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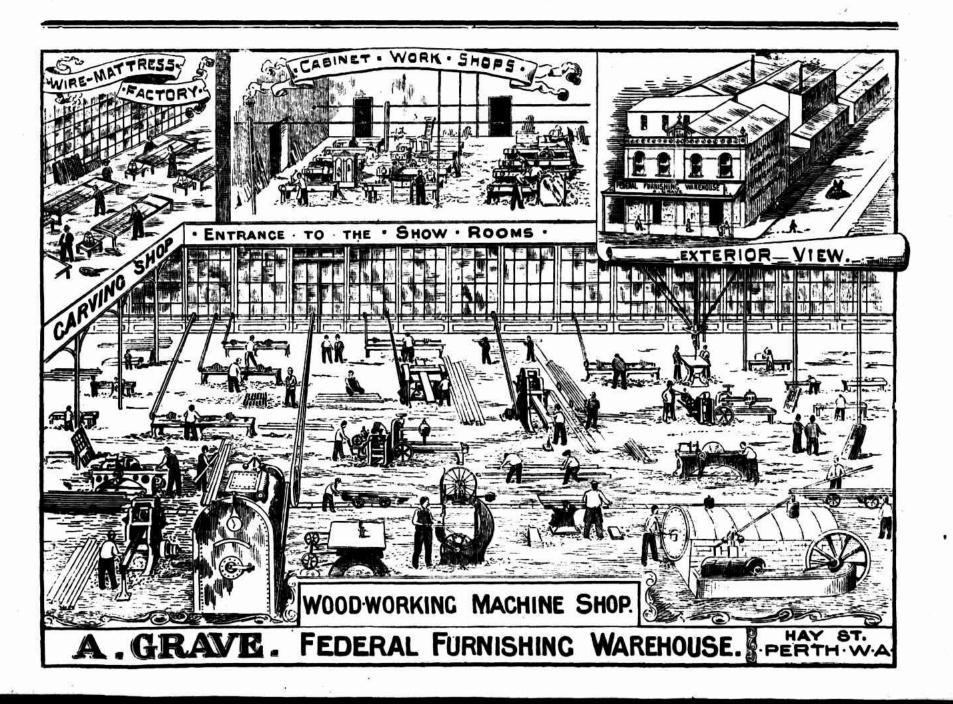
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#### STORY. OUR

#### OLE MISS AND MISS BESSIE.

By M. E. HENRY-RUFFIN,

You is jes' for all the worl' lak Miss Bessie what staid up de ribber wif ole Miss. Jane paused in her rotations of the ice cream freezer and looked at me inquiringly, to note the effect of the comparison. "Yes?" I said indifferently, then

glanced at the motionless freezer and at the clock, connecting the two in my mind.

Jane sighed and grasped the handle

It am most time fur Mars Willie to come to dinnah. Yes, chile, I knows it; and dis yere cream is sho slow a-

freezing.
Only the perversity of the ice cream was to blame.

But Miss Leany you sho is lak Miss Bessie, gathering up courage for another effort.

I relent a little. And what was Miss

Bessie like? She was de puttiest, liksomest young lady you ever see, Miss Leany.

I laugh at the implied compliment, and relenting thus far, Jane drops the handle altogether and prepares to regale herself with a story of the up-river country.

You sho do favor Miss Bessie. She was de nicest little gal, so plump and putty, wif curling black har and black eyes that shined and shined.

I am tall and slender to that degree that my name, Miss Leany, as rendered by the colored population, is beautifully appropriate. Also, I am fair-haired and gray-eyed. But these small matters do not impade Jane's progress, when the full tide of up de ribber reminiscences is upon her.

Jane is a coloured lady imported into my recently erected domestic independerce. Having set up my Lares and Penates on their own feet, it became necessary to secure the aid of the sable sister in keeping the household gods erect. Jane is sole executive in our establishment of two; as she herself expressed it, I jes' does all Miss Leany's wuk; an' I don't want no triflin' town niggers round me.

She is a rural impertation, very scornful and distrustful of the ways of city folks. Her full zame was Melinda Jane Liberty-Mrs Liberty-but entitled to this matronly designation only by courtesy, as Mr. Liberty had proved bimself too worthy of his name by breaking his matrimonial bonds with an ease and freedom peculiarly African. tie had been a local preacher up de rib-ber when he married Jane. With an inconsistency almost Hibernian, a local preacher among the colored brothern is not local at all, belonging to no place or having no settled call or congregation.

ble home. Under pretext of reinvest- combe, she jes' walk up and down de ing the money, the Rev. Elam Liberty induced her to sell her little property, and with the proceeds in his pocket he bade her good-by, came to town, married a likely yaller gal, drove the car-riage of a wealthy Jew, in livery, on week days, preached in the colored church on Sundays, and with his sty-lish young city wife utterly ignored black, middle-aged conntry Jane.

It was some forlorn hope of recapturing the liberated Liberty that brought Jane to town. Then finding the futility of this hope, she resignedly went to work to repair the inroads made on her finances by the unfettered Lib-

All these events, related by Jane, in the confidence of our culinary association, had caused some mirth among my friends, to whom she was variously known as Liberty Jane, the Bird of Freedom, and other facetions titles. My sympathy for her troubles, which, with all her show of scornful independence I knew were very sore, quite overcame any sense of humor that might rise at her quaint country ways.

Who was Miss Bessie? I asked, fearing that in the rush of Jane's reminiscences Miss Bessie's identity might be lost. Ole Miss I knew to be Jane's former owner, Mrs. Winston, the widow of a once wealthy planter.

Miss Bessie was de young lady what Ole Miss dun bring from de Norf to housekeep for her. Miss Bessie Conly. She was a norfun and she was Oirish. She been raised in a convent. Law! Miss Leany! Miss Bessie was smart. Dem Sisters what luk like ghostses dey dun teach her ebberyting. She could play the piany, she cud sew and clean house and cook. Dar warn't nuffin Miss Bessie - cudn't do. Ole Miss she was jes' plum tickled to def over Miss Bessie. She set in de parlor and tell dem white ladies 'bout my housekeeper and show all de fine wuk and de embroideries and ebberyting. Why, Miss Bessie dun wukked on some silk Ole Miss git fur her and kivered all dem ole 'foh de wah 'furuitures, till you go in dat parlor and you most cud pick off de roses and de Johnny-jump-ups offen dem chars and soforths. Dat parlor and dat house luk lak sumfin when Miss Bessie dun wak over it.

Ole Miss she had two gals herself, Miss Ada and Miss Lucy; but law! dey look down mighty temptations on Miss Bessie, 'case she aint bloodish, lak de Winstons. But you know, Miss Leany, dem young mens dey aint studyin' 'bout yo' ole grandaddy when dey cums round; and dey all sho lak Miss Bessie. She was dat pretty and sweet and helt herself so dignum and play de piany so nice and sing so fine. Miss was mightily taken wif Miss Bessie. She sho did lak her; and all was going on fine till Marse Herbert

Bascombe, he cum along.

And who was he? I inquire, fearing another case of lost indent-

Law! Miss Leany, you sho do know who Marse Herbert is. Why he's fadder was in de Congress—Ole Kunnel Bascombe-and de Bascombe plantation is jes' de fines' of all on de ribber. Marse Herbert, he jes' own it all, 'case he's de onliest chile de Ole Kunnel have. Law! he was dat gud and kind te his ma. Ole Kunnel warn't nebber no 'count after he dun bin in dat Congress. 'Pears like dey nebber is. But de say, all up dat county, dat de Congress can't git 'long widout de Kun-nel. Dey bleeged to have him. Leas' wise dat is what de lawyer man from town dun tole the white folks at de speakin'; and dey all clap dey hands and shouted; and dat is how de Ole Kunnel was sent into the Congress. Dat ar' Congress, Miss Leany, is whar dey do all de talkin' and de drinkin' fur de country.

Now, de ole Kunnel, he was a powerful fine talker. I nebber did know, when he was speechifying, what he was talkin' bout. Dat how I cum to know it was fine. None of dem could beat him talkin'; and he could jes' larn to drink long wif de best. Leas'-Previous to her marriage Jane had wise, after he dun let' de Congress, he bought some land and a very comforta- keep up de drinkin'. Ole Miss Baslong hall and cry easy to herself and wring her han's. Mars Herbert, he cum in, wif his two hound dogs a followin'; and when done gib de cook de possums and de birds, he hang up hes gun and cum to hes ma. He jes' pute hes arms 'round her, so lovin'-like, and she sot her head on hes shoulder, she jes' could reach up dat fur, case Marse Herbert allus was dat tall, jes' like de Bescombes; and I dun hear my ole grandmammy say, dat de Ole Kunnel's grandfadder-

Well, what else would Marse Herbert do? I inquire, fearing an endless tale or a dinnerless husband, if we went back any further among the Bascombe grandfathers.

