DEPARTURES.

November 28 Quaensland, ateaouer, Captain Nightingall, for Reisbane Passeagers - Meadames Robertson,
Lyons, Miss Southerden, Massra Bryant, Palmer,
Walker, Smith, Hellmuth, Corticold, Farms, Robertson,
Southerden, Sly, Horton, Hildge, Sheridan, Lyons,
and 2 in the steerage. Graham and Co., accosts.

November 29. Edina, steamer, Captain Millman,
for Sydney via Brisbane. Passengers - Mrs. Hunter
and child, Miss King, Mesers, Smith, Lyons, Walker,
Boyd, Reeve, Harrington, King, Master King, and 17 in
steerage. J E. Brown, agent. J E. Brown, agent. iber 29. — Au Revoir, schoener, Grant, master

special charge is made on consignees' and Shipper announcements inserted in this column.) Per Etina, from Sydney and Brishane: 85 keg butter, 194 packages tes, 11 packages tobacco. 73 case fruit, 68 lags coite, 513 packages troware, 44 pieces stone, 244 packages wines, spirits, and beers, and 426 packages general merchandise.

EXPORTS

boxes gold, containing 2864 oza, and soudries.

Per Elina, to Brisbane and Sydney: 2 hhds tallow, 16 bandles skins, 2 bags bones, 2 bags horns, 56 hales wool. 189 hides, 56 bags antimony ore, 2406 bags sugar, 20,867 feet eawn pine, and 75 packages sundries.

Per Elina, to Sydney: 20,867 feet sawn timber. Wilson, Hart, and Co.

Per Au Revoir, for Rockhampton: 90,000 feet sawn hardwood. Wilson, Hart, and Co. The Wisteria, barque, from Adelaide, with a cargo of breadstuffs, arrived at Brisbane on Thursday. The Sarah Cooper, ketch, bound north, passed Woody

faland vesterday.

The Vyking, steamer, left the Burrum on Thursday for Eatowale, with 100 tons coal, and the Barbara and Jane for Yengarie, with 70 tons coal.

The You Yangs, ateamor, left Brisbane for Sydney on Wednesday, and would reach her destination last Wednesday, and woun research in hight.

The Chili, barque, 678 tons, from Glasgow, arrived at Brisbane on Wednesday.

The May Queen, schooner, from the South Sen Islands, arrived at Brisbane on Wednesday last.

Last night, at dark, there was a barque in sight to the north from Woody Island, and as the Highlyrer is now 117 days out from Deal, it is just possible it is this

The Stanley, schooner, finally left [Round-top Island for the South Sea Islands and Fiji on Sunday last, after a lengthened stay. The schooner is now commanded by Capstal Lyuch, with Mr. Morgan as first officer, both of whom held excellent master's certificates. The of whom held excellent mester's certificater. The Stanley is chartered to run six recruiting voyages between Levuks and the islands on account of the Fiji Government, and it is probable that the schooner may be absent from Queensland waters for a couple of years. A Government agent from this colony proceeds with the 65 Mackay returned laborers, and when they are landed at their respective islands the Stanley will re-cruit for Fiji under the supervision of Mr. Ottway.— Mackay Mercury.

VESSELS IN HARBOR.

oner, from Newcastle, Wilson, Hart and witch, schooner, from Newcastle. Wilson, Hart and Co., agents.
Sir John Young, steamer. Wilson, Hart and Co., iles, steamer. Pettigrew and Co., agents. sm, steamer. Pettigrew and Co., agents. Hotham, steamer. Ass. master. Eme, steamer, Ais, master. Ida, steamer. J. H. Gilbert, agent. Contains steamer. Ramsay Bros., agents

VESSELS TO ARRIVE. ames Nash, ketch, from North Reef. J. Walker and A.o agenta.

Lucy and Adelaide, schooner, from Townsville, stylell, schooner, from the South Sea Islands. Grah and Co., agenta. agents, a Day, from Rockhampton. Wilson, Hart and

oe, schooner, from Bundaberg. yer, ship, from London. John Walker and Co., gents.
Janet Stewart, brig, from South Sea Islands.
Jeaham and Co., agents.
Morning Light, schooner, from Townsville. Wilson, Bart and Co., agents,
Jessie Anderson, schooner, from Townsville. John
Walker and Co., agents.
Spunkle, schooner, from Townsville. Pattigrew and Crinoline, schooner, from season, and Co., agents.

Hoolet, techh, from Rockhampton.
Stormbird, brigantine, from Sonth Sea Islands,
Graham and Co., agents.

Sarah Cooper, schooner, from Bowen. Corser and

Sarah Cooper, schooner, from Bowen. Wilson, oh, from Bundaberg. Wilson, Hart and Co,

Commercial.

WEEKLY PRODUCE REPORT.

