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BOWLS.

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A SERIOUS CHARGE.

ACCUSED COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

At the Northcote court on Thursday, before Messrs Hayes (chairman), Cohen, and Evans, J.P., Richard Fredrickson...

WEDDING.

RUDDY-POWELL.

On the 20th January the Methodist Church, High Street, Northcote, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion...

N.S.R.A. Names Three "Wants."

Mr. T. Thomas, hon. sec. Northcote South Ratepayers' Association, was invited to the monthly evening meeting...

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Northcote A.N.A.

The fortnightly meeting was held on 25th January. Reports were received from Metropolitan Committee delegates. The syllabus of the evening was an interesting evening...

Northcote Theatre.

"Skin Deep," a Thos. H. Ince production which will be shown on Monday next, is a story of a denizen of the underworld—grim, sinister, forbidding...

Northcote A.L.P. Picnic to Hampton.

The unpromising weather prospects on Monday morning did not deter the party who had determined to make their annual picnic a success...

Northcote Police Court.

THURSDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY. (Before Messrs Hayes (chairman), Hadden, Cohen, Jones, and Evans, J.P.)

CLAIM FOR RENT.

Annie Coghlan claimed £14/8/- for rent due by Wm. Carter for use and occupation of a house, Bent street, Mr. S. R. Roe for plaintiff.

DEBT.

Thos. William Yates v. N. Sala. Claim for £20/7/11. No appearance. The solicitor for plaintiff having indicated that he abandoned the excess of £20, an order was made for this amount, with £2/7/- costs.

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CHURCH RINK TOURNAMENT (Electric Light).

The following is the draw for church rink tournament, the first round of which commences on Tuesday evening at Thornbury green.

THE DRAW.

J. Samuelsen (Fairfield C. of E.) v. E. Campbell (Thornbury Presbyterian). W. Wilkinson (Preston Methodist) v. A. Mann (Ivanhoe Presbyterian).

WHITTELESEA SHIRE NEWS.

The two rinks sent by Northcote club to compete in the V.B.A. president's trophy made a very good showing, and went out to St. Melbourne on Thursday, being beaten by 3 points only.

THE VALUATION APPEALS.

The appeals were before Mr. Smith, P.M., and Mr. Scott, J.P., at the Whittlesea Court on the 13th January. There were only two cases brought before the court and in each case reductions were made.

THE FOUNDATION STONE.

The foundation stone of the new parish hall, a memorial to fallen soldiers of the parish, is to be laid by Archdeacon Dayman this afternoon.

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HEATHERTON SANATORIUM. The Public Health Department wrote asking council to nominate a representative on the Heatherton Sanatorium Board.—Referred to the committee of the whole.

TRAMWAY RATING. Melbourne City Council intimated that the rating of tramway undertakings on increased assessment of £130,000 would commence with the year ending 30th September, 1923.—Received.

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2. F. M. and M. Frouchem, re Subdivision of Land Darabin and Wales Streets.—Plan approved.

3. Pender's Grove Association, requesting permission to make alterations and extension to the Pender's Grove Hall.—Granted.

4. O. S. Edwards, re Erection of Dividing Fence on Land, Victoria Road.—That the Council agree to pay one-half (£10)—Adopted.

5. W. Dilling, requesting permission to erect house on land Bond Street west, a distance of 10 feet from street line and on one-half of the area of the allotment.—Granted.

6. Mitchell Street Metalling.—That the City Surveyor be instructed to met the roadway in Mitchell Street at a cost not exceeding the sum of £400.—Adopted.

7. That tender of J. Milot at 11/6 per yard for 90 yards of hand-broken metal be accepted.—Adopted.

REVENUE LIGHT COMMITTEE. Cr. Turner (chairman) submitted the report, recommending:—1. That the accounts amounting to £1,692/10/7 be passed for payment.—Adopted.

2. Oliver Bradley was appointed to be auditor clerkship, and it was decided on the motion of Cr. Cain, that the matter of filling the vacancy in the staff caused by the transfer of Mr. McCusker to the rate collector's office be referred to the committee of the whole, the understanding being that Mr. Stanley be pushed up into Mr. McCusker's position, power to be given to call for applications to fill the vacancy.

3. Re Proposed Extensions.—That, subject to the consent of the Tramway Board being obtained for the erection of sub-station on a section of St. George's Reserve, the proposals submitted by the Consulting Electrical Engineer be adopted, and that he be instructed to submit same to the Electricity Commission for approval.—Adopted.

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An account of £581/10/6 for supply of poles was passed for payment.

PARIS COMMITTEE REPORT. Cr. Harry (chairman) submitted the report, recommending that accounts amounting to £912/10 be passed for payment.—Adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. Cr. Cain (chairman) submitted the report, recommending:—1. That accounts amounting to £1,740/12/11 be passed for payment.—Adopted.

2. Grant for Employment of Returned Soldiers.—That the offer of the Warriors' Day Appeal Fund Committee of the sum of £150, for the employment of returned soldiers, the Council also to provide £150, on the same terms and conditions as the previous agreement, be accepted.—Adopted.

3. Commonwealth Bank, re Overdraft Limit.—That the Commonwealth Bank be notified that the Council desires the limit for overdraft on the Municipal Fund Account to be up to one-half of the previous year's income as provided by the Local Government Act.—Adopted.

4. Re Position of Assistant Rate Collector.—That Mr. A. C. McCusker, at present employed by the Council as Meter Reader and Assistant Collector, having applied to be transferred to the position of Assistant Rate Collector, be recommended to be appointed to that position at a salary of the rate of £225 per annum, and to be subject to the Log for Municipal Officers.—Adopted.

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NORTHCOOTE'S EXPANSION.

To the Editor. Sir—As an old resident of various parts of Northcoote, north, east and west—I was pleased to read the article under the above heading in the "Northcoote Leader" of 6th ult. Of course, everyone can see for themselves that the city is growing at a great rate, but it needed the figure you have given to bring home to the average citizen the full extent of its expansion. And this expansion is all the more gratifying when one considers the extraordinary disabilities under which the council has laboured. So much has been done that there is virtually very little to show for the money expended. There is the item, for instance, of the huge underground drains from the Preston boundary, with its outlet through Sumner's paddock into Merri creek, which cost somewhere about £20,000. Then there was the approach to Rucker's hill, which must have been an expensive item; also a share in the construction of three bridges over the Merri—on at High street, another at St. George's road, and one at Darabin road; and provision has also been made for Kuller's drain and the East ward drain. I am not aware whether these latter items are included in the £250,000 figure mentioned, but these items combined would make a big hole in the amount mentioned, and there is very little to show for it. In fact, how many ratepayers of Northcoote even know anything of the £250,000 I have alluded to? The advancement of Northcoote by the purchase and reconstruction of the cable tram in High street. Prior to that the city was stagnating owing to the fact of the land boom. As showing the state of affairs at that period, I mention that the cost for a shop and dwelling in the Terminus buildings, High street, was 6/6 per week, and further up the hill the houses in Builders' Terrace, Hotham street, South Preston—balcony two-storied 6 roomed houses—were let at 2/6 per week each. This is not hearsay. I have resided in both and can vouch for the fact. The cable tram was not then running, but was shortly afterwards acquired by the Northcoote Council. This was just at the psychological moment, when normal conditions were approaching, and from that time to the present we have been on the upgrade. The loop-line railway through the town, via Clifton Hill, was also a great factor in the progress of Northcoote by bringing the city within 20 minutes of Melbourne. What the cable tram did for one part of Northcoote the electric tram is rapidly doing for the west and north-west of the city, and it is hoped that the proposed Darabin road tram will also help to expand the city. It is a good road, but it is a pity that the lower part of the road is not entered for. Probably some means to effect this object will be devised later on. In the meantime perhaps some of the residents may be thinking of buying caps and work out another line. And while we are on the subject of trams, I would like to say a few words in regard to the St. George's road electric tram. I did not think that anyone would now have the temerity to utter a word against this tram or its conductors. But recently, when the tram for the east was under discussion, Cr. Dennis said that it would pay for itself on Saturday, the 10th February. The first round commences on the 17th inst.

LEVEL CROSSING FATALITY AT PRESTON.

LITTLE BOY RUN DOWN. Tommy Broadhurst, son of Mr. Terry Thomas Broadhurst, civil servant, of the Bruce street death trap, between Bell street and Preston, on Thursday last. The seven-year-old boy was run down from his playfellow, and had reached the crossing about 5 p.m., just as two trains, going in opposite directions, ran him down. His mates found him, still lying, between the two lines. Constable Hatt, of Preston, and Dr. Morgan arrived a few minutes later, but the boy died before they could do anything.

BOWLS.

CHURCH RINK TOURNAMENT.

FIRST ROUND. The above competition was commenced on Tuesday evening, and still continues, with the exception of mild still nights, was continued on Wednesday and Thursday evenings with successful results. The following are the results of the first round: 1. St. George's (Presbyterians) 20 beat 2. St. George's (Methodists) 20 beat 3. St. George's (Anglicans) 20 beat 4. St. George's (Catholic) 20 beat 5. St. George's (Baptists) 20 beat 6. St. George's (Unitarians) 20 beat 7. St. George's (Jehovah's Witnesses) 20 beat 8. St. George's (Mormons) 20 beat 9. St. George's (Spiritualists) 20 beat 10. St. George's (Theosophists) 20 beat 11. St. George's (Occultists) 20 beat 12. St. George's (Astrologers) 20 beat 13. St. George's (Alchemists) 20 beat 14. St. George's (Magicians) 20 beat 15. St. George's (Sorcerers) 20 beat 16. St. George's (Wizards) 20 beat 17. St. George's (Enchanters) 20 beat 18. St. George's (Necromancers) 20 beat 19. St. George's (Diviners) 20 beat 20. 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NORTHCOOTE POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY.

