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NUMEROUS DEFENDANTS FINED.

At the Northcote police court on Monday a number of motorists were prosecuted for various offences.

Ernest Best, Jenkin street, Northcote, was charged that on October 23 he failed to carry lights.

Clifford Tuttleby, Heidelberg road, Alphington, was charged with failing to have a brake fitted on his motor cycle on November 1.

Albert Ladd, Candy street, Northcote, was charged that on November 1 he drove a motor car at Alphington at a speed dangerous to the public.

Defendant said he had only had the car for 10 days prior to the accident, and did not then have a license.

Defendant pleaded guilty. Plain-clothes Const. J. Davern said that on November 28 he saw defendant in a right-of-way of Kemp street.

Defendant admitted he had been betting for another man. In his pockets was found £8/2/6. Defendant said he had been out of work and received £2 per day from the man for whom he was taking bets.

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All matters intended for publication in "The Leader" must be sent in at the earliest possible moment in order to secure insertion.

Business Announcements. HOOPER'S NORTHCOTE AUCTION MART, Established 1920. Note Address: 336 High Street.

LEAVE YOUR ORDERS FOR GROCERIES WITH F. CAPP CASH GROCER GILBERT ROAD AND TAYLOR STREET, WEST PRESTON.

WHY GO TO TOWN? SATISFACTION GUARANTEED. OVER TEN YEARS AS CUTTER WITH LEADING CITY FIRMS. AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.

R. B. LAWRENCE DYEING, CLEANING AND FEATHER DRESSERS. SUITS OR DRESS LIKE NEW BY LATEST PROCESS.

BE UP-TO-DATE AND HAVE ELECTRIC LIGHT INSTALLED IN YOUR HOME. Clean, No Matches, No Mantle Bills.

THE AUSTRAL PALAIS DE LUXE 419 HIGH STREET, NORTHCOTE. Dancing Every Tuesday and Saturday Evenings.

YOUR XMAS PRESENT 5/- BICYCLES per week. £2 Deposit Preston Star Cycles

Quinn's Granolithic & Metal-Crete Floors and Pavings. For FACTORIES, GARAGES, VERANDAHs, GARDEN PATHS, STEPS.

Quinn's Stonewood Floors for Bathrooms, Joists and Non-cracking. CAN BE LAID ON WOOD OR CONCRETE.

Quinn's Cement Drain Pipes, Gully Tops and Wash Throughs.

"Suevic," 29 Reid Street, Northcote. A Standard of Purity. THE BREAD WE SELL IS MADE UNDER CONDITIONS ENSURING ITS PUREST PURITY.

WEDDING. CULLEN-LEWIS.

The marriage of Mr. Michael Cullen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Callan of "Mullin," Europa, with Miss Leah Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lewis, of "Belair," Martin street, Preston, took place at the Sacred Heart church, Preston, on November 14.

Yellow Cab Co. Four ladies shopping, say four miles, with one hour's detention, 12/9, or 3/24 each.

PLEASE Just figure out for yourself any trip you desire at 1/3 for the first one-third of a mile and 6d for each additional one-third of a mile.

DO YOU REALISE THAT Four passengers can ride for the price of one? We allow a 25 per cent. rebate on all return journeys?

THINK OF THESE EXAMPLES. Four children going to school, say four miles, the fare is 6/9, or 1/8 1/2 per head.

YELLOW CAB RIDERS enjoy SAFETY, PRIVACY, ECONOMY. BE ON YOUR GUARD AGAINST IMITATORS.

IN THIS WAY YOU CAN SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION Of the Company which has brought motor transport within the reach of everybody, and is willing, as soon as possible, to further reduce the cost to you.

Hail Them Anywhere. Or Ring Central 11-66-0.

Northcote's Quality Butcher

J. ECKER, Northcote's Cash Quality BUTCHER

Offers the Public of Northcote and surrounding districts the choicest of Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Pork and Veal at the Lowest Possible Prices.

Table with columns: BEEF, MUTTON, CORNED BEEF, PORK, VEAL, SPRING LAMB. Lists various cuts and prices per lb.

WHITTLESEA MOTOR GARAGE Authorised Ford Dealer for the District. Only Genuine Ford Parts Stocked and Fitted.

M. ROSE Second-hand Dealer, and Window Fitting, Show Case and Counter Manufacturer.

SELLING OUT! SELLING OUT! BOOTS AND SHOES OUR PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD.

BE SURE AND TRY MAC'S STEAM LAUNDRY. 656 HIGH STREET, THORNBURY. O. Du Feu, Prop.

