and merely because that he wished to sell it.

Simon Samuels, storekeeper, sworn stated: I am the person to whom the claim was given by Commissioner Johnson. When I saw the label "for sale" upon the tent, I went to defendant to know his price, he asked £35, which I considered too much. I then applied to the commissioner, when I got the ground in the manner described. Ordered by the bench to shift his tent in twenty-four hours, and pay a fine of £5 for not complying with the commissioner's decision. Thomas asked if he could appeal to a higher court, but the bench made no reply.

[To whom can an injured man appeal? or to whom are the people to look for justice in this country? Alas, we cannot tell! unless the people look to themselves, and then—Ed.]

WEDNESDAY.

(Before Commissioner Johnson and Captain Evans.)

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their tent, where he procured a change of clothes, bade the civilians and the 10th good bye, and has not since been heard of. The man who threw him into the water hole was sent to the lock up by the officer in charge, on Sunday night last, but was liberated on Monday, no specific charge having been brought before the civil authorities.

CAUTION TO GOLD BUYERS AND OTHERS.—Last Sunday morning, some chinamen, or rather Malays, called at a store and sold two lots of gold. About an hour and a half after two of the parties returned, and through the aid of an interpreter said that they had been cheated, by having two one pound notes given to them instead of two ten pound notes, and demanded the difference, £18. As the man in the store remembered distinctly giving the two ten pound notes, and calling their attention to it at the time, of course their demand was refused. They, however, got a summons for the storekeeper, and the case was brought before a magistrate. Of course all the chinamen say the same thing, while the unfortunate storekeeper's assistant, not having any witnesses to call, is committed, and obliged to undergo his trial for the alleged offence. It seems rather too hard that any man, however respectable he may be, is liable to be punished in this way by two or three rascals laying their heads together, without the magistrates being able to exercise their discretion. Any man of business, banker, gold buyer, or storekeeper, is thus liable to be victimized.

S. DEATH ALLIANCE.—A public meeting of this society was announced to have been held in the Wesleyan chapel, on Thursday evening last, but owing to not being sufficiently advertised, the meeting was very thinly attended, and the business of the evening was consequently not brought forward by the secretary. Another meeting for the same purpose is to be held (as will be seen by advertisement), at 7 o'clock on Monday next. The public is invited to attend.

POST OFFICE.—In next week's Times will be given an improved synopsis or table of business transacted at the Post Office, Ballarat, the former table being too complicated for general use. The public will then be able to see at a glance that the office of Post master here is no sinecure.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.—The proprietors of this popular place of amusement have had much to contend with since the opening of the theatre. Mr. Clark has expended a great deal of time and money in the erection of the building, in artistic decorations, and going to town for the purpose of engaging his company. In a word he has made a mercantile speculation of it, and the company are bound in law and conscience, to do him and the public justice. We believe that in the company there is the material for rendering reading and study perceptible on the stage. We have never perceived Mr. Branton, the comedian, nor Mr. Douglas, stop in the middle of a sentence, and look towards the prompter for his help. These gentlemen sustain their characters well. Madlle Launay dances admirably, but it is to be wished that her profession she ought to attend rehearsals, study her part, and endeavour to appear more lively. As we do not know the names of the other gentlemen, we can only say that though they perform well, there is room for improvement. One gentleman in particular should attend to pronunciation better. The "Rough Diamond" was played twice

to again for a month, the usual time intervening between one sitting and another.

RARE CHANCE FOR FOSSICKERS.—Mr. Cober of the Township will buy any number of Empty Bottles, 80, boys, look them up and bring them.

PRICE OF TOWNSHIP ALLOTMENTS.—Some allotments sold by Mr. Williams last Monday, on the township, Creswick's Creek road, realized from three guineas to forty shillings a foot, and some lots on section 13 in the same street, were sold from forty to thirty-five shillings, and others, thirty-five shillings to twenty-two shillings and sixpence per foot. The attendance was small, and these appeared to be very little in demand; certainly none at all of that eagerness, which characterised the purchasers of land some twelve months ago.

THE WEATHER.—For the last few days the weather has been very changeable, varying from intense heat on one day to excessive cold on the next. In the early part of the week, a few showers, which fell during the night, have made the temperature more agreeable. There is a perceptible improvement in vegetation, and the outskirts of the township begin to look green and pleasant as in the spring.

THE BOARD OF INVESTIGATION.—The gentlemen composing the Board of Investigation terminated their sittings yesterday afternoon. Several matters of importance have been brought before their notice, and when they make their report to the Governor, the public may perhaps "hear of something to their advantage."

CORONER'S INQUESTS.—A melancholy accident happened at Creswick's Creek, on the 3rd inst., in the following manner:—In a tent occupied by Edward Otto, Edward Lang, and another, a noise was heard in the middle of the night, and while the parties were in bed, as of a man breaking into the tent. Lang and Otto both got out of bed, when Otto discharged his pistol, intending to shoot the robber, but unfortunately shot poor Lang, his own mate. A Coroner's jury returned a verdict of "accidental death." Another inquest was held on the body of Joseph Dixon, Mount Misery, on the 5th inst. It appears deceased and a man named O'Donnell had been drinking during the day, and in the evening, while under the influence of drink, had quarrelled, when Dixon was unfortunately killed by O'Donnell. A verdict of "manslaughter" was returned against O'Donnell, who made his escape after committing the deed. A warrant is issued for his apprehension.