[Before Messrs Hayes (chairman), and Cohen, J.P.]

TRAFFIC OFFENCES. Jack Barton was fined 20/- for travelling in High Street, between Mitchell and Separation streets, at a speed dangerous to traffic, viz. 25 miles an hour.

For passing with a motor lorry on the wrong side of a tram, Geo. F. Moore was fined 40/-.

RAILWAY CASES.

Maisie Sheehan, Chas. Batten, Ralph McCutcheon, Chas. May, John L. Dunkerley, Carrio Ward, Abraham Taylor, Frank Lindsay, Stanley Winchester were each fined 10/- with 5/- costs for trespassing on the railway line at Westgarth.

It appears that the usage has been for numbers of people desiring to take a "shores cut" to their homes or to the drill hall to cross over the line at a point about 50 yards north of the station. The railway authorities look upon this as a dangerous practice, and special checkers were put on with a view of prosecuting persons crossing the lines here, and thus putting a stop to the practice.

Edward Thompson was charged with opening a carriage door while the train was in motion.

A checkler gave evidence that the train moved on for 20 yards after the carriage door was opened.

Defendant pleaded guilty to stopping from the train, but to not opening the carriage door. There were 23 in the compartment all clamoring to get out, and though he was first to get out, he did not open the door. He had been travelling for two years on this train, but more often than not could not get a seat, though he had paid for it.

The chairman said he hoped the railway authorities would make a note of this.

The Bench could not agree, the prosecutor (Mr. Hefferman) offered to withdraw the case on payment of 5/- costs. Defendant consented, and the case was withdrawn accordingly.

WIFE SUES FOR MAINTENANCE.

John Arthur Weir was proceeded against for leaving his wife and also his child without means of support. Mr. Fraser for plaintiff, Mr. Dunlop for defendant.

Violet Veronica Weir, at present residing with her father, at Westgarth, stated she was married on 19th February, 1921, and there was one child now 15 months old. Their first home was at Miller street, North Fitzroy. They were there about 9 months, her husband being employed as a hat blocker. During this time he provided for her and their child, and she was happy. He then got out of work and they went to live first at Clouston street, Fitzroy, and then to Clifton Hill. During part of this time her husband was engaged in fruit hawking, and she did not receive from her husband sufficient for her maintenance and had to get assistance from her father. They went for a time to live with her husband's people, during which time she got her food only. Then they went to her brother's, who, to assist her husband, gave him partial employment. This money her husband used to pay for another child instead of paying for their furniture. There were some words over this, and her husband left her, saying he was going to Sydney, but she did not believe he went there. She then went back to her parents. In October last, at her suggestion, she and her husband took a married couple's position at Somerton. They got £2 1/2 a week. She received the money, but every fortnight he would go to town and spend a week's wages. On Christmas Eve her husband left Somerton, and she remained till the 4th January. She did not hear from her husband again till 8th January, when she accidentally met him in Fitzroy. He told her to do nothing, she would be sorry for him and he would get work. The reason he gave for leaving Somerton was because he seemed to imagine that it was her fault that he did not get two days' leave instead of one. She had not received one penny from him since, and was without means of support.

To Mr. Dunlop—"The job at Somerton was a 'soda' for her husband, but she had a lot to do; but she had never said that she was keeping him, and had never told him to clear out. When she came to town from Somerton she never spent a penny on herself. She heard her husband had now got work. She was 23, he was 24.

Mr. Dunlop—"Don't you think you are rather young to part?"

Plaintiff—"Certainly not; the sooner the better. He left me twice when I was young; what will he do when I am old?"

Mr. Dunlop—"He is prepared, now he is in work, to provide a home and put your furniture in it. What about it?"

Plaintiff—"I say 'No'."

Wouldn't you go back to him under these circumstances?—"No, I wouldn't. The chairman said it seemed regrettable seeing they were both so young that plaintiff was not disposed to give her husband another chance.

Plaintiff—"If he left me when I am young what would he do when I am old?"

Defendant said he had been in work a fortnight and was getting £4 3/4 a week.

Asked by the chairman if he was in a position to give his wife a week's maintenance right away, he said he had no money at all, as he had had to pay his solicitor.

The chairman said that defendant had not given them a very good impression.

The case was adjourned for a month to test the bona fides of defendant's offer. In the meantime he would have to contribute £2 per week towards his wife and child's maintenance.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

[Before Messrs Cohen (chairman) and Jones, J.P.]

TROUBLE AT SOLICITORS' SETTLEMENT.

Violet Wilkinson, Separation street, and Lucille Robins for unlawfully assaulting her son, Athol Wilkinson, aged 9, also for using insulting words towards her. There were cross summonses, Mrs. Robins suing Mrs. Wilkinson for assaulting her and also for using insulting words. Mr. Dunlop for Mrs. Wilkinson, Mr. Healy for Mrs. Robins.

Both Violet Wilkinson, married woman, gave evidence that on the afternoon of Thursday 25th her little boy, aged 9, was standing at the gate. From her front bedroom window she saw Mrs. Robins come across and smack her boy on the face, saying you b—, I'll knock your b— off. Witness said it can't bear this; what did you hit my little boy for? She said something about him cursing her boy. Witness told her she would go for the police. Her reply was "What can you do?" A little while after, when witness was going to the police station, Mrs. Robins crossed over the street to her and said "What the b— can you do, you're no good." Witness put out her hand to push her away and got past. She did not know whether she struck her or not. She kept saying "You b— trollop." After issuing her summonses she received two from Mrs. Robins. To Mr. Healy—"She never used insulting epithets to Mrs. Robins. Mrs. Robins did not say "You're in a divorce case with a policeman named Collett," but that story had been circulated since. She did not say to Mrs. Robins "I'm well in with the police."

Mr. Dunlop—"Have you been rather good to Mrs. Robins's children?"

Witness—"Yes, I looked after them while their mother was in hospital. Elizabeth Alice Harris, married woman, residing at the corner of Separation and Oamaru streets, said that from her front window she saw Mrs. Robins go across to Mrs. Wilkinson and slap Athol Wilkinson in the face. Mrs. Wilkinson came out and witness heard her say "Why did you strike my boy? I won't stand it any longer. I will summon you." She did not hear Mrs. Wilkinson use any insulting language. Later she saw Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Robins in the street. Mrs. Robins said something to Mrs. Wilkinson and she heard the latter say "Go away." Mrs. Robins then called her (Mrs. Wilkinson) "a trollop."

Jean Agnes Wilkinson, daughter of informant, gave corroborative evidence.

Mr. Healy, for the defence, said the whole trouble arose through a child's dispute. The mothers were then drawn in, and both lost their tempers.

Lucille Robins, residing with her husband in Oamaru street, said she was told that Mrs. Wilkinson's boy had kicked her boy in the stomach. The chairman said these wandering animals were becoming a real pest, and some of his colleagues were of the opinion that the fines should be increased to £1 per head, as the lesser penalties seemed to be no deterrent.

Mr. Zwar, J.P., remarked that had the time of the police was taken up with these cases. They could do with one man less if the nuisance was stopped. The ranger said the goats were left ajar they were into gardens, and if they were shut they were up on their hind legs chewing the hedges. The animals being owned by old age pensioners made the cases harder to deal with.

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First Preston Troop Boy Scouts.

On Tuesday evening parade will be devoted to test work. Saturday afternoon senior cricket team play Excelsior on our own ground; rest of day in instruction and training of test work. The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, 17th February. There are still a few vacancies for those who wish to join either cubs or scouts. The troop expect to give their annual concert in about three weeks in the town hall.

Educational.

WESTLEIGH COLLEGE, Bayview St., Northcote. Principals: Miss GREENHAM, Miss BAYLYN. Established 1888. Classes for music, Miss M. Raymet; Drawing and Painting, Miss Finley; Elocution, Miss Finley; Singing, Miss Ruby Bond; Physical Culture, Prof. Bjelke Petersen.

Preparatory School for Boys. Separate class rooms and playground. First term begins Wednesday, 14th February, 1923. Principals may be interviewed Feb. 12th and 13th.

MISS EILEEN PASCOE-WEBBER. Receives Pupils To and Fancy Dancing, Action Songs, etc. Classes for private or Juvenile Concert Programmes arranged. Westgarth Hall, Steane St., Northcote South, Saturday afternoon, 2. Private address: "Leone," Rowa St., North Fitzroy. Phone, N. 1370.

Elocution.

LEARN TO ENTERTAIN AND BECOME POPULAR. MR. W. G. SOUTHWELL, Grand Champion, instructs in all branches of Elocutionary Art, including Dramatic, Humorous, and Monologue Work at 6 High Street, Northcote South.

MISS BEVELL, L.L.C.M. Receives Pupils. ELOCUTION. A Dramatic Evening Class forming for Adults. Juvenile Class Saturday, 182 Collins Street, Melbourne. "Lonesome Pine," Woolhouse Street, Northcote. Phone, Northcote 689.