D. K. ROSS & CO., Furniture & Carpet Warehousemen, 197 to 205 St. George's Road, North Fitzroy

Tall Boy SAFE GET THE NEW STYLE. KITCHEN SAFE. Handier and Takes Up Less Room.

WHITTLESEA MASONIC LODGE.

On Saturday last the new Whittlesea Mark Lodge No. 84 was consecrated. Most W. Bro. Edward Goulson, Grand Master, performed the ceremony.

Some time ago plans for the modelling of the Whittlesea school were approved. All the boys have been taken to proceed with the work of making the school up to date.

On Saturday afternoon a "young folks" party was held at the vicarage. It took the form of a gift afternoon.

LOCAL BATTERY SERVICE STATION YOUR BATTERY CALLED FOR AND DELIVERED. A Phone Ring or a Note and our Service Car will call.

JENKINS & CO. Blue Star Garage 465 High Street, Northcote. Mr. E. MEN, ROBERTSON, of Robertson and O'Donnell, has taken over the GARAGE BUSINESS of Jenkins and Co.

Overland AND WILLIS KNIGHT CARS C. ROLANDS, Authorised Dealer AND Service Station, CHURCH STREET, WHITTLESEA.

"THE WESTGARTH NEWSAGENT"

B. CUDDIGAN. WE HAVE A FINE COLLECTION OF HOME MAIL CARDS AND NOVELTIES. Big Range of Xmas Books for Boys and Girls.

NANKERVIS & SPURR (Late Kellow-Falkiner), MOTOR ENGINEERS, 209-211 High Street, Northcote. All Makes of Cars Overhauled and Repaired.







Church Notices

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, Northcote. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. A. C. Keay, M.A.

CHURCH OF THE EMPYAN, Central Northcote. 11 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon. Rev. W. J. G. Gray.

ST. MARY'S, PRESTON. (Phony Road). 11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon. Rev. W. J. G. Gray.

NORTHCOLE METHODIST CHURCHES. HIGH STREET, NORTHCOLE. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham.

PHENIX OF WALES PARK CHURCH, 203 High Street, Northcote. 11 a.m. Rev. W. E. Lancaster.

ST. GEORGE'S ROAD, NORTHCOLE. 11 a.m. Pastor W. J. Darby.

CRONTON. 11 a.m. Rev. W. E. Lancaster. 7 p.m. Pastor W. J. Darby.

PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES. PRESTON. 11 a.m. Mr. S. W. King.

WEST PRESTON. 11 a.m. Mr. W. A. Pearce. 7 p.m. Rev. H. Hambley, M.A.

RESERVY. 11 a.m. Rev. C. J. Standland. 7 p.m. Mr. J. G. Gannaway.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES. SOUTH PRESTON. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Gray.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, 11 a.m. Rev. C. J. Standland. 7 p.m. Rev. W. E. Lancaster.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, High Street, Northcote. 11 a.m. Worship. 7 p.m. Bible School.

BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH STREET, NORTHCOLE. Pastor, Rev. Donald McNeil, both.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 11 a.m. Rev. T. D. Webb. 7 p.m. Rev. T. D. Webb.

THORNHURST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ROSSWYLL ST. 11 and 7 Rev. George Carson, M.A.

PRESTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DAVID ST. 11 a.m. "Gods' Pleading Care".

REMOVING FENCE AND GATES. MEMBERS required for REMOVING FENCE AND GATES from Catholic Church, Preston, and RESERVY, at RESERVY.

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NORTHCOLE. SPLENDID BUILDING ALLOTMENTS.

Suitable State Savings Bank Building Scheme. Clyde, Speight, Hammond and Willmott Streets. 10 x 115, 475; 50 x 118, 475.

STOTT SON & WATSON. Head Office: 203 HIGH STREET, NORTHCOLE. SOLE AGENTS. Phone 881.

THIS DAY (SATURDAY), At Three O'clock, In a Martinet, On the Estate.

OAKOVER OAKOVER OAKOVER. CORNER OF GILBERT ROAD AND BELL STREET. 15 VALUABLE SHOP SITES 15 10 VILLA ALLOTMENTS 10 PRESTON.

COGILL & HAUGHTON, 79 Swanston St., Melbourne. STOTT, SON & WATSON, High St., Northcote, and Preston.

THIS DAY (SATURDAY), DEC. 12. At 2 o'clock on premises. 146 Beaconsfield Pde., Northcote.