"CHRONICLE" OFFICE, MAIRE.—The market is well supplied at the according to quality. There is a prosect of a

ply has been in a measure touched by the wil, the price has declined. POTATOES.—Coming in abundantly, the price at the present moment being from £6

Onions. - A good supply of a superio quality has been received from the south during the week, and prices are quoted at 23s. BUTTER.-Ruling the same as last week, at 10d to 1s by the keg, and fresh at 1s 4d.

sarce, and is quoted at from 10d to 1s; New Zealand, 1s 2d.

FLOUR.-During the week an upward ten dency has been observed, and best Adelaide is now quoted at from £14 10s to £15; Victorian, £13 10s to £14.

CHAFF.- £6 to £7. EGGS.-Very scarce, at 1s 4d to poulterers.

The following produce has been received By Corser and Co. : AP (conjoined), 30 bales

By Graham and Co.: 78 cakes conner By J. E. Brown : 720 bags sugar, Nereda ; 10 bales wool. HT

Pune ingredients for summer drinks may be obtained from Mr. Baker, Kent-street, who imports direct from the makers, and is thus in tion to sell articles, guaranteed pure, at a lower price than is usually paid for secondrate.—[ADVI.]

CORALINE ! pronounced by thousands to be he best dentrifice made. Most delicious flavor! A certain preventative of toothache! ed by Vice-royalty, and highly recomnended by the leading journals of the cold popularity. A bottle, price 2s. 6d., will last Its good qualities have gained it immens. Sold everywhere. Only gestine if signed by the proprietor, Thomas Baker, Kent treet.-[ADVT.]

Sours idea may beconceived (says the Cairna decreisor) of the wealth, in cedar alone, of the lossman, the Daintree, the Barron, the Iulet, explained has 7,000,000 feet of the valuable maker lies at the stump and in the water ready within the localities above named are fifthing Bay, and it is asserted that at each so of them there is sufficient cedar to supply it demand for many years to come. Little one of them there is sufficient cedar to supply any demand for many years to come. Little doubt exists that this portion of North Queens-land will be the principal outlet for this valu-able commodity, and its marketable price in the adjoining colonies will settle itself, not by what they are willing to pay, but by what cedar merchants here are willing to sell at, which will be regulated entirely by the distance from ter such cedar has to be conveyed.

INDOLENT and interiors habits, exhausting disease nective occupations, old age, and other causes deprive the liming of the intestines of its vitality. When this has case, the bowds become torpid. Show digestion has summe, accompaging by low spirits, loss of appetite rest, fettle breath and dingy complexion. No such are follow, however, when the debilitated stomach are ritalized with UDOLPHO WOLPE'S CHUDAN AROMATIC SCHNAPTS.—[ADVY.]

To Advertisars

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European Mails.

OUTWARD. Via FLEGURNE, will leave on Via Torres Straits, will leave on Via TORRES STRAITS, will arrive about 4 Dec.
Via Melbourne, will arrive about 18 Dec.
Letters and Newspapers to be forwarded via San
Francisco or Melbourne must be distinctly marked by
those routes, or ey will proceed via Torres Straits.

> Bank Holiday. ST. ANDREW'S DAY.

THE BANKS will be closed on Maryborog h. 27th Nov. 1878.

Birth.

M'Dowall. —On the 26th inst., at St. Mungo Farm, East Maryborough, Mrs James M'Dowall, 'f a daughter.

The Chronicle.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1878.

It is alleged, for the A.S.N. Company, that it has been compelled to engage Chinese seamen to enable it to compete, for the Northern trade, with the E. and A. Company, on whose steamers these men are employed. The low wages paid to the Chinese, and the cheapness of the chief articles of their diet, brings down the charges of working the ship under this head to less than one half of the cost of employing Europeans. And the E. and A. Company have thus been enabled to carry passengers and goods at prices that would not pay the A.S.N. Company and so appropriate as much of the traffic as they please. To develop and provide for this Northern trade the latter, it is stated have expended an enormous sum of money, and as the only course by which they can hope to retain their trade is by the employment of this cheap labor, employ it they must, and will. This briefly told, is, we believe, the A.S.N. Company's case. It is not that men of European race-efficient men-are not to be obtained, for this class of labor is in

abundant supply.

The men see in this statement no satisfactory reply to their protest against and moral resistance to the course pursued by the A.S.N. Co., but only, good reason why that resistance should have commenced earlier. The E. and A. Company have gradually displaced their crews by Chinese, and the directors are masters of the situation. The few white people they have on board might strike and leave them, but their vessels would still be run. A short time ago this Company would not have been able to have worked their steamers had their then European crews resisted. The example of what has been done by the E. and A. Company is a warning, the strikers say, to us. We shall be called upon to train these men to their duties, and as they become efficient we shall have gradually to make way for them. In a few months the whole of the A.S.N. Company's fleet will be manned by them, we made a mistake in not striking before, soon it will altogether be too late, for the seamen and others now employed in our coasting trade will be scattered over the earth. The few having a direct personal interest in the matter remaining will be without weight or influence, and in a brief space the whole of our costal mercantile marine service would be performed by Lascar or Chinese crews.