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BAND OF HOPE MOVEMENT.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST. At the last meeting of the Band of Hope the members were busy preparing for the United Band of Hope choir in the Melbourne town hall. Miss Jackson, the musical director, is training members for the choir. The society expects to send a big contingent of members and friends. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Junior Treasurer, Miss Myra Barkham; Captain of Girls, Miss Winnie Garrett; Captain of the Boys, Douglas Alexander.

Patroness, Patroness! Patroness! If you would rise; say things make my life.

PRESTON POLICE COURT.

TUESDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY.

[Before Messrs Bricknell (chairman), Zwar, and Ellison, J.P.]

RESCUE ORDER.

Walter Robert Morrison, as agent for C. J. Frank, sought a warrant of ejectment against Arthur H. Hanscombe from a house in Powell street.

Hanscombe said there had been some friction between Mr. Franks and himself when they were neighbors. He had taken this house on two years' lease from Mrs. Edwards, and thought he was doing right in paying her the rent. When he knew that Mr. Franks had bought the house he told Miss Franks to tell her father that he had the "rent ready for him. He also told Mr. Franks's agent he had the rent ready, and was waiting for it to be called for.

Mr. Searle (for plaintiff) pointed out that there was a clause in the lease which said that if the tenant falls into arrears the tenancy would be terminated. There was now six weeks' rent due.

The chairman—According to that he must chase the landlord to pay the rent. Rather drastic isn't it? Mr. Searle—That's the strict law. Defendant—I told the daughter I had the rent ready for her father. The chairman—If he pays the rent to date would you still wish to eject him?

Mr. Searle said they would prefer an order.

An order was made to issue within 30 days. No costs were allowed.

DETAINING A HORSE.

Peter Wilson sued D. Jeffrey for the illegal detention of a horse, valued at £8.

Plaintiff stated he bought a turnout consisting of a wagon and two horses from defendant about Christmas time, and sold the wagon and one horse back to him, and lent him the other horse, a bay mare. He (defendant) had sold the mare without his authority, and had not given him any of the money.

Defendant—You sold the whole turnout back to me for £30. I have given you £27. All I owe now is £3. That was the agreement.

Plaintiff—That's not true. Case dismissed.

WANDERING CATTLE.

Forty-two wandering cattle cases, involving 85 animals—horses, cows, calves, and goats, were brought by the town ranger (C. Tassie) before the court, Sergeant Ewart presiding.

The chairman said these wandering animals were becoming a real pest, and some of his colleagues were of the opinion that the fines should be increased to £1 per head, as the lesser penalties seemed to be no deterrent.

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NEW SCHOOL FOR PENDER'S GROVE. MINISTER INSPECTS SITE AND MAKES SELECTION. At the request of the Preston Council, Mr. J. Cain, M.L.A., arranged for a visit to Pender's Grove by the Minister of Education on Thursday evening.

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NORTHCOTE CITY COUNCIL.

MONDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY.

Present:—Cra. Slater (mayor), Sutcliffe, Turnbull, Johnson, Glanville, Oldis, Turner, Findlay, Dennis, Cain, Timmins, and Harry.

Cr. Pearl was too unwell to be present. Cr. McDonnell being still out of the State his leave of absence was extended.

Cr. Jones was absent in Sydney.

RESOLUTIONS. The Metropolitan Board of Works wrote declining to extend the water in Victoria road, as the prospective revenue was only 7 per cent on £350.

RECEIVED. The Board, however, would agree to an extension in Beaconsfield parade, from Woolhouse street to Leinster grove, these along Leinster grove to Emmaline street.—Received, and necessary guarantee to be entered into.

SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION ACT. The Public Works Department wrote stating that the Scaffolding Inspection Act would apply to the City of Northcote, and the council would have to appoint officers to discharge the duties of inspectors.—Referred to works committee.

DON'T DO TREE PLANTING. The War Service Homes Commission wrote stating with regard to tree planting in Oamaru and other streets of Separation street.—Received.

HUNDOIC PLACARD. The town clerk, Melbourne, notified a meeting of representatives on the Bubonic Plague Conference on Thursday, 15th, at which the reports of Drs. Sinclair and Bull were presented.—Referred to representative.

REPRESENTATIVE ON HEATHINGTON SANATORIUM. The council resolved to support the nomination of Cr. Coulson (Collingwood).

APPLICATIONS FROM FOOTBALL CLUBS. R. Gullick, hon. sec. Westgirth Football Club, applied for the use of the council's Victoria road park land for the coming football season. The club had been using the ground for some years, and had much improved it by filling and levelling.—Referred to parks committee.

R. H. Tulk, secretary St. George's Road Methodist Football Club, applied for the use of the north end of Merril park for the coming season.—Referred to parks committee.

UNDERSIZED BLOCK. Stewart & Davies applied for permission to erect a cottage on a block 20 x 100 in Beaufort street. An additional land adjoining could be purchased. They would erect a brick parapet wall no one of the boundaries.—Referred to works committee.

PERMIT FOR PETROL MEASURE. Alfred Russ applied for permission to erect a petrol measure on the kurb at his premises, 455 High street.—Referred to works committee, engineer to report.

BUILDING APPLICATION WITHDRAWN. T. Cunningham wrote withdrawing his application for permission to build on his land as he learned that the council's restrictions as to area were very severe, and it would mean an unprofitable proposition for him to proceed.

Cr. Harry moved that the withdrawal of the application be permitted, and the provisional consent cancelled.—Carried.

PETITION AGAINST SUB-DIVISION. Cr. Harry presented a petition from a number of ratepayers in Reid street protesting against the subdivision of the New Northcote Brick Company's property in the neighborhood of Reid and Dennis streets, on the ground that it would lead to double street construction and depreciate the value of their property.—To lie on the table for a fortnight.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Cr. Oldis (chairman) submitted the report, recommending— That accounts—general, £1026 6s 9d; street construction, £175—be passed for payment.—Granted.

2. H. Bain, requesting permission to erect house at Hastings Street, a distance of 15 feet from street line.—Granted.

3. W. H. Carter, requesting permission to build house with brick wall on boundary of land Henry Street.—Granted.

4. Shilofbury Parade.—That the City Surveyor be instructed to spread mail on the roadway in Shilofbury Parade at a cost of £200.—Adopted.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE. Cr. Turner (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—

1. That accounts amounting to £836 17s 8d be passed for payment.—Adopted.

2. Appointment of Motor Reader.—(a) That Mr. E. Stanley, Motor Reader, be appointed to the motor position of collector and Motor Reader at a salary at the rate of £273 per annum. (b) That Mr. H. Minter, now employed as Assistant Linesman, be appointed to the position of Motor Reader at a salary at the rate of £247 per annum.—Adopted.

3. House Service Meters.—That tenders be invited for the supply of 840 House Service Meters, the cost of same being provided for in the new loan.—Adopted.

PARKS COMMITTEE. Cr. Harry (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—

1. That accounts amounting to £102 7s 10d be passed for payment.—Adopted.

2. East Ward Drinking Fountain.—That a spring tap be erected on a post 5in. x 5in. on the site of the proposed Grotto.—Adopted.

3. Re-use of Morri Park and other parks.—That applications be invited up to 5th March proximo from Football Clubs for permission to play thereon in the coming season.—Adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. Cr. Cain (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—

1. That accounts amounting to £1026 6s 9d be passed for payment.—Adopted.

2. Treasurer's report showed a debit of £21,079 0s 4d in the general account, and a credit balance of £1300 7s 6d in the electric light account.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The mayor (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—

1. Municipal Association, re Employees' Wages Award.—That the wages remain as at present for the current quarter.—Adopted.

QUARRY REPORT. Cr. Sutcliffe submitted the report, showing amongst other things, that 625 cubic yards of metal and screenings had been placed on Mitchell street.

ORDINARY BUSINESS. Cr. Turner reported that under the guidance of their Commissioner (Cr. Dennis) a party of Northcote councillors had made an official visit to the Wallaby Creek section of Melbourne's water supply, and while they had gained something in knowledge, they also had a very pleasant trip. He would like, therefore, to move a vote of thanks to Cr. Dennis for the trouble he had taken in the matter. Cr. Sutcliffe seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

THE NEW RATE. Cr. Cain moved that a required sum of £38,466/10/- for coming year's expenditure be raised by striking a rate of 2s 6d in the £1 on the annual value of rateable property, and that Mr. J. A. Thomson be appointed to collect same; also that an annual charge of 38s per pan per annum (45s twice weekly) be struck. Both rates due and payable on February 13.—Adopted.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

Present:—Cra. McCormack (President), Brown, Butler, Clarke, Thomas, Morgan, Mitchell, Cornfoot, Downie, Murray, and Murphy.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Health Department, forwarding copy of inspection report on the sanitation of Whitlessea township by Dr. Merrilees. The report stated, amongst other things, that the houses numbered 70 and the population 400. There is a total lack of inspection, and consequently no observance of the Health Act. The main streets have a good paved drain, but there are three faulty parts—(1) Cobble drain in front of Whitlessea Hotel (very bad); (2) broken ground near standpipes; (3) bad grade below coffee palace. There is no flushing and no evidence of cleaning. No refuse service. The yards are fair, save where horses are kept. He was informed that there are several unregistered dairies. There is a piggery on premises not licensed for same, and evidence that pigs are being fed on raw refuse. All chests were badly constructed and dyed. Infectious diseases—None for a long time. No sanitary conveniences at the Church of England.—It was decided that the Church of England authorities be notified of the last named complaint.—The Board to be informed that the other matters referred to are under consideration.