Well, bimebye, de old Kunnel die and Marse Herbert and his ma jes staid dar. 'Pears like he sees so much drinkin' and lizard huntin' wef hes pa, and he don't want no drinkin' round him. Den he tuk hold of dat plantation and it sho was goin' down. Den everybody begin' talkin' bout dat fine Bascombe property. Marse Herbert raise de best cotton and de most, and hes cotton was allus de fust to go down

de ribber to be sold. Well, den bes ma she dun daid.

Jane paused, after the labor of killing two characters in her tale; and then gathered up the threads of her narrative

Law! Miss Leany, you jes' should a cart dem white ladies talkin' 'bout Marse Herbert after his ma die. 'Pears like dey was all sot on his gettin' married right off. Dey jes tuk it to heart, dat da warn't no white lady 'round dat fine .. ascombe plantation. My ole Miss, she was most particular sot on gettin' Marse Herbert married and she plannin' to get Miss Ada over dar. But law! Marse Herbert he warn't studyin' 'bout dat. Dem white ladies dey trubble deyseles more 'bout his wife dan be do. He sho did miss his ms. He used to come 'round to see Old Miss, case she and Miss Bascombe was long time friend. Dat what started Ole Miss to thinkin' 'bout fixin' up Miss Ada. But Marse Herbert he's jes' perlite and genteel to all de young ladies, and ain't lookin' at none in partic'lar, till he see Miss Bessie. Den I knowed what was comin'. I jes' know-ed fust time he set eyes on Miss Bessie, how it was goin' to be.

It sho was cold dat night; and after I had bin in the parlor and shook up de fire and tuk in more wood, I come back to de kitchen and set down by the stove and put my feet in de oven. I was studyin' bout Marse Herbert in yonder lukin' at Miss Bessie. 'Lordy, nigger!' says I easy to myself, 'aint dar gwine to be a rustlin' storm 'round here when Ole Miss knows it all.' 'Case, you know, Miss Leany, de Winstons a'l mighty perlite and propah till you goes against dem an den, great day in the mornin! dey sho is ruc-

tions. I dun study so much 'bout dat, teil I jes' had to go back to that parlor. I takes in some moh wood and makes tend to rake up de fire. Ole Miss, she sittin' dar smillin' and knowin' nuffin' yet. Miss Ada, she mighty flirtatious 'round Marse Herbert. Miss Lucy, she was a swollowin' her ban'kerchiet, hidin' de gaps and Miss Bessie sectin' so still over in de corner, workin' away on some lace. She looks dat putty wif de fire shinin' it. her eyes, and de chan'lier pourin' down giory on her sleek back hair. Her little mouth, red like the Christmas berries, was half open, same as you see a little baby goin' to sleep Jes' settin' dar, knowin' nuffin, like any leetle gal; and Marse Herbert over yonder, tother side of the parlor, jes' a lukin' and a lukin'. Law me, Miss Leany, I was plum achin' to go over dar and say : Marse Herbert, go 'long. Dat lettle gal she ain't got no mammy and no daddy and nobody. You is goin again Ole Miss and you is puttin' Miss Bessie in Ole Misses way; and anybody what stand dar and cross Ole Miss, de Lord help 'em. Go 'long Marse Herbert. Dat norfun gal, she ain't known nuffin, yet—go 'long. But dar she set and I was 'bleged to get up and go out and study how it was goin' to be when Ole Miss knowed dese tings.

To be continued.

### Foriegn and Intercolonial, Telegrams.

(From the Daily News.)

#### FORRIGH

London, March 7.

The Welsh members have decided to oppose Lord Roseberry's Government unless the Church is disestablished in Wales.

Mr. John Redmond and Mr. Waterford have made a joint demand for the special amnesty of all political prisoners, including the suspected dynamiters not released by Mr. Gladstone.

Mr. Gladstone has been unable to leave for France as he intended. He is at present confined to his bed, and has a feverish cold. He has been ordered complete rest.

A destardly attempt has been made to blow up Bow-street police station. It is presumed that the Anarchists are responsible for the attempt. A dynamite fuse was discovered alight by an thew Davies had, by floating many officer on his beat, and it was promptly companies which failed, ruined many officer on his beat, and it was promptly extinguished. It was attached to a parcel of dynamite placed against the

It is stated in Colonial circles that Lord Hopetoun has asked to be permitted to resign the Governorship of Victoria. Lord Ripon, however, has requested Lord Hopeteun to meet the Colonial effice by staying his full term in Victoria.

London, March 8.

Several further appointments have been made in connection with Lord Roseberry's new Government. Mr. Herbert Gladstone succeeds the Right Hon. George J. Shaw-Lefevre as First Commissioner of Works, but will not have a seat in the Cabinet. Mr. Shaw-Lefevre will assume the office of President of the Local Government Board, in succession to the Hon. Henry Fowler, who has been appointed Secretary for India.

The Irish Nationalists are demanding from Lord Roseberry that the new Government shall proceed with the Home Rule Bill next session.

Lord Roseberry has intimated that he is prepared to approve of Imperial Penny Postage should the Colonies make a united reguest in the matter.

The British gunboat Mosquito recently landed a party of marines at Zambesi for the protection of some British workmen engaged in erecting telegraph lines. The Portuguese troops, resenting the interference, attacked the British, and a brisk encounter ensued. After a short engagement the Portuguese retired. The Portuguese detachment has since been reinforced, and further developments are anxiously a-

Wyndham Carter, the lunatic who was arrested for threatening to take the life of the Queen, has been declared insane. He has been ordered to an Asylum, there to be detained during Her Majesty's pleasure.

The London wool sales have closed. The prices show an improvement over those of the previous month.

Sir Thomas M'Ilwraith is at present in England, and is using every endeavour to restore confidence in the resources of Queensland.

A party of mainers from the gunboat Widgeon landed at Bathurst, and attacked the stronghold of a native chief, in league with the slavers. The natives were repulsed, 60 of their mumber being killed.

#### INTER-COLONIAL.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Sydney, March 8.

The Hunter river floods are subsiding, the barometer is rising.

The row in the Presbyterian Assembly still continues. Yesterday the Rev. Mr. Patterson moved to excise the word "suitable" from the minutes, which read in effect that the moder-ator delivered a "suitable" address. The motion was lost, by 53 votes to

Sydney, March 9.

Yesterday a German bigamist, named Geike, who had been committed for trial, and released on bail, committed suicide.

#### VICTORIA.

Melbourne, March 8.

The Mercantile Bank cases came to a conclusion yesterday. The defendants were all acquitted. The presiding judge summed up strongly in favour of the defendants, stating they were almost entirely ignorant of banking affiairs, and the negligence shown was not criminal. The Crown had not proved any fraudulent intent, and no proof was adduced that the defendants | home I never get but one piece.

The eviknew the Bank was rotten. dence certainly showed that Sir Matthousands of families; but no one was more sorry for them than Sir Matthew Davies himself. The jury, after a retirement, returned answers favorable to the defendants on all points raised by the judge. Little surprise has been manifested at the verdict, but it is thought the result will create an urfavorable impression in English financial circles, where the responsibilities of directors are regarded somewhat ser-

The Executive has considered the case of the prisoner Knox, under sentence of death. It has been decided to let the law take its course.

Melbourne, March 9.

At the Ararat Criminal Sessions yesterday, Michael Maloney, a navvy was sentenced to death for criminally assaulting s girl of tender years.

The passengers per the R.M.S. Massilia, who were placed in quarantine owing to an outbreak of small-pox having occurred during the vessel's voyage from London, will be released from quarantine next Tuesday.

All the pupil draftemen in the Government service are to be retrenched as soon as their indentures expire.

Marshall's boot hands are still on strike, but no inconvenience is being felt by the boot trade, as the business is quite stagnant.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Adelaide, March 8.

Yesterday the unemployed, by civic permission, marched in an orderly procession through the streets. The rank and file numbered about 2,000, mostly from Victoria and Queens-

Yesterday the fire hose was turned on an old camping ground of the unemployed, who have now moved to the Botanic Reserve. The men all refuse to work for rations, and demand a fixed rate of pay in coin. The Government declines to modify the

All the outgoing steamers for Western Australian ports are crowded, every berth being taken.

Owing to the washaways, the result of the recent floods, traffic with the far north is being very seriously interfered

Though no rains have yet fallen along the coast, considerable electric disturbances are taking place.

Several village settlements are being formed along the banks of the River Murray, upon co-operative and Communistic principals.

Adelaide, March 9.

The unionists in the employ of the Stevedoring Company at the Port struck work yesterday, owing to the Company engaging a non-unionist. The strike appears likely to become a general

Unlimited rations are being dis-tributed daily by public and private charity, to meet the necessities of the large number of men who are flocking into the town.

#### NEW-ZEALAND.

Auekland, March 8.