The A.S.N. Company cannot complain of the action of their men on strike. They have but learned the lesson-followed the example-set by their directors. Whenever any enterprising individual or firm have started steamers on their traffic rontes, their first thought has been to run them off. No thought is given to the underlying principles of what constitutes that true economy which will in the end prevail, no consideration is given to the nterests of the public, nor of the more mmediate interests and convenience of their customers. The one idea to be realized, the one end aimed at is, to crush competition, and that simply because it will lower their profits. If the men on strike have not given themselves to the study of political economy and its bearings on the question, neither under fear of competition did the Company, if they have not given much heed as to how their striking would affect trade and commerce. or the convenience of travellers, or the general welfare, neither when their profits were imperilled, did the Company. The Company have never shown they take a broad and liberal views of things when opposition has threatened their trade, but th ir first concern has been at all cost to drive the deraded competitor out of the field. That the men should act in this arding spirit when threatened with formidable competition is capable of a very strong defence on its own merits, and certainly their employers are not in a position from which to condemn them even their only care has been for self, for it s admitted by themselves that the animat ing spirit in which the affairs of the Company has been self interest, for the ad vancement of which they were quite willing to sacrifice their employees, their customers, and the interest of the colony

generally. Of course, it is open to the Company to reply that when they attempt to run off opposition steamers, or when they attempt to introduce Chinese seamen and laborers to work their vessels, they are acting with that enlightened self-interest which, if all practised, the general good would be promoted, but that is the very thing disputed. The men on strike claim that the action they are taking to protect themselves is as much for the public good as theirs, and the inhabitants of this colony have pretty generally endorsed this view of the affair. There are reasons, political and social, reasons founded on interest, and reasons arising out of sentiment, which it is no. necessary here to discuss, why the people of Queensland should wish that the teeming millions of China should not overflow into this country. Our Parliament have legis-

lated to raise a barrier, the best practical

that they could devise, to keep them back. The British Government, in full sympathy, clearly by its despatches, with public feeling here, and with a full apprenation of the difficulties of the situation, somewhat reluctantly, on account of its so nearly interfering with treaty engagements with China, gave its sanction to this legislation. And this barrier Queensland would set up, the company attempt to make an opening through for their own benefit, in the place most dangerous to the colony. If our mercantile marine is to be made up of Chinese sailors, firemen, lumpers, &c., - and this, eventually, would come to,-all attempts to keep their numbers within controllable limits in the colony would be in vain, and we should have the spectacle of a private company riding rough-shod over the sentiments the wishes, and the interests of a whole people. The public are deeply involved n this question, and we are sure the public, their customers, to be one factor in considering any proposal made for its settlement.

TELEGRAPHIC.

The Copper Market.

LONDON, November 26. At the recent periodical auction of Australian copper, 573 tons of Wallaroo were offered, but partial y sold, at an average of £67/16/9 per ton; 2.7 tons of Burra were withdrawn.

Another Terrible Collision at Sea.

LONDON, November 26 The Pomerina, steamer, from New York to Hamburg, collied with a barque of Folkstone at midnight. The steamer sank n ten minutes. when fifty-four passengers were drowned; 172 were saved,

LONDON, November 27. The failure of J, and J Fenton and cons' bank, Rochdale, is announced, with liabilities of £500.000.

Bank Failure.

The Roumanians.

Roomanian forces have entered Dobrydscha. in accordance with the terms of the Berlia

The following or: special telegrams to the Telegraph, dated London, the 25th :-LIBERAL OPPOSITION TO THE WAR The Liberals are organizing an oppositio agains voting sup lies for the Affghan war.

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR. The e emy has been driven from al' his positions without the occurrence of any important fighting.

It is expected that with the advance of he Brit sh troops to Jelalabad, from Khyber and Kandshar, further operations will be suspended antil the spring.

CRITICAL STATE OF AFFAIRS BETWEEN GERMANY AND DENMARK.

The coolness between Germany and Denark, originating in the presente of the Duke of Comberland at Concenhagen as claiment of the throne of Hanover, has developed into a serious breach between the two Governments. The German amba-sador his been withdrawn from the Danish capital, and it has been need that he will not return until the War is considered imminant.

LATE NEWS FROM AFGILAN. The Ameer has released his nephew, Yakoob

Khan, from prison. He is disinclined to come to terms with England. The Russian mission has returned from Cabol

to Herat. The difficulty of the si untion is therefore somewhat diminished. England has demanded of Russia an explanation of General Kaufman speech on the

Affghan difficu ty. Government recommending that Russia should demand that England should not permanently hold the Kh; ber Pass, but retire as soon as satisfact .ry. arrangements have been made with

Colonial Telegrams.

[PROMOUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS,]

Gayndah.

November 29 The following returns have been received of he polling for the Burnett electorate :-

Hawkwood..... 17 ********* Redbauk 13

Totals 102 124 The returns from Rawbeil- are not yet in Mr. B yne's retur, is cer ain.

Bundaberg.

The official declaration of the poll was made to-day, as follows :- M'Ilwraith, 486 ; l'anner. 260; Skyring, 17; informal, 14; majority for M·Ilwrai h, 226.