From Public Works Department, stating that £200 had been re-voiced for Thomastown Settlement road.—Received.

The president was appointed to represent the council at the conference re the Nookus Weeds and Vermin Act.

From Railway Department, asking for reply to their letter re drainage at Whitlessea.

Cr. Downie moved that the council agree to the Railway Department's scheme, provided that the drain be taken across to the north side of the road and then diverted to the east.

Cr. Brown—Butter for the three Whitlessea riding members to meet the engineer on the spot and draw up a definite scheme.

Cr. Downie's motion was agreed to. From same, stating that existing arrangements in regard to street lighting for trains on holidays would be maintained.—Received.

From same, asking council's wishes in regard to proposal to substitute a cattle pit crossing for the occupation crossing near South Morang.—The president moved that the Department be asked for an estimate of the cost of putting in a cattle pit, and if they would allow the council to carry out the work. Cr. Clarke seconded.—Carried.

From Municipal Association, asking council to attend deputation to protest against the new boarding house regulations on the 21st.—The president moved that Cr. Thomas attend the deputation, and that the members for the district be also asked to attend. Cr. Clarke seconded.—Carried.

From same, intimating that the basic wage as from January 2nd would be 11/6 per week.—Received.

From Metropolitan Board of Works, asking what the council proposed doing re the Board's private road running from Arthur's Creek road to Cadie's lane.

Cr. Hurry said that this particular road had been used by him for over 40 years and was outside the Board's territory. He moved that the copy of the letter as drafted by Cr. Reid be sent in reply to the Board's letter.

Cr. Thomas, who seconded the motion, said he had used this track 60 years ago, before the Board ever came to the neighborhood.

The motion was carried. Cr. Butler seconded that this council support the Shire of Ararat's move for a universal Saturday half holiday throughout the State.—Carried. Crs. Mitchell, Downie and the president speaking in favor of allowing each centre to decide for itself.

From Country Roads Board, asking if construction of culvert on Morang road near Commercial Hotel would move cause of complaint by Messrs. Fair and Brahe.—Reply to be sent in the affirmative.

From Country Roads Board, asking if the council is desirous of proceeding with works on roads already selected as developmental roads, or if it desires the Board to visit the district for the purpose of selecting roads.

On the motion of Crs. Clarke and Cornfoot it was decided to comply with the Board's conditions regarding the construction of developmental roads.

It was decided—on the motion of Crs. Thomas and Cornfoot—to ask the Board to visit the shire and decide as to the roads to be done under the Developmental Roads Act.

Re Brennan's Hill deviation—a work it has been decided to do out of loan moneys and the Government grant for the necessary equipment.—Cr. Hurry moved that the necessary steps be taken to secure the necessary land for the deviation by arbitration. Cr. Hurry seconded.—Carried.

Cr. Butler moved that the necessary steps be taken to secure the necessary land for the deviation by arbitration. Cr. Hurry seconded.—Carried.

From Dr. Day stating he had no objection to a piggy at Mr. Ayres's slaughterhouse provided it was placed 100ft. away from the slaughter-house, and that drainage requirements be attended to.—Registration to be allowed when these conditions are fulfilled.

From H. Powell, Strathaven, asking to be provided with an outlet road. Messrs Powell and Mann appeared as a deputation and put the case before the council. Mr. Mann undertook to intercede with Mr. Sparks to give Mr. Powell a way out on the

meantime. From A. B. Macfarlane, thanking council for letter of sympathy in connection with her sad bereavement. From C. Crotchell, Epping, applying for a slaughtering license.—Granted.

From H. J. Smith, asking for a road to his property at Hurstbridge.—Referred to engineer.

From W. J. Draper, asking that land on which Scrubby Creek hall is built on be gazetted as a reserve. Because he complied with on the motion of Cr. Downie.

From Cr. Thomas, stating he could not, as representing the library committee, accept service of rate notice for the caretaker's cottage at the shire hall, Mernda. It was not usual to collect rates under such circumstances. The president said the matter would be looked into. He understood the caretaker paid rent.

Cr. Thomas replied that no rent was paid. From Rev. L. H. R. Croker, complaining that the wandering cattle nuisance at Whitlessea had not been abated as yet by fines being inflicted on the owners.

The secretary stated he had brought the matter under the notice of the inspector. Cr. Thomas moved that the inspector be instructed to impound and prosecute for wandering cattle.

Cr. Downie seconded.—Carried. Cr. Butler said before doing this they should make sure of their legal position in the matter by consulting the Municipal Association. He moved to that effect.—Carried.

From State Electricity Commission, stating they had slightly damaged the bridge over the Darebin Creek, but their repairs had left the bridge better than before.—Engineer to inspect and report.

From Thos. Sixter, asking that drain in Bridge Inn lane running through his cultivation be attended to.—Referred to engineer on the motion of Cr. Thomas.

From Jas. Slattery, stating that C. H. Zimmer had rendered him an account for £14 1s 6d for crushing, and insurance, but he (Slattery) had paid some of the wages himself and would only allow the council to pay him £14 1s 6d.—The president moved that Messrs Slattery and Brazill be asked to attend at next meeting and state their case.

From C. H. Zimmer, asking to be allowed interest on account of work done last September. The president moved that the matter be held over till next meeting. It was only fair, he said, that they should get interest.—Carried.

From H. Thomas, asking for payment for putting in flood-gates on road known as Howard's deviation. From Edward Nicholls, valuer, applying for balance of £50 due to him; also putting in a claim for £12/12/- for services in connection with appeal cases.

The president said he was very disappointed with the valuations all through. They had a poor man to uphold his own valuation. He had nothing to put before the court that they could take notice of, and yet they were paying pretty heavily for it. The whole system of valuations was an elastic conscience. They would simply swear according to which side paid them. The owners also had a conscience that stretched from horse to Woodstock. They had one price to hold and another to sell. The best way was to let the owners value their own property, the council to have the power to accept that or amend it. He might here report that the whole of the cases had now been fixed up, and in every case the opposing solicitor took his ground as the ratenayers were cutting off their nose to spite their face.

After much criticism of the way the cases had been dealt with legally and otherwise, the president moved that witness' and valuer's accounts (excepting the balance of £50) be paid. Cr. Thomas seconded.—Carried.

Cr. Downie moved an amendment that the council get legal advice as to whether they were entitled to pay Mr. Nicholls the money he is claiming. The president seconded.—Carried.

From Mr. J. A. McNab, forwarding statement of costs awarded against the shire in regard to rate appeals amounting to £42/10/6.

From B. McCormack, Belmont Hotel, asking to have the underground drain in front of her premises attended to.—The president moved that the engineer inspect and report at next meeting. Cr. Brown seconded.—Carried.

From W. H. Jukes, asking that an inspection be made of the bridge at Campbellfield as the decking was full of holes.—The president moved that the Broadmeadows council be asked to attend to the matter.

by them to the metropolis, and they could not get any. Mr. Sassell said the present 4-inch pipe, which had been down 40 years, was all corroded, and the water which came through it was at times not fit to drink.

The engineer said the water could be got from the Metropolitan Board at the rate of 11/- per 1000 gallons. A scheme could be adopted for Whitlessea and Thomastown similar to that which he had installed at Yarra Glen, Eltham, and Montmorency. The rate that could be struck in a water area would be limited to 2/-.

Mr. Sassell said he understood the Board was giving Healesville residents the water free.

Cr. Mitchell—They are charged £1 per annum each. Cr. Mitchell undertook to arrange a deputation to the Board.

The secretary said he had already written to Mr. Everard, asking him to arrange a deputation.

Mr. Everard to be asked what he had done in the matter, and as soon as he has arranged the deputation in the Whitlessea residents to be informed.

THOMASTOWN WATER SCHEME. Cr. Butler presented a petition from Thomastown residents asking the council's assistance in getting a water supply for that township. They were prepared to pay to any reasonable extent for the loan.

Cr. Brown urged that these petitioners, seeing they were prepared to pay, were entitled to be assisted by every means in their power. It was decided to ask Mr. Everard to arrange for a deputation from Thomastown residents on the same date as the Whitlessea deputation.

THE VALUATIONS. Cr. Downie introduced Messrs Andrews and Maxwell, who asked that they be put on the same position as other ratenayers who had had their valuations reduced.

The president said that Mr. Andrews having withdrawn his appeal the council could now do nothing in the matter.

Mr. Andrews said he supposed he would have to bow to their decision, but it seemed hard when others had been reduced from £10 to £12.

Mr. Maxwell said he had not withdrawn his appeal. The president promised that the matter would be looked into.

ENGINEER'S REPORT. Re Thomas' subdivision, Thomastown, he had had searches made of the Titles Office, but could find no trace of this road, and being created.

Mr. Thomas—It is not a Government road, I know, but it has been a public road for 50 years. I therefore think the council should seal the plan subdivision.

The president—We would if we legally could. The engineer—Even if we sealed the plan I doubt if the Titles Office would pass it seeing the road is under 50 feet wide.

The engineer undertook to see Messrs Maddock, Jamieson, & Lonie in the matter.

Epping road, from the Methodist church to the Woodstock Manor Hotel, 4 miles, would be tar-dressed this season; also the Whitlessea main road (with bitumen).

Epping riding—Six bridges repaired. Boundary lane has been rolled and blinded, also Young's and Cemetery lane. Chapel and Donnybrook lanes have received attention. Attention will be given to Merriang road next week.