Mortgagee's Realising Sale of MODERN D.F. W.B. VILLA. 1500 sq. ft. 4 bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, and Wash-house.

STOTT, SON & WATSON, 203 High St., Northcote, Phone 881. Agents in conjunction.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19. At 2 o'clock on the property. 16 OLDIS AVENUE, NORTHCOLE.

Executors Realising Auction Sale. S.F. W.B. COTTAGE. Five rooms, Kitchen, Vestibule, Bathroom, and 19th fln. by 1410. See to R.O.W.

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Nos. 1 and 3, Scotia St., Preston. Close to Oakover road and almost adjoining the huge Tranway Workshop.

BRICK BUNGALOW HOMES. Each contains 4 bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, and Wash-house, complete with all modern conveniences, and situated in a large allotment with a large driveway.

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE. RENT TERMS ARRANGED. NOTE: Here is a chance of securing a New Brick Villa, well suited for Home or Investment, in a locality that will rapidly increase in value.

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MISS RUBY BOND, Dramatic Soprano, recited, Singing and Voice Production at 203 Abchurch Lane, Northcote, and 100 Collins Street, City. All communications to be addressed to Mrs. Bond.

MISS ELMA D. JOHNSTON, D.M.S.V. (pupil of Mr. F. H. Hume), of the University Conservatory of Music, London, and Organ, Harp, and Piano, and Musical Foundation for young students. Pupils prepared for examination. Terms on application. "Murray Dell", Waterloo Road, Northcote. Preston visit on Wednesday, Northcote 527.

SIDNEY R. COLBY, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., London, and Examiner L.A.M. Voice, Piano and Musical Musical Trainer, Organ and Counterpoint. 254 High St., Northcote. Write Allan's.

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NORTHCOLE. THE LEADER

JUSTICE TO ALL. Published Every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12. ITEMS OF NEWS.

OURSELVES. The office of the Northcote and Preston "Leader" will be closed on Thursday, December 10, and will re-open on Monday, January 5, 1926.

The sixth annual meeting of the Northcote Visiting Trained Nurses' Society is to be held in the committee room at Northcote, on Monday, December 14, at 3 p.m.

A company under the name of McDonald and Jones Pty. Ltd., building and contractors, with registered office at 203 High Street, Northcote, has been formed to acquire a garage on the business carried on by McDonald and Jones Pty. Ltd., at 2500 in 51 shares.

The payment of pensions at the Northcote post office during the Christmas and New Year holidays will be in the usual manner, and will be made on the 23rd of December, and on the 27th of January, and on the 31st of December, and on the 31st of January.

The Brighton Council on Monday considered the adoption of a uniform traffic by-law recommended by a recent conference of municipalities, and which had been approved by the council on October 6.

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PRESTON FOOTBALL CLUB.

APPLICATION TO JOIN ASSOCIATION TO BE MADE. ENTHUSIASTIC PUBLIC MEETING.

On Tuesday evening last at the Preston Town Hall, there was a public meeting for the purpose of considering the application to join the Preston Football Club to the Association.

The Mayor, in explaining the object of the meeting, said that the Preston Football Club was a club of the community, and that it was the duty of the community to support it.

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NORTHCOLE POLICE COURT.

Before Messrs. H. E. Johnson (chairman), S. Daniels, C. Colton, A. Bailey, C. T. Keane and E. Jones, J.P.'s.

Indecent Behavior. Chas. W. Brown, aged 19 years, was charged with indecent behavior with a female child under the age of 16 years, on December 10, 1925.

Adulterated Milk. Mr. J. W. Brown, aged 19 years, was charged with selling adulterated milk, on December 10, 1925.

Inspector (name) gave evidence that he had seen the defendant on the premises on Saturday, December 10, 1925.

The defendant pleaded guilty. He was fined 10 shillings, with 14 days' imprisonment in default of payment.

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BOWLING.

THE THORNHURST CLUB. Thornbury's representatives did remarkably well in the V.L.A. Championship Series, which started last night.

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MISS EILEEN PASCOE-WHITE.

CONCERT. A MOST SUCCESSFUL GATHERING. There was a full house at the concert given by Miss Eileen Pascoe-White at the Northcote Town Hall.

The concert was a most successful gathering, and it was the duty of the community to support it.

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MISS RUBY BOND'S CONCERT.

A MOST SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION. At the Northcote Town Hall an entertainment given by the pupils of Miss Ruby Bond...

CHILDREN'S CONCERT.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOR NORTHCOTE.

DEPUTATION TO MINISTER. MAY BE GRANTED IN NEW YEAR. A deputation waited on Sir Alex. Gordon...

