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NORTHCOTE TOWN COUNCIL.
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The usual fortnightly meeting of the Northcote City Council was held on Monday night.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS
Metropolitan Board of Works stating that facilities for the purposes of the plan of subdivision in Anderson road.

COMMONWEALTH DEPARTMENT OF WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
Department of Works and Highways stating that as the department was about to erect a telephone exchange on its property.

HACKNEY CARRIAGE COMMITTEE
City Treasurer's office re licensing hackney carriages and drays, stating the receipts were £287/8/11.

CHARITABLE APPEALS
Acting Town Clerk, Preston, stating a conference of municipal officers.

BLASTING BY LAW
Blacklock Jamieson and Lonie re blasting by law, "Hysouth's Case," stating the matter of the law.

APPEALS AGAINST VALUATIONS
Lionel H. Ward, 71 Raleigh street, appealing against valuation of his property.

COMPLAINTS OF STREETS
Fred Jelis, 6 Metcalfe street, Northcote, drawing attention to bad state of main road and footpath.

ORDINARY BUSINESS
Fire Alarm - Resolved on the motion of Crs. Turner and P. W. in the balance of the Metropolitan Fire Brigades.

NOTICES
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NORTHCOTE BRANCH A.M.A. ESSAY COMPETITION.

A very anxious and excited youthful audience awaited the opening of the meeting of the above on Thursday, 27th November, to hear the result of the Annual Essay Competition and receive the prizes won. The prize winners were:—Norris Dyke, first; William Yeomans, second; Alf Davey, third. Director Elsom presented the prizes, and congratulated the winners, also the whole of the twenty-nine competitors on the quality of the essays, which he considered were of a high standard. He also presented a trophy to the branch for their annual efforts in running these competitions, the subject for this year being "Melbourne's Passenger Transport." Director Elsom also installed the following office-bearers for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. W. Collyer; Vice-president, Mr. V. Kelly; secretary, Mr. A. C. Williams; treasurer, Mr. W. F. Glenville; assistant secretary, Mr. J. Hallett; press committee, Messrs. Graham, Spence, Rixton, Isaacs and Sullivan; and members, Messrs. F. Glenville and P. Evers.

A splendid address was given by Mr. Elsom who outlined the work of the association. The speaker held a special interest in the subject of international life, for with this movement we are linked most of the destinies which our association aimed at. The speaker also stressed the importance of the passenger transport in our lives, and urged the branch to do its utmost in this direction, as being of international life, for with this movement we are linked most of the destinies which our association aimed at.

The prize winning essay written by Norris Dyke is printed below. "MELBOURNE'S PASSENGER TRANSPORT."

To prove the efficiency of Melbourne's passenger transport system, it is necessary to consider the various modes of transport available, and to compare them with the railway system, which is the backbone of our transport system.

Our railway service was the system first established in Melbourne, it has the best claim to the first position in the history of transport in this city. While being borne in a newly instituted electric train towards the suburb of Newport, it was gradually developed, as we near our destination, into the clash and clatter of a railway workshop.

Here, everything, from the rails, to the bolts that fasten them together, is made. Of a sudden, we notice, in the gloom of the night, a building of a glowing substance; while, at regular intervals, sparks fly off in every direction. On an investigation, we find that the cause of this is a piece of metal iron being forced into shape by several tons of hammer.

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I think this is enough evidence to impress upon you the importance of Melbourne's growing passenger transport.

(owing to the space we have been compelled to hold over the essays which secured second and third prizes, but they will appear in these columns in due course. —Ed. "L.")

PRESTON POLICE COURT. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4.

Before Messrs C. Bricknell (chairman), H. P. Zwar, E. Lewis, and J. Ellison, J.P.s.

HEALTH ACT PROSECUTION. G. W. Brooks, of 100 Young and Harold streets, Preston, was charged that he did sell on October 31 an article of food, to wit milk, which was not of the nature and quality of the article demanded by the purchaser.

Mr. Wilkinson (Home and Wilkinson) appeared on behalf of the Preston council, and said the prosecution was under section 199 of the Health Act. J. O. Iles, inspector of the Town of Preston, said on October 31 he had analyzed the milk, and the analysis showed 10 per cent. deficiency in fatty solids.

A fine of 25, with 23/3 costs, was imposed.