The Premier, addressing a large gathering of Maoris, yesterday, said the land must be utilised; or it would be taken away from them.

Hostess to Bobby, who is dining cut with his mother: Will you have another piece of pie, Bobby? Bobby: Yes'm. Hostess smiling: And so you are one of the fortunate little boys whose mamma let them have a second piece of pie? Bobby: Yes'm; she does when we're out visitin', but at THE EDUCATION QUESTION. question of right—a question of fair

The following letters, dealing with the above question, we copy from the columns of the West Australian :-

SIR .- The letter of your correspondent Mr. William Gray, in yesterday's issue, although somewhat impudent and grossly offensive to your Catholic readers, it is not without a spice of humour The flippant pronouncements of Mr. Grav, on the "misrepresentatious of the Romish Church," the priesthood, and the Catholic Church in general, when viewed as a sermon for the enlightenment and conversion of that Church which contains on its long roll of honourable and revered names those of such men as Wiseman, Newman and Manning—not to go further back—is rather suggestive of the ridiculous, and many Catholics will no doubt forgive the writer his insolence on account of the amusement he affords. However, my object in addressing you is not to reply to Mr. Gray, but to point out that the settlement of the education question in this colony is not to be determined by letters written to the Press in the spirit of that above referred to. ther, I am not aware that the Catholic people are alone in their endeavours to protect the present system. In the limited circle of my own acquaintance I am happy to say I know many Anglicans who are decidedly friendly to its continuance, and this being so, the pureness of the motives of those who seek to make it appear that the whole question resolves itself into a trial of strength between Catholics and non-Catholics is, to say the least of it, doubtful. If the discussion of this question is to be carried on let it be in such manner that we may derive some profit from it and on better lines than hitherto. The friends of the present system have already thrown down the gauntlet to the secularists. Who will take it up? These are the concluding words of an article in the RECORD of Thursday last, "Are the secularists nold enough to meet them (the defenders of the present system) on even terms. Will they dare to lay down a series of propositions embodying their objections to the present system of educat on and fight out a clear issue under the eyes of the public in the arena of the Press ?"

Yours, &c.,

J. F. O'CALLAGHAN.

Perth, February 27.

SIR,-In none of the many letters which have appeared in the newspapers in connection with the distribution of the Education grant have the writers dealt with the ques-tion at issue. The letter which I myself wrote, and which you did me the honour to notice, only dealt with the sidelissue. Under the idea that one of the objections made to Assisted schools was of an economic character, I attempted to show that in this in-But the question of relative cost, though it must always come in where the taxpayer is concerned, is not the question which is just now before the public. That question is, whether the Education grant should be distributed in such a way that all those who contribute towards it should be able to avail themselves of it, or whether it should be so distributed that a large minority of the contributors must be prevented by conscientious scruples from taking advantage of it, or, in other words, whether the money contributed by the members of the Roman Catholic Church should be virtually handed over to their rivals, the members of the various Protestant Churches. That is the question now at issue. There are other questions connected with popular elementary education which are not without importance, and on which I am glad to write as the occasion calls for it. But the question before the public relates purely to the mode of administering the grant from the general revenue in aid of elementary education. It is a

play. There is a well-known fable, in which the fox, with an affectation of broad-minded hospitality, invites the stork to dine with him, but provides for dinner nothing but soup which is served in a large shallow dish allowing the fox himself to lap up the contents rapidly, whilst his guest can do little more than look on with chagrin. It would appear that the stork did not contribute to the entertainment. There is no mention of her catching fish or frogs which were boiled up into soup, and consequently she had no rights beyond those accorded to her by conventional usage; and yet it is probable that no one has ever read the story without thinking the ven-erated bird badly treated. But the Government soup is composed of ingredients contributed by all taxprayer. by Roman Catholics as well as Protestants—and surely it were doubly hard on the former to be obliged to look on while the latter were gobbling up all the contents of the dish and laughingfin their aleeves. To oblige both parties to eat out of the one dish appears to be thought by the advocates of this plan to be peculiarly conduc-ive to the establishment of good feeling. I do not pretend to say how this might be, but I think Hogarth would have illustrated the idea by a picture of two dogs of apparently dissimilar tastes running in couples, nor can I conceive that the good feeling which has already prevailed in this colony between the various religious bodies would be improved. So far as my observation goes it would lead me to conclude that it would rather lead to dissension than unity. However, I have stated the question now at issue. It is for the public to say what ought to be done in all fairness and equity.

Yours, &c.,

JAMES ROE.

Parry-street, March 6.

I see by yesterday's West Australian that the Albany Advertiser replying to the statements made by me in Saturday's West Australian, says "that the limit grant earned by the Assisted schools is fixed at so much per head on the average daily attendance." I might not perhaps, make any rejoinder to this, but for the fact that the Advertiser is really misrepresenting the state of affairs, quite inadvertently, I feel very certain. But 1 think it is to be regretted that a paper like your contemporary which aspires to the position of a leader of thought does not first post itself up in the matter upon which it expresses an opinion, instead of showing, as it does, upon this occasion, a deplorable want of acquaintance with the working of the Elementary Education Act. Sir, I repeat that the Assisted schools are paid in two ways-the capitation grant based on the average daily attendance, and by a "results" grant and in support of this let me refer the Advertiser, and all those who hold with it, to Bystance keeping up two establishments law No. 16 of the Central Board of was less expensive than keeping up one. of Education, 1877 edition, p. 6,: "The grant-in-aid to Assisted Schools will consist of (1) a fixed annual sum calculated on the average daily attendance for the year ended 31st December preceding; (2) an allowance for successful teaching, to be determined by the results of the Inspector's half-yearly examination of scholars under the prescribed standards."

Let me remark that sub-section 1 refers to the capitation grant, and sub-section 2 to the results grant. By-law No. 17 then fixes the capitation grant upon the basis of average daily attendance. By-law No. 18 provides for the results grant for attendance and for each of the following subjects: reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar and geography. The rate at which these are paid are half as much as that paid to the Government schools. (Compare By-laws 40, 41 and 42. Again if the report of the Central Board for 1392, p. 28, is referred to it will be seen that the amount earned per head on the average attendance was 8s. 93d. The total average per head; that is "the payment for capitation

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and resuit grants" (p. 4), was £1 6s. 7d. (p. 4). If the carnings per head on the average attendance, that is the capitation grant, was 8s. 93d., it is patent to the commonest understanding that the difference, 17s. 91d, represents the average earnings per head by results, in other words, the results-grants.

With regard to the second part of the Advertiser's statement in which it savs that "the statement of 'Democritus' that reductions and remissions of fees by the Assisted schools are only made in cases of necessity, is not accurate," let me say that I only referred to all the cases which had come within my knowledge, a knowledge which was, however, obtained by con-siderable practical experience as the executive officer of the school board in one of the largest districts in the colony. In fact, it is no exaggeration to say that I was to all intents and purposes myself the school board, and during my term of office I familiarised myself with the working of the schools under the Act.

And now, sir, let me refer to one or or two remarks in your leading article of Monday last. The £3 10s. per head paid in respect of children attending Government schools does not represent the result grant, but the maximum amount per head which may be paid on the total average daily attendance of all children within the optional school age, just the same as the amount of £1 15s. per head represents the sum similarly calculated in respect of the Assisted schools. In each case the amount includes the capitation grant and the result grant. At the same time, it must not be looked upon as a definite amount, that is to say, it must not be supposed that each child in each Government school brings in a sum of £3 10s to its teacher. It varies in schools, such, for instance, as was the case in 1892, when it ranged from 16s per head at Wicklow Hills Government schools, to £5 12s. 3 2d. per head at Australind Government school, and from 17s 4.9d.per head at the Assisted Anglican school of St. John's Perth, to £2 12s 10.9d, per head at the Assisted Catholic Boys' school, Perth. But the average cost throughout the Government schools was £3 9s. 4d. per head, and throughout all the Assisted schools £1 14s. 10d. per head, including departmental expenditure which was under the amount per head authorised by the Act to be appropriated, namely, £3 10s. and £1 15s. respectively. The article referred to, in dealing with Mr. Roe's remarks as to the grant, says that the payments are made upon a diminishing scale. "If there are twelve children in attendance at the Government schools (says the article) each will obtain £5 for the teacher If there are twenty, £3 10s. will be paid for each, but after this the amount paid rapidly falls off in proportion to the number of children which attend. For instance, for 100 children there will be only a pound per head payable, and for 250 each child brings but 12s. a head. What, then, becomes of the assertion that "every child attending a purely Government school draws £3 10s. per head; if he has 249 companions he brings but a little more than a sixth of the amount."