Gympie.
Novemb r 29. The following are the entrances for the three FLYING HANDICAP. - Mirza, Potentate, Zephyr, Rhoderic Dhu, Gympie, Lainbow, IL,

Tamarind and Count. CHEISTMAS HANDICAP. - Mirza, Potentate. Sephyr, Rhoderic Dhu, Gympie. Rainbow. IL, Tamarind, Printer and Count. TOWN PLATE.-Mirza, Poten ate, Zephyr

Rhoderic Dhu, Gympie, Sainbow, Tamarind and Printer. The weights will be declared on Monday

Brisbane.

November 27. The Hon. R. Pring has been declared elected for For itude Valley; A. Meston for Rosewood: and W. Miles and W. Kates for the Darling D was,

The latest news from Sydney shows little hone of a settlement of the strike. The mer are determined to fight it out, for, if beaten, all other vesse s will be open to the employment of Chinese.

An influential deputation waited on the Colonial Secretary to-day, who urged that notice should be given to the A. S. N Com-any of the withd:awal of the Government rom the resent contr ct at the expiration of the term for which it was made. The deputa ion further argued that a rigid observance of the Chinese Imm grati n Act hould be enforced, The Hon. John Dong as expressed his -ym pathy with the objects the deputation had in view, and promised immediate consideration of

for frautulent insolvency. The further examination in Or ham and

Co. s insolven y has been appointed to take place at Maryborough. November 29, A. Archer has been elected for Blackall

H. H. Peor, for Bowen ; J. Deane, for Townsville ; F. H Stabley and H. W. Palmer, for J. T. Macmanus, Sub-Collector of Customs

Sweer's Island, was drowned there on Monday. Clarke, Purchase and Cockerell, ch rged with the murder of Driscoll, in Queen-street, were tried to-day. Clarke was acquitted Purchase and Cockerell were found guilty of manslaughter, and the former sentenced to twelve months' and the latter to three years' imprison

The Friedeburg, immigrant ship, has bee released from quarantine. G. H. Newman, mercantile broker, has been appointed Official Assignee vice Miskin

resigne '. J. Morgan, late member for Warwick and ex Chairman of Committee, died to-day.

The Mystery, schooner, has arrived Mackay, from the Islands, and report, that Renton, the Government Agent, and the first mate, with a boar's crew have been all killed on the island of Api. The Bulimba returns are not all in, but it is

pelieved that Swanwick will have a majority.

Sydney.
November 27.
THE STRIKE.

A deputation from the Seamens' Union waited upon the directors of the A.S.N. Company today, and submitted the following proposals :-That the seamen on strike should pay the company the money required to render the contracts made with the Chinese null and void, and pay the passages of the Chinese to China, the company pledging themselves only to employ Chinese on boats trading with China, and on the Black Swan, trading amongst the Fijian Group. The directors replied that they had already made what they conceived to be an equitable and conciliatory proposition, and regretted their inability to entertain the pro-

posals then made to them.

The company, to-lay, have offered ten shillings per day, and beard and protection for men. They have engaged 31 for wharf labor, who are now working.

November 28.

The Seamen's Union have submitted further proposals to the director's of the A.S.N. Company, but at a meeting of the latter to-day they were rejected, in consequence of a circular issued by the Eight-hours Conference and the Iron Trades to the marine engineers employed by the company, with a view to induce them to join the strike. The engineers held a meet ing, at which it was unanimously decided not to refuse to proceed to sea in any of the company's vessels, no matter what crew be on

A preliminary meeting of the shareholder of the company will be held to-morrow morning, to consider the present position of affairs A large meeting of the members of the Chamber of Commerce unanimously passed the following resolutions :- 1. That the with trade was calculated to cause permanent injury to the commerce of the port unless active measures were taken to resume operations. 2 That the Chamber desires to express its disapproval of the illegal interference of the Sca men's Union and of the illegal action of the late employees of the company in breaking Chamber desires to express its approval of the action of the marine engineers of the Company in resisting the interference of the Eight-hours Conference and the Iron Trades in the per

formance of their duty. The strike continues. The situation is unaltered. The Company is giving ten shillings a day and rations to the wharf laborers. Chinese and white laborers were discharging the cargo from the steamers to-day. The Wentworth

was coaled at Newcastle, at the Government cranes, and left for Fiji. the meeting of the shareholders of the com-

A torchlight procession in favor of the me is proposed by the Political Reform Union, but disfavored by the Scamens and Trades Labor Conneil, and the Boiler-makers Society, and other labor organisations, strongly support the men. Subscriptions are coming in from Melbourne and Adelaide. Laborers and artisant throughout the colony strongly sympathise with the men. It is proposed to send the children collecting subscriptions. The objectionable political principles of the Political Reform Union which the seamen do not endorse, act prejudicially against the strikers. The public see

an attempt to make political capital out of the anti-Chinese cry. There are sixteen of the company's steamers idle at this port.