"MKTINKS THERE ARE TWO WIZARDS IN THE FIELD."—After witnessing the performance of a "Wizard of the South" we are visited the next day by the Wizard, the real, downright, genuine, veritable Wizard of the South, he came with, not with any of the renowned powers of darkness, but with some very formidable looking, mystic writings, bearing mysterious seals, and which he called—one a license, and the others testimonials. We looked at his foot to see if it was "all serene" and then in his face to see if there was any divinely perceptible, but it was "all serene" and we ventured on an inspection of his credentials, which were certainly very eulogistic of his talent and ability as a delusionist. We remember seeing the performance of M. Amonté (the wizard's name), about eight months ago, on the Eureka, and felt highly satisfied. He intends to commence exhibiting his feats in a few days.

THE LUCKY TEST OF THE TOWNSHIP.—This tent is found on the Government road and close to the office of the Government surveyor. Its dimensions are about 100 ft. by 100 ft. and a crowd of diggers may be seen—sunshine or storm—almost every morning, standing outside the door. All this is, of course, as it should be, and nothing in the world is so gratifying as to witness the moral spirit of these rebellious diggers humbled, awe, even to the dust, by making them stand outside the door, like so many pariahs peering at an alms house, waiting their turn.

FRESH FISH.—During the week some lucky individuals brought up a load of fresh fish from town, and such was the eager demand for them that the speculator not only made, at least, a hundred per cent by his speculation, but got rid of all the fish in his possession an hour after his arrival. It is to be hoped many more will follow his example.

ACCIDENT AT THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.—On Thursday night last, while playing the local pantomime at this theatre, a pistol was discharged the walling of which struck Mr. Reade on the wrist, which considerably marred the enjoyment of the entertainment and caused the performance to be brought to a close almost instantaneously. We have not been able to ascertain the extent of the injury, but hope it is not serious.

DISCOVERY OF THE SUNDAY.—We beg to direct the attention of our readers to the letter of a soldier on the Camp in this day's issue from which it will be seen, that even among the military there is some distribution, to say the least of it. These men are worthy of better treatment, as being a fine athletic body; strong, young, and able, and more available for active service, or any active employment than fit to spend their best days in watching the movements of a poor digger. Of course, as a body of soldiers, we would not wish to see soldiers desert, but for young men, such as the 10th, there is certainly great inducement in the golden harvest to be reaped in Victoria, the beautiful tract of country, where they might sweetly create a fortune, which they have long without rest of any, and therefore they ought to be well treated.

ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

THE MILITARY EXPEDITION TO BALLARAT.

(To the Editor of the Ballarat Times.)

Sir,—As private military matters are seldom allowed to transpire, permit me through the medium of your impartial journal to give your numerous readers an idea of the treatment we received on the march. On leaving Melbourne we were put on short rations, the daily allowance being only one pound of bread and one pound of meat. Recently, a detachment sent up by express was obliged to subsist on one pound of bread, one pound of meat, and one pint of tea, for forty two hours, and bushed it two nights without tent or bedding, as if to insure us to the anticipated campaign with the diggers. This is carrying out the instructions of the illustrious Duke of Wellington—If you will have fierce and hardy soldiers, hard march and starve them. The soldier is unjustly dealt with. Two shillings a day is an inadequate remuneration; still our paternal government "Expects that every man," on the Camp "will do his duty." Soldiers fight for the people, keep watch over their jails, guard their treasures, protect their homes and families, and keep the enemy from their coasts. They endanger their life and limb, but must not expect to be paid for it.

In conclusion allow me to state that the infantry serving in Great Britain receive six pence per day—a sum equivalent to six shillings in this country. The result of such blind economy is desertion.

Apologizing for trespassing on your valuable space.

I remain, &c., A SON OF MARS.

Camp, Ballarat.

GEE LONG.

Asst. - Lyne, Green, & Co., Auctioneers,
 and Commission Agents, and Store
 Dealers, General Store
 WILLIAMSON - Thomas Williamson, Auctioneer,
 General Commission Agent, etc. Bakery Hill.

THE LANTERN. -
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11.

HOTELS, ETC.
EAGLE - Eagle Restaurant, New Road,
 adjacent township.
EXCELSIOR - Executive Board and Lodge
 Rooms, Red Hill, F. S. S.
BYRON - Lord Byron Dining Rooms, next
 Police Office, Bakery Hill, W. F. Ross, Proprietor.
LIVERPOOL - Liverpool Dining Rooms, Bakery
 Hill, Henry Grewson, Proprietor.

STOREKEEPERS.
BRADSHAW - Grocer, Law and Salmon, Wholesale
 and Retail Storekeepers, Eureka.
CAMELTON - Wholesale Grocer, Wholesale
 and Retail General Storekeeper, Golden Point,
 Ballarat.
CHALMERS - A. and H. P. Chalmers,
 Wholesale and Retail Storekeepers, Arrangem-
 ents, Ballarat and Mercesburg, Geelong.
MOODY - Grocer, Nichols and Smith, Wholesale
 and Retail American Store, Adams's
 Express.
PATERSON - P. Paterson, Wholesale and
 Retail Storekeeper, General Storekeeper,
 and Retail Storekeepers, Lydiard Street,
 Ballarat.
WHITFIELD - Whitfield, Brock and Co.,
 General Storekeepers, Ballarat, Corio Street,
 Geelong, and Great North Street, Melbourne.
WILBY - Mr. Wilby, Draper and General
 Storekeeper, opposite *Argus Queen*, Bakery
 Hill.

ARTISANS.
DUCHANAN - R. Duchanan, Watchmaker,
 and Jeweller, Great North Hill, close to the
 gas free.
CODDIN - Coddin, Smith, Farrier, etc., Lydiard
 Street, near *Argus Hotel*.
WATSON - J. Watson and Son, Saddlers, Harness
 Makers, and Boot and Shoe Makers, Town-
 Square, and near the *Cross Hotel*, Ballarat,
 1865.
WELLS - George Street, Gun Maker, Farrier,
 and Brass Worker.
WATSON - H. Watson, Smith, Farrier,
 Wheelwright, etc., Armstrong Street, near
Baker's Office.