A FAMILY SQUABBLE.

VENTILATED AT NORTHCOTE POLICE COURT. Police Magistrate E. Johnson...

PRESTON POLICE COURT.

Police Magistrate E. Johnson. Debt. W. E. Cavanagh...

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

HEALTH ACT 1919. Registrations for Year 1926. NOTICE is hereby given that APPLICANTS for REGISTRATION...

TOWN OF PRESTON.

SANITARY SERVICE. Notice of Intention to Make a Plan Charge. NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Preston...

Amusements.

The REGENT HIGH ST., THORNBURY. TO-NIGHT (Saturday), LAST NIGHT of NELLIE KOLLE and Jack Hoxie in 'THE SHOCK PUNCH'...

WHITTLESEA.

At the recent annual examination of the Whittlesea State School...

NORTHCOTE FREE LIBRARY.

80,651 BOOKS ISSUED LAST YEAR. The annual report of the Northcote Free Library...

WIRELESS SET FOR EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL.

(To the Editor). Sir, The following is a complete list of donations received towards the Eye and Ear Hospital...

BOY SCOUTS.

THE PRESTON TROOP. Last Saturday we had an outright win against the 43rd Troop...

SHOP OPEN AFTER HOURS.

Shop Open After Hours. Stated Pauline, daughter of Gilbert Road, Preston...

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE. CHARLES TEASDALE, of No. 2, High Street, Northcote, hereby gives notice that after the EXPIRATION OF ONE MONTH...

OPENING OF GRANDSTAND.

Cramer Street Park. NOTICE is hereby given that the Grandstand at Cramer Street Park will be opened...

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HIGHLAND GATHERING.

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON PIPE BANDS SUCCESSFUL. The 1st Highland Gathering held at Northcote on 20th Nov...

NORTHCOTE BUS ROUTES.

COUNCIL OPPOSES BUS COMPETITION. A RECENT COUNCIL MEETING was held at the Northcote Town Hall...

ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL APPEAL.

NORTHCOTE EFFORT 1926 TO DATE. The fortnightly meeting of the Northcote committee...

FOR XMAS GIVING.

Gifts Useful as well as Beautiful are Most Appreciated, and Best Express the Xmas Holiday Spirit. Did it ever occur to you to make your son or daughter a present of a wrist watch...

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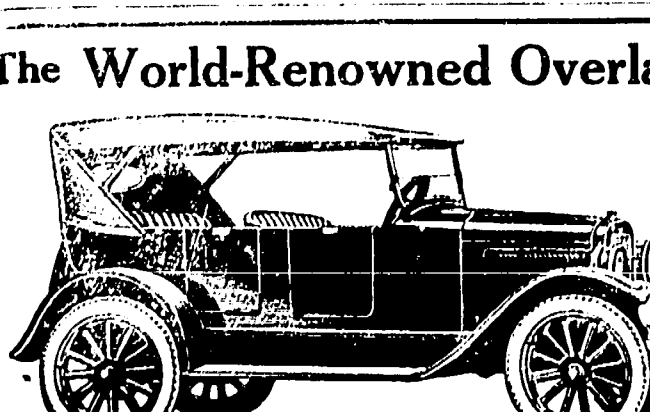
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PRESTON COUNCIL MONDAY, DECEMBER 7.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Preston Town Council was held on Monday, when there were present the Mayor (Mr. Lawson), Mr. J. W. Adams, C. T. Crispie, G. Bransgrove, J. E. Robinson, G. C. McPherson, J. E. Pratt, A. E. Newton and J. W. Hartrop.

Proposal to Shift Penitentiary. Town clerk, City of Colborne, stating his council had under consideration the question of the removal of the Penitentiary from Colborne, being firmly convinced that the retention of the goal for the metropolitan area in that district was an impediment.

Execution of High School. Town clerk, Northcote, re High School, stating a conference would be held on the site in St. George's road with the Minister for Education, and asking that representatives attend.

Rebby Health Campaign. J. Hume Cook, secretary Twiddle Hospital for children, proposed a campaign against infantile diarrhoeal mortality, enclosing copy of determination of the proposed committee.

Local Government Act Amendments. Municipal Association, re Local Government Act Amendments, proposed changes in the existing law which provides that interest on rates and other moneys shall be payable after 15 days.

West Preston Progress Association. E. Pass, secretary West Preston Progress Association, re the final report, suggesting that owners be compelled to erect a brick wall round their yards 10 feet higher than any stack of timber or building as a safeguard against fire.