The Political Reform Union and Trades and Labor Council together have decided to hold a monster open air meeting in Hyde Park on the 5th of December, to consider the Chinese

At the meeting of the company's share holders a resolution was moved expressive of want of confinence in the directors for their conduct with regard to the employment of Chinese and the strike of the seamen. This resolution was withdrawn, and a unanimou vote of confidence in the directors was passed. The situation is unchanged. The company have now about 160 Europeans and Chinese working on their wharf.

AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN V. FIFTEEN OF NEW There was a large attendance to witness this n tch. The weather was cloudy and cool.

N. S W FIFTEEN Thompsom, b Spoff rth ... Massie, b Spofforth 27 Seall, b Allan 12 Sheridan, c and b Boyle Powell, b Spofforth, at Blackburn 37 Geary, b Boyle...... 14 Davis, et Blackburn, b Allan 35 Grego y, c A. Bannerman, b Garrett 39 Brown

The stumps were drawn for 260. Bailey. while picking up a ball, b ok : his arm, and was replaced by Dummett.

> Melbourne. November 29.

The horses belonging to Kelly's gang have been found at the head of King River, where it is believed the bushrangers entered a mountain stronghold, where they will shortly be starved out and captured.

New Caledonia.

November 27.
Intelligence has been received at Sydney of errible massacre of a-party of eleven un-

Kitson, draper, has been committed for trial armed whites at New Caledonia, whi at engaged in the carriage of provision and ammunition for the use of the troops Susp cion was ex ited by their not arriving when expec ed, and on a search party going out the bolies of the eleven men were found in kanaka baskets, cut into morsels and cooked. The murderers took 6000 rounds of cart idges.

Ano her massacre of nine p rsons is also re-

We would draw the attention of sporting men to the advertisement of the Midsummer Races publish d in to-day's issue in which important alterations and addi io s Instructions have been forwaried to the

accept applications for land within two miles of each side of the surveyed line of the Burrain THOMAS HUTCHING calls att ation to his sales this d y of the choice pare I of land he h s to dispose of (see News and Chronic'e);

also, superior cows and calves, drangat buggy, sa die and other hores, harnes, furniture bedding &c., &: -[ADVr.] THE usual for nightly meeting of the Municipal Council takes place on Tuesday next. No notices of motion have been tabled for consideration. At he onclusion of the Council

transaction of business. A COMPLETE full has taken place in business at the P lice Court, and consequently we have nothing fresh to report from that quert r. On Monday, the usual sittings of the Pe ty Debts Court takes place, and a fair sheet will then be placed before the Beach.

COMMUNICATION wi h Brisbane ria Gympie. by wire, interrup d by dain ge done by rec nt storms, w s resumed yesterday, and me Gayndah line, whi h bush fires had brought to the earth, was also got into working condition

THE Polling, on Thurslay, resulted in the return for the BURNETT, of W. Baynes; BLACKALL A. Archer; BOWEN, H H. Beor TOWNSVILLE, J. Deane; KENNEDY, F. H. Stabley and H. W. Palmer. We omitted, in our last, to give the name of W. Kates as one of the members for the Darling Dayne

THE Australian Sketcher to hand will chiefly attract attention by its portraits of the mor erers and v time of the Kelly outrage, and to sket thes of the spot where it took pla e and of scene y in the neighborhood, but the o her graphic work is most excellent, and

sustains the high reputation of the journal. ABOUT thirty members of the Sacr d Musical A-sociation attended the general meeting held in the Primative Methodist Church last night After the usual exercise a proposition to discontinue the practices during the summer months was considered and carried. Association is in a sound financial condition, for after a'l accounts are paid they have finds

FROM Messrs, Gordan and Gotch, the pub ishers, we have received Stater's Almanac for 1879. Always the best shilling's worth of information annually published of Queensland affairs, this issue contains many addition and improvements, and householders and men of business who want a chear box of reference of he kt d handy, well do will to secure a copy off their bookseller.

THE vacancy in our local company of Valunteers, caused by the resignation of Captain Sheridan, will no be filled up pen ling the issue of certain regul tions under the Volunteer Act f 1878. Veantime, a Brigade order has been issued, appointing Lieut Tooth to the tempor ry command of the com any. The company meets this afternoon at the dr Il room, at 4.30., and will march thence of the reserve for para-le

ALTHOUGH the police have used every effort to recover the body of the unfortunate man Baurmann, who was drowned in the river on Sunday last, they have not yet succeeded in of the force were engaged in sea ching the river for a distance of seven or eight miles on either side of the spot where it is apposed he was lost, but found no trices of him. The body of the man named Skinner, drown d about a fortnight ago, has never been recovered

The long spell of hot weather broke in this mmediate neighborhood without the hopedfor refreshing rain. On Wednesday night lightning and thunder, with a molerate bat variable breeze, was all that was felt here, but further abroad heaven's artillery was accompanied with a rushing, mighty wind, and bail and rain. Since then the wind has come up from the southward, and the thermometer has fallen from 20 to 30 degrees, according to

To-DAY-St. Andrew's Day-is a bank holiday by Act of Parliament, otherwise of account in bonor of the titular saint of Scotland, so appointed because of Hungas, a Pictish prince having dreamed that the saint was to be his friend in a pending battle with the Northmabrians, and accordingly, a St. Andrew's cross appeared in the air during the fight, and Hungus conquered. There was a saint on the side of the Northumbrians they prayed to, but he was not much good at fighting. Northumbrians have trusted since to helping themselves, and have got on pretty well. We have called these pretty bits of history for the benefit of our young Scots.