PLACES OF AMUSEMENT.
ARCADIA - Arcadia House and Amuse-
 ment, Saloon, Red Hill, near Theatre.
ADOLPHI - Adolphi Theatre, Red Hill.
 Agency of Performances: Mondays, Tuesdays,
 Wednesdays, and Saturdays. Ladies and Direc-
 tion, Mrs. Leicester Hunter.
QUEEN'S - Queen's Theatre, Queen Street,
 Bakery Hill, J. S. Larue, Proprietor.
ROYAL - Theatre Royal, Ballarat Flat, T. A.
 Bellarigton, proprietor.

MISCELLANEOUS.
BALHAT - Balhath Bakers, Bakery Hill.
BALTON - Balton and Walker, Street, Ter-
 racette, and Flag Market, Liverpool Street,
 New Road, Great Pits.
BONNY - T. Murphy, Teat and Tarpaule
 Maker, Ballarat Hill.
FRANKS - C. H. Frank, Sarsaparilla Brewery,
 Wholesale and Retail, Poverty Point, oppo-
 site the *Argus's Exhibition Mart*.
MURPHY - J. White, Butcher, Davenport Street.

BALHAT MINERS' HOSPITAL.
MEETING at Bath's Hotel, on
 Monday next, Nov 14th, at 4 o'clock.
 It is had every Gentleman on
 the Committee will attend.
 A. DAVIS,
 Hon. Sec.

THE MAGISTRY AND THE BENCH.

NOTWITHSTANDING the host of magis-
 trates on the Camp, every man of whom
 it is in the pay of the government, in some
 capacity or another, there appears to be
 an absolute scarcity of these men after
 all. For the last week the public has
 been stultified and humbugged,
 waiting till eleven and some-
 times two o'clock in the afternoon. This
 contemptuous neglect of the public busi-
 nesses might do very well in a community
 of South Sea Islanders, who have nothing
 to do in the meridian of the day, but to
 hark in their wigwags and drink *cauer*;
 but in such a community as ours, where
 every man has some important business,
 every man has to delay, to attend to; it
 is brooding in its assumptions in the hired
 rather in the public to neglect their busi-
 nesses. Our Police Reporter is sometimes
 kicking his heels, as the saying goes, for
 several hours together, and his time is of
 some value, poor devil; while occasion-
 ally we see such a crowd of the "pro-
 frua vulgus" as *Hercules* has called
 about the sacred precincts of the Court
 House, waiting for the temple to be
 opened, that if even on any other part of
 the diggings would be construed into a
 serious riot; such a disregard to the
 public time and convenience ought to be
 condemned, the magistrates may have the
 power, but most certainly they have not
 the right to treat the public so cavalierly.

While on this subject it may be as
 well to observe, that where there is such
 an abundance of magistrates it savours
 something of indolence, to see a magis-
 trate making a practice of popping down
 from the bench, on which he has been
 immediately administering the law, to
 become a prosecutor in some other case,
 and take the lady tittle in his hand with
 as much nonchalance as if it were a
 number of the "Parlour Library." This
 is a practice with Mr. Commissioner
 Johnson, who, of all the gold-bred in
 the Camp, is certainly the most "generally
 useful" in this respect. One time
 adjudicating with all the state of magis-
 terial display, and, immediately after,
 tripping nimbly down, and becoming a
 prosecutor. If there be a necessity for
 his being a prosecutor, let him in the
 name of decency, confine himself to that
 congenial avocation; but while there are
 magistrates *ad nauseam* on the Camp
 let him not sit on the bench. Let him,
 on the other hand, take the bench, if that,
 despite of popular feeling, the Govern-
 ment wills it; but let him not combine the
 avocation of the prosecutor and the res-
 ponsible functions of the magistrate in
 his own person; or let him be removed
 hence altogether, as a person who was an
 eyesore to the people, and it will meet
 with our unqualified approval.

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 with stealing 4 dets of gold, £5 12 in cash,
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 from his tent, on Sunday, the 6th instant.
 The prisoner was apprehended by com-
 table Carson the next day, but no prop-
 erty in his possession having been iden-
 tified as that of complainant, and
 the latter's evidence, the bench dismissed
 the case.

HOUSE CASE. - This was rather a
 singular case. It appears that George
 Smith, carrier, from Melbourne, while
 riding through the diggings, was met by
 Bryan Sweeney, who claimed the horse
 defendant was riding, when both came
 to the camp together, to have the case
 investigated. Mr. Smith lodged £20 in
 the hands of the chief constable, as a
 security for his appearance the next
 day. Mr. Smith appeared on each of the
 two succeeding days, but no charge had
 been entered on the cause list, and
 therefore the case could not be brought
 before the bench. Mr. Smith was ordered
 to get his money back, and keep posses-
 sion of the horse.

HOUSE CASE. - George Smith was
 charged by William Nahert with having
 in his possession a horse the property of
 complainant. It appeared Nahert lost
 the horse twelve months ago. The bench
 informed him that he must appeal to a
 higher court, and that he had no juris-
 diction in a case where property had
 been missing for so long a time. Case
 dismissed.