WANDERING STOCK. For allowing their stock to wander the following owners were fined:—John Bolle, 10/-; and 5/-; J. H. Brown, 10/-; and 5/-; J. L. Brown, 10/-; and 5/-; W. Nichol (6 head), 2/6 per head and 10/-; R. Nichol (10 head), 10/- per head and 2/-; L. Purcell, 5/- and 7/6; H. Townend, 5/- and 7/6.

LICENSERS. Morris Ormlston Stone, 2 Dickson Avenue, Burnley, was granted a renewal of his license for the sale of beer at John Chirwin Nankervis, 18 Station street, Preston, was renewed. Robert J. McCracken, 79 Plenty road, was granted a license for the sale of beer at 79 Plenty road, Preston, was granted a renewal of his second-hand dealer's license. To Arthur Powell, Leonard street, Preston, was granted a renewal of his second-hand dealer's license and also a collector's license.

Mr. G. J. A. TAYLOR, formerly assistant to Mr. Roy David and Dr. W. L. Atten, 288 High Street, Northcote, has been appointed to the position of Dental Officer, 288 High Street, Northcote, (near Picture Theatre). Phone, Northcote 640.

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THORNHURLY SCHOOL SPORTS.

On the Henderson Park last Saturday afternoon the Thornbury school held a sports meeting. The day was sunny and rather warm, the attendance being large.

The ground was thronged with joyful school-children, and to judge by the peals of laughter and shouts of approval, the day was enjoyed by all. The sports were held on a fine day, and the children and grown-up spectators were all enjoying themselves to the full. A merry go round and an ocean wave had been secured for the day, the children—and grown-up spectators—being able to obtain rides at a nominal rate. During the afternoon selections were given by the Northcote Citizens and Soldiers' Band.

The racing and other events evoked keen competition, some of them, especially the obstacle race and the Simeuse races causing much merriment. The racing was good, and the competition keen, the judges having a hard task. The judges were (Mrs. Phil Mayer, H. Mitchell, A. A. McDonnell, W. Pindley, and Messrs. D. Campbell, C. Christian and Monty. The Mayor and Mayors (Mr. and Mrs. A. H. O'dell) were amongst these present.

Through the generosity of supporters and business people donations of money and money to the value of over £20 were received. The prizes won will be presented on December 18, at the Northcote Town Hall when the school's "breakfast" concert will be held. Any surplus funds derived from the sports will go to the J. O. Hughes scholarship fund or the fund for improvement of the school.

A refreshment booth, conducted by Mrs. Turner, who had able assistants in Mesdames Phil Mayer, Huggell, Mitchell Ryan, Noble, Pateke, and Mrs. J. H. Huggell, was held from the school, did a roaring trade. Mrs. Frigg is an old supporter of the school having been interested in it since its inception. A soft drink and refreshment booth, conducted by Mrs. J. Lark, assisted by Mesdames D. Lark, C. Lark, and Messrs. R. P. Lark, and J. Shoarer, was well patronized. The provided refreshments and drinks were of the highest quality. Mr. Turner disposed of groceries.

The events resulted:— GIRLS. Simeuse races—L. Harris and M. Harris, 1; M. Nelson and M. Frecker, 2; Eight years—Nancy Powell, 1; Noel Tulloch, 2; Mavis Whittingham, 3; Edna Greenleaves, 4; Nine years—Bronia Jones, 1; Mavis Whittingham, 2; Thelma Nicholas, 3; Ten years—Nellie Maudsley, 1; Edna Stevens, 2; Jessie Dyer, 3; Race and sprint races—Lily Harris, 1; Mavis Whittingham, 2; Mavis Whittingham, 3; Mavis Whittingham, 4; Mavis Whittingham, 5; Mavis Whittingham, 6; Mavis Whittingham, 7; Mavis Whittingham, 8; Mavis Whittingham, 9; Mavis Whittingham, 10; Mavis Whittingham, 11; Mavis Whittingham, 12; Mavis Whittingham, 13; Mavis Whittingham, 14; Mavis Whittingham, 15; Mavis Whittingham, 16; Mavis Whittingham, 17; Mavis Whittingham, 18; Mavis Whittingham, 19; Mavis Whittingham, 20; Mavis Whittingham, 21; Mavis Whittingham, 22; Mavis Whittingham, 23; Mavis Whittingham, 24; Mavis Whittingham, 25; Mavis Whittingham, 26; Mavis Whittingham, 27; Mavis Whittingham, 28; Mavis Whittingham, 29; Mavis Whittingham, 30; Mavis Whittingham, 31; Mavis Whittingham, 32; Mavis Whittingham, 33; 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NORTHCOLE v. HAWTHORN-EAST MELBOURNE. HARKOPF'S ENDURANCE.