MR. HoBson i wited a , th other day, into his ship, to see the clock whi h he has receive on chalf of the G vernment, for the felegraph tow r. There is evidently a mista e smewhere, for the clock has only one dial, and the one ordered for Maryborough has four, but it is a beaut ful piece of workmanship, and is fitted Mr. Hobson tells us, with all the litest improvements recommended by the great authority on horology, Denison There are three fine hells for striking the hours, half-hours, and quarters. It is a pi y so tinea time-piece should have to leave the district. If Gympie has a nablic building adap el for its exhibition, we should recommend the inhab tants to make

EVERYBODY will be pleased that that foul blot on our beautiful gardens, the morgue, will soon be removed ; yet, a good m ny, onre-lees amongst them, will be sorry that the new site chosen for it a not near the river-bank. The bodies removed to this temporary resting-place are nearly all, of the drowned, generally sever 1 days have supervened since death, and being in an advanced stage of decomposition, the odious duty of removing them should be made as easy as possible and this points to the river side as the most s itable spot, besit's which, a place less objection ble near the river migh be chosen. Of course, wh rever placed, the residents near won d rather it were far awa; The site selec ed is, we believe, near the present lock hospital and reception house, and will be in charge of the wardsman there.

THE open Court for the revision of the voters list in con ection with the Municipal Council was opened on Thursday, and then adjourned until Friday at ten o'clock, when His Worship the Mayor commenced the business; only one applie in claimed to have his name place! on the list. The fourt sat during the greater part of the day, and was again adjour ed until Monday at ten o'clo k.

THE rain on We loss lay, says a correspondent from Owanyilla, was in y pa tis and limited, but while we ar complaining of want of grass there is abundance of it : as well as of water little more inland. On Teebar, Glenbar, G go mgan, Widges and C ifton the stock are rolling f t, and us to their knees in rich harb ages. To the southward of Gympic ria Imbil, Yabber and Jimna, the country is green as an Crown Lands Commissioner that he is not to emerald with all nty of water. And agrical tural settlers roun! Yabbe have nothing to complain of as regards the season. Fruit-trees are doing well, grapes are abundent, and corn promises a rich ha vest the Burnett is scarcely so well off, having had less ra n than Western Wide Big.

Ox stripping the bye-wish of the Yululah Reserve of the pl nking which only serve I the urpose of concealing any mischief that might be going on below, Mr Highfield found the dam itself, thou h decoly furrowed on the surface by the action of the water, substantially, in a very sound condition. No danger exists meeting, the Boa d of Health will meet for the of the water forcing its way through the dam, but the erasion, in time, would so n consider. ably reduce its height. Those who recollect its erection will not be surprised to learn of the s undne s and safet of the wall for no expens was spared and unremitting care was taken by Mr. Davidson, who had the work in cha ge, to mak the job a go done, bar ing he plank covering which was generally condemned at the tim , and which is now to be substitut d by stone impen tra l set is cament. The work will endure then for ages.

> On Thur-lay evening about thirty ladies and gentlemen were present at the general m eting, held at the Town Hall to consider the position of the Musical Union, which, for some time past, has been in anything but a flourishing state. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President Mr. H. Walker-took the chair, and explained the cause of the Secretary's summons. It was stated that the existing liabil ties amounted to £93 odd, and t'e assets c neisted of half the value of the piano and whatever the books would realize; in all, equivalent to about £25. Considerable discussion took place as to the advisability of immediately win ing up the Union and disposing o the property, but the pinion of the meeting se med unanimously to be adverse to this proreciling, a d at last, a resolution to the effect t at power be given to the Committee to arrange for the paying off of Mr. Miers and dispensi g with i is servic s was carried w thout dissent, and it was further moved that a Committee consisting of Mesers Woodrow Jones, Bromiley, Baker, Patterson and Armitage be elected no der to arrange for con erts to be given, so that the Musical U ion Com mittee might be reimbursed for the outlay the would for the present have to make, an t such oncerts o be under the joint conductor-hip of Messrs. W olrow and Jones. The working of the Union is fo the present in abeyance, but it s hoped and expected that these concerts will be f such merit, and sid d by the symp thy of the music loving public of this town, such as to warrant the impression that it will not take ong to wipe out the now standing lia ilities. and when once that desideratum is effecte!, the Union can be reorganised and carried of on a sure footing, and with a plausible sh w