North Preston Progress Association. A. O'Brienshaw, North Preston Progress Association, re the final report, suggesting that owners be compelled to erect a brick wall round their yards 10 feet higher than any stack of timber or building as a safeguard against fire.

Complaints of Blasting. William I. Foster, Albert street, Preston, complaining of blasting at the quarry, corner of Albert street and Riegan street. A piece of stone 3 1/2 lbs. had struck the roof, and many other pieces of stone were distributed round the house.

High Stand Refused. Alan Dowling, an application for a fish stand at north-west corner of Dundas and High streets, Preston, complaining of blasting at the quarry, corner of Albert street and Riegan street.

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Northcote District Ministers' Association. Invite Attention to the following: XMAS DAY SERVICES

11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. A. C. Kelly, M.A. CHURCH OF THE EPHRAIM, Central Northcote. Parish Hall, Merri and Bay View Sts.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, Northcote. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. A. C. Kelly, M.A. CHURCH OF THE EPHRAIM, Central Northcote.

CHRISTMAS DAY. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Holy Communion at 11. December 27—First Sunday after Christmas.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY. (Railway Parade). 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon.

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

NORTHCOTE METHODIST CHURCHES. XMAS SERVICES. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham.

PRINCE OF WALES PARK. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. ST. GEORGE'S ROAD.

CROXTON METHODIST CHURCH. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. CHRISTMAS CHORAL SERVICE.

ORGAN RECITAL 6.45 by Mr. A. Holtham. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH ST. NORTHCOTE.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Martin St., Northcote. 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Holtham. THORNBURY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ROSSWAYNE ST.

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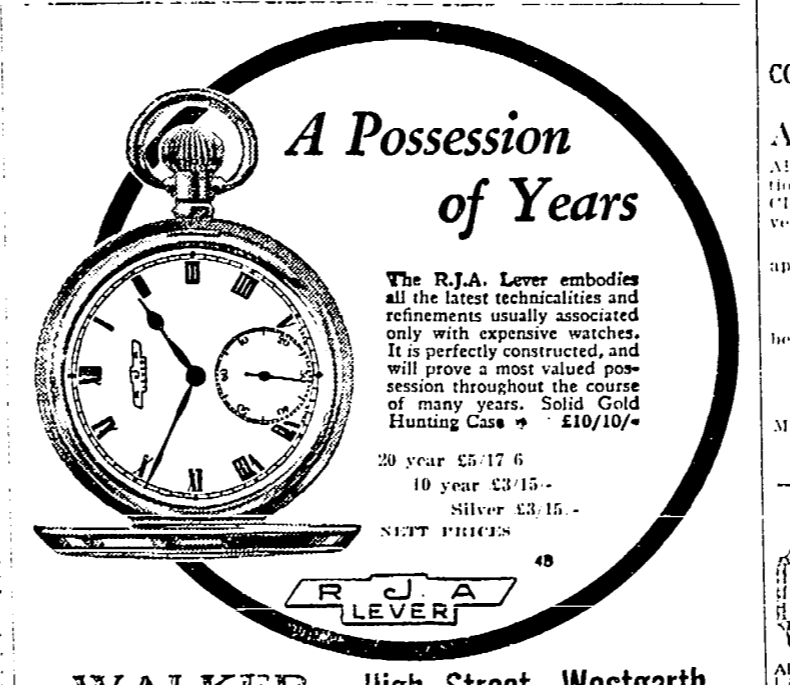
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PRESTON COUNCIL. MONDAY, DECEMBER 21.

The last meeting for the year was held on Monday, when there were present the Mayor (Mr. Jones) and Councillors, Crispe, Hartport, Bransgrove, Pratt, Adams, McPherson, and Robinson.

Strathallan Cemetery. From Chief Secretary, re recent deputation concerning Strathallan cemetery, stating that an agreement had been reached. It will be recommended to the Lands Department that 20 acres of a cottage standing on it be transferred to the council, subject to (a) that the ground be surrounded with a substantial picket fence six feet high; (b) undertake the care of the plantation, which is not to be used for burial purposes; (c) reserve an acre on hereabouts for patients at the Mount Park Hospital, who are to receive from burial from the site; (d) under contract to be erected for the use of the council made by the Government of the land; (e) erect and look after fences and provide drains, etc., where necessary.

The matter was referred to clause 3 of the committee of the council's report.