Morang riding.—The road from Breakneck Hill to Linton's bridge is badly in need of attention, and I recommend that same be done; also the shire's portion of Hurstbridge road.—Work to be done, on motion of Cr. Clarke.

Whitlessea riding.—Complaint of School Board re water from Scrubby Creek being attended to. The erection of fence at Thomas' road is in progress.

ORDINARY BUSINESS. The president moved that applications be called for dog registrar for Epping.

Cr. Downie moved that all resolutions authorising works in the Whitlessea riding be rescinded, so that a fresh start could be made and they would know where they stood.—Carried.

Cr. Thomas moved that the resolutions fixing the slaughtering and of female trade licenses fee be rescinded so that lower fees might be fixed.

The fee for a slaughtering license was then fixed at 10s. The president moved that a cross-section be made to Smith's, Hurstbridge road; also that the use of the grader be granted to Mr. Lummer to make a bicycle track under the usual conditions.—Carried.

Cr. Cornfoot moved and Cr. Mitchell seconded that Mr. Smith be permitted to fence off the street in which circuits were in the habit of giving in their shoes.—Carried. Cr. Downie voting against.

Cr. Thomas moved that attention be given to certain bad parts of the Whitlessea main road. Also that attention be given to dangerous portions of Melbourne's road.

Cr. Downie reported that the Railway's standing committee were coming up in a month's time to take evidence concerning the matter of continuing the line from Whitlessea to Yea.

Replying to Cr. Brown, the secretary said Mr. Everard had not yet made arrangements for the deputation to the Council Settlement Board to ask for further grants for Thomastown Settlement roads.

The president moved that Mr. Everard, M.L.A., be asked to do what he can to get the motor trains installed on the Whitlessea line. Cr. Thomas seconded.—Carried.

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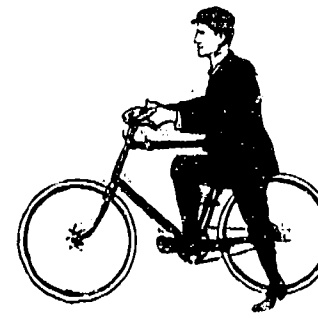
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CRICKET.

NORTHCOTE V. MELBOURNE.

FIRST ELEVEN.

F. YEOMANS MAKES 120.

Northcote were without Hartkopf, while Melbourne missed Sandford, Tolhurst, Rodgeron and Ransford when the teams met at Northcote on a good wicket. Northcote, winning the toss, batted all the afternoon, and it was not till the end of the day that Melbourne had any measure of success. Yeomans and E. V. Carroll began, and in 30 minutes Carroll made 25, including two 4's. Gibaud and Yeomans took the score to 171. Gibaud made his first 50 in an hour and a quarter. He hit five 4's. Yeomans took 35 minutes to make 50, and he reached his 100 in three hours. Then he became reckless, and got his last 20 in 10 minutes. He hit 14 4's, mostly driven, and was batting while 281 runs were scored. His value to Northcote as a batsman may be gauged from the fact that this season he has played 10 completed innings for 405 runs. Armstrong, on whom the heat, as well as the burden of the day fell, bowled two overs for two wickets and 22 runs. His persistence was rewarded by the capture of Yeomans' wicket. Woodbury batted nicely for 50 not out. Scores—

NORTHCOTE.

First Innings. E. V. Carroll, b. Flintoff, b. Armstrong 26. Yeomans, c. Wood, b. Armstrong 120. Woodbury, not out 50. L. Gibaud, b. O'Byons, b. Davidson 29. S. Huntington, b. O'Byons 10. Sherry, c. Hemmons, b. O'Byons 5. Louis, not out 5. Extras 5. Total 243.

MELBOURNE.

First Innings. Armstrong, two for 82. Ebling, none for 33; Wood, none for 10; Davidson, one for 69; R. Freemantle, none for 14; O'Byons, two for 11.

SECOND ELEVEN.

Northcote 267 (Kollar 80, Cattlin 89, Williams 15, Batey 35, Keener 55, Newbigin 15, Empey two for 32, Fry none for 47, House one for 37, Casson three for 85, Phillip one for 34, Cox two for 26) v. M.C.C.

SUB-DISTRICT.

PRESTON V. BRIGHTON.

This match was commenced at Preston Park last Saturday. The visitors won the toss and elected to bat first. Preston's batting throughout the innings was splendid, and every catch taken was a difficult one. The home team did remarkably well to get a fine batting total of 212, but with 20 minutes to play four of Preston's wickets were down for the small total of 5. Scores—

BRIGHTON.

Moore, c. Punch, b. Hugh Fothergill 3. Brown, b. Callaway 18. Campbell, c. Callaway, b. Temple 18. Jones, c. Fy, Fothergill, b. Temple 28. Jewell, b. L. Fothergill 52. Lovie, c. and b. Temple 21. McElroy, b. w. w. White 1. McLaughlin, c. Callaway, b. L. Fothergill 1. Nagel, c. Fothergill, b. H. Fothergill 2. Guevia, c. L. Fothergill, b. H. Fothergill 0. Whitelaw, not out 12. Sundries 12. Total 212.

PRESTON.

E. Nankervis, b. Nagel 0. L. Panch, b. Nagel 1. C. Temple, b. McLaughlin 1. R. Wilkinson, not out 0. G. Peers, c. Whitelaw, b. Nagel 3. Sundries 3. Total for four wickets 5.

BOWLING.

Bowling—L. Fothergill, two for 17; H. Fothergill, three for 33; Whitelaw two for 25; G. Temple, two for 47; T. Callaway, one for 38; A. Frobel, none for 42.

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METROPOLITAN LEAGUE.

The match, Essendon v. Northcote, was continued from the previous Saturday, the score being—Northcote 192 (Miles 63, Gordon 57). Essendon carried their score to 80 in the first innings, and having to follow on, were dismissed for 50. Northcote won by an innings and 22 runs. Bowling, 1st innings—Little, three for 35; Macdonald, four for 25; Gordon, one for 1; Beechey, one for 17. 2nd innings—Macdonald, six for 27; Miles, one for 22; Howgate, two for 24; Little, none for 11.

TO-DAY NORTHCOE PLAY RICHMOND (CREMORNE), AT RICHMOND.

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON C.C.A.

The eighth round of matches in the A Grade competition of the above association was completed last Saturday, leaving only one round more to be played before the semi-final games are played.

NORTHCOE R.S.S.I.L.A.

The ordinary meeting of the branch was held on Monday last when the attendance was not very good. There was not much business before the meeting, the principal being that in connection with the sub-branch conference, at which the question of medical attention to war widows and orphans will be discussed. It was generally conceded that this matter should be again brought before congress and pressed to a finality, and the delegates, Messrs A. McDonald, McInnis and Ryan were instructed accordingly.

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HOLY TRINITY, THORNHURST (Railway Parade). 2nd Sunday in Lent. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 4 p.m. Holy Baptism. 7 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Subject, "Temptation of Our Lord."

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, Parish Hall, Northcote. 5 a.m., Holy Communion (Corporate Young People's Club). 11 a.m., Matins and Sermon. 3 p.m., Sunday School. 7 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON (Plenty Road). 11 a.m., Morning Prayer and Sermon. Subject, "The Good Samaritan." 7 p.m., Evensong and Sermon. Subject, "Some Enemies of Christ." Preacher both services: The Vicar.

NORTHCOLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (AMES ST.). Harvest Thanksgiving Services. 11 a.m., Rev. J. A. Crockett, of Epsom. Solo, "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings." Miss Hilda Taylor. Anthem, "Blessed Be the Name of the Lord." 7 p.m., Rev. Hugh Kelly, M.A., of Brighton Beach. Solo, "Nearer My God to Thee." Miss Laura Wright. Anthem, "Ye Shall Dwell in the Land," soloists, Miss Davies and Mr. Muir.

PRESTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, David Street. 11 a.m., "The Law of Increase." 7 p.m., "The Law of Increase." Rev. W. H. McCook, B.A., B.D.

THORNHURST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rossmoyne Street. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Rev. F. L. Heriot.

NORTHCOLE METHODIST CHURCHES. HIGH STREET. Harvest Festival Services. 11 a.m., Rev. F. H. Williams. 7 p.m., Rev. J. E. Wainman. PRINCE OF WALES' PARK. 11 a.m., Mr. W. H. Gray. 7 p.m., Rev. F. H. Williams.

ST. GEORGE'S ROAD. 11 a.m., Rev. J. E. Wainman. 7 p.m., Mr. C. T. George. CROXTON. 11 a.m., Pastor T. J. George. 7 p.m., Mr. C. E. Lugton.

WESTGARTH THEATRE. TO-NIGHT and at Matinee: The Miracle Man of the Screen. Thomas Meighan in "If You Believe It, It's So." A Paramount Super. Monday, Tuesday, Wed., Feb. 26, 27, 28.

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Star Theatre, PRESTON. Matinee and To-Night: Thomas Meighan in "If You Believe It, It's So." Hoot Gibson in "The Loaded Door." At the Matinee: THE FLAMING DISC. Monday, Tues., Wednesday, Feb. 26th, 27th, 28th.

The Greatest Truth TRACKS. A Noble Johnson Production. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, March 1, 2, 3.

RODOLPH VALENTINO Blood and Sand. Harold Lloyd in NOW OR NEVER. Preston Anglers' Picture Night, Monday, 6th March.