> Our sporting contributer, Sipparion, says it is not go erally known that Warlock, the conqueror of thester, Cap-a-lie, Melita Serveller, His Loriship and others, is a ve v near relation of the racehorse Chi ftain, now standing the season at Tattersall's Hotel, Maryborough Warlo k is by Kelpic out of Countes a mare got by Cossack, out of Creeping Jenn (Chieftain's dam) by Gralis (imp.) ut of the Queen by Skeleton, so that thi ftain is halfbrother to the dam of perions the best cold in Australia The loss of the Q cen's pel gree has led many to question the family of hinftain's decent-on the dam's side, bu few will be bold en ugh to contend that the grandam a f ilure as a sire on the whole, but he has occasionally g t a fair cless of racehorse-Focal K.C.B., and Electricity; the latter being out of Chieftain's own sister. Molesty. by New Warrior, h r dam Creeping Jenny by Gratis—Queen by Steleton. So that Creeping Jenny's product have distinguished the estives on the Turf and at the Stud, and the re is fittle doubt that our o d favorite would to the sam if he had the mares.

Courier will be perased with interest by our

nume ous readers concerned in various ways in

the timber trade: -, Tinders are invited in th

Government Gazette of November 2 for various

kinds of timber for a rai way from Townsville

Chart rs Towers The requisit on is sig el by R. Ballard as Chi f Engineer, so we may assume this to be an installment of the new order of things in pub ic works for the low-cost railway which Mr. Ballard had promised for Townsville. The certain: / is not much appearance of economy is the pecifications submitted. They are after the true ld r d-tape pattern, with the little varieties in det ils which ails nothing whatever to the value of the wo k, but add considerabl to the uncertainty of tendere s and the expense that fall a up n them. An instance, the sle p rs are to be " perf c ly square at he ends, and the sawn or sewn surface to be out f win ing perfectly s rait and fla ." We quote the words of the specification, but if ever they are e forced i will be at vastly increased cost upon the slee e s without adding to their val e in any way whatever Surely Mr. Ba land is aware that whether split or sawn it is nearly imposs sleeper. Two fla rail-bearin spaces have to the sleeper. Two fla rail-bearin spaces have to be cut into every ordinary sleep r. and it is of little moment whether or not the other portions are perfectly strait. There are var ous other points in the pecification referred to that ind the contractor down to the fulfilment of almost imp ssible conditions — conditions which call for a degree of exactness hat adds which call for a degree of exactness hat adds much to the cest of the contractor, and makes it. Mr. Ashton therefore decided to send to him careful that the price pumpon the material is sufficient to cover his resks. And, further, the contractor is placed at the greater time, they are not yet to hand. By the Augustan of the 9th November, we notice that the desiremance correspondent also writes comadvantage in h ving sleeper timbers out peradvantage in h ving sleeper timbers cut per-fectly square at the ends, and perfectly strait and flat. They are points, however, that add greatly to the expense of the work, and which, when carried out in still larger positions of rail-way construction, have added materially so their cost. We fee assured that such little features of minute work will have to be dropped, if we are to have less costly railways; and we look upon it as a feen e sign of re-trenchment up in the Townsville and Charters Towers line that this old red-tape specifica-tion should be brought into use at the com-mencement."

BETWEEN Denman's Camp, on the Pialba Road, and Urangan a large number of farmers are settled. A road was cleared through the bush for their benefit some time ago, but nothing was done to make good the track. A sum of £200, in reply to a requisition, was promised some mouths past to make the road traversable for vehicles with safety, and a letter was received by the requisitionists, stating that the district inspector had been directed to report. Nothing coming of it, the department were again written to, and an answer has been again received, that the district inspector has been instructed to report. These foolscap replies look business like, but the parties interested would prefer the work he done to receiving any number of these pre tentious documents.

THE unsafety of the pedestal on which the adges seat is placed on at the Court House was a source of much alarm to Mr. District Judge Blake during the la'e sittings of the District Court and Mr. Inspector Lloy I was info med that he would be chargeable with manslaughter should he, the judge, fall therefr m and break his neck. Judicial calmness and parience was not improved by the difficulty Mr. Blake found in getting witnesses into a position wit re he ould hear them, owing to the wetch? adaptation of the toom. Aft r various shiftings of the witness box, His Honor gave up the attempt to improve matters as a bad job. From the Courier we le ra that Mr. Justice Lilley, at Brisbane, advert ng on the remark of counsel on the apathy displayed in the erection of the new court there, said in replacit was no use the judges making complaints regarding the courts of justice in any portion of the colony. Some time ago he had drawn attenti n to the dangerous state of the court at Mar, borough and of that at Ro khampton, where, he believed, bus ness had to be total y suspended while it was railing; but as far as he was aware nothin; had been done in either case." What words can be too severe in condemnation of a department in which such unmitig.ted bla dering and such inexcusable

neglect i- so largely perpetrated. Hon. GEORGE THORN.-The rumor that he is in Paris is not true. He will be in Queens-land in about three weeks, but hardly in time to address the electors before the polling-day. THE Phoenix Foundry Com: any, Ballarat,

of seven locomotives for the Victoria Railway Department, at a cost of £22,063. THE District Court at Clermont has senten ed a man to twelve months' impris nment for stealing a saddle, and further to two years'

mprisonment for stealing a watch. AT the District Court held at Springsore, a nan, charged with stealing, was sent need to two years' im risonment. A Chinaman was sentenced to 14 d.ys' imprisonment fo stab-

