





ENGLAND THE SLACKER!

Owen Wister is a well-known American writer, author of "The Virginian"...

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Berger's Paint (PREPARED). We have pleasure in announcing a Substantial Drop in Price. We invite Your Enquiries, which we will cheerfully and promptly attend to. Color Folders on Application.

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Advertisement for Whittlesea Shire News. Text: "WHITTLESEA SHIRE NEWS. WOLLERT. Sunday, 18th December, was the anniversary of the Wollert Methodist Sunday School. The Rev. A. V. Ballard, Department, preached the sermon. The congregation fairly well filled the church and the singing of the scholars gave general satisfaction. On Tuesday evening a concert and coffee supper was held. The gathering of parents and friends overpowered the church. The programme was a lengthy one, and on the whole the children performed their parts satisfactorily. Mr. and Miss Collins sang three duets during the evening, and were well received. Miss Hally and her helpers worked hard to make the effort a success, and were thanked for their interest and diligence. Miss Mason and Mrs. Caldwell did the organ, and Master Schultz did good service with the violin. The shire council invite applications for the position of health officer for the ensuing riding. Houses and Land For Sale. A New Year Gift. WHAT more sensible than to buy a Lovely Elevated Position on Easy Terms, and so start the Foundation for your Future Home. The TRUDGEON ESTATE, PRESTON, offers this Grand Opportunity. Close to Legent Station with Quick Electric Train Service. (Only 25 Deposit. Balance 20/- Monthly. Write for Plans and full particulars. LOBBYSON & JONES, enr. High St. and Bell streets, Preston; Phone, N'cote 4.

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THE FEDERAL CONSTITUTION.

SCHOOLBOYS' ESSAY COMPETITION.

The Northcote branch A.N.A. recently offered a prize for the pupil of one of the local schools who could write the best essay on "The Federal Constitution."

The Federal Constitution was brought about by the Commonwealth Constitution Act of 1900. It came into force on the 1st January, 1901.

The legislation is fixed in a Governor-General (appointed by the king), and two Houses—the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The Senate and the House of Representatives have the same powers in relation to proposed laws, but with the exception that Bills imposing taxation or appropriating revenue must originate in the Senate, not having the Senate the power to amend Bills imposing taxation.

If the House of Representatives passes a Bill and the Senate rejects to pass it or makes amendments not satisfactory to the House of Representatives, it is passed again in three months.

The place where the Federal Parliament sits is in Melbourne, but shortly it will sit at Canberra in New South Wales which is the Federal capital and territory.

The Governors-General for the time the Federal Parliament has been open are Lord Hopetoun, to our present Lord Forster, and the Prime Ministers are Sir Edmund Barton, to our present Hon. William Morris Hughes.

FULLER'S PANTOMIMES.

In their presentation of this year's pantomime of "Bluebeard" at the Princess Theatre, Sir Benjamin and John Fuller, while keeping close to the general conception and not wandering far beyond the boundaries of custom, have provided a most elaborate and entertaining performance.

A great reception awaits Mrs. Watson, the popular comedienne, when she makes her appearance in "Holes in the Wood" pantomime at the Palace Theatre. He is one of the most popular artists who has ever been seen on the boards in Australia, and what is more to his credit is that he is more popular than ever.

Eden Park War Trophy.

Sir, Will you kindly allow the undersigned trustees of the war trophy allotted to Eden Park to reply to certain statements made by Cr. Butler as contained in your report of the Whittlesea shire council on the demand made by the War Trophy Commission in that Cr. Butler is requested to hand over the gun without further delay to the trustees. In view of the council's action in refusing to ask if the council believes in recognition of authority, as their attitude is in defiance of the War Trophy Commission's demand, and as the council is not a party to the gun, then why did he call a meeting to put it outside the school and endeavor to force on the local residents the necessity of putting up a building to accommodate the gun when the school was available. Why did he delay sending the forms with the names of the trustees to Headquarters till the gun was sent forward, care of himself? Why did he repeatedly refuse, on demand of the trustees and on the authority of the War Trophy Commission, to hand over the gun? Why has he put obstacles, directly and indirectly, in the way, and openly stated the gun should not go into the school? He also states that we are waiting the consent of the Education Department to place the gun in the schoolground, which is again wrong. We have in our possession the written consent of the Education Department through Mr. Everard, M.L.A., to place the war trophy in the school building and also from the school committee. This is the second time that Cr. Butler has endeavored to use the local council as a constituted authority in regard to Eden Park school to suit his own ends.—Yours, etc.