The capitation grant is paid on a diminishing scale, but the "result" grant, which is an additional payment, depends upon the number of passes which form the "result" of the inspector's examination. Moreover the figures quoted from the article do not include the whole of the capitation grant, as they only deal with the annual fixed salary paid to the principal teacher under By-law 41 and take no notice of teaching staff which is fixed by By-law 10, and whose salaries are regulated by By-laws 43,52, and 58, nor does it take into account the "results" payments to which principal teachers and senior and junior assistants are entitled under By-laws 40 and 43, and which are fixed by By-law 42. It is quite true that in a Government school for the teacher, but that is the capitation grant only. But a school of 110 is entitled to more than one teacher;

it is entitled to a principal teacher (£110), a monitor (£15), a junior assistant £70, making a total of £195, or £1 15s 5d. per head, instead of only £1 per head, and that is only the capitation grant. A school of 250 is entitled to a principal teacher (£150), a pupil teacher (£20) two monitors (£80), and two senior assistants (£180), making a total of £380, or £1 10s 4 d. per head, instead of 12s. as stated by the article, and that also is only in respect of the capitation grant. With the result grant added it would be higher. Why in 1892, the Perth Government Boys' school, with an average attendance of 176. earned by capitation and result grants and bonuses, £445 19s., the total cost per head being £2 13s, 48d., and the Perth Government Girls' school with an average attendance of 125, earned £443 6s., the total cost per head being £3 10s. 11d. I think that completely capsizes the argument contained in the words quoted. And in the assisted school the amounts per head would be as follows, the figures I have just quoted in respect of Government schools appearing in parentheses: -20 children £1 15s. (£3 10s.), 110 children 18s. 4\frac{3}{2}d. (£1 15s 5d.), 250 children 15s 10\frac{3}{2}d. (£1 10s. 4\frac{3}{2}d.), and in these cases also these are in respect of the

capitation grants only.
[" Democritus " is quite right in his figures. It is also true that in the endeavour to put the matter in the simplest and the most readable shape, the form in which a leading article is likely to secure general perusal, the appearance of inaccuracy was imparted. Anything of this kind we are happy to have pointed out at once. It will be clear that the more correct statement of the financial side of the question as given above, would in its complicated form, be impossible in the leading columns of a paper. Hence

in advertent shortenings.—Ed. W.A.]
I have now reached the limits of this letter, and will leave my reply to Mr. Langsford till my next, when I shall also institute some interesting comparisons between the Government schools and the assisted schools in point of efficiency.

> Yours, ect. DEMOCRITUS.

### Perth, March 7.

#### Cardinal Moran on "Saints in Parliament."

Genaral Gleanings

Speaking at the opening of a new Presbytery at Forest Lodge, Sydney, February 25, Cardinal Moran took occasion to refer to current political topics. Referring to the proceedings of Anarchists in Europe and elsewhere the Cardinal said fortunately there were very few of this class in Australia, but it was necessary to be on our guard, and he would ask all honest and honourable men of whatever denomination if such miscreants should set foot in Australia the prevailing peace and concord and true liberty might be preserved. Dealing with the unemployed question, he advocated limiting the area of land held by persons or companies. It wouldbe a good thing for the country, he said, if every man had his own bit of land. He had noticed in a newspaper that a crusade had been started, the object of which was to prevent any Roman Catholics being returned to parliament. There were to be none but eaints in the coming parliament. Hehad a sincere admiration for the high principles which these gentlemen expounded but of all the people he would distrust in a parliamentary capacity it would be a body of saints. What were wanted were honest men and men of commonsense-men who knew how to develop the resources of the country. These resources were boundless-greater even than those of any other country in the world. For his part he would be far of 20 children each will obtain £3 10s. more delighted to see good Protestants in parliament than bad Catholics. If they had the three gifts of dommonsense, ability, and patriotism he would voto

for them, and he would also ask all those voters to whom he could a, peal to give them their cordial support. He had seen the course pursued by many of the so-called saints in parliament, and he had come to the conclusion that a better place could be found for them somewhere else .- Advertiser.

#### For Christian Education.

THE PROTESTANT CONSERVATIVES OF GERMANY RESOLVE TO URGE IT.

The Protestant Conservatives in Germany have taken a resolution which redounds much to their honor, and will certainly win for them the approbation of all Catholies. It will be remembered that the famous Scholastic Law in favor of Christian Education, presentted by the Government and assured of passing by a large majority, being vioently opposed by the Liberals, was withdrawn by command of the Emperor. The recent elections having given the Conservatives a very largely in creased majority, their organs call upon the Prussian Government to reintroduce the measure; otherwise the Conservatives will take the initiative themselves. As the candidates at the late elections distinctly pledged themselves to support this proposed law, the people who voted for them have shown themselves undeniably in favor of it, and have pronounced with one accord for the legal establishment of religious education. Hence it is imperative on the Conservatives, in supporting the Scholastic Law, to combat also the neutral or athicistic schools so dear to the Jews and Freemasons, and in doing so they may count on the support of all Catholics, who desire nothing so much as a sincere union of all believers in the work of arresting the spread of dangers which menace the Christian society of Germany .- London Tablet.

#### Some Shearing Records.

In New Zealand recently (says the Freeman's Journal) a Maori shearer named Harawera is reported to have put through 200 crossbred sheep from 5 o'clock in the morning tell 5 at night, with two hours out for meals, using the shearing machine. Another Maori sheared 203 the same day. Turning to home for speedy work a correspondent at Murrumbidgerie writes the following report to a contemporary :-Perhaps the greatest feat ever preformed with sheep-shearing machines in the colonies was that on Wednesday, 12th December, in last year, when 32 men in the Murrumbidgere shed sheared the wonderful total of 4,816 or an average of 1504 sheep per man in a trifle under eight hours. The highest individual tally was cut by Charles Irwin, 220; Frank Kearney coming second with 197. The tallies for the remainder ranged from 100 up to 190. Mr. Austin the shed overseer, gives Irwin great praise for his ability as a fast and clean shearer. and also says that no sheep have ever been better shorn in Muriumbidgerie shed than those in which the big tallies were cut. This from a strict man, and a competent judge, should mean something.

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ST. GEORGE'S TERRACE, PERTH.

REGULATIONS FOR LENT,

The following is the Lenten Indult for 1894:-

In accordance with the Spirit of the Church, and in the exercise of the Special powers granted by the Apostolic See, the following dispensations are granted to the faithful of this diocese, for the approaching Season of Lent. Ash Wednesday falls on 7th February.

- Flesh meat may be used at the principal meal on Mondays, (except Monday in Holy week): Also, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, (except Saturday in Ember week). On Sundays flesh meat may be used at all meals.
- Eggs, cheese, milk and butter are allowed at the one principal meal on all days, except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 3.—On fasting days a collation is allowed in the morning and evening at which, except on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, a little milk and butter may be used.
- 4.—Fish and flesh meat cannot be used at the same meal during Lent
- In place of butter, the use of lard and dripping is permitted, except on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- Persons under 21, or in delicate health, or engaged in laborious work are exempt from the laws of fasting.
- 7.—The clergy are authorised to grant a dispensation in particular cases when there is a just cause for granting it.

MATHEW GIBNEY, Bishop of Perth.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

We have received the following sub acriptions during the week:—

Mrs. Lillas, Perth, 3s. 9d. 31-12-94. Mr. J. Hitchcock, Guildford, 15s. Mr. O. Reynolds, Dongarra 15s.

#### Directony.

#### MARCH.

15—THUR. St. Zachary, P.C.
16—FRI. Seven Dolours of B.V.M.
17—SAT. St. Patrick B.C. (Neither fast nor abstinence.)
18—PALM SUNDAY.

19—MON. 1n Holy Week. 20—TUES. In Holy Week. 21—Spy Wednesday. 22—Holy Thursday.

#### The UH. 3. Record.

"Be indefatigable in your purpose, and with undaunted spirit resist iniquity and try to conquer evil with good, having before your eye the reward prepared for those who combat for the name of Christ."—Pius IX.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 1894.