EMBEZZLEMENT. - Aclm, a chinaman
 obtained a warrant for William McNicol,
 assistant to Mr. Wilson, storekeeper.
 The defendant was placed at the bar,
 charged under the following circum-
 stances: It appears Aclm, in company
 with several of his countrymen, went
 into Mr. Wilson's store, on Sunday last,
 to sell some gold. Complainant sold
 to McNicol 3 1/2 oz, which, at £1 per oz,
 amounted to £11. McNicol, in paying
 the chinaman, gave him three old one
 pound notes, and a new one pound note,
 which he told the chinaman was £10.
 In the cross examination by Mr. Lynn,
 solicitor for the defence, it appeared the
 chinaman did not detect the fraud until
 he came to the store of John Abee, a
 chinaman living at the Black Hill, an
 hour after he had received the money,
 as complainant was only three weeks in
 the country, and did not know British
 money. McNicol was fully committed
 for trial, when immediately another
 charge of a similar nature was preferred
 against him by another chinaman, named
 Aley. The complainant in this case had
 sold defendant, on the same day, gold to
 the value of £11 7s, and received two
 £1 notes, and a third £1 note, represented
 as a £10. Chinamen were the witnesses
 for the prosecution in both cases, and
 the prisoner was committed for trial on
 this charge also. Admitted to bail, him-
 self in £50, and two sureties of £25
 each.

[The prisoners were taken to
 day evening at the "Star Hotel," Ballarat
 Flat, by some Eureka constables,
 under the following circumstances: -
 The constables observed the prisoners
 to be very "flush" of money, and that
 the notes in their possession were most
 of them £10 notes, Bank of Victoria,
 (the description chiefly abstracted;) and
 on close investigation was informed that
 a large number of notes had been sent
 by prisoners to Melbourne to be ex-
 changed for others. It is alleged, how-
 ever, on the other side, that Mrs. Smith
 not being constant as Penelope to her
 dear lord, took French leave of Mr.
 Smith, and in doing so victimised him
 to the amount of £180; and hence the
 notorious redundancy of *tin*, - the strong
 love-making to the fair lady, - and oh,
 the tragic and cruel interruption to that
 peculiar sentiment, which gives a lady
 so much "pain and pleasure."]

THURSDAY.
 Before Capt. Evans.

DRUNKENNESS. - George Simmons
 was charged with being drunk the day
 before. The magistrate inquired if he
 had ever been before the bench on a
 similar charge; and on being informed
 that he had three times, Simmons was
 fined 10/- or one week in prison.

DISPUTED HORSE. - This was a re-
 manded case, brought before the bench
 a week ago, in which one McIntyre, the
 complainant alleged that James Aldice
 had in his possession a horse the prop-
 erty of plaintiff. On the present occasion
 witnesses were brought forward to show
 that the horse was the joint property of
 Aldice, McIntyre and James Anderson.
 The latter bought the horse six months
 ago, for which he produced his receipt,
 and stated that he took the other two
 men in as shareholders in the horse
 on condition of their each paying an
 equal share of the purchase money, none
 of which, however, he had ever received.

DISPUTED HORSE. - George Griffin
 claimed a horse in the possession of As-
 tal, a Chinaman, as his property, but
 Griffin not producing a receipt, and As-
 tal having done so, the horse was award-
 ed to the latter.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.
THE MILITARY. - One evening last
 week, while two or three soldiers were
 coming up the road from the flat, they
 happened to quarrel among themselves,
 and one of them happened to shove
 another into a water-hole, close by. The
 officers proceeded to their quarters, leav-
 ing the man in the hole, and reported
 the matter to the officers. A guard was
 immediately sent to rescue the man from
 his perilous position, but on arriving at
 the spot no man was there. It appears
 that some civilians passing by, and hear-
 ing the groans of the man in the water,
 helped him out, and conveyed him to

certainly very enlusive of his talent and
 ability as a delusionist. We remember
 seeing the performance of M. Amoitie
 (the wizard's name), about eight months
 ago, on the Eureka, and felt highly satis-
 fied. He intends to commence exhibit-
 ing his feats in a few days.
THE DIGGINGS. - Nothing of any
 importance has turned up during the
 week. The Red Hill line is still swamped
 with water; but although operations are
 partially at a stand still, miners, for the
 most part, have high expectations when
 they do bottom. The Eureka continues
 to sustain its high reputation. The
 Gravel Pit line is now supposed to lead
 to Golden Point, but nothing definite
 can be known for another fortnight. The
 claims contiguous to the road, and
 between McLaughlan's store and the
 howling saloon are turning out unfavor-
 able. The new line from the Post-office
 Hill and leading to the Gravel Pits is
 turning out first rate. The sinking is
 comparatively dry, averaging from ninety
 to a hundred feet, and the gold very
 large. As much as six ounces has been
 washed out of a small American bucket-
 ful of stuff, during the week by one
 party. On the whole, things never
 looked more favorable on Ballarat than
 at present.

THEATRE ROYAL. - The proprietors of
 this theatre are removing it to a more
 convenient locality. There is, no doubt,
 much talent in the "Royal" company,
 but few are willing to run the gantlet
 of ditches and sheer holes with which it
 is at present surrounded.

ADOLPHI THEATRE. - Mrs. Hammer,
 the *prima donna* of this theatre, took a
 benefit for a few evening ago, and had a
 respectable and crowded house. One of
 the pieces announced in the bill was, how-
 ever, not performed, but another favorite
 piece was given instead. We have not
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 theatre lately, owing to its distance and
 the little leisure time we have to de-
 vote to amusement and recreation. It
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 spell."

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 free list really suspended, the press ex-
 cepted. There are plenty of eligible sites
 on the township, and might be had on
 easy, though secure terms. The hint is
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 not let it fall to the ground.