TOWN HALL, NORTHCOLE. Commercial Travellers' Concert Party. A NIGHT OF SONG, STORY AND MIRTH in aid of THE MAYOR'S APPEAL FOR THE WOMEN'S HOSPITAL. SATURDAY NIGHT, 3rd MARCH, at 8 sharp. TICKETS 1/- & 1/6. Booking 6d extra at Stott & Bastings, High Street.

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Local Government. CITY OF NORTHCOLE. FOOTBALL SEASON. Secretaries of Football Clubs are hereby notified that Applications for permission to play Football on any of the following Reserves, viz.—Merri Park, or Victoria Road Reserve must be lodged not later than 4 p.m. on the 5th March next.

By order, W. G. SWIFT, Town Clerk. CITY OF NORTHCOLE. REGISTRATION OF DOGS. Notice is hereby given that ALL DOGS within the City of Northcote must be Registered at this Office on or before the 16th March, 1923.

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LOT 4—D.F.W. DWELLING, No. 2 Seymour Street, Preston. Bath, Wash-house, Vestibule, Made Stone, Footpath, &c. £180 Deposit, balance rent. LOT 5—S.F.W. and R.C. VILLA, situate Wallace Street, Preston, High Light, Sewerage, 20 x 170 each. £180 Deposit, balance 2 years at 6 per cent. LOT 6—Two Grand Villa ALLOTMENTS situate Sheffield St., Regent, One minute Electric Tram, High Position, 12 miles traffic, 170 x 120 each. LOT 7—Two Grand Villa ALLOTMENTS, situate Pender Street, Preston, 12 miles traffic, 170 x 120 each. Gas, Sewer, &c., available. £180 x 107 each.

The above Properties will be offered for sale in the PRESTON PALAIS, corner David Street and Plenty Road, Preston, Tyler Street Electric Tram Station, between 10 and 12 o'clock, on Tuesday, 27th Feb. 1923. The above Properties are being offered by Mr. F. Brennan, M.P. The Mayor pointed out the discomfort and general inconvenience of the present arrangements, and to the fact that the council was pressed for room itself and required all the office room for its own needs. In furtherance of the present arrangements, the Mayor said that the number of cases dealt with at the court had increased in 1922 to 705 in 1921, and he also urged that delay now would probably mean losing the opportunity of securing a suitable site. Messrs. Crispie, Adams, and Elison, M.P., supported the Mayor's remarks, the latter telling Sir Arthur Robinson that if they only could get the court-house, they would be quite satisfied. The Minister admitted that the present arrangement was a matter of finance. However, the Government had undertaken a scheme by which they could make provision for Court Houses and something might be done in the near future.

Preston Citizens' Band continues to more than hold its own. The members are practicing very hard at present for the contests which are to take place at the South Melbourne cricket ground on Easter Saturday and Monday. The band looks to the ratonapayers and their representatives in the council for encouragement and support, and if something could be done to give them a handstand in the Cramer street park they would specially appreciate it. Music, the members say, is a great pleasure and elevation than when played from mere terra firma, which is a deplorable sound. The band is not too flush just now. Perhaps they could not do better than make an effort for a band-stand similar to that which provided the uniform. They could rely on the public supporting them in such a movement.

The balance-sheet of Preston Free and Lending Library, as audited by Crispie, Adams and Bransgrove, U.S.A., and Rev. Wm. Woodford Rock, M.A., pastor of the church, has been announced. Miss Cowell is a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, U.S.A., who is the daughter of the Rev. Wm. and Mrs. Rock, of Ivanhoe, is a graduate of Caulfield College, and has spent several years travelling round the world with Rev. Dr. Wilbur Chapman and Charles M. Alexander, evangelists. She took a course in theology at Auburn Theological Seminary, where she won a scholarship, under which she studied at Oxford University. She is now in the final year of her two years with Rev. Edmund S. Wylie, pastor of the Mountclair Church, Preston. The Arkanings' dance opened very late on Monday evening, 20th, at the Northcote town hall, there being a fairly large attendance notwithstanding the warm night. Miss Townsend's dance class for children re-opens at McPhee's hall, Preston, on the 3rd March. The Arkanings' dance began last night in the Memorial hall. A free evening will celebrate the opening, and old and new patrons are invited. Regular Saturday night dances will be held, and on Wednesday nights social parties and dances. East Ward Progress Association (Preston) is continuing its series of their annual series of dances at the Wood Street Hall on Monday evening 20th February.

Meetings. NORTHCOLE RED CROSS SOCIETY. The Meetings of the above Society are held the First THURSDAY in every month in the Committee Room, Town Hall. It is willing to help in this good work are invited to be present. The Next Meeting takes place on Thursday, 1st March, at 2.30 p.m. F. McINTOSH, Hon. Sec.

NORTHCOLE FOOTBALL CLUB. The Annual Meeting of the above Club will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday, 1st March, at 8 p.m. Business: Election of Officers for the ensuing season, Annual Report, &c. B. MILLS, Act. Sec.

Wanted. An Experienced Lady Clerk is willing to act as an assistant to a Clerk, Kewington (double entry), etc. few hours daily, or at times convenient to the employer. Full particulars from E.C. "Leader" office, Northcote. HILL wanted to assist with household duties. Mrs. Boyd, 19 Mansfield Street, Northcote. SEWING Done, all kinds. Children's Clothes and White-work a specialty. Prices moderate. Work done for the trade. 122 High Street, Preston. URGENTLY wanted by Wilson, a few hours light work daily, or two or three days weekly. Pers. Ref. M.C. "Leader" office, Northcote. WANTED Odd Jobs Carpentering, painting, &c. Call on Mr. J. G. Crispie, 119A Plenty Road, Preston. WOMAN, honest, to Wash and Clean, catering of hours daily. Mrs. Smith and Clapham St., Thornbury. YOUNG Girl for Housework, no washing; sleep home; week-ends free. Mrs. H. Dudge, 285 High Street, Northcote.

In Memoriam. MULWAY.—In loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life 29th February, 1922. Just a memory fond and true; Just a heart that always true; Just a memory that will live; Just a heart that always true. Inserted by her loving daughter, Dulcie, and son-in-law, Jack Shaw, and grand-children, Jack, Alan, and Dulcie.

The Leader. JUSTICE TO ALL. Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, 24th FEBRUARY. Court House, Preston.—Cr. Robinson (Mayor), Crispie and Jones, and Messrs. J. P. Adams and W. Wainman, J.P.s, on Tuesday visited on the Minister of Justice to ask for a Court House for Preston. In the absence of Mr. Crispie, Mr. Adams, M.P., supported the Mayor's remarks, the latter telling Sir Arthur Robinson that if they only could get the court-house, they would be quite satisfied. The Minister admitted that the present arrangement was a matter of finance. However, the Government had undertaken a scheme by which they could make provision for Court Houses and something might be done in the near future.

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The balance-sheet of Preston Free and Lending Library, as audited by Crispie, Adams and Bransgrove, U.S.A., and Rev. Wm. Woodford Rock, M.A., pastor of the church, has been announced. Miss Cowell is a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, U.S.A., who is the daughter of the Rev. Wm. and Mrs. Rock, of Ivanhoe, is a graduate of Caulfield College, and has spent several years travelling round the world with Rev. Dr. Wilbur Chapman and Charles M. Alexander, evangelists. She took a course in theology at Auburn Theological Seminary, where she won a scholarship, under which she studied at Oxford University. She is now in the final year of her two years with Rev. Edmund S. Wylie, pastor of the Mountclair Church, Preston. The Arkanings' dance opened very late on Monday evening, 20th, at the Northcote town hall, there being a fairly large attendance notwithstanding the warm night. Miss Townsend's dance class for children re-opens at McPhee's hall, Preston, on the 3rd March. The Arkanings' dance began last night in the Memorial hall. A free evening will celebrate the opening, and old and new patrons are invited. Regular Saturday night dances will be held, and on Wednesday nights social parties and dances. East Ward Progress Association (Preston) is continuing its series of their annual series of dances at the Wood Street Hall on Monday evening 20th February.

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The Railways Standing Committee wrote to the Preston council on Monday evening indicating that they would not be taking evidence in connection with the general scheme of the tramways for the development of the metropolis, but would wait till the tramway committee had completed the special construction scheme for any particular line of tramway. The Tramway Committee, however, expected to be appointed this year, may make proposals affecting the general scheme.

In aid of the Mayor's appeal on behalf of the Women's Hospital, the Commercial Travellers' Concert Party are giving one of their nights of "Song, Story and Mirth" at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, 3rd March. This from all accounts will be a real good entertainment on its evening, well worth the price of admission, and the ladies and patrons will have the additional satisfaction of supporting one of our finest charitable institutions. Seats may be booked (6d extra) at Stott & Bastings.

Persons interested in Esperanto are asked to please take notice that the Northcote Esperanto Club, which has procured a room at the Westgarth Hall, and commenced their meetings on Thursday evening, will continue to meet every week at 8 o'clock. The club and dance will be held at Westgarth Hall, in aid of the funds, on the 24th inst.

As the Preston Diggers' carnival approach, the March 7 to 10-interest quickens, and as 75 per cent of the net proceeds goes towards the distressed diggers' fund the public are asked to be relied upon to give the carnival generous support.

Sir William Ivison, the Lieut. Governor, cannot at this date say whether his duties will allow of him unveiling Preston honor band on Anzac Day; but he has asked that the town council write him again in April, when he will accept the invitation if he can see his way clear.