At present the one absorbing topic of conversation is our gold-fields, the one foremost thought in almost every mind—how to secure a portion of the apparently boundless riches reposing in those wondrous treasure-houses of

Nature. In our soil lies buried in abundance that precious metal which draws the human heart with the power of a thousand magnets. Multitudes from all parts of the world are pressing eagerly forward towards our famous auriferous areas; and it is not extravagant to hope that, for some time to come, each single year may witness a larger addition to our population than all the decades that have passed. This rapid growth of the main factor in national progress West Australians cannot witness with other feelings than those of deep satisfaction. Our want has ever been population. Splendid natural resources we have had from the beginning, but in the absence of those who might turn them to account they have lain unutilized and unprofitable. With large numbers come greater power, greater confidence and grander opportunities; and the fact that a full tide of population is pouring incessantly on our shores opens up in the future a vista full of attractive possibilities. It were a pity should a single one of those who come to us, if he be of the right stamp, should again be lost to us. One result of a personal acquaintance with goldfields is the dissipation of many beautiful illusions. Hundreds go there only to learn how remote is the prospect that their dreams of a rapidly acquired fortune will be realized, and many of them would willingly exchange the strain and excitement of the gold-diggers lite, with all its dazzling temptations, for the calm and quiet of a less adventurous occupation. Amongst these unsuccessful and discontented ones will be a large proportion of farmers and many others who would be quite willing to settle upon the land if they had but the means. Upon the advantage of retaining such men, if it could be done, there is no need to dwell; but being without the necessary capital to acquire farms they will probably drift about for a while, houseless and homeless, and eventually make their way back to the neighbouring colonies. The loss to the country which this means might have been obviated by a properly-constructed Land Act. But to the Homesteads Act as it at present stands it would be useless to look for assistance. To lean upon this Act would, indeed, be to lean upon a rotten reed. It is branded conspicuously with the mark of inefficiency. When the financial clauses, originally intended to form its most distinctive and useful feature, were cut away, it was deprived of the sole provisions which made it possible to hope that it would prove effectual to appreciably promote the settlement of the land. Left as it is, it is destined to prove to the end a miserable failure, a striking monument raised by our Parliament to its own incapacity. But left unaltered we trust it will not The time is opportune for a bold attempt to retrieve the errors of the past. We have a large and fast-growing population, though in the main a floating one, the national coffers are well-filled, and there is a brisk demand for all kinds agricultural produce. prudent application of a portion of the national wealth to the promotion of land settlement would convert our considerable floating population into a settled one, and help to establish the prosperity which the country now enjoys on a permanent basis. One of the first duties of the new Parliament should be the amendment of the Homesteads Act by the restoration of the financial clauses.

### Local and General.

CONCERT AT NORTHAM.—A grand concert will be held at Northam on St. Patrick's night in aid of the Convent Building Fund.

IRISHTOWN.—On St. Patrick's Day His Lordship Bishop Gibney will bless the new church at Irishtown. An examination and confirmation of children, will afterwards be held.

A Large Bonus.—Our attention has been drawn to a Bonus certificate one of our employes received from the Citizens Life Assurance this week informing him that a Bonus of £4 had been added to his policy, which he had taken out six months ago for £200. This must show a flourishing state of things in these hard times.

CHILDREN'S CONCERT.—On Saturday next, St Patrick's Day, the Concert to be given by the children of the Assisted schools at the Town Hall commencing at 8 o'clock promises to be a decided success. The programme is well selected and contains 23 items. From previous performances the public "can aticipate a therough treat. Sir John and Lady Forrest, Sir Henry Parkes, the Mayor and Mayoress, and several others of the leading citizens have promised o be in attendance.

Visit of Sir Henry Parkes.—Sir Henry Parkes visit has aroused considerable curiosity and a certain amount of enthusiasim. At Albany, and at all the principal intermediate townships the veleran statesman was made the recipient of addresses of welcome tendered by the principal residents. The Capital, of course, was not behind hand in its profession of hospitality and good will, and his arrival at the Central station, which was densely packed by an expectant, crowd had something of the character of an ovation. While in Perth, Sir Henry will be the guest of Sir John Forrest. Yesterday evening, as we went to press, he was being entertained at a banquet tendered him by the Mayor and citizens.

THE "Shaughraun."—On St. Patrick's night, the inhabitants of the Port will have an opportunity of witnessing a performance of that old favourite Irish drama, the "Shaughraun," at the Town Hall, Fremantle. The cast will be sustained by members of the H.A.B.C. Society who have been indefatigable in their rehearsals. The part of Conn will be taken by Mr. Whitely. If the play goes as well as the rehearsals have done we can confidently say, that the public may expect to get full value for their money. Eight splendid scenes have been painted by local artists, and the performance will be under the distinguished patronage of the Mayor of Fremantle and the local M's P. Seats can be reserved on application to Messrs. Whitely and Flanagan.

The West Australian Grapic.—The first number of this latest literary venture, we must confess, is a somewhat disappointing one. It is small in size, the chief cartoon is hedged round with unsightly advertisements, and the reading matter wofully scant. On the other hand the editorial articles display a fine literary quality and are evidently tho work of an experienced pen. On the education question we are glad to see it takes the side of common sense and liberty of conscience. Some of its remarks on this subject we purpose to reproduce. The impression left by this first number of the Grapic is that it was produced in circumstances which prevented it doing itself justice. But our young contemporary, we trust, will not be discouraged by the difficulties of a first issue. With a good literary staff, which it already has, more reading matter and attractive drawings, it ought to find no difficulty in creating a place for itself in West Australian journalism.

The Education Defence League.—A meeting likely to have a considerable influence upon the fortunes of the vexed "education question" was held on Monday last in the Anglican Cathedral schoolroom. It was convened with the object of taking steps to protect our present educational system, and was honoured with a large attendance, composed principally of Anglicans and Catholics but including representatives of all denominations. Mr. M.F.A.Canning, M.L.A., took the chair. The Very Rev. Dean Goldsmith moved, "That those now present organise themselves into a religious instruction defence league, on the basis of maintaining the present dual system of Government and Assisted schools, and the facilities for religious instruction afforded by the present Education Acts." The motion was seconded by the Very Rev. Father Bourke and carried unanimously. The following were appointed a committee with power to add to their number, Very Rev. Dean Goldsmith, Very Rev. Father Bourke, V.G., Rev. H. Wallace, Rev. Father Kelly, Rev. F. J. Price, Mr. M. F. A. Canning, M.L.A., Mr. A. Forrest, M.L.A., Mr. G. Glyde, M.L.C., Mr. T. F. Quinlan, M.L.A., Mr. T. G. Molloy, M.L.A., Mr. T. Hobbs, Mr. J. W. E. Archdeacon, Mr. H. D. Holmes, Mr. J. F. O'Callaghan, Mr. J. Harwood, Mr. G. Chitty Baker and Mr. Ford. The association thus auspiciously formed will be known as the Education Defence

DYNAMITING.—At North Fremantle last week, the residents of the quarry were somewhat scared by an explosion which took place during the dead of night. On examination it appeared that some person had tried to destroy a well belonging to a Mr. Mather who keeps a boarding house at the quarry, and who had sunk the well at a cost of £30 for his own use and the use of the single men of the locality. use of the single men of the locality. Suspicion was directed to a rival boarding-house keeper named Patrick Murphy. The police obtained a warrant, and searched Murphy's place with the result that they found two coils of fuse, 10lbs. of blasting powder and two plugs of dynamite. The police arrested Murphy charging him with the unlawful possession of the above arti-cles the property of the Government. The accused was brought up at the Fremantle Police Court on Saturday and fined £2 10s. with costs, in default one month imprisonment. So far no action has been taken by the police to sheet home the charge of try-ing to destroy Mr. Mather's well.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SPORTS.-In another column, will be found the handicaps for the various events to be contested at the sports to be held in honour of St. Patrick's Day, on the W. A. C. A. Ground. No pains hove been spared to make the day a success. The prizes are very liberal, and the entries good. At Fremantle we learn that the combined Irish Societies, will celebrate the 17th by a procession, in the morning, and in the afternoon a lengthy programme of sports will be gone through on the "Sports Barrack Field," to commence at 1 o'clock. In the evening Dion Boncicaults drama, "The Shaughraun," will be produced in the Town Hall, Fremantle, by members of the local society. It is a pity that the City and Port do not combine forces, and make the day's outing a big affair. We would suggest that the sports he held alternately at Perth and Fremantle, by these means a larger programme, and more liberal prizes, could be submitted for compitition, besides which a much larger attendance would be sure to be the result, for as it is now there are many whose sympathies are divided be-tween the two but who cannot attend

THE ARCHRISHOP OF CANTERRURY WAKES A NOTARY PUBLIC.—The Archbishop of Canterbury has some peculiar privileges attached to his high office. He can give degrees in arts and music of his own motion, and without asking the leave of either Oxford or Cambridge. It will be remembered that when some of the Australian Anglican prelates objected to the promotion of Canon Barlow to the bishopric of Northern Queensland because he was not the holder of a University degree, the Archbishop of Canterbury benevolently intervened and repaired the defect by making the new bishop an M.A. by a stroke of his pen. The Archbishop can also make a notary public with equal facility, and this week he has exercised his privilege in that respect in favor of Mr. F. B. Freehill, of Sydney. Mr. Freehill is said to be the first Catholic in Great Britain to be the recipient of this appointment. Indeed, one of the conditions of the office hitherto has been that its holder must be a loyal and devoted member of the Church of England. This condition has been waived in Mr. Freehill's case, and thus we have another gratifying illustration of the levelling of religious tests that were regarded as sacred and inviolable in less tolerant

WORKMEN'S TRAINS .- Complaints have been made by holders of workmen's weekly tickets, of the inconvenience suffered through being unable to travel later than 7:30 in the evening, or earlier than 2:30 on Saturday. The matter was brought up in the Trades and Labour Council when the secretary was instructed to write to the Commissioner of Railways on the matter. In answer to which Mr. Chitty Baker, hon, secretary of the Trades and Labour Council has received the following letter from the Under-Secretary for Railways and Works: The Hon. Commissioner of Railways desires me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th ult., with reference to the placing of certain additional trains at the convience of holdadditional trains at the convience of holders of workmen's tickets., etc., and to inform you, in reply thereto, that from Monday next, the Minister will be pleased to approve of the 12:30 p.m. up and down trains on Saturdays, and the 10 p.m. and 10:50 p.m. up and down trains daily, as requested by you on behalf of your Coun-With regard to the fares charged to Cottesloe, these are made on the actual

#### POLITICAL ITEMS.

Mr. J. P. Dempster has decided to contest the next election for a seat in the Legislative Assembly, for the Beverley

Mr. W. Traylen, M.L.A., has received a requisition signed by 40 electors of the Greenough District, asking him to contest that electorate.