A. J. RANDALL, Trustee, AVON PERTON, J. RAWLINGS (into A.L.F.)

Two friends were dining together. The one who carved gave himself the best part of the bird. His friend protested. "What would you have done, then?" asked the carver. "Given you the best part of the bird."

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Scott's Boot and Shoe Store, 604 High Street, Croxton. Polishes—Kiwi, 6d tin. Naggel, 5d tin. Wunsweek, 4d tin.

Northcote Auction Rooms G. E. HOOPER, Auctioneer, House & Land Agent, 336 High Street, Northcote. Auction Sale Every Tuesday at 2 p.m. Furniture of various Vendors, comprising Bedroom Suites, Dining Suites, Tables, Bedsteads, Sideboards, Wires, Chairs, Dressing Chests, Hoop, Carpets, Linens, Bicycles, Harness, Washstands, Cutlery, Groceries, Pots, Pans, Pictures, Fenders, Gas Stove, Sundries, &c., &c.

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Primest Meat at Finest Prices. Owing to our Up-to-Date Business Methods—Buying for Cash, Selling for Cash, Economic Supervision and our Huge Daily Sales—we are able to quote the VERY LOWEST RATES for Beef, Mutton & Pork. The Best the Market can Supply.

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Washing Day—but no Copper Fire to Light! WASHDAY Work is reduced by half and drudgery is abolished where there is GAS COPPER. Simply light the Gas Burner and in half-an-hour the copper of clothes is boiling—no trouble at all! Prices from 5s. Call and inspect. The Metropolitan Gas Co., 19b Flinders Lane, Melbourne.

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AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION NORTHCOTE BRANCH, No. 24. Meets alternate Mondays, 8 p.m., Town Hall. Next meeting: 18th January.

A.N.A. A Benefit, National, Progressive Society for Australians. Lodge Room: Town Hall, Northcote. Next meeting—12th January. A. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary, 67 Raleigh St., Northcote.

Dental Advice Free. Mr. C. J. A. TAYLOR, formerly assistant to Dr. Roy Tovey and Dr. W. L. Gibson, surgical assistant to Dr. H. W. and J. R. Gould, Collins Street, Melbourne. Surgical assistant to Kenneth Russell, Melbourne Hospital. Dental assistant, St. Albans Hospital. (Central Junction) meet alternate Wednesdays. (Croxton Junction) meet alternate Thursdays in Methodist School Hall. W. R. FISHALL, Secretary, 23 Starnaby Avenue.

C. J. GORDON GILLIES, L.D.S., B.D.S., Melbourne University, SURGEON DENTIST, HIGH STREET, THORNBURY (next Davis, Chemist). Hours: 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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Sunday Church Services.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, Northcote. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. A. C. Kellaway, M.A. Monday, Mr. David Unwin, Lecturer, 8 p.m.

BOWLS.

The Thornbury "A" team will play Fairfield at North Fitzroy. The "B" team will play Surrey Hills at Thornbury. The "C" team will play Port Melbourne at Thornbury.

Special Notices

MISS SUE ASHTON. ELOQUENT. Pupils Prepared for Examinations. Tuition resumed 15th January, 1922. Address: Balmoral Park, Plenty Road, PRESTON.