PUBLICAN'S LICENSE. - Next Tues-
 day is the day appointed by the Bench to
 grant licenses for restaurants and hotels
 to those who have sent their application
 at the stated time. Parties who do not
 appear on this day, will not be attended

to appear more lively. As we do not
 know the names of the other gentlemen,
 we can only say that though they perform
 well, there is room for improvement.
 One gentleman in particular should at-
 tend to pronunciation better. The
 "Rough Diamond" was played twice
 during the week, the leading character
 by Mrs. Foley, who sustains her character
 to perfection itself. From the tolerably
 well-fitted houses during the week, we
 know the Queen's will go a head, and
 hence we throw out these little sugges-
 tions in all friendship. Mr. Jacob had
 a bumping benefit at this house on
 Wednesday evening, and the company
 retired highly pleased with the evening's
 amusement. The pantomime, which was
 given this evening for the first time,
 possesses merit; and judging from the
 roars of applause with which it was
 received, may be pronounced a "hit."
 It is, at all events, worth seeing, particu-
 larly as this is the first pantomime
 representation that has been given in
 any of the Ballarat theatres. Miss
 Addison makes her *début* at this theatre
 a few days, when she is likely to take
 the Ballararians by storm. The public
 is looking forward with anxiety to her
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 formed of her success.

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valuable space.
 I remain, &c.
 A SON OF MARS.
 Camp, Ballarat.

GEELONG.

OUT-DOOR PARCHING. - Yesterday
 afternoon a female preached in the
 Market-square, and was attentively lis-
 tened to by the crowd who had collected
 round her. - *Geelong Advertiser* (Hill
 she no husband to teach her better?)

OURSELVES. - We mean in future to
 render accounts for advertising at the
 end of every month, and in every case
 to exact prompt payment. Circulars to
 that effect are sent with every bill, and
 we know that some of our best friends
 have felt annoyed at the peremptory
 nature of the demand. We are sorry
 that this should be; but determined as
 we are to make the *Geelong Advertiser*
 progress, as it has hitherto done, with
 the requirements of Geelong, we shall
 not allow any laxity in collecting the
 duties of war to interfere with our en-
 deavors. - *Geelong Advertiser*.

CALIFORNIA.

[The following is copied from one of
 the Melbourne papers. Ed.]

THE FIRE IN SACRAMENTO. - From
 the *State Journal* of the 14th we derive
 further particulars of the calamitous vis-
 itation upon the city of Sacramento,
 which has laid in ruins nearly one-third
 of the business portion of that city.
 The burnt district extends from the
 store where the fire originated, up the
 north side of K street to Sixth, - stopped
 by Golden Eagle Hotel; but three or
 four buildings are left standing. On
 J street, from Crescent City Hotel, near
 Third street, up to Sixth, taking up both
 sides; on I street, from Third street up
 as far as Seventh, the State House being
 the last building destroyed. This in-
 cludes both sides of J street, with very
 few exceptions. All the cross-streets
 running from K to J, and from J to I,
 are a barren waste. The Capitol, the
 Crescent City Hotel, the New England
 House, Rev. Mr. Bent's Church, and
 the Lake House, are destroyed. - *Placer
 Times*.

FILLMORE'S PREPARATION. - A re-
 spectable journal on the Mississippi river
 announces, on the authority of its ex-
 changes and other sources, an amount of
 digested and completed preparation for
 the invasion of Cuba so very extensive,
 as well in money as in troops, - steamers
 and munitions, as by its vastness to
 stagger credence. The names of a great
 many officers engaged in the enterprise
 are also given. We allude to the sub-
 joined statement copied from the *Mon-
 tpeith Whip*, which is certainly "impo-
 sant, if true." "From our exchanges
 and other sources we learn that the
 available funds at the command of the

of Cuban liberty amount to a short of one million of dollars, eight steamers and four sailing ships have been placed at their disposal, and can be made ready for sailing in twenty-four hours' notice. They are the possessions of between eighty thousand and ninety thousand stand of arms, and rifles inclusive. They also have field-pieces, including canons, mortars, and are pretty well supplied with ammunition and side-

resources have been placed in the hands of a committee, who are to be until the time set for the carrying out of their project. The entire command of this expedition will be vested in a gentleman of ability and skill, and whose name has already become a household word to the citizens of the United States, in consequence of his brilliant achievements and successful manoeuvres while in command of the American Army during the late war between the United States and Mexico.

The second in command will, in all probability, be a northern man with liberal principles, and who was also the leader of a brigade in the same war, and who has since held the office of major; and who, if we mistake not, retains a prominent civil position.

General Gonzalez, whose name has been associated with this movement from the first, will, without doubt, be third in command.

Colonel Whent, Colonel Pickett, Colonel Bell, Major J. A. Kelly, Major W. S. Edwards, Captain J. W. Dement, and Lieutenant Frank Onilmette, all of whom are intimately connected with the expedition, are, we are credibly informed, exerting themselves in preparation for the forthcoming struggle, and will be in at the death.

The number of men that have enlisted their names and pledged their support to this cause cannot be less than 50,000, and they are who are well skilled in the use of arms, and who are determined to avenge the cowardly massacre of Critchfield, Kerr, and others, at Havana, on the 2d of August, 1851.

This expedition will, in all probability, leave the shores of the United States about the middle of next month, and land in the Vuelto Abajo country, and thence proceed to Havana. It will be perhaps 10,000 men thrown on the island the first effort, immediately followed by reinforcements, until 40,000 or 40,000 soldiers are there; and in this force there cannot be much doubt as to which party will be the successful one.