In fine weather and a good fast wicket, the above clubs met on the Glenferrie Oval on Saturday last.

Winning the toss the home skipper decided that Barrington and Dunlop opened to the bowling of Harkopf and Charlesworth.

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ANGLING NOTES.

PRESTON CLUB. The inter-club competitions start today for the shield for the season 1924-25 and will be fished in the Yarra at Templestowe, each club having a team of 6 anglers.

Church of Christ v. South Preston Methodist, West Preston Methodist v. Croxton Methodist, Preston Methodist v. Northcote Presbyterian, Thornbury Presbyterian v. a bye.

Municipal Association.—Northcote v. Melbourne, at Melbourne (Princes Park) Northcote, three wickets for 206.

P.A.P.S.—Preston, 49 and five for 76 L. Sobchek 32 and seven for 33, B. Sobchek 17 and three for 10, Howden 17 and 14 not out beat Carlton, 95 and 43.

L.N.P.—Northcote, 17 and 78 (Conroy 37 not out, Martin 19) beat Hawthorn, 90 and one for 7 (Clancy five for 19).

L.O. Association.—Northcote, 174 and 61 (King 16, Dickson 11) v. Fitzroy, 130 and four for 21 (Morgan eight for King three 26), Northcote won on first innings. To-day's match against Collingwood on Normanby Park.

Helen Street State school. To the Editor. Sir,—I would like on behalf of the committee of the above school to thank the Ladies Committee for their splendid effort in connection with the Novelty Night held on the 17th inst.

SECOND ELEVEN. Northcote had the advantage of a good batting wicket which they used to good effect in their bowling of Hawthorn-East Melbourne.

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11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. A. C. Kella...

Church Notices
THE EPHRAIM, Northcote.
2nd Sunday in Advent.
8 a.m., Holy Communion...

Church Notices
NORTHCOTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (GAMES ST.)
11 a.m., "A Question of Profit and Loss..."

Church Notices
NORTHCOTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, David Street.
11 a.m., "The Time is Now..."

Church Notices
NORTHCOTE METHODIST CHURCHES.
HIGH STREET.
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Programme Week commencing Monday, 15th December.

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After the Ball
With GASTON GLASS and MIRIAM M. COOPER.

Amusements
The Call of Home.
A Gaiety Production.

Amusements
TOY APPEAL
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

Amusements
Sacred Concert
SUNDAY NIGHT AT 8.15

Amusements
LECTURE.
MELBOURNE TO DARWIN ON FOOT.

Amusements
NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 1924.

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TUESDAY, 16th DECEMBER.

Amusements
Variety Entertainment
Premier Juvenile Entertainers

Amusements
NOT A DULL MOMENT.
A GREAT ENTERTAINMENT FROM START TO FINISH.

Amusements
The Annual Picnic
Will be held at the YAN YEAN RESERVOIR on NEW YEAR'S DAY, 1st January, 1925.

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THIS DAY (SATURDAY).
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Auction Notices
SALES BY AUCTION.
THIS DAY—SATURDAY.
At 3 o'clock.

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BUSINESS PAIRS. The Croxton Coy., of 266 St. George's Road, is advertising for a partner...

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NORTHCOTE THEATRE. "After the Ball" will be shown at the Northcote Theatre on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday...

Advertisements
PENDER'S GROVE SCHOOL. Last week saw all hands and feet busy with the official opening...

Advertisements
NORTHCOTE R.S.S.I.L.A. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held on Monday next...

Advertisements
NORTHCOTE FREE LIBRARY. The committee of the library on Monday evening, 8th inst., were holding a meeting...

Advertisements
Leader's Printing Office, High Street, Northcote. N. NOTT & SONS Prop.

NORTHCOTE POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8.

Before Messrs. Johnson, Oldis, Cohen and Dye, J.S.P.

MAINTENANCE.

Ames Stobie v. William Stobie, for arrears of maintenance amounting to £100. Mr. Pagan for complainant.

Ames Stobie said an order was made in Jan., 1922, for maintenance against the defendant. A few payments were made, but £100 was not owing. The case was adjourned for one month, in order to give defendant a chance to pay maintenance and arrears.