Auction Sales

THURSDAY NEXT, 19th JAN. at 11 a.m. sharp at 79 RALEIGH ST., NORTHCOTE. ANGRUS McDONALD, acting under instructions from the Owner, will sell the following by Public Auction: Beautiful New Blackwood Suite (four pieces), Blackwood Bed and Mattress, New Blackwood Chest-of-drawers, Blackwood Dining Table, Pedestal, Jardiniere, Grass Mats, Grass Runner, Grass Square, Main Suxes Gas Stove, Kitchen Dresser, Kitchen Table, Blinds, Sundry, &c., &c.

Amusements

NORTHCOTE THEATRE. Monday, Tues., Wednesday. Vingtograph's Special. The Silver Car. Earle Williams. Thursday, Friday, Saturday. A Fight in the Next Room—A Shot! Norma Talmadge. The Sign on the Door. The Three Musketeers.

Marriage

POTTER-GILMAN. On the 30th December, 1921, at All Saints' Church, Preston, by the Rev. T. W. Davis, Herbert Roy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Potter, of Mary Street, Preston, to Mrs. T. G. Gilman, of "Warrand," Flax Street, Thornbury.

Deaths

BENNETT. On the 12th January, at the residence of Mrs. R. H. Bennett, 15th Street, Northcote, the dearly loved wife of Mr. R. H. Bennett, of "Lamington," 15th Street, Northcote, aged 69. Our bud in heaven.

THE RAILWAY SERVICE.

AN EXTRA EVENING TRAIN. The Railway Department notified the Preston Council that they had considered their request to improve the railway service on the Reservoir line between 5 and 6 p.m.

NEW FEDERAL ELECTORATE.

The next Federal elections will be contested under very changed conditions. Northcote and Preston are no longer parts of the Bourke electorate. In the redistribution they have been added to the new electorate of Mr. Frank Anstey as one Federal representative from the Reservoir.

LAUNDRY.

Desires the Residents of Preston and Surrounding Districts to know that she has opened a Laundry at 398 HIGH STREET, PRESTON.

WANTED.

WANTED Young Woman, strong, clean, for Washing and Cleaning. Must be clean, good worker. Permanent if suitable. 20 Kemp Street, Croxtone.

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LADY, going business, will let for 10/6 furnished home, clean, modern, all conveniences, "restaurant," Leader office.

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LAND, 60 x 132, Thornbury Park, high position, two min. Elec. Tram, £100 cash. 753 High St., Thornbury.

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WESTGARTH THEATRE. Commencing Monday, 19th Jan. ALL THE WEEK. Special Engagement of the Talented Family of Russian Musicians. The Lubowskis. Monday, Tuesday, Wed., Jan. 16, 17, 18. TOM MIX in The Big Town Round Up. Doug. McLean in Passing Thru. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Jan. 19, 20, 21. A Man's Home. Law of the Yukon.

Four progressive Northcote has a unique record. Whilst some of the old suburbs have almost stood still, it has advanced rapidly. In 1880 the year the sewerage system was commenced, its population was only 1,200; today it is 29,451. In the same period the annual value of rateable property has gone up from £55,000 to £254,000. The population has increased over seven fold and the valuations five fold. No other municipality has done this. Preston, Colong, and Heidelberg have the good record of almost doubling their population; our neighbour on the west, like like Epping, Colongwood, South Melbourne, and Cheltenham have not held their own. There is every reason for Northcote's phenomenal progress. Its proximity to the City, its great area of splendid building land, its healthy climate, its low cost of living, its electric tramway on the west, established about two years ago, has been a great factor in accelerating progress, while the fast electric train service, which brings the heart of Northcote within a quarter of an hour of Melbourne City, must prove another great means of popularising the city. Progressing and keeping up with this progress has kept the city councillors constantly on the alert. From a financial standpoint, provision for drainage has been the greatest need, but rightly deemed such an essential part of the city's development as to have been met by the council. The underground stormwater drain, which serves an area stretching from the Morris Creek in the south-western portion of the city to Dundas street in the north, is another consideration which has been met by the council. The drainage works will be little short of £20,000. The advantage of splendidly conducted sewerage, which are to be added in the near future by the provision of a sewer in the rapidly developing East Ward at Clarke street. The excellent and valuable Carnegie library, from which all newspapers and book files are sent to the homes of the residents, is another consideration which has been met by the council. The public men of Northcote can lay the flattering unction to their souls that much has been accomplished, but progress is ever a step beyond. Even Cecil Rhodes, who with his name so large on world history "went West" maintaining the words "So much to do, so little time." These great objectives for Northcote's public men, with the hearty co-operation of the citizens, this year should be a triumph for the western part of the city, with, if possible, the building up of the Northcote cross-line, the holding up of the Northcote and City establishment of the long-delayed Technical School. All these can surely be got if only the "drive" is determined.