In the meantime, Spain seems fully prepared to give a warm reception to the invaders of her colony, as will be seen by the annexed paragraph from the New York Courier of Monday:—

"El Clamor Publico of Madrid, May publishes the following list of the vessels ordered to transport troops to Cuba:—Frigate Cortes, 32 guns; corvette Isabel II., 24 guns; Villa de Bilbao, 20 guns; and the schooner...

tion of this question, added to the stinging sense of defeat and disgrace which still rankles in the bosoms of those who participated in the first expedition, has been the immediate cause of the success to which the project has thus far attained. We shall not stop here to enter upon the discussion of the right or wrong of filibustering. It would be like discussing the right to rob our neighbor's cornfield—his orchard—his house, or his shop, because we wished to obtain their contents; and, though we had the power to take them and avoid the punishment which follows theft. The leaders in this movement are well known. Why does not the Government do its duty and prevent them from departing from our shores, to compromise our honor as a nation, by their incursion upon the dominions of a power with which we are at peace. It is the duty of the Government to prevent, if it can, the wrong, the suffering, the defeat, disgrace and death, which must inevitably ensue if this expedition leaves the shores of the United States. If it does not interpose its strong arm for this purpose, it will gain no credit in the eyes of good men, either of our own or other nations.

PRACTICAL JOKES.

(By Mrs. Modia)

WAT ROBINSON.

The story I am about to relate I had from an old aunt of mine, who has long been gathered to her kindred dust. She was a woman of singular talent, and had possessed great personal beauty; at eighty years of age, her bright black eyes were undimmed, she had not lost one of her fine teeth, and her cheeks retained the bloom of the rose. What she had been in her early days might be gathered from the noble remains time had touched with light, that her elastic mind seemed to bid defiance to decay. In the glory of her prime, duels had been fought for her, and wise men vied with each other to win from her an approving smile.

If the term beautiful could be applied to an old woman, my aunt was a beauty still. The old lady was perfectly aware of the fact; and would recount with great glee the conquests and triumphs of her girlhood. These reminiscences of bygone vanities, which it would have been wise at her time of life to have buried in oblivion, I listened to with little or no interest; but her ghost stories and traitorous lore, her legends of the wild and wonderful, her long catalogue of extraordinary dreams and mysterious warnings always afforded me the keenest delight.

Naturally of a strong and vigorous mind, my aunt did not herself believe in supernatural agencies; but they amused her, and she told these stories so well that she never tired her auditors. It is one of these tales that I am about to relate. She had the facts from my grandfather, who was himself personally acquainted with Mr. Lethwaite, one of the actors in the drama.

About a hundred years ago, there lived in the town of Kendal, Westmoreland, a man of gigantic stature and great strength, who followed the trade of a butcher. This person, who was called Wat Robinson, was noted for his quarrelsome, ruffianly disposition, which won for him the appellation of Bully Robinson the big butcher of Kendal. Foremost in all scenes of riot and dissipation, he was universally feared and hated.

This man was very fond of practical jokes; but his jokes were like himself, and originated in the cruelty and malice of his mind. The pain he inflicted on others afforded him the greatest pleasure. The grating tones of his coarse, brutal laugh inflicted a deeper wound than the most bitter of his biting jests.

"Oh, ho! the old story. I never saw the devil, and have no great wish to make his acquaintance to-night; but it is not an idle woman's tale that will prevent me from taking the nearest road home. Pray order your man to saddle my horse quickly, for I have overstayed my time already."

The landlord hastened to give the necessary orders, and Robinson, who had been listening to the yeoman, with a half sneer, now turning hastily round, addressed him abruptly, and without ceremony,—

"You wish us to think you a very brave man, Mr. Lethwaite, if that is your name."

"That is to me a matter of perfect indifference," returned Lethwaite, haughtily, and surveying the burly butcher with a stern glance; "the man who has faith in himself cares little for the opinion of others."

"No offence," said Robinson, who did not like the fiery glance of his companion's eye; "but if you are determined upon returning to Windermere by the cross road, it is the duty of a friend to warn you of your danger."

"Danger! what, the idle tale I have just heard; none but a coward would turn from his path for a gossip's fable."

"Men as brave as you can be, have sallied forth at nightfall, to bid defiance, as they said, to all the powers of darkness, and have returned to this hearth at midnight as pale as the sheeted dead. There is not a man in Kendal," cried the excited butcher, striking his huge fist on the oak table, "that dare travel that road to-night."

"I am sorry to think that the descendants of the bold Kendal archers can have degenerated into such a flock of geese," said the yeoman; "I have lived too long among the hills to be frightened by shadows. My horse is at the door; good night, sir."

"You are stark, staring mad," cried the butcher, placing his huge person in the doorway, "to attempt that road to-night,—you will return to the half-tread before morning, half-dead with fright."

The young man smiled incredulously. "Sir, do you disbelieve me?" "I think you very credulous."

"Fellow, do you take me for a coward?" cried the butcher, the red blood rushing into his bloated face. "You had better mind what you say. With one blow I could annihilate a puny chap like you."

"Real courage cannot be tested by mere animal strength," said Lethwaite calmly. "David was a dwarf to Goliath, but mental courage and the fear of God conquered his gigantic foe. I do not wish to quarrel with you, sir. You believe in ghosts;—I do not. Good night."

"Ah!" quoth the butcher, shaking his huge fist after him, "the Windermere ghost shall punish you well for your disbelief."

Lethwaite's foot was in the stirrup, when a sudden thought seemed to strike him: "I am not afraid of ghosts, Lowther; but I have some money about me; the Windermere demon may be a poor devil, whom the love of plunder may tempt to do a deed of violence. It will be as well to examine the loading of my pistols."

He returned with the landlord to the house, and both were not a little pleased to find the butcher gone. Lethwaite continued chatting some time with the landlord.

"I do not like this ghost story of yours," he said. "If such a spectre has really been seen, depend upon it that it is some deep contrivance to hide a worse danger. I wish, for the good of the community, that I may be lucky enough to fall in with the ghost."