ALLEGED UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Stella Hawkes, Druagh street, was charged, that on December 3, at Clifton Hill, she had in her possession a drapery suspected of having been stolen.

Mr. Ridgway appeared for defendant. Detective O'Holm said that on December 3, certain goods were found in a house occupied by accused at Druagh street.

Detective Constable Sullivan said, December 3, he went to a house in Clifton Hill, and saw a man named Kelly there. He asked the defendant what she got certain goods, and she said she had bought them, but could not say where. She denied receiving goods from Kelly, who was a day employee. Later, in the presence of Kelly, she was questioned and Kelly said "Don't say anything." Subsequently, when told the goods were part of the proceeds of a robbery at Stawell, accused admitted receiving the goods from Kelly.

Mr. Ridgway said Kelly was first a boarder with accused at Clifton Hill, and later moved to Stawell. He used to send his washing to accused to do, and in the second case goods, asking Kelly where he got the goods, he said, "It's no business of yours," and later told her that when cases were broken up, the goods of the employees were allowed to buy goods cheaply, which statement was quite untrue.

FOOD FOR RATS.

Walter G. Johnson, High street, Preston, was charged, that on November 27, he placed waste food on and in St. George's road, such food being likely to provide sustenance for rats.

Mr. A. M. Lane (Maddock, Jamaica and Lowe), appeared for the City Northcote.

Inspector James, an officer of the City Northcote, said he saw defendant on November 27, he saw defendant carrying vegetables on hand in St. George's road. He called to defendant to stop, and he went to his vehicle and drove off. Later, defendant admitted placing the waste food on and in St. George's road.

James testified that he was in company with the previous witness, gave similar evidence.

Walter G. Johnson, the defendant, said on November 27, he heard two men call out and run towards him, carrying a considerable sum of money in his hand. He was afraid of robbery, and he did not know what the waste food should not be dumped.

The Bench imposed a fine of £25 or 21/6 costs.

Mrs. Oldis and Johnson did not appear in the Bench in this case.

ALLEGED LOITERING WITH INTENT.

J. Noonan, Nicholson street, Northcote, was charged, that on November 27, being a suspected person, did loiter in a public place, with intent to commit a felony, and is therefore deemed to be a rogue and a vagabond.

Mr. J. L. Clarke for accused.

Constable North said, on November 27, he saw the accused loitering along High street, in a north-easterly direction with two others. Later he saw a tailor's shop broken open, and a man run across a vacant lot, and a man call out "Look out, here come the Johns." The men were 20 yards from the shop, when he first saw them. Witness suspected the accused of being connected with the burglary. When witness chased the other men, defendant did not attempt to move. Defendant appeared to have been drunk.

Senior-Constable Gordon said at about 2 a.m., he went to Mr. Lane's shop and found the goods taken between £30 and £50 had been stolen. Searching on vacant blocks nearby, he recovered the whole of the stolen goods.

Constable Wagner said he had known him to keep company with reputed thieves and suspected persons.

John Noonan said, on November 27, he had been to a party, and he had been drinking heavily. He was hit, and he had no knowledge of any goods being stolen.

The Bench decided to convict, and sentenced to gaol for a month.

RAILWAY PROSECUTIONS.

Leslie Shearer, Nutfield, was charged, that on October 26, he travelled between Melbourne and Albury on first class on a second class ticket (Class 2B) and 2/6 costs.

Joseph Whelan, Elizabeth street, Northcote, was charged, that on a second class ticket between Preston and Merri, was fined 2/6, with 2/6 costs. Percy Hill for a similar offence, between Clifton Hill and Clifton Hill, was fined 2/6, and 2/6 costs.

Mr. Crookes prosecuted on behalf of the Railways Department.

LICENSEES.

Renewals of real estate agent's license were granted to A. Leach, Douglas Melv, Campbell, J. J. W. Hridson, Alex. Melv, Ernest Lewis, Richard Bailey, R. H. Smith, B. Dwyer, G. G. Hargrave, J. Jones, Robert Johnson, W. H. Swannock, F. W. Stott, W. S. Stott, C. T. Youren, G. O. Youren, L. J. Whelan, S. E. Whelan, S. E. Johnson, Renewals of collectors' license were granted to H. Warren, M. Rosenberg, S. J. Kington, W. J. L. Dowley, G. Sherrin, W. J. L. Broadhurst, and J. L. Cannon.

DEBTS.