Northcote and Preston Scottish Society. MONTHLY CONCERT at the TOWN HALL, NORTHCOTE, on WEDNESDAY, 18th JANUARY. A Programme by Mr. R. A. BATHURST, MISS JENNIE CADE (Comedian), SIGNOR MANZONI (Mandolinist), MISS ISABEL BIDDLE, and NEIL MCINNES (Comedian). DANCE to follow. Admission 1/-.

Mr. David Ross, stationmaster at Preston, and Mrs. Ross have suffered a specially sad bereavement in the death of their only son, a very bright and well-known member of an excellent body of men, who has been a member of the corps for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Ross will have the deep sympathy of all.

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PRESTON SHIRE COUNCIL. MONDAY, 9TH JANUARY. Present: Crs. Crispie (president), Barton, Becknell, Bransgrove, Adams, Warr, and McFadzean.

SHOPBREAKING CHARGES. THE ROBBERY AT REA'S. ONE ACCUSED CARRIES LOADED REVOLVER. At Northcote court on Thursday, before Messrs Hayes (chairman), Johnson, Evans, and Timmins, J.S.I., James Hickey Turner, 47, employed by the Melbourne Electric Supply Co., was charged that on 31st December, 1921, he did feloniously break and enter the premises of Rea's, 26, Victoria street, Northcote, and carry away a quantity of tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, pipes and other articles, the property of Harry Rea, of the value of £120.

GRANGE BLOSSOMS. On the 21st December, 1921, at St. Joseph's church, Northcote, David Dinwiddie, youngest son of David Dinwiddie, 46 Henry street, Northcote, was married to Nellie McDonald, of 49 High street, Northcote.

Local Government. CITY OF NORTHCOTE. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A GENERAL RATE. Notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Northcote intend, at a meeting of the said Council to be held at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, the 16th day of January, 1922, to make and Levy a General Rate of Two Shillings and Sixpence in the Pound on the Net Annual Value of Property assessable in the City of Northcote.

1st Preston Troop Boy Scouts. The troop will resume its meetings this afternoon. The annual meeting will be held in a few week's time, when all the members will be made for the coming year.

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SHIRE OF PRESTON.

Annual Statement of Accounts

FOR THE

Year ending 30th September, 1921.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915.

Statement of Rates.

A General Rate of Thirty Pence in the Pound to 30th September, 1921, was made by the Council on 20th December, 1920.

Table with columns: Riding, Valuation, Amount of General Rate, Amount Collected, Amount Uncollected, Arrears Brought Forward, Arrears Paid, Rates Abandoned, Total Arrears.

Statement of Sanitary Charge.

A Sanitary Charge of Thirty-two Shillings per Pan for the period ending 30th September, 1921, was made by the Council on 20th December, 1920.

Table with columns: Amount of Sanitary Charge, Amount Collected, Amount Uncollected, Arrears Brought Forward, Arrears Paid, Charges Abandoned, Total Arrears.

Balance-Sheet.

Table showing LIABILITIES and ASSETS. LIABILITIES include Contractors' Deposits, Day Labor, General, Quarry, Incomplete Contracts, etc. ASSETS include Arrears-General Rate, Sanitary Fees, Meat Inspection Fees, etc.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure.