"Ah! Mr. Lethwaite, sir, you are only tempting Providence when you talk in that careless way. The ghost is a real ghost; for, though it has frightened many, and myself among the rest, I never heard of any person being robbed. Old Dodson, the lame beggar, lost his senses; but then he was always a half-witted creature, and a man's reason is not his money. Did I not see the horrid thing myself,—I, who, God forgive me! had made game of it, and those who believed in it, just as you do at this moment,—I saw the monster with my own eyes; and how I escaped from it I never could tell. I ran so fast that I never felt the ground under my feet, while it pursued me with the most frightful yells. I kept my bed for a week after, and have taken good care never to tread that road again."

It is impossible for a benevolent-minded person to give out counterfeits to the advantage of...

will see if your body is proof against a leaden ball!"

A wild unearthly yell was the only answer he got to his threat; and the demon was now within ten paces of his horse. The sharp report of Lethwaite's pistol woke up all the lonely echoes of the place, and the huge hairy monster fell heavily to the earth with a smothered curse and the yeoman, yielding for a moment to uncontrollable fear, turned the heel of his terrified steed, and never slackened his speed till he reached the door of the public house.

After a few minutes of breathless suspense, his loud hurried knock was answered by the landlord, who, thrusting his head out of the garret window, demanded, in no very gentle tone, the cause of such an unseasonable attack upon his door.

"It is I, Lowther—it is Richard Lethwaite; get up and let me in directly."

"Ah, ah! I thought how it would end," said the landlord, as he descended to unbar the door; and he called up the groom to relieve his guest of his tired horse.

"The ghost has driven you back faster than you went. This is to disbelieve the word of honest folks. Why, man, what have you seen?—you look like one just risen from the dead."

"I fear I have sent one to dwell with the dead a little before his time," said Lethwaite, drinking off the glass of brandy proffered to him by his host, at a draught. "I have shot the ghost—whether man or devil, it was not proof against powder and ball. I am much distressed at this event than if I had encountered all the hosts of hell, with Satan himself to back them. Call up your people; for I can no longer go alone to the infernal spot—and let us examine and identify the corpse."

It was daylight before Lowther could persuade any of his servants or neighbors to accompany him and Mr. Lethwaite to the spot. They believed that the latter had seen the ghost; but as to killing it, that was a sort of joking matter,—something too incredible even for the supernatural wonders of a dream.

Many were the questions put to Lethwaite by the little band of men; but he walked on silently and thoughtfully, without speaking a word to any.

"Why did you not call up the big butcher, Lowther?" said one of the party. "In any case of danger that man is a host in himself."

"I have great doubts as to his courage," said Lowther drily. "He is a great bully, and these wordy men are all froth; they make a great noise, but are very slow in action. If Mr. Lethwaite has killed the ghost, big Wat would be of small service to us, as the danger is already past."

"Killed the ghost!" said the first speaker, with a sneer; "who ever heard of a mortal man killing a ghost!—it is not in flesh and blood to do that."

"But suppose the ghost was a man," said Lethwaite—"suppose that it was the big butcher of Kendal himself?"

"Now, God forbid!" cried several voices at once: "the man is a devil, but not bad enough to turn ghost."

"We shall soon know," said Lethwaite; "at the bottom of this hill the riddle will be solved." They had now reached the brow of the steep hill. The sun was just rising above the distant mountains; and his first beams glanced upon the tree tops, without penetrating the gloomy recess which still lay buried in dense shadow.

Slowly, and with evident signs of fear, the little party wound down the hill. One man tried to hum a tune, another to whistle, while a third talked very loudly about his own courage—in reality possessing very little;—but all endeavored to dissipate the fear to which they involuntarily became the prey, as they approached the dreaded spot.

Lethwaite, who had lingered behind, now walked briskly forward and headed the party. A dark, indistinct mass lay huddled up in the centre of the narrow road. Altered back: Lethwaite stepped up to it and remained stationary, beckoning with his hands for the others to advance. They did so; but what was their surprise and astonishment of all, to find, in the supposed spectre, the dead and bleeding form of Wat Robinson, wrapp'd up in the hide of a bull; his naked arms bare, and a club smeared with phosphorus still grasped in his stiffened hand.

"He deserved his death," said Lowther, looking at the corpse with a grim smile. "Aye, it may have been so. But I have gone something suddenly to work. Merry, I have swept clear. Assassins will hinder no longer. The Government is now certain able scribes who take my orders, and woe to him that slacketh. Moreover, I have sent two words to Desnos, touching you Sevastopolis. He had best obey them."

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The Protector. Thou hast it. Again, I have sent the Lord Palmerston to Vienna, to deliver a message in which his jaunty soul delighteth. He will lose no syllable on the road. He is gone to tell Francis Joseph, that if there be a live Russian in Bucharest after this month is out, I shall take it upon myself to desire one Kossoff to expel the Muscovites with the aid of such Hungarians as he can raise—he has (another grim smile) some fancy that his recruiting would be speedy. By which route has thou sent these soldiers to day!

The Emperor. By Calais.

The Protector. How! is there no iron road to Königsberg!

The Emperor. That is in Prussia.

The Protector. Nay, friend, we have some smattering of geography. England had as good schools in 1599 as in 1854. We have some remembrance, too, of the Rhine, and of certain ancient boundaries of France. Dost thou think the middle-witted soldier, King Czaikoff, would like to see the map of Europe reconstructed after thy fashion.

The Emperor. What is that German song—"The French shall never have the Rhine!"

The Protector. A song that may need re-setting, if thy troops are not forwarded and helped on their way—followed, too, (for I know Frenchmen will not be preceded) by a Prussian army 80,000 strong. Marry, there will be no mistake, for I have seen Lyautey, the bull-baiter, to signify as much.