London Key v. John A. Roberts, for £50 due on a promissory note, order for amount with £1/10 costs.

ANNUAL SPORTS.

The winners of prizes at the annual sports of the West Hill College, held during November were as follows:

Prize winners—Senior, championship Alison Cooper; second, Evelyn Morgan; Intermediate, first, Nancy Harper; second, Thelma Scott; Junior, first, Lola Cooper; second, Eileen McIlroy; Preparatory, first, Floris Blackburn; second, Jean Tipping; Kindergarten, Murna Burley.

Boys—Intermediate, first, Ronnie Brooks; second, William Wate; Junior, first, Teddy Pierce; second, Ronald Hastam; Open Championship, William Wate; Flag Race, Westlake defeated Corran.

A large attendance gathered to witness the events, which proved entirely taking.

PRESTON BUYS A ROAD ROLLER.

A STORMY MEETING.

On Monday night, at the meeting of the Preston Council, Cr. Jones, as chairman of the public works committee, moved the adoption of the following recommendation: "The purchase of a road roller."

Cr. Jones said the committee of the whole council had gone in to the matter thoroughly, and had come to the conclusion arrived at in the recommendation.

Cr. Brasgrove seconded.

Cr. Robinson moved the suspension of the standing orders to attend Mr. Jelbart (one of the tenderers).

Cr. Jelbart seconded.

Cr. Robinson's motion was lost by a vote of 2.

Cr. Robinson then moved an amendment: "That a road roller be purchased at contract price."

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PRESTON TOWN COUNCIL. MONDAY, DECEMBER 8. The usual meeting of the Preston Town Council was held on Monday night.

CORRESPONDENCE. J. Cain, M.L.A., enclosing letter from Public Works Department, re plans and specifications for State School, Preston West—Received.

LIGHT AT RESERVOIR STATION. Secretary, Victorian Railways, stating that an electric light had been provided on the foot crossing at the down side of Reservoir station—Received.

CHRISTMAS TREES. George Tibbs, correspondent, West Preston State School, writing councillors to be present at a Christmas tree on December 19.—Cr. Ward moved that as many councillors as possible attend.—Carried.

SUNDAY SPORT. Secretary, Sunday School Council and Sunday School Union, protesting against allowing organised sports on Sundays.—Cr. Robinson moved that writers be informed council would not allow the use of parks and playground on Sundays for organised sport.

ELECTRICITY EXTENSION. R. W. Hiltner and four others, application to have electric light extended to Delaware street—Electricity light committee, electricity to report.

GENERAL. Department of Land and Survey, re conference concerning furze fences.—Cr. Brangwyn proposed to attend.

Sacred Heart Church, inviting councillors to attend service on Christmas morning.—Cr. Robinson moved that as many councillors as possible attend.—Carried.

Australian Institute of Metallurgy and Mining, re visit to Yallourn, inviting councillors to take part.—Received.

Secretary, Hospital Saturday and Sunday appeal (Lord Mayor's Fund), expressing satisfaction and appreciation at the highly successful appeal held in Preston when £224/16/4 was raised.—Received.

Department of Public Works, re sewerage area, and the disposal of sewage.—Cr. Tibbs moved that the matter go to the committee as a whole.—Cr. Ward seconded.—Received.

Chief Commissioner of Police, re police at Preston, stating that applications to be called for Preston West, and if not, Constable Bessant chose he could apply, and when applications were being considered, council's request would be considered.—Received.

Home and Wilkinson, re law to forbid keeping of goats.—Committee of the whole council.

Preston Amateur Cycling Club, applying for the use of Preston park for cycling during cricket intervals.—Referred to parties concerned.

Home and Wilkinson, re law to forbid keeping of goats.—Committee as a whole.

John Gayford and Co., asking permission to erect shop and dwelling.—Committee as a whole.

E. E. Chown, on behalf of the football social committee, applying for the use of the town hall from March to November.—Hall committee.

City of Portsea, re constitution of the Tramways Board.—Committee as a whole.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. Cr. Ward moved that accounts amounting to £205/4/9 be passed for payment.—Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Cr. Newton moved that accounts amounting to £127/8/4 be passed for payment.—Carried.

A. E. Hoegle, crown of road, corner of Haglan and Victoria streets.—That the sum of £10 be spent in carrying out this work.—Adopted.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE. On the motion of Cr. Griggs, accounts amounting to £763/16/4 were passed for payment.