Electric current generated at the vast brown coal deposits at Morwell, Gippsland, will soon be pulsing around the City. The cables conveying same will come through Runderoo, near Thomastown. The poles and steel towers for carrying same are already being erected. Mr. R. Campbell Edwards will open a sale of work this afternoon at 2.30 in the Preston town hall in connection with the Church of Christ. The fair will be continued at this date, and the usual attractions are provided.

Richard Frederick Addison, 36, brick-setter, Mansfield street, committed for trial by the Northcote Magistrate, in charge of committing a serious offence against a little girl, was on Friday sentenced by the Chief Magistrate to three months imprisonment, with 20 strokes of the lash.

By refusing to take "No" for an answer from the Tramway Board, Preston council are getting a shelter-house erected at the corner of High and Dundas streets. In the years 1917 to 1922 cases dealt with by Preston Police Court increased from 423 to 705. At the meeting of the Northcote O.R. on Tuesday evening, Cr. W. Turner will give a lecture on Bret Harte. Owners of dogs within the city of Northcote must register same not later than the 16th March. SUNDAY EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS FOR CHARITY. SUGGESTION AT PRESTON. At the Preston council meeting on Monday evening a letter was received from Mr. H. Edmonds, managing director Star Theatre, asking permission to conduct a series of Sunday evening entertainments (after church hours) in the theatre. The matter was referred to local charity. Cr. Jones moved that the matter be referred to the committee of the whole. Cr. Bricknell seconded. A councillor—Give them a straight answer. Cr. Jones—Well I say "Yes." Cr. Crispie moved an amendment that the writer be informed that this council would not give its consent to the holding of Sunday evening entertainments. Cr. Adams seconded. Cr. Jones said there were not there as a lot of owners, but to be the best for the district. Such entertainments for charity would move a lot of cash. Cr. Jones said that he had been seconded the motion he expressed no opinion as to whether he favored Sunday entertainments or not, but thought the committee had a right to hear Mr. Edmonds. The amendment was put and declared lost, but on a division being called for Cr. Crispie, Bartrop, Warr, Adams, and the mayor put up their hands in favor of it. After some confusion the matter was disposed of by a fresh motion being carried on the motion of Cr. Jones and Bricknell—that the matter be referred to the committee, and the writer asked to attend.

NORTHCOLE AND FAIRFIELD LINKED UP. MOTOR SERVICE STARTED YESTERDAY. Arrangements have been made by G. D. Smith and Co., whereby Northcote and Fairfield are to be linked up by motor service. 12, 12 to 15 minutes a car with comfortable seating accommodation for 12 leaves the Savings Bank corner of High and Clifton streets, traversing High Street, Hastings Street, Rotherham Street, to Fairfield station, returning via Charles Street back to the starting-point. The car undertakes to convey people right to their homes in Fairfield, and will pick up passengers wherever arranged in High Street, Northcote. The cars will run between the hours of 7 a.m. and 11 p.m., and the cars will be run at a later date services along Darnley Street, Separation Street and Arthur Road.

Preston Free Lending Library. The annual meeting of subscribers was held last Saturday night in the library hall. The annual report, as read by the secretary (Mr. Greenhalgh), indicated an increase in the number of subscribers and a more general use by the public of the lending room, all in compliance with the wishes of subscribers a room had been set apart for draughts and billiards. Reference was also made to the satisfactory manner in which the committee and officers had attended to their duties. The treasurer's report showed receipts amounting to £193/10 and expenditure to £172/12, leaving a credit balance of £21/8.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—President, J. E. Wainman; Vice-President, Mr. C. Harcourt; Treasurer, Mr. J. C. Nankervis; hon. secretary, Mr. C. Greenhalgh; committee, Messrs. J. Warr, Bricknell and Bartrop, and Messrs. Cowan, Robertson, Bell, Wilkinson, and McIntyre.

CHURCH NEWS. Harvest thanksgiving services will be held in all the Northcote Methodist churches to-morrow. The Conference of the Methodist church of Victoria and Tasmania will assemble at Wesley church on Wednesday evening next, at 7 o'clock, when the retiring president, Rev. J. H. Smith (Snell) will deliver his official address, and his successor will be appointed. According to the Agenda, much important business awaits the attention of the Conference. No changes in the ministerial appointments at Northcote, Preston, South Preston, Clifton Hill, or Alphonso circuit; but new appointments will be made to Hrmackville and Nicholson street, the Rev. J. B. Woodfall (secretary and prospective president of the Conference) having accepted an invitation to the former, and the Rev. H. Frederick (secretary to the latter). The Rev. J. A. (Padre) Gault will probably be appointed to Port Melbourne. The same day, a general invitation is extended to this function. Harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held at James street Presbyterian Church to-morrow morning and evening. Specific notices and notices by request at each service. The preachers for the day will be the Revs. J. A. Crockett and Hugh Kelly, M.A.

Australian Women's National League. There was a good attendance at the annual meeting of the Preston branch of the Australian Women's National League which was held in the hall on Wednesday evening last. Visitors from other branches included Mrs. Crocker, president of the league (who was in the chair), Messrs. J. B. Bolitho, and Caucher, all of whom spoke on the aims and accomplishments of the league, and the possibilities of the league as a centre. Election of officers—holders resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. Crocker; hon. sec., Mrs. Low; hon. treas., Mrs. H. B. Smith. Three vice-presidents and a committee of five were also elected. The meeting was a most enjoyable evening to a close. The president (Mrs. Crocker) has called a committee meeting for Wednesday evening next at her home in Tynan street, West Preston, when a schedule of operations will be drawn up. Any who are at all interested in the movement are requested to communicate with the secretary at "Larragoner," Elizabeth street, Preston.

SOCIAL NEWS. The engagement of Miss Florence Cowell, executive secretary of Central Presbyterian Church, Montclair, U.S.A., and Rev. Wm. Woodford Rock, M.A., pastor of the church, has been announced. Miss Cowell is a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, U.S.A., who is the daughter of the Rev. Wm. and Mrs. Rock, of Ivanhoe, is a graduate of Caulfield College, and has spent several years travelling round the world with Rev. Dr. Wilbur Chapman and Charles M. Alexander, evangelists. She took a course in theology at Auburn Theological Seminary, where she won a scholarship, under which she studied at Oxford University. She is now in the final year of her two years with Rev. Edmund S. Wylie, pastor of the Mountclair Church, Preston. The Arkanings' dance opened very late on Monday evening, 20th, at the Northcote town hall, there being a fairly large attendance notwithstanding the warm night. Miss Townsend's dance class for children re-opens at McPhee's hall, Preston, on the 3rd March. The Arkanings' dance began last night in the Memorial hall. A free evening will celebrate the opening, and old and new patrons are invited. Regular Saturday night dances will be held, and on Wednesday nights social parties and dances. East Ward Progress Association (Preston) is continuing its series of their annual series of dances at the Wood Street Hall on Monday evening 20th February.

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PRESTON GAZETTED STREETS. COUNCIL DISCLAIMS LIABILITY. FIVE VOTES TO FOUR.

The vexed and very important question of whether to shoulder the liability of constructing certain gazetted streets in Preston... came up for discussion at a meeting of the town council on Monday evening.

The matter had been under the consideration of the committee of the whole, who brought up the following recommendation: That the council should not be liable for the cost of construction of Bruce street...

Mr. Barrow (chairman of the committee) moved the adoption of the recommendation in the following terms: "That the council should not be liable for the cost of construction of Bruce street..."

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The mayor said he was at a loss to understand the statement made by those opposing the motion. It had been stated that they were bound to do so without discussion. The Local Government Act never did and does not provide for it. The fact of gazetting of streets does not imply liability for construction by the municipality. It only guarantees that they should be kept open for traffic and if previous councils had done wrong by expending money on these streets it is not incumbent on this council to follow their lead.

Mr. Barrow said if the council carried this resolution as it stands it would be one of the most unjust resolutions carried by this or any other council. Only recently the council had constructed Bruce street to the railway. If it was right to do that it was equally right to construct Bruce street on the other side of the line? Such treatment was not only a matter of morality, but it was also a matter of justice. The council borrowed some time ago to make Bruce street and Newcastle streets. If they did not expect these streets to be made right away, but only as a past, when they were to be made, he was informed that back in the eighties land in these streets brought 10/- a foot, and now it only brings 2/- a foot. The resolution was then put and carried.

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Too Risky. Wife: "That insurance agent who dined with us last night seemed a very gentlemanly fellow. Is he going to accept you dear?" Husband: "No, he says I am too great a risk."

How She Caught Him. Aunt (severely): "As I glanced into the drawing-room last evening I saw you with a young man's arm around you." Niece (calmly): "Yes, auntie, I was waiting for you to pass the door and see us. Young men are very slippery nowadays, and one can't have too many witnesses."