Heidelberg Street Construction Appeal. Heidelberg Shire Council, re expenses in appealing against decision of Supreme Court in case Heidelberg Shire v. Green in a matter of street construction, stating that as the matter was referred to the committee of metropolitan council it was desired that council make contributions not exceeding £10 for the appeal legal expenses—Committee of the whole council.

Water Supply. Metropolitan Board of Works re insufficiency of water on hot days between the hours of 5.30 and 7.30 p.m. They suggested that householders re-arrange their watering over the day and so maintain an even pressure. Every one would then be able to obtain a reasonable supply on the hottest of days.

Secretary of Tramway Board, re complaint lodged by council about speed of electric cars on Plenty road, passing Hagley street. The Board has issued orders that cars are to be operated at a reasonable speed in future at this point, and desired the council to inform the Board if any car failed to observe this rule.

Laying of Sewer. Metropolitan Board of Works, stating the laying of main sewer in the eastern boundary would be pushed on as early as possible, and would be completed in the preparation of the estimates for the year.

No Tram Buses for Preston. Tramways Board, re the request that they consider the running of bus service to Preston. They stated that in view of the cable cars now running through to the city and the abolition of the electric tram service, they could not consider anything more at present, but were continuing to watch the traffic in the district.

Repairs to Whitteslea Road. Country Roads Board, stating that the Board could not spray the Whitteslea road with tar before the end of March, but suggested that it be sprayed by hand, pending definite arrangements to do the work with bitumen by the end of the month.

Loan Schedule Approved. Secretary State Treasury, stating the Governor-in-Council had approved of amended schedule of connection with council's loan of £28,422.

Complaint of Conduct at Edwardes Lake. J. Hartsborn, assistant secretary Reservoir A.L.P., complaining of bad language at the Edwardes Park lake; also stating the life belt was often left floating about instead of being replaced in the box.

General. A. Freeman, hon. secretary Preston Rowing Club, asking for permission to bring about at next committee meeting in reference to boat sheds building—Request granted.

C. E. Young, Clifton street, asking permission to erect fruit stand in High street on Mr. Walker's land. He was returned a refusal, and the stand was removed for 10 years, and not fit for heavy work.

Cr. Robinson moved that the writer be informed that the council did not favor the application. He thought it a menace to health.

Cr. McPherson moved an amendment that the writer be informed the council had no power over fruit stalls. The motion was carried.

Application from Frank Byrne to run a bus from the city to Reservoir, and an extension to Sanatorium on visiting days—Committee of the whole, with power to act.

George W. Martin, urging the claims of the Eye and Ear Hospital in the annual charity vote—Referred to charity vote.

Cr. Crispe said that the amount of the charity vote was being revised. In previous years it had been £20, and it was now thought that was too small for a municipality like Preston.

APPOINTMENT OF AN OFFICER.

Heated Discussion.

"I'LL PUNCH HIS NOSE." At the meeting of the Preston Council on Monday night Cr. J. W. Adams moved the adoption of the following clause:—

Resolved, That the Mayor be appointed to the position of clerk to the Electric Light Department.

Mr. Hartport moved an amendment that the clause be referred back to committee to consider the advisability of appointing an alderman clerk.

Cr. Robinson seconded. There were capable men in the municipality, and there were capable officers in the department, who were willing to undertake the work. He said the administration as a whole was bad.

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District Associations. NORTH SUBURBAN. FIRST GRADE. Graecidale 90 and five for 80 (O'Keefe 25 and 35; Ireland 8/14) lost to Bell Park, eight for 178 (Ivey 79 n.o., Wood 24 n.o.). THIRD GRADE. Regent, 85 and 33 (Nicholson 37, Regent 25 and 31; Mahor 26 and 3/7), lost to Flemington Court, 57 and two for 66 (Haley 32 n.o. and 10/69).

Northcote and Preston Churches. Thornbury Holy Trinity 265 (Boyle 73, Carlane 35, Watson 34, Freeman 28) lost to St. Mark's, eight for 291 (Fox 77 n.o., J. Clements 49, J. Watts 47, B. Clements 34; Raverty 4/38). St. George's Road, 91 and three for 120 (Rove 67 n.o., Campbell 33, McAlroy 19 n.o. and 3/4) lost to Preston Presbyterian 209 (Morris 82 and 5/27, Freebel 52, Campbell 30).