S. E. Hamblin, applying for extension to premises in McNamara street.—That the application be granted, subject to £35 being paid towards cost.—Cost, £50 for three consumers.

J. K. Turner, applying for extension to premises in Rubicon street.—That the application be granted, subject to £9 being paid towards cost.—Cost, £14 for one consumer.

Application for extension to premises in Storey road.—That the application be granted, subject to £10 being paid towards cost.—Cost, £50, 19 consumers.

III, applying for extension to premises in Thackeray road.—That the application be granted, subject to £30 being paid towards cost.—Cost, £10, two consumers.

Verdin, applying for extension to premises in Pine street.—That the application be granted.—Cost, £28, nine consumers.

Milady's Corner. By MOTHER MEG.

BACKING YOUR HOLIDAY TRUNK. The art of packing is really the art to pack the largest number of articles into the smallest possible space without spoiling them, and is one of the most useful of all methods.

ALL heavy articles, such as shoes, books, etc., should go in first. Shoes will not be injured if wrapped separately and put in a separate compartment.

ALL spaces left by heavy articles should be filled up with soft, bulky articles, such as woolen things, to prevent the trunk from being packed too tightly.

THIS can sometimes be worked into a trunk, especially if not too full, to indicate a nature. Place the hat in the centre, rather near the top of the trunk. The crown should be well stuffed with something soft, yet somewhat a woolly vest or small scarf.

WHEN YOUR BELT GETS GRIDDY. Of course you have noticed how very much the white kid and suede belt is being worn upon dresses these days, also, perhaps, of leather to leather, collars and cuffs and pockets of the smart, slim little affairs of navy cloth.

THE white trimmings will quickly get grubby, she thinks, and then she will be obliged to use a brush to get the nap of the cloth back again. All you need are some clean rags, and a clean, white cloth, and you can do it.

THEY will turn yellow and stained, and will look very shabby. If you have a second application of the nap, which the first has dried, will soon remove them. Remember always to keep the brush in the one direction, and rub it backwards and forwards as this will spoil the grain of the nap. Constantly change the surface of the rag, and change the rag.

COULD CLEAN FOR THE CUTICLE. No matter how careful one may be, a regular manicure, it often happens that cuticle grows ragged and ugly. You can remedy this by covering the cuticle every night before going to bed with a thin layer of cream. This keeps the cuticle soft, and also prevents the nails from becoming brittle.

ALTER THE NECK-LINE—ALTER THE DRESS. A word about your last season's necklines—do you know—the one with the Peter Pan collar. Take off the collar, and cut along piece out of the front, and with it own material, cut a collar, and put it on with a pretty trim underneath. If you have a jumper blouse, which is torn under the arms or all across the back, it is a suggestion well worth considering, anyway, especially as you must look your prettiest for the Christmas holidays when you are having a very nice time at some country resort.

SHOULDER STRAPS. A fashion that is not new, but one that is universally becoming, is to have one shoulder strap made of flowers that tone with the dress. A velvet or plush strap, or one of the fashionable bright broods, would be attractive with a band of perennials or any other small, single flower across the shoulder, and also, if desired, the same, which should slip slightly toward the back.

AVOID DISASTER. Here's a good notion for the strenuous golfer, housewife or dancer. To prevent ribbon shoulder straps from slipping, and that they break at the critical moment, sew a piece of elastic on to each end of the ribbon strap, and then attach it to the garment. This will allow the strap to give, thus saving many narrow escapes. We all know the awful embarrassment of suddenly realising at a dance that something has slipped away, and a moment later will be caused if we do not immediately repair to the dressing room. Well, remember the little hint and you will be saved from many an awkward predicament.

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COGNAC BLANCHONS. The whites of two eggs, 1 lb. sugar, 1 lb. cognac. Cook on a griddle until milk brown.

CREAM BISCUITS. One cup cream, 1 cup sugar, three small cups self-rising flour, six eggs, and sugar well together, then add flour and roll out. Bake in moderate oven. Any flavouring may be added, desiccated coconut or vanilla is very nice.

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WHITTLESEA SHIRE COUNCIL. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10.

The usual meeting of the Whittlesea Shire Council was held at the Shire Hall, Mernda, last Wednesday. The president (Mr. McCormack), occupied the chair. Also present, Cms. Thomas, Butler, Murray, Higgins, Brownhill, Panton, Murphy, Higgs, Brown, and Reed.