Large table with columns: RECEIPTS (1920, 1921) and EXPENDITURE (1920, 1921). Categories include Current Rates, Dog Registration Fees, Licenses, Hall Fees, Contractors' Deposits, etc.

Statement of Contracts.

Table with columns: Balance from Last Year, Amount of Contract, Extras, Amounts Paid, Balance.

Private Street Construction.

Table with columns: Balance from Last Year, Amount of Contract, Extras, Deductions, Totals, Amount Paid, Balance.

Electric Light Department.

Table with columns: Amount of Contract, Extras, Total, Amount Paid, Balance.

Private Street Construction Account.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Private Street Construction Account. RECEIPTS include To Instalments and Payments in full, Interest received on Instalments, etc. EXPENDITURE includes By Balance, Formation of Streets, etc.

Private Street Construction.

Statement showing Amounts Paid and Owing on each Street.

Table with columns: Name of Street, Cost in Register, Amount paid to 30/9/21, Balance owing 30/9/21. Lists streets like Yann Street, Powell Street, etc.

Special Improvement Charge No. 1.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Special Improvement Charge No. 1. RECEIPTS include Oct. 1—To Balance, Annual Charge and Arrears, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Sept. 30—By Balance, etc.

Special Improvement Charge No. 2.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Special Improvement Charge No. 2. RECEIPTS include Oct. 1—To Balance, Annual Charge and Arrears, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Sept. 30—By Debentures Redeemed, etc.

Loan No. 2.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Loan No. 2. RECEIPTS include Oct. 1—To Balance, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Sept. 30—By Cheques, etc.

Loans Redemption Fund.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Loans Redemption Fund. RECEIPTS include Oct. 1—Due Treasurer of Victoria, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Sept. 30—By Payments to Treasurer of Victoria, etc.

Loan No. 1 Debenture Coupon Account.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Loan No. 1 Debenture Coupon Account. RECEIPTS include Sept. 30—To National Bank, Northcote, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Sept. 30—By Balance, etc.

Loan Account No. 4.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Loan Account No. 4. RECEIPTS include Sept. 30—To Amount of 200 Debentures at £100 each, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Sept. 30—By Cheque Book, etc.

Loan Account No. 2.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Loan Account No. 2. RECEIPTS include To Amount of Loan, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Debentures Nos. 1 to 16 inclusive redeemed, etc.

Country Roads Board Maintenance Account.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Country Roads Board Maintenance Account. RECEIPTS include Sept. 30—To Payments by Country Roads Board, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Oct. 1—By Balance, etc.

Electric Light Department Net Revenue Account.

Table showing RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Electric Light Department Net Revenue Account. RECEIPTS include Sept. 30—To Salaries, etc. EXPENDITURE includes Oct. 1—By Balance, etc.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Table showing LIABILITIES and ASSETS. LIABILITIES include 60 Debentures Loan No. 2, Advances from Loan No. 4, etc. ASSETS include Bank Balance Cr., Less Outstanding Cheques, etc.

Audited and found correct— W. T. VENMAN, A.I.C.A., Government Municipal Auditor.

3rd December, 1921.

W. ARTHUR KELLY, C.E., Shire Secretary and Engineer.

Finally Examined, Settled and Allowed by the Council of the Shire of Preston on the 9th day of January, 1922.

C. T. CRISPE, Shire President.

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WHITTLESEA SHIRE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH JANUARY. Present:—Crs. McCormack (president), Butler, Reid, Murphy, Clarke, Thomas, Morgan, and Downie.

putting it in the school ground. The latter was carried, trustees were appointed, and the meeting terminated.

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NORTHCOTE CITY COUNCIL.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16TH. Present: C. J. Thomas (Chairman), Cain, Sutcliffe, Turnbull, Barry, Park, Turner, Beecher, John, G. H. and Ollis.

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NORTHCOTE POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16. (Before Messrs. Plant (Chairman) Bailey and Evans, J.S.P.)

WIFE CLAIMS MAINTENANCE.