Jika Cricket Association. East Northcote, 94 and 26 (Maskell 6/19, Maskil 27), lost to Goverville 121 (Bassett 35, Junson 26 and 6/20). Broadhurst 118 and six (closed) for 107 (Mildren 38, Ryan 29 n.o.; Melegan 5/4, Tuttle 11/10), beat Stewart and Davies, 49 and 45. Reservoir, five closed, for 174 and two for 111 (C. Fordo 50 n.o., J. Pardo 40 n.o., Colquhoun 124 n.o.) beat Porphapple 154 (White 50, Corrao 23). Glen Iris 133 and five (closed) for 93 (Vivian 30 n.o., Harding 5/11) beat East Ward, 79 and 59. Preston Footballers, 179 (Aked 72) beat Preston Diggers, 87 and seven for 155. Preston, 75 and one for 30 (R. Pears 4/8, Shields 8/49) beat Scouts 50 and 54 (Warr 32; Albinson 6/25). Preston United, 113 and seven (closed) for 88 (Prince 40, Wearne 30; Prince 6/23, J. Joller 5/23) beat Austral, 58 and 45 (Polignase 5/41, Smith 4/23).

I.O.R. Association. Northcote 169 (Williams 55, J. King 23, Malle 15, Norman 17 n.o., Hawthorn, 47 and 55 (Williams 6/16, King 4/17)). JUNIORS. Northcote, 74 and 202 (Hamilton 69, Dowd 27, Falconer 29, Hutchings 39), St. George's Road, 37 (Bennett, seven for 29). SECOND ELEVENS. Coburg 179 (Ford 76, Kerley 45), beat Preston 172. METROPOLITAN LEAGUE. Clifton Hill 288 beat Fitzroy 167 (Brentall 45, Wylie 38, Dowell 28; Carter 4/11). Northcote 347 (Byrning 72, Murphy 30, Miles 21; Jackson 5/55) beat Carlton 178 and nine for 28 (Pavito 25, Browning 81; Thompson 4/25; Rowe 4/66). Robert: "We know each other pretty well now. Why don't you call me Bob, Betty?" Betty: "Because you're bald headed."

This year there have been 212,000 acres of England fewer than the area of last year under wheat. If a boy's hair were left uncut it would never grow as long as the average girl's, as women have a stronger growth of hair than men. The Vatican, the residence of the Pope, finds employment for a staff of 2000 persons. Dresses made entirely of leather are being shown in Paris. They are in black, white, and rich colors.

SCOTTISH CONCERT. The last Scottish concert for the year was held on Wednesday, 16th, when there was again a large attendance as usual the programme was of a high standard, and every number was appreciated to the full. The choir, Mrs. Peterson having been "piped in" by the band, and the National Anthem sung en masse, the chief said that since the last concert the band had played against all the best pipe bands of Australia at the Highland gathering, held at the Exhibition during the end of last month, and had there won the selection, quickest and aggregate, which placed them in the proud position of Champions of Australia. A protest lodged had been dismissed, but the matter still had to go before the Y.S.M. Even if the protest were upheld, the Northcote and Preston Band would be the outright winners of three cups. He congratulated the band on its meritorious win, which reflected great credit on their society. On New Year's day the band would go to Geelong to take part in more competitions. The band rendered a march, which was enthusiastically received. At a later stage they gave "March, Strathspey and Reel." A sad duty was performed by Pipes and Drums. They played the "Lament" in respect for late Mrs. John McGregor and Bowden. The audience stood in silence for a mark of respect. The late Bro. McGregor was one of the founders of the society, and had since its inception done much for it. He would be greatly missed, and it was generally felt that everyone has lost a friend, and the society one of its most ardent workers. Mr. J. A. Brown gave "Hail Calton," and received an ovation. He responded with an encore. Other numbers he gave were "To-morrow and "The Drum Major." Miss Olive Taylor, a new contributor to the concerts, sang "Robin Adair," and was commended to give an encore. Other numbers were "Any Other Belles" and "I Did Not Know." Miss Millie Cochran gave a very fine exposition of the "Irish jig and Reel" for which she was enthusiastically recalled. She is a graceful dancer, light on the feet, and is the proud possessor of a large number of medals. At a later stage she gave the "Glaucus men's Sword Dance," and was again encored. In the absence of Mr. Tom Masters, Miss Winifred Moyerley, a fine soloist, recited "Ho Always Rode to Win," and was heartily applauded. Other numbers were "Any Other Time," "Departure at the Train," and "That there Mrs. Arrie." "Down the Burt" was Miss J. Christie's opening number, for which she received an ovation, and repeated with "Love's a Merchant." Her latter numbers were "Solweig's Song" and "The Merry Kerrin." Of all, perhaps "Solweig's Song" appeared most. The humorous portions in the hands of Mr. Fred. Chapman. At the conclusion of the concert the chief wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, saying that although the year had been a hard one, the society was in about the same position as last year. "Auld Lang Syne" was sung and the concert terminated, and the usual dance followed. Updates the visitors were hospitably entertained by the Chief in the manner which has made the Northcote and Preston Society famous, and the season's greetings were exchanged. A harmony night will be held during December, and the next concert will be on Wednesday, January 20.