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in Davidson street put in. Sanderson's crossing, Cooper street was at present being put in. Bridge at Thoma town: the timber for the reconstruction of this structure was practically all on the ground, and a start will be made on December 15. Attention had been given to the main road north of Heveridge road. Grant's road had received attention. Bridges on Chobarric road attended to.

Morning riding.—The road leading to Hurstbridge had received attention, and overhauling fence and footpath attended to at Hurstbridge. The road leading to Hurstbridge had received attention, and overhauling fence and footpath attended to at Hurstbridge.

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The shield was then presented to the school, Mr. Cohen, J.P., receiving it on the school's behalf. The school committee, parents, and children were all present for the occasion.

Mr. Cohen stated that a record had been established, and it seemed to show that the school was doing very well. The result of the test was very gratifying to those who interested themselves in the school. He moved a vote of thanks to the ladies and gentlemen's committee for their interest and untiring efforts.

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8 a.m., Holy Communion.
11 a.m., Matins and Sermon.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, Central Northcote.
Parish Hall, Merri and Bay View Sts.
4th Sunday in Advent.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON (Plenty Road).
11 a.m., Morning Prayer and Sermon.
7 p.m., Evening and Christmas Carol.

NORTHCOLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (JAMES ST.).
11 a.m., "Christ's Christmas Gift to Men."
Christmas Service and Christmas Hymns.

PRESTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, David Street.
11 a.m., "On Earth Peace."
7:30 p.m., Community Choral Service.

THORNHURST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rossmore Street.
11 a.m., Holy Communion.
7 p.m., Christmas Service.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Martin St., Northcote.
11 a.m., "Prophecy Concerning Jews."
7 p.m., Community Service.

NORTHCOLE METHODIST CHURCHES.
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11 a.m., Pastor W. J. Davey.
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Madam's Corner.

By MOTHER MEG. RAINBOW CUFFS AND COLLARS. It is surely a stroke of genius to invent anything new in the shape of collars and cuffs.

FRINGE THE NEAREST. In preference to ostrich feathers, dresses are now sometimes trimmed with silk or chenille fringe.

HATS THAT DISFIGURE. William J. Locke, the well-known novelist, said in an interview with a representative of an overseas paper, that he thought a hat could make a tremendous difference to a woman's appearance.

WOMAN AND THE HOME. Mrs. Wintringham, M.P., speaking in London of the developments and emancipation of women, said that the Victorian age was an age of bondage, which began to terminate when women were allowed to express themselves as individuals.

THE TURNING OF THE WORK. Mrs. Smith was repeatedly reminding her husband that she owned the silver chair, the silver teapot, and so on, until poor Smith wished he had married some poor girl.

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CRICKET. NORTHCOTE v. RICHMOND.

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South Preston State School. Last Tuesday afternoon Father Xmas made his appearance at the Hotham-st. State School, when from a fully laden tree he presented to each of over 200 children from the junior school a substantial toy.

First Innings. Keating, c Joyce, b Charlesworth... 21 Clive Sydney, c and b Hartkopf... 15 Clem Sydney, c Joyce, b Charlesworth... 67

Second Innings. Northcote won by 166 runs. Clive Sydney, c and b Hartkopf... 15 Clem Sydney, c Joyce, b Charlesworth... 67

Second Eleven. Preston, 74 (Akel 24, Nankervis 23) v. Port Melbourne, eight for 130.

Metropolitan League. McConchie's, 191 (Owen 63, Ronald 25, Angus 26; Allan six for 23) beat Northcote 31 and over for 149 (Miles 33, Rowe 22 not out and four for 53, Harvey 24, Dickson, 22 and four for 30).

Northcote and Preston Churches Association. A Grade.—St. George's road Methodist, 194 and one for 44 (Jacob 16, Rowe 24 not out, Whiteoak five for 48) v. Reservoir Methodist, 67 and 45 (Whiteoak, 22, McAuley, five for 12, Owens five 32, Matten, five for 36).

Northcote and Preston Sunday Schools Association. The following is the result of the fifth round in the above association.

THE PENNANT GAMES.

The pennant games were resumed again last Saturday, when the matches originally drawn for 8th November, were played. This round had to be postponed owing to wet weather.

Northcote B.O.B. 75 and nine for 71 (Hartke 35, Moore 21, Freeman 10, v. Collingwood, 98 and 83 (Moore three for 19, Dickson three for 33, King three for 38). Northcote plays Camberwell on 29th.

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