Christina Smith, Smith Street, Thornbury, proceeded against her husband, Bert Smith, for maintenance for herself and Bertie L. Smith, aged 5, the only child of the marriage.

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CITY OF NORTHCOTE. Annual Statement of Accounts

FOR THE Year ended 30th September, 1921. (IN ABSTRACT)

Statement of Rate

A General Rate of Two Shillings and Threepence in the £ to the 30th September, 1921, made by the Council on the 17th day of January, 1921.

Table with columns: CURRENT RATE, Amount Collected, Abandoned, Total, Total Arrears.

Special Improvement Rates—Consolidated Mortgage Accounts

Table with columns: Arrears due 31/10/20, Collected, Uncollected, Special Improvement Rate No., Charge No.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure

Main financial statement table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Statement of Contracts

Table with columns: Balance from Last Year, Amount of Contract, Extra, Total, Paid and Deductions, Balance.

Street Construction Account

Table with columns: Balance at 1/10/20, Receipts, Expenditure, Balance at 30/9/21.

Loan No. 12

Table with columns: Balance at 1/10/20, Receipts, Expenditure, Balance at 30/9/21.

Electric Light Account

Table with columns: Balance at 1/10/20, Receipts, Expenditure, Balance at 30/9/21.

Assets and Liabilities

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Street Construction Account

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Loan No. 12

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Loan No. 2

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Consolidated Mortgage Account

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Statement of Cemetery Accounts from 1st July, 1921, to 30th September, 1921

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/7/21, Balance at 30/9/21.

Electric Light Account

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Revenue Account

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

Net Revenue Account

Table with columns: To Balance, By Balance, Balance at 30/9/21.

Assets and Liabilities

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, ASSETS, Balance at 1/10/20, Balance at 30/9/21.

LOAN LIABILITY

Table with columns: To Loan, By Redemption, Balance at 30/9/21.

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"SECURITY OF A NATION."

The following is the first instalment of a paper read by Mr. J. MacLaughlin before the Preston branch of the N.A.A. at their meeting on the 23rd inst.

Streston Statement of Accounts.

Under the influence of the "Security of a Nation" movement, the imagination of the masses has been stimulated.

DIGGERS' COLUMN.

NORTHCOLE R.S.S.I.L.A. The branch met on Monday night, but the business was small.

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ORANGE JAM. To make a nice orange jam from lemon jam recipe, use three lemons and three oranges instead of all lemons.

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PRESTON BRANCH.

At the general meeting last Tuesday night the most ardent Mr. H. Smith (nick) presided over a gathering that taxed the seating capacity of the room.

BAN ON WOMEN'S FOOTBALL.

Women's football clubs have been banned by the Council of the English Association. At their last meeting the Council passed a resolution expressing the strong opinion that the game of football is quite unsuitable for females.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Spread your tea leaves before using them, on a sheet of white paper, and place in a warm oven, not too hot, for twelve minutes or so.

WESTCARTH THEATRE.

IF I WERE KING. Every once in a while picture producers evolve some film which stands out as a milestone on the road to perfection.

THE BRAINS OF A BIRD.

[By J. M. DODDINGTON]. "The brains of a bird" are they as microscopic as the phrase indicates?

LABOR'S TRUE INTERESTS.

In a certain academic sense everyone is at once a consumer and a producer, since everyone who produces, consumes, and theoretically at least, everyone who consumes must produce.

CITY ENTERTAINMENTS.

It is surprising how Ben and John Fuller are able to keep up the supply of first-class vaudeville acts.

WALTER CORNECK.

Walter Corneck, who plays the Dame in "The Babes in the Wood" pantomime at the Palace Theatre, has a heart of humor, and is equally at home in drama as in a big musical production.

THE POPULAR DAME OF THE "DUBBED"

The popular dame of the "Dubbed" pantomime at the Princess Theatre (John Gerald) is the proud owner of a motor car, and it is his delight to speed along St. Kilda road after the daily performance.

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