From Guildford we learn that the new electoral roll for the Swan District shows

a list of 328 against 241 on the old, and 130 claims have been received for the East Province.

Last week Mr. G. Throssell, M.L.A., received a requisition signed by 110 electors, asking him to allow himself to be nominated for Northam District. Mr. Throssell stated that it afforded him great pleasure to accede to the request, and promised to address them at an early date.

The Electoral lists for the various districts are now on view at the office of the Electoral Registrar for each district. To save annoyance and loss of time in attending the Registration court, we would advise all those entitled to vote, by virtue of having registered their claim or because of their names having appeared on the municipal or Roads Boards lists—to examine the lists and see that their names are on, and if they are not, interview the Registrar at once. If this were done the Registrar might possibly see his way to rectifying any mistake that had occurred.

correspondent from Bunbury writes; —It is rather early yet to give an opinion upon the return of any particular candi-date, but, nevertheless, I think I may safely say that the return of Mr. Venn is assured. It was thought by some that Mr. Hayward would contest the Wellington electorate with Mr. Venn, but all hopes of such a contest must now be abandoned, as Mr. Hayward has publicly stated that he has no such intentions, and, moreover, has already signed a re-quisition to Mr. Venn, and has further pledged himself to use every effort to secure Mr. Venn's return. Mr. Hay-ward also expresses the hope that Mr. Venn will occupy the same position in the next Ministry.

The Electoral Registrar, Mr. H. G.

The Electoral Registrar, Mr. H. G. Wright, has supplied us with the following statistics of Perth electoral roll:—
West Perth.—New roll, 1,915; qualified for the province, 598; rejected for the district, 67; rejected for the province, 27. Claims received, 831; voters municipality, 748; voters Claremont Roads Roard, 517; voters Perth Roads Board, 48; old roll, 804.

East Perth.—New roll, 1,252; quali-

East Perth.—New roll, 1,252 : qualified for the province, 346 ; rejected for the district, 67; rejected for the province 11. Claims received, 664; voters muni-

cipality, 453; voters South Perth Roads
Board, 83; old roll. 558.

Perth.—New roll, 1,002: qualified for
the province, 431; rejected for the district, 100; rejected for the province, 10. Claims received. 492; voters municipality, 397;; old roll, 558.

#### MINING.

A Murchison mine called the "Specihas been floated in the Eastern

The new find at Cue is described as a reef 3 feet thick, stiff with coarse

The manager of Horn's Mystery Mine at the I.O.U. field obtained 165 ozs. of gold from three dishes of stone taken from an ironstone leader.

From Marble Bar we hear that an average return of 2oz. 18dwt. per ton has been obtained from 597 tons crushed by the General G. M. Co.

Rich finds of gold continue to be made at Mount Pleasant near Adelaid .. About ten pounds weight of the precious metal locality causing some little excit ment.

Capt. Muir in charge of Blackbourne's mine wires, "Mine quite worthless; shoot of gold a few feet wide only; cannot carry on ; losing money ; all hands paid

Another parcel of gold was received from Coolgardie last week, containing 7,000 oza., mostly from Bayley's Reward

About half an inch of rain fell at Cool-gardie on the 7th inst. Very little has fallen at Southern Cross.

The returns from the Enterprise battery, Nor' West Gold Fields, for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1893, show the number of tons crushed as 1,568 yielding 4,130 ozs. 17 dwts. of gold.

Bayley's Reward is to be transformed into a large company of 480,000 shares of £1 each, with a London register. Mesars F. L. Cox. and G. McCulloch have been appointed London directors.

The wage of twelve shillings and sixpence per day is being offered to tempt men to work upon the big dam at Coolgardie. The attraction of gold-seeking proves so strong, however, that labour is scarce even at this figure.

The finder of the fifty-two ounce nug-get at Kurnalpi Rush has since picked up a thirty three ounce slug; several other big nuggets have also been found. A number of men have returned to Coolgardie owing to the scarcity of water, which rose from 3s. to 5s. per gallon.

Coolgardie furnishes a curious instance of the rapid rise of mining towns. Of the town lots disposed of recently by the Government, those in the front street brought £5 per foot, and the back street allotments went for equally high prices, proportionally.

Mr. Knox Brown is now in Bunbury endeavouring to form a syndicate to open up a plumbago mine which he has discovered near the Donnelly Piver says the Bumbury Herald. The specimens brought in have the appearance of the geninue article, and it is intended to send five tons to England to test its value on the home market. Mr. Brown says there are 50,000 tons of the mineral on the surface. Busselton is the most convenient port for shipment, which is about 60 miles from where the plumbago was found. Several years ago a sample of plumbago picked up from near the same locality was sent to England, the market value of which was stated to be about £5, but the sample brought down by Mr. Brown is said to be of a much superior

It is notified that on and after Tuesday the 20th inst., the 1,000 acres at the Greenbushes Tinfields known as "Reid's Concession," will be open to the public for selection under the Minera Lands Act. It will be remembered that Mr. Reid applied for this land some months ago with the philanthropic purpose of developing the resources of the country. Mr. Reid's benevolence, however, like that of most of those who are anxious to develop the resources of West Australia, is only kept alive and active by the prospects of fat profits. Seeing no hopes of signally benefitting himself, he forgets his solicitude for our welfare, and coolly turns over the concession to the authorities with a brief word of thanks for their complaisance. May such success ever await the monopolist in this colony.

#### FLOTSAM and JETSAM.

Piety and Politics. Honest Legislators wanted. Saints in Parlisment, not wanted.

A Parliamentary saint generally turns out a fraud, delusion and a snare.

A new company is being formed to complete the Panama Canal.

The Russian army is to be strengthened by the addition of 200 new batteries.

The trial of defendants in the recent Mercantile Bank frauds in Victoria, has resulted in all being discharged.

Estimated population of Australasia is set down at 4,068,317. This number can be headed by the "little village" in

The appeal of the West Australian Land Company v. the Government of West Australia to the Privy Council has been

Says the Most Rev. Dr. Lynch, Arch-bishop of Toronto. "A man who will not pay for a paper he received and read, is another man's goods

"There was no form of disease or misfertune social or moral, which the Catholic Church had not prepared for long be fore socialism came forward."—Southern Cross S. A.

Every day's experience tends more and more to confirm me in the opinion that the temperance cause lies at the foundation of all social and political reform.— Richard Cobden.

The inhabitants of Georgetown (Q.) have been having a lively time with the grasshoppers. The town has literally grasshoppers. The town has literally swarmed with them, and every scrap of young vegetation has been destroyed.

"The Sisters of the good Samaritan, says the Southern Cross of S.A. have 4,000 children in their various schools, and it is estimated they have spent over £50,000. in the work of education in the colonies.'

Mrs. Murphy who was the first white woman to set foot on Coolgardie had a narrow escape from making a good find. It appears that after returning to South ern Cross, a minor unearthed 50 ozs. of the precious metal right under the spot where Mrs. Murphy slept,

Without "payment of members" says the Geraldton Advertiser, we can seld-

dom be satisfactorily represented in Parliament. A promise to support such a system should therefore be insisted on from every person who comes forward to seek our suffrages. The man who is afraid of "payment of members" is afraid to give the people power, and the man who is afraid to give the people power is unworthy to act as the mouth-piece of a civilised community. Electors—support no man who doesn't support "payment of members." With these remarks we cordually agree.

At the Commemoration of the Sixty Second anniversary of the Kings school. Parramatta, N. S. W. Cannon Sharp in his address to the boys said :- The foundation of any manly noble life is reverence—reverence for that which is above us, reverence for that which is the highest within us. What are we do-ing as a people to lay that foundation? We are giving plenty of instruction—and giving it well—in our State Schools. But instruction is not education ; and no education is worthy of the name if it confines itself to the intellect, and leaves out the heart and the will When we set aside and think little of the fear and love of God : when we allow large sections of our people to sink back into virtual paganism; what wonder is it that we should have amongst us an epidemic of fraud; what wonder that our public life should be degraded; what wonder that reckless gambling and drunkenness, and impurity, and larrikinsm that fears not God neither regards man, should be rampant amongst us?