ALABMING sacrifice! Mr. William Pritchard ALABMING sacrifice! Mr. William Principles Morgan, of Cooktown, solicitor, stated in his speech, at the nomination for Cook ele to ate, that he had ridden seventy miles the previous day wit, only one drink of water to quenchis thus, in order to be present. There was thirs in order to be present. There was patriotist, if you like Let Mr. Goom after th t cease to immortalise the two gentlemen who walked twenty miles to vot A CHINAMAN SHOT BY A EUROPEAN.

A CHINAMAN SHOT BY A EUROPEAN.—Warden Towner teleg apired yesterday fr m P Ime ville to the Under Secretary for Mines to the effect that during a dispute yesterday morning s to a gold claim, a Chinaman was shot dead by a European, at a place half-amile below Sewart Town. The European, after committing the fatal deed, gave himself up to the police — Telegraph. FROM a telegram in the S M. Herald we learn h t "the que tion of Sabbath observance

came before the Presbyterian Assembly at Melbourne its week, when the itev. harles Strong express d his opinion in favor of open-ing the Mu cum and Library on Sandays. This caused some sensatio. One member thought he ought to be called to the bar of the Assembly for a tering such sentiments." So, it is ever, despie the anathemas of the chur.h, the world will not stand still. A LUCKY PURCHASE, -A 1-20th share in

No. 5 South Laty Mary change I hands yester-day, through the agency of Messrs. Caston and Smith, brokers. The sale was effected at 11 a.m. and at 12 noon, just one hour after breaking down of the reef displayed a magnifi Mr. James Baynes, of Brisbane, who will no doubt, feel considerably elated on the earnest thereby hold out of a speedy return of his pur-chase money. The seller was Mr. F. I. Power, and the amount of purchase money £250.-Sympic Miner.

Wool has been arriving in Rockhampton in reat quantities during the current week, and great quantities during the current week, and one frain on Wednesday night brought down 270 bales. The railway stores at the Rockhampion terminus are completely blocked, notwithstanding the late increase in the storage charges for wool from 2s to 5s per ton, and measures will have to be taken to compel consizinces to take delivery of their wool as it arrives. It is to be regretted that internet. arrives. It is to be regretted that just no arrives. It is to be regretted that just now, at the height of the wool season, there is only one vessel on the berth for London, as wool is coming in so fast that two vessels might be loaded almost as quickly as one, and the proportion of the season's clip shipped direct to the home market would in that case be considerably augmented.—Bulletia.

WE are informed that 1500 tons of rails for the Untral Railway are being sent to Rock-numpton from Brisbane by steamer; and that, addition to this, a large quantity are on their way to Brislane per Clara to be tran-shipped on arrival into coasting steamer for this port. The supply of rails for the exten-sion beyond the C met was running shor, and the present arrivals give an assurance that the ons ru tion works will not come to a stand. still for want of rails; but the shipment of r ilway material intended for R ckhampton by vessels aid on for livisbane shows some mismanagemen somewhere, as t efreight from Brisbane to Rockhampton is nearly equal to that from Lond n to Brisbane; whi at there is that from Lond a to Bassane; wal st there is no lack of opportun ties for shipment di cet to Rockhamptou. And it is only a few weeks since two locom tives ordered from Engand for the entral allway arrived here vià Bristane. As the business is a w being mismanaged, our direct vessels from London are allowed by the Agent-General t come out is billast, whilst railway material is subjected to double charges on freight in consequence of its double charges on freight in consequence of its being sent via B isbane.

THE Diamond Drill (the Gympie Times says) still remains at a standstill; this has been occasioned by the fact that it has been discovered the black diamonds are of little or no. service in the hard rock ponetrated. Four-teen of the dark diamonds have been in use, and found to have been worn almost level with and found to have been worn amost level with the metal, whilst the white ones, (only two of them) on examination, have been found to be in as good order as the first day they were put it. Mr. Ashton therefore decided to send to Sydney for a supply of the white diamonds, trainsing of the 9th November, we notice that the Castlemaine correspondent also writes complaining that work had been suspen ded by the Diamond Rock Drill Company. Although no mention is made of the black or white diamonds, it is evident from the report that the black diamonds have also been in use there, and found not to be equal to the work. The following occurs in the report furnished:—"The first statement was that the diamonds were all worn lout, but though this was an exagenworn lout, but though this was an exagge-ration, there was too much truth in the story. The bit in which the diamonds were set has been much damaged, and some of the are either worn, broken, or injured to such an extent that they will have to be reset. All this has occurred by the simple boring through 71 feet of country."