The Emperor. But the diplomatic negotiations that are going on—

The Protector. Seems to me that they will cease, continue, as I have recalled all my ambassadors, and as I take in no foreign letters, enough of live and of lives have been lied away by such follies. My Ultimatum has gone to Devina.

The Emperor. In Turkey my orders should be first heard. My army is the larger, my general the higher in rank.

The Protector (caustically). It may be that I have not forgotten that, but have bidden Ricas and Casanovic go forth, instantly, as pioneers, and clear the way for the Marshall of France—if he will give them time.

The Emperor. He will not. In an hour orders shall depart that the united armies advance upon the enemy. What of Odessa!

The Protector. Nicholas was so pleased with the little that was done before, that I have given him a theme for another Te Deum. Six ships were detached from the squadron, and re-visited the place. Odessa quit.

The Emperor. And the Baltic!

The Protector. I detest profans and rash swearing; yet it seemed not altogether amiss to remind Nicholas of a vow he made on leaving England. Nevertheless, I imperil no lives out of bravado, and he will await thy time. When they shall have arrived, Cronstadt falls, or we have no fleet in the Baltic. Verily, a work is appointed, and a fiery vengeance upon the tyrant and the oppressor, and England shall not shrink back from it, until it be utterly accomplished.

The Emperor. Nor shall France. Oh, Punch, if such words were indeed spoken for England!



BALLARAT, AND CRESWICK CREEK RACES, 1854.

TENDERS will be received for the following booths and grand stand for the ensuing races—

No 1. Grand stand to be erected by the tenderer, capable of containing at least 300 persons, in such place on the course as shall be selected by the stewards. The following prices to be charged for admission,—£1 for the four days of the races, or 10/- per diem. The tenderer must be the holder of a publican's license, on Ballarat or Creswick Creek, and must be a subscriber of at least £20 to the fund. The holder of the grand stand will have the privilege of selling fermented and spirituous liquors, and all other refreshments at the grand stand.

Nos 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. Booths to be occupied by the holder of a publican's licence on Ballarat or Creswick Creek, and a subscriber of not less than £20 to the fund; for the sale of fermented and spirituous liquors and other refreshments.

Nos 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13. Booths to be occupied by the holders of a refreshment licence, and a subscriber of not less than £10 to the fund. For the sale of lemonade, ginger beer, and other refreshments.

The booths to be erected by the occupiers to the satisfaction of the stewards. The subscriptions above referred to must be paid on or before the 1st December, otherwise the stand will be forfeited.

The above are the only stands or booths, which will be allowed on the ground.

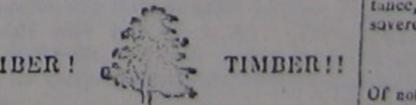
Tenders to be sent in to the secretary, on or before 12 o'clock on Monday, the 20th inst., at Bath's Hotel. By order of the committee,

ARTHUR P. AKEHURST, Hon. Sec. Ballarat, Nov. 7, 1854.

BALLARAT AND CRESWICK'S CREEK RACES, 1854.

NOTICE is hereby given that M. WILLIAM TWEDDIE has been appointed Collector. He will receive all collections and subscriptions due to the Race Fund.

By order of the Committee, ARTHUR P. AKEHURST, Hon. Sec. Ballarat, 7th Nov. 1854.



TIMBER! TIMBER!! ON SALE, in any quantity, at Williams' Auction Mart, Bakery Hill, Ballarat.

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ON MY SON,

WHO IS IN DENMARK OF YELLOW FEVER, A FEW DAYS AFTER LANDING. My son, my son! in a distant land, Far, far away from home, Without a dear mother's loving hand, To wipe away the foam From your scorch'd lips, or smooth the pillow Where lay your aching head. Oh! what were thy thoughts my darling son, When death's cold hand was near? Where they of thy childhood's happy home, And the father loved so dear! My son, my son! we will meet no more, In this dark world of pain; Thy barque has sailed for that distant shore, And can we'er return again.

R. S. KILLOCK.

1854. BALLARAT AND CRESWICK'S CREEK RACES.

First Day, Tuesday, 12th December.

MAIDEN PLATE

Of not less than £100 for all horses that have never won an advertised prize. One mile. Entrance, 5 sovereigns,—one half forfeit. Weights, 3 years, 8 stone,—4 years, 8 stone, 7 lbs.—5 years, 9 stone 5 lbs.—6 years and aged, 10 stone 4 lbs.

BALLARAT TOWN PLATE.

Of not less than 150 sovereigns. Melbourne Town Plate weights, and distances, for all horses. Entrance, 7 sovereigns, half forfeit.

HACK RACE

Of 3 sovereigns each, with £20 added from the fund for all untrained horses. Catch weights. Heats, one mile.

GOLD MOUNTED WHIP

Of 25 sovereigns, the gift of Mr. Proctor, of Ballarat, for all horses. Town plate weights and distance. Entrance, 2 sovereigns, half forfeit.

Second day, Wednesday, 13th of December.

THE CAMP PURSE

Of not less than 100 sovereigns, for all horses. Distance, two miles. Melbourne Town Plate weights—winner of Ballarat Town Plate to carry 5 lbs. extra. Five sovereigns entrance, half forfeit, second horse to save his stake.

THE BALLARAT ST. LEGER

Of 150 sovereigns for three year olds, 8 stone 7 lbs. Mares and geldings allowed 3 lbs. Distance, one mile and a half. Entrance, 10 sovereigns, one half forfeit.

PONY RACE

Of not less than 50 sovereigns, for all ponies 14 hands and under. Heats, one mile; catch weight. Entrance, 2 sovereigns.

A CUP