HELP TO BUILD UP NORTHCOTE. (To the Editor.) Sir,—Now that efforts are being made to discontinue the present motor-bus service along High Street, and substitute the Tramway Board's buses, would our Northcote Council consider the need of improving High Street as a business centre? I would suggest that the proposed new service should terminate at the Town Hall. By so doing the traffic, and shopping centre, would be encouraged; the cable trams would not have the competition of the Tramway Board's buses; the maintenance of the road would be considerably reduced, and everyone would benefit except the city shopkeepers. May I suggest the slogan for the council—"Help to build up Northcote"—Yours, etc., "PROGRESS."

Grandmother (quite pointedly to Alice, who is getting up at 11 o'clock): "When I was your age I used to watch the sun rise every morning." Alice: "Why, grandma, I am surprised at you! I've never stayed out that late but twice!"

NORTHCOTE POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21. Before Messrs. W. Hayes (chairman), J. Collett, —Deans and Halliey, J.A.P. No Lights. John G. Brown was fined 20/- for driving a lorry after sundown on December 15 with no lights. Defendant said he expected to not home sooner than he did. Motor Cases. Thos. Power, Normanby road, Thornbury, was charged with driving a motor cycle at a speed dangerous to the public, and with having an obscure number plate. Const. Milne said he was on traffic duty on November 13 in High street south. Defendant traversed 110 miles per hour, a speed of 22 miles per hour. A coat was hanging from the carrier over the rear number plate. It was explained that defendant was having trouble with his magnet, and unless he stopped he would not have been able to run over the hill. A coat he had strapped on the back of his machine had become loose and was hanging over the number plate. For having an obscure number plate defendant was fined 20/-, and for speeding 25/-. William John Dale, Pender street, Thornbury, was charged with driving a motor car on November 13 at a speed dangerous to the public. Const. Milne said defendant was travelling along High street at 32 miles per hour and passed several vehicles in 110 yards. Fined 25/-. John L. Milson, Mansfield street, Northcote, was fined 23 for driving a motor cycle at 22 miles per hour in High street on November 13. Defendant was fined 23 for driving a motor cycle on November 13 in High street at a speed dangerous to the public. Const. Milne gave evidence that defendant was travelling 33 miles per hour, and passed several other vehicles. Arraignment of Maintenance. Ellen May Coghlin, Clifton Hill, sued John Francis Coghlin for 211/5/- alleged to be due to her for maintenance. Plaintiff gave evidence that she had secured an order for 22/6/- per week against defendant, and the last payment she had received from him was on November 16. Defendant said he got out of work through a fire, and had not received anything for seven weeks. He sometimes got something to do down at the wharves, and so earned something. He had paid her 23/15/- out of the 211/5/-, and only owed her the balance. The case was adjourned for a fortnight to enable the bench to inquire into the maintenance order. In the meantime defendant was to try and pay 22 per week. Charge of Assault. Edith Morgan was charged with having assaulted Ada Oakford, of Alder street, Northcote, on December 12. Ada Oakford, married woman, said she was walking along Mitchell street on December 12 when she met defendant, who smacked her on the face. She went straight to the police station and gave defendant in charge. Cross-examined, witness said defendant was living with her till Cup Day when she left. She saw defendant since she left her house at Mrs. Reynolds'. Witness did not strike defendant or threaten her or slander her before other people. Edith Morgan said that up till Cup Day she was living with Mrs. Oakford. She had a baby and was engaged to Oakford's son, but his people would not let her marry her. She was forced to leave the house. Mrs. Oakford slapped her in the mouth at Mrs. Reynolds' house. She saw Mrs. Oakford in Mitchell street on December 12 and asked her why she was slandering her. Mrs. Oakford swore her she was a business centre. I would suggest that the proposed new service should terminate at the Town Hall. By so doing the traffic, and shopping centre, would be encouraged; the cable trams would not have the competition of the Tramway Board's buses; the maintenance of the road would be considerably reduced, and everyone would benefit except the city shopkeepers. May I suggest the slogan for the council—"Help to build up Northcote"—Yours, etc., "PROGRESS."

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