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

By "SCRUTATOR."

One of the remarkable features of the present political campaign is the number of members of the legal profession who are about to seek seats in Parliament Of course, in every country a lawyer is always a public men by virtue of his calling, and, consequently, exceptional opportunities are given him of becoming an active politician, and he is not slow to avail of every chance. As a rule, the democratic party, in Australia at least, distrust lawyers, but there are, as everybody acquainted with Australasian politics knows, notable exceptions. If we looked at the past, for instance, it would be found that the history of liberal politics would be shorn of half its force by removing from it such names as Higinbotham, Duffy, Ireland, Aspinall, Dulley, Martin, Butler, Lilley, Pring and other lawyers who made the early politics of Australia so deeply interesting. And in our own immediate day we have the leaders of both parties in South Australia-Kingston and Downer-lawyers; the one a republican democrat, and theother the hope of the small conservative party of South Australia. The once liberal Griffith of Queensland, Stout of New Zealand and Shiels of Victoria have also been for their brief spans at the head of many liberal affairs in their respective colonies.

The great fault to be found with the introduction of lawyers to Parliament is that the legal profession is the most conservative institution in the complex social and industrial fabric. A lawyer, in fact is the greatest Trade Unionist on earth—the standard of his wage is never on the down grade, or in other words, cheap law is a thing unknown to our civilization, because "freedom of contract" (when that freedom has a downward firancial tendency) is an unpardonable heresy with the legal fraternity, and the few legal blackiegs to be found now and again are but tiny drops in great ocean of universal legal complacency. But lawyers as Trade Unionists differ from the recognised industrial bodies in as much as they refuse to recognise or co operate with any other trade but their own. And the most singular feature in the combination of the Law is the unbreakable chain of legal Freemasonry extending from the ermined Judge on the Bench down to the shabby articled clerk—against which all the innovations and vandalisms of our democratic days are powerless. The Law is the one great practical superstition left us from past ages, and it will probably be handed down as an

inscrutable legacy to the lay mind of future generations.

But, nevertheless, under our present conditions they are not only useful, but they are necessary factors in the Legislatures. It would be rank prejudice for the most advanced of democrats or social levellers to maintain that a lawyer cannot be a sentimentalist and enthusiast, and therefore a desirable political advocate. It would be simply flying in the face of history at home and abroad to contend that a lawyer cannot be a man of the people in his political capacity, and could not work for them in a wholesouled, unselfish spirit. But dealing with the matter as it affects West Australia, one great advantage to be gained by an influx of egal talent to our Legis ature woud be the raising of the debating powers of Farlia-ment by men of trained interects. The West Australian Parliamet badly needs this elevation of tone, and so long as we do not became flooded with lawyers, out of all proportion to the trades and callings of the balance of our representatives, I can see no evil in the probable selection of a couple of new egal b oods who must be of course, at the same time otherwise worthy men. But if it were possible for the number already on the pub-ished lists, to be elected, we should have more than a fourth of the Assemb'y and nearly a fourth of the Council consisting of lawyers. To my mind this wou d lead to too much friction and manœuvring, and it is therefore to be hoped that on y a reasonab e proportion will secure a return. The costly blundering of those responsible for the calling of the last Session of Parliament together, alone indicates the necessity of having some addition to the legal acumen of both Houses, in order that technical flaws in the framing of measures may be opportunely discovered.

The visit of Sir Henry Parkes has stirred up the normal lethargy of our little political world. Without a doubt, he is a remarkable figure in Australian history, but, like Gladstone, Parkes' time has come to beat a retreat. It must be generally known by all save his blind worshippers that the veteran is played out, and that he is not the leader of any influential sec-tion of the public of his own colony. The old man has changed much within the past four years-since I last heard him deliver himself at the first Federal Convention held in Melbourne in 1890, where he was certainly the distinguishing figure. Fourteen years ago, when I first saw him in Sydney, he was about at the zenith of his power, soon after which he wound up the longesttermed Ministry that ever held office in Australia. Although Parkes himself never belonged to the Orange party, he had the misfortune always to be associated in power with rabid men of that obnoxious and fast. diminishing sect. Thus it was that the noisome Abigails and Neilds of the important changes he purposed mak-New South Wales Parliament clung ing in the "get up" of the Jourtenaciously to the skirts of the most powerful politician New South Wales had ever seen, and this seeming connection gave to the Orange organization in the mother colony an appearance of much power and in-fluence.

The West Australian gives almost the whole credit of the Federation movement to Sir Henry Parkes. This is scarcely fair. The first convention held in Melbourne was not due to Parkes' initiative, and it is well known also that he was instrumental in keep ing New South Wales outside the standing Federal Council existing between most of the colonies. No doubt the old man is inspired by lofty motives in the share he is now taking in the movement, but he is not to be rightly regarded as the father of federation, the desire for which existed in Victoria in the "seventies" at the instance 'of Duffy, McCulloch, O'Shannassy and others. I fear that the editor of the West Australian, who took part in the second Federation Conference

held in Sydney in 1891, is slightly prejudiced against the central and most striking personality in the whole affair—I allude to Sir George Grey. It will be remembered that Sir Henry Parkes was elected President of the Convention, a position which, although honorable, debarred him from taking the prominent part Grey and Griffith took in the proceedings. Parkes' Federation is not Grey's Federation, and the democracy of all the colonies have given the palm of sincerity and patriotism to the older and more democratic statesman.

Sir Henry's plan is built upon Imperialistic grounds and Eir George's on Australian National grounds. The former would, by the appointment direct from the Crown of a Governor-General, stand in the way of ultimate National independence, whilst the latter would foster a spirit of Australasian freedom by the adoption of the principle of elective Governors-General and Governors. The basis of Grey's federation franchise for the Federal Parliament would rest on the one-man-one-vote suffrage, whilst that of his rival would consist of the various and different franchises that might exist in the different colonies at the time, and in other less serious respects they also differ. However, I cannot but regard the visit of the venerable statesman to this, the most isolated province in the group, as likely to be most beneficial from every standpoint. It will engender a spirit of interest in local politics and be the means of getting rid of much of the parochial feeling existing in the public life of West Australia. Every West Australian who has not heard Parkes, should endeavour to do so, because, whatever may be his failings or prejudices, he is a living epitome of the political events of two generations in Australia.

#### PERTH C.Y.M. SOCIETY.

At the meeting of the above society held on Thursday last there were 20 members present. Mr. P. Stuart presided. After the settlement of some business matters, Mr. John Kays resumed the discussion on Local Option, and replied to the arguments which had been adduced against the principle. No vote was taken, as it was apparent to the chairman that the consenus of opinion was with Mr. Kays. The Monthly Journal was read by the Editor (Mr. Jos Sullivan.) The number of contributions was not so large as usual and the apathy of members in not supporting the Journal came in for some severe censure at the hands of Messrs. W. Reardon and John Kelly, who cogently demonstrated the many advantages of a knowledge of composition. The Editor also complained that his efforts were not seconded by members. Several present then volunteered to write articles each month, and the Editor described some

The next meeting is to be of a social nature when the programme will consist of readings, songs, and recitations.

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY SPORTS.

#### THE HANDICAPS.

The following handicaps have been declared for St. Patrick's Day races, to be run on the W.A. Cricketing Association's Ground on March 17th .-

Three Miles Wheel Race.-L. Duncan, 27lbs., scratch; T. Hutchinson, 26lbs., 275 yds.; W.C. Rose, 30lbs., 280 yds.; C. H. Carrick, 27lbs., 280 yds., 11. Sadler, 26lbs., 325 yds.; P.J. Sullivan, 30lbs., 400 yds., F. G. Easton, 34lbs., 410 yds.

Five Miles Wheel Race.-L. Duncan, 27lbs., scratch; T. Hutchinson, 26lbs., 460 yds.; W. C. Rose, 30lbs., 470 yds.; C. H. Carrick, 27lbs., 470 yds.; H. Sadler, 26lbs., 550 yds.; P.J. Sullivan, 30lbs., 675

Youths' One Mile Wheel Race.-F. A. Bailey, 30lbs., scratch; G. Grave, racer, 25 yds., E. A. Dean, 42lbs., 50 yds.; J.H. Avery 38lbs., 75 yds.: H. Nash, 39lbs., 110 yds.; G. Avery, 44lbs., 125 yds.

Handicappers: Charles F. Eveston and Samuel John Rowe.