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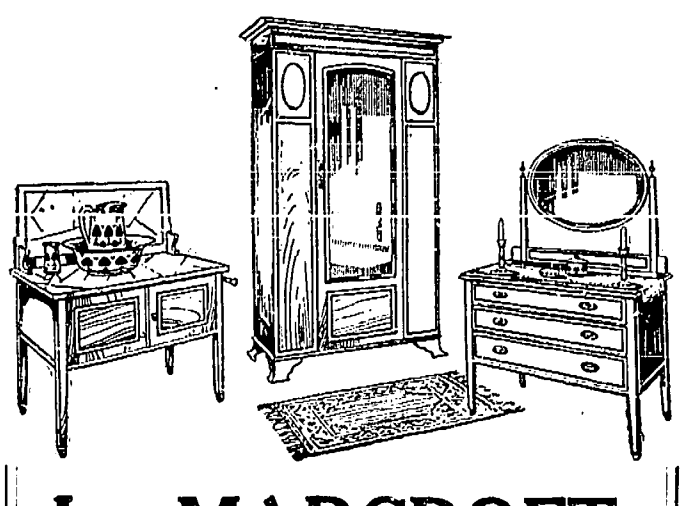
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NORTHCOTE v. MELBOURNE. FIRST ELEVENS. SURPRISE RESULT. MELBOURNE SCORE RAPIDLY AND WIN.

Northcote, who had lost five wickets for 243, against Melbourne, went on until they had added 60, Woodbury and Butler batting well. The innings was closed at 10 minutes, so that Melbourne had just under three hours to get the runs, and they got them with plenty of time to spare. Fergie and Vaughan gave them a good start by putting on 126 for the first wicket in an hour. Vaughan batting well for 48, Onions and Fergie carried the score to 203, when Onions was out. Then Fergie and Hemmons took it to 284, made in 127 minutes. Fergie had made 154, and hit 16 4's and a 6 off Woodbury. It was a good, forcible innings, without a chance and hardly a false stroke. Armstrong and Hemmons soon carried the side to victory, the former making 88 in 50 minutes, with seven 4's. Melbourne went on until 6 o'clock, when they were 51 runs on, and had still five wickets in hand.

NORTHCOTE. Yeomans, v Wood, b Armstrong... 120. V. Carroll, st. Flintoff, b Armstrong... 61. G. Gibaud, c Onions, b Davidson... 51. Hemmings, c Onions, b Davidson... 3. Sherry, c Hemmons, b Onions... 3. Louis, b Armstrong... 3. Butler, not out... 25. Wicket, not out... 25. Sundries... 6.

MELBOURNE. Fergie, c Yeomans, b Shoebridge... 154. Vaughan, c Halfpenny, b Butler... 43. Onions, b Butler... 38. Hemmons, c and b Shoebridge... 11. Armstrong, b Louis... 8. Flintoff, not out... 14. Freeman, not out... 8. Sundries... 8.

SECOND ELEVENS. Northcote 267 (Cattlin 89, Keleher 55, Keller 40, Bailey 38, Williams 15, H. Gordon 15, Cussen three for 85, Ewby two for 32, Phillips one for 34, Cox two for 26, House one for 37) defeated M.C.C. 118 and four for 95 (Stokes 65 not out, Cussen 19, Phillips 18, House 14, Cox 14, Thackeray 10, Empey 10, Williams eight for 43, Cattlin three for 31, Newberrill three for 28, Keleher one for 24, Bailey none for 38, and Gordon none for 24) by 164 on the first innings.

SUB-DISTRICT. PRESTON v. BRIGHTON.

In response to Brighton's 212 Preston, with four wickets for 8 runs, continued their innings on the Cranmer Street Park. L. Fothergill, owing to an injured knee, was unable to bat. Brighton's all-round field work and run out was a real proposition for Preston. The fifth wicket added to the score, and the sixth and 7th fell at 28. The last wicket gave best results (15 runs) thanks to the energy of Callaway who made top score, and the innings closed for 45. Following on Preston did much better, but not enough to stop the visitors from an innings victory. Wilkinson, Whittle, and Hugh Fothergill played cautiously for 28. Scores:—

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Runs. Preston-1st Innings: Nankervis, b Nagel... 0. Funch, b Nagel... 0. Temple, b McLaughlin... 0. Wilkinson, c Campbell, b Grievae... 8. Pears, c Whitelaw, b Nagel... 1. H. Fothergill, b Nagel... 1. Hy. Fothergill, b Jewell... 10. Froebel, b Grievae... 10. Whittle, not out... 10. Callaway, c Jewell, b Grievae... 13. Sundries... 4.

SECOND ELEVEN. Brighton batting on the first day declared with eight wickets for 270. Preston responded with 137 in the first innings and 202 for eight wickets in the second innings. Brighton won by 133 on the first innings. Scores:—

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Runs. Preston-1st Innings: Propoych, b Neville... 0. Owens, c Neville, b Jewell... 0. Dyer, c and b Neville... 0. Dickens, c H. Jewell, b A. Jewell... 44. Howes, run out... 40. Bennett, b Hope... 16. Pike, not out... 16. Merrin, b Hope... 0. Norris, b w. b. Jewell... 7. Fox, b Jewell... 7. Goulding, b Jewell... 1. Sundries... 9.

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON C.C.A. The final games in the first round of matches in the above association were commenced on Saturday last, and as the result of these matches the great league upon which teams will compete in the second round, a considerable amount of interest in the matches is being shown. The scores at the conclusion of last Saturday's play were as follows:—

A Grade.—The unfinished semi-final match between Preston Methodists and St. George's Road Methodist was continued last Saturday. When play ceased the preceding week Preston Methodists had scored 127 in each innings and St. George's had in the first innings scored 75, leaving them 176 runs to win. They continued their task last Saturday, but only managed to reach the total of 116 runs in their second innings, leaving Preston Methodist winners by 60 runs. The following indicates the scores of the match:—Preston Methodists, 127 and 127 (Westcott 15 and 45, Hansen 11, M. Robertson 12, Roberts 30 and 12, Smallwood 22 not out) defeated St. George's Road Methodist, 75 and 116 (Tait 33, McLean 31, Baranagath 24, Brewer 14, Callaway 13), by 60 runs. The final match of the grade will be commenced to-day between Prince of Wales Park Methodists and Preston Methodists on the St. Mary's C. of E. wicket, north of Tyler street tram terminus. The umpires appointed to officiate are Messrs T. Hicks and W. Brown. The last time these two clubs met Prince of Wales won by the narrow margin of 18 runs. A keen, exciting, and enjoyable game should be expected. Both teams are confident of success. The next meeting of the association will be held on Monday, 26th inst. in the Northcote (High street) Methodist Church at 8 o'clock, to which clubs are particularly requested to send a representative. Business very important, and the following are the agenda for the day:—Representatives are requested to forward their returns for the picture night of the very earliest; if possible the above meeting. Metropolitan League.—Northcote compiled 133 runs (Macdonald 55, Miles 37, Little 12) v. Richmond five for 115. The match will be concluded to-day on the Richmond ground. On Saturday next the semi-finals will start. During the playing of the semi-final matches the remainder of the clubs not in the four will be drawn to play a round of three matches for a cup to be presented by the League. C. I. G. Association.—Northcote Jnr. 79 (Len. Rowe 17, Blakely 14, Wallace 10, Maskell 8, Les Rowe seven for 32) defeated Westgarth 29 and 46 (Storey 15, Phillips 13, Lonsdale 13) by an innings and 4 runs. North Suburban.—Northcote State School O.S.A. 141 (Gulle 68 and three for 74, Westcott 34 and three for 34) v. Abbotsford nine for 85 (Trelor 37, Devereaux five for 35).

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GLEN IRIS BRICK COMPANY'S PICNIC. The employees of the Glen Iris Brick and Tile Company held a picnic at South Morang on February 10th. A special train was engaged to take the party to the railway station, and the catering arrangements were in the hands of the licensee of the Commercial Hotel, whose hall and sports ground were engaged for the day. Despite the extreme heat a lengthy sports programme was gone through, the chief events of the day being as follows:—Yardmen's race—R. Wallace 1, E. Crofts 2, C. Cornell 3; truckers—R. Mator 1, J. Cavanagh 2, S. Young 3; ladies—Miss Slack 1, Miss E. Aitken 2, Miss Kellert 3; carters—J. Hanley 1, E. Poulter 2, H. Knight 3; setters, drawers, and burners—W. Young 1, G. Goodwin 2, L. Monk 3; clayhole—G. Wilson 1, J. Watts 2, J. Eastaway 3; married ladies—Mrs. H. Knight 1, Mrs. D. Howden 2, Mrs. J. Eastaway 3; machine and shopmen—H. Krieger 1, T. Myers 2, D. Howden 3; tug of war—carters 1, N. E. 2, 3; bicycle race—H. Howden 1, Brown 1, S. Knight 2, G. King 3. Amongst the many novelties of the picnic was the bran dip for the children in the hands of Mr. D. Build, whilst dancing and singing were indulged in in the hall, where the musicians held away during the day. The children were supplied with fruit, and lollies, and the ice cream cart and the soft drinks stall did a roaring trade. Credit is due to all the stewards who had charge of the races, particularly the programme stewards, Messrs Macgar, Morgan, Hanley, Dempster, and Knight, and to the president, Mr. J. W. Adams, and the secretary Mr. H. Dent. It is the intention to make the picnic an annual affair.

R.S.S.I.L.A., Northcote. The ordinary meeting of the branch was held on Monday night, and the attendance was fair. One new member was elected. A factory report from committees were received and the social members decided to open the dancing season on the 24th of February (to-night) with a free evening to all. After that the ordinary dances will be held on Saturdays and euehre and dances on Wednesdays. Exception was taken to the word "Gallipoli" appearing on the statue in front of Parliament House, and by resolution it was decided that the branch show its disapproval in some manner that would bring about some alteration. A special meeting of those interested in football is called for next Monday night at 7.30. Old and new players are invited to attend with a view to entering a league team in the R.S.S.I.L.A. competition.

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