Sheffield Handicap, 120 yds.—J. Forrest, 1 yd.; J. K. Gawith, 1 yd.; J Cattanach, 4 yds.; A. J. Collins, 4 yds.; J. Thompson, 5 yds.; E. H. Tom-kinson, 6½ yds.; A. Stevenson, 9 yds.; E. Beurteaux, 9½ yds.; D. McGovern, 9½ yds.; F Grogan, 9½ yds.; J. Fry 10 yds.; P. J. Lawler, 10½ yds.: G. Fraser, 101 yds.; J. Brown, 11 yds.; R. Liddelow. 11 yde.; H. L. Jones, 111 yds.: J. E. Armstrong, 12½ yds.; A. Capern, 12½ yds.; W. McKenna, 13yds.; C. W. Salkilld, 14 yds.; W. J. Reardon, 14 yds.; A. E. Sainsbury, 15 yds.; C. Stuart, 15 yds.; M. Cullen, 16 yds,.

Quarter-mile Handicap . - J. Forrest. scratch; J. Cattanach, scratch; J. Thompson, 5 yds; G. A. Bayley, 7 yds.; J. Fry, 10 yds.; J. White, 15 yds.; G. Fraser, 20 yds.; H. L. Jones, 20 yds.; J. Brown, 20 yds.; M. Cullen, 35 yds.; C. H. Brown, 40 yds.

E. Scott, handicapper.

Members' Handicap, 120 yds.-G. Fraser, 10 yds.; F. Crogan, 101 yds.; J. Hardwick, 11 yds.; W. J. Reardon, 111 yds.; W. McKenna, 141 yds.; J. Crogan, 16 yds.; J. Webb, 161 yds.; T. Crogan, 16½ yds.; E. Pye.
17½ yds.; P. Stuart, 18 yds.; A;
Moffat, 19 yds.; Jno. Kelly, 19 yds.; G. Hellas, 20 yds.; W. Bourke, 22 yds.; J. Oates, 22 yds.; G Wilson, 22 yds.; G. Webb, 23 yds.; P. Fallon, 26 yds.; J. Molloy, 26 yds. Handicapper: P. J. Healy.

#### ACCEPTANCES AND HEATS.

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Second heat.—H. L. Jones, 111 yds.; C. Stuart, 15yds.; J. Cattanach, Third heat .- M. Cullen, 16yds.;

G. Fraser, 102yds.; E. H. Tomkinson, 6lyds. Fourth heat.—J. Fry, 10yds; P. J. Lawlor, 10½yds.; D. M'Govern,

9≟yds. Fifth neat.—G. Beurteaux, 9½yds.; A. Caporn, 12½yds.; J. Brown,

Sixth heat.—Fred. Crogan, 91yde.; D. McKenna, 13yds.; R. Liddelow,

Seventh heat.—A. Stevenson, 9yds.; W. J. Reardon, 14yds.; J. E Armstrong, 121yds.

First heat-W. Bourke, 22yds.; P. Stuart, 18 yds.; G. Webb, 23yds. Second heat - W. McKenna, 141 yds.; G. Fraser, 10yds.; P. Fallon, 26 yds.

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Fifth heat-J. Oates, 22yde; Kelly, 19yds.; G. Hollis 20yds. Sixth heat-Thos. Crogan, 161 yds.; W. J. Reardon, 111yds.; A. Moffat, 19yds.; J. Crogan, 16yde.

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#### GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 9th.

APPOINTMENTS .- Mary Ferris to be, provisionally, mistress of Australiand Provisional Schoel. T. H. Cooper to be draftsman, vice Dewey, resigned. C. G. Morris to be clerk and draftsman, vice Cooper. R. G. Bagot to be clerk and draftsman, vice Morris, in the Lands and Survey Department. F. W. Barwick to be assistant district regstrar of births, deaths, and marriages for the Beverley registry district. vice Hillman; to reside at Pingelly. Police Canstable T. Binning, Gascoyne, to witness contracts made with aboriginal

ROADS BOARD ELECTION.—South Perth: Chairman—J. D. Manning.

TENDERS ACCEPTED .- For the conveyance of mails: T. F. de Pledge, £250 per annum, Onslow to Lefroy's homestead on the Lyndon River, via the stations of Messrs, G. and R. Woolhouse, Knight & Cumming, Yanarie, thence to Stewart's, Cameron & Clarke's and Twitchen's, and vice versa, fortnightly, terminating 31st December, 1896. J. W. Muir, £25 per annum. from Deeside to Lake Muir, and vice versa, being an extension of the present Calbarup-Deceide service, terminating 31st December, 1894. I. J. K. Cohn, £190 per annum, Coolgardie to Hannan's, and vice versa, weekly, being an extension of the present Southern Cross Coolgardie contract, terminating 31st December, 1896. E. Coekism, 2s. per week, Canning Post Office to the Railway Station, and vice versa, one trip per week in addition to the present contract, terminating 31st December, 1896. W. H. Linthorne, Mingenew post and telegraph office, £513 14s. 9d.; W. Healy, Jandakot Agricultural Area—clearing and grubbing Fraser Road—contract No. 3, £77 18s. 7d.; D. Gaul, Cannington, Janjakot, and Bull's Creek roads and culverts, £117

Public Reserves .- Burracoppin : Nos. 2,475, 2.476, 2,477 (each la.), for public utility. Doodlakine : Nos. 2.478 2,479, 2,480 (each la.), 2,481 (4a. 1r. 24p.), for public utility. Cue: No. 2,482 (1a.), for Roman Catholic Church purposes. Nannine: No. 2,483 (1a.), for Roman Catholic Church purposes. Bundawarda (near Cue) : Nos. 2,484 and 2,485 (each 2r.), for Roman Catholic Church purposes. Marble Bar: No. 2,486 (1a. 0r. 19p.), for Roman Catholic Church purposes. Roebourne: No. 2,487 (1a. 2r. Op.), for Roman Catholic Church purposes. Hay: Nos. 2,488 and 2,489 (100a.), for water. Coolingup: No. 2,490 (about 3,000a.). for a commonage.

DESIGNS AND TRADE MARKS ACT. 1884.—8. King, P. Engel, and H. S. A. McCullagh, (King, Engel, and McCullagh, Limited) William-street, Mel-bourne, Victoria, merchants, have applied to register a trade mark in respect

THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1892 .- Application for Discharge : Re A. W. Armstrong, late hotel-keeper, Fremantle. To be heard April 5th, 11 a.m. Notice of intended dividend : Re R. G. Meares (of Meares and Tanuer), butchers, Northam. Proofs receivable up to 28th inst. Re R. G. Meares and H. W. A. Tanner (Meares and Tanner), butchers, Northam: Proofe receivable up to 28th

#### Ends. **Ddds** and

Small Boy in fishmonger's shop: Have you any dry fish? Shopkeeper: Yes, Mannie. Small Boy: Well, give them a drink, then.

Benevolent. Old Gentleman: My good man, how came you to adopt begging as a trade? Or would you call it a profession? Beggar: It is neither, sir; it is an art.

Miss Featherleigh: Hullo, Charlie, what are you doing here? I thought you were on tour with Taylor's Company, playing "walking gent." Charlie: So I was. I had to walk

In The Studio.—Photographer: Please, now, put on a pleasant expression. Sitter: Nonsense. Why, man, if I look pleasant, none of my acquaintances will recognize me. I am a ticket collector on the railway.

Surprised.—How many years have you been dumb? sympathetically asked a gentleman of a beggar who pretended to be bereft of speech. "Five years, sir," replied the imposter, completely taken off his guard.

Mean.-Youthful Benedict: If I were you, my dear, I wouldn't tell my friends that I trimmed that hat myself. Mrs. Youthful Benedict : Why, love? Would it be conceited? Youthful Benedict : No-superfluous.

A Manchester man who had lost money in a building society, was awakened by his wife the other morning with the remark, "My dear, the day is breaking." He turned over and re-plied, Well let it break; I have no money in it.

What's them cur'us things in the water? asked Mrs. Yokel of Mr. Yokel, as both gazed at the graceful gondolas gliding to and fro on a lagoon of the World's fair at Chicago. " Them's goloshes," remarked Mr. Yokel, with a proud air of one who had travelled much. In Venice them boats is called goloshes.

The County Only.—A very peculiar effect was preduced by the following announcement contained in the advertisements of a country fair : Among other attractive features of this great fair there will be highly amusing donkey-races and pig-races. Competition in these two contests open to inhabitants of the county only.

There seems to be such a thing as being too kind. M. Calino, having taken a room on the fourth floor of an hotel, sent for a porter and had his trunks and bags carried up. The man then asked him for pay for the service M. Calino is a very good-hearted per-'son. He felt in his pocket, and exa sou of change." " ihat's too bad, sir," said the man, "for I sha'n't be here to-morrow, and so I shall lose my pay." "Never!" said M Calino feelingly. I never allow a service to go unrequited. You must carry the things back down stairs at once. And he insisted upon the unfortunate man's squaring the account by taking the trunks and boxes back to the place where he had found them.

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