

# "The Advertiser"

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BE JUST AND FEAR NOT.



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## UNDER THE CLOCK

### HOLIDAY WAGS AT WORK

The boarders had all returned to Shepparton from their Christmas holidays, when at the dinner table the other evening, one of them, who had been to Hobart, inquired who had placed a couple of bricks in his trunk. He had come upon them when unpacking at his Tasmanian destination. A look of innocence that would have outvied Adam and Eve's before the Fall, was simulated by everybody; when another boarder who had been to his home at Bendigo, expostulated, "Yes, and who put that pair of corsets and a lady's garment (that last was not the exact word used) in my basket? My mother and sisters wondered what I had been up to - and then roared with laughter. But it was no joke to me, I can assure you." Again that look of simplicity in the superlative prevailed - so perfectly that bitter almonds might have tasted sweet in the mouths of those boarders, but there was a lot of leg prodding under the tables.

### DRAGGING FOR A BODY

On Tuesday evening a pair of trousers, shirt, boots and socks were found lying on the bank of the river, near the locale known as the "swimming hole." Thoughts of tragedy predominated, and for many hours yesterday Constable J Cantwell was engaged in dragging the river, while several lads assisted him by diving repeatedly in the hope of being able to find the body of the individual who was believed to have been drowned. All without avail, however.

### OLYMPIA PICTURES

There was a crowded attendance at the open-air theatre last evening, when a very fine programme was submitted and greatly appreciated. The Model Band was in attendance. The management is making arrangements to obtain something especially good, including the much discussed and greatly applauded film entitled "Quo Vadis," a gorgeous and emotional series of pictures which occupy about an hour.

### MISSED HIS WAY

An old man who said he had missed his way when "trying to find it," was brought before Mr R Knight, P.M., at the Police Court on Tuesday. charged with having been drunk and disorderly the previous night - which explained why he had missed his way. Constable V Thomas arrested him in Wyndham street; and as there was nothing known against him, the police magistrate discharged him with a caution.

**OLYMPIA PICTURES.**

OPEN-AIR THEATRE  
Next Mechanics' Library

**Every Monday & Wednesday**  
during the Summer Months

Special arrangements have been made to show a variety of Films by the best makers, equal to anything shown in the leading Picture Theatres in Melbourne.

**Latest Electrical Plant Installed.**

Patrons please note—If WET on any WEDNESDAY night the pictures will be shown on the FOLLOWING THURSDAY night. If WET on SATURDAY night they will be shown on the FOLLOWING MONDAY night.

## THE PM's FAUX PAS

It is considered bad form for judges and magistrates when presiding on the Bench to use slang terms. In fact, they are expected to profess ignorance of their meaning when used by others. Mr P Knight, P.M., when presiding at the Police Court on Tuesday, in an unguarded moment uttered the words "nine bob," but immediately recovered himself, as from the stroke from the great Jove, and corrected himself by saying "nine shillings." Then the atmosphere became purer, and everybody seemed to breathe more freely.

## A TRIVIAL AMOUNT

"What amount do you owe the defendant?" asked Mr Knight, P.M., at the Police Court on Tuesday in a ?? case, and Joseph Templeton replied, "Nine shillings for work done." "Oh, that's a trivial amount. How are you going to get costs?" asked the police magistrate of Mr Abernethy, who represented the plaintiff, Elizabeth Howell, boar house-keeper, in a claim against George Porter, for £3)s 6d. The thought that nine shillings was after all something towards the reduction of the debt seemed to prevail, and Mr Knight, with a pitying smile, made the order, "Warrant of distress to issue for nine shillings."

## VICTORIA'S SMALL ENOUGH

In the case where Arthur E Brooks is charged with failing to have his child vaccinated, Senior constable Kennedy asked Mr R Knight P.M., at the Police Court on Tuesday for another adjournment, on the ground that the address of the defendant had not been ascertained, so there was no opportunity of informing him of the date when the case was last adjourned. The police had been making all manner of inquiries respecting his whereabouts, without avail. Mr Knight: "It is a singular thing that the man's address cannot be found in a place like Victoria, which is small enough, surely. Case adjourned for eight days."

## OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

On the motion of Mr A C Tuthill (of Messrs Grand and Tuthill), Mr R Knight P. M, at the Police Court on Tuesday, granted H J Jennings an order against F E Camm for £1 3s, with 15s 6d costs, duo on a promissory note. Martin Cussen and Co. (on the application of Mr Abernethy), were granted an order for £39 15s 7d, with £2 17s 6d costs (also due on a promissory note).

## ACCIDENT IN MAUDE STREET

Mr Dobson, of the Shepparton Estate, was leading a horse and gig to Maude street yesterday at about 11 30 a.m. (the gig being loaded with timber), when the animal was startled and bolted into the right-of-way at the rear of Mr W MacDermott's store, where the gig came to grief at the gate, it being wrecked. Mrs Dobson, who is a young woman, was knocked down, the wheel passing over her head; but she was picked up by some of the spectators and taken into the Union Hotel. Her nose was broken, and she also sustained a cut on the forehead and another at the back of the head. Dr J M'Kenna attended to the injuries, and advised the sufferer's removal to the Mooroopna Hospital. He does not consider that the injury to the nose will cause any deformity.

## CHRISTMAS "WINDSOR."

For seasonable, instructive and interesting reading, and for charming illustrations it would be most difficult to excel the Christmas number of the "Windsor Magazine" (copy of which has been received from Mr P Hume). There no less than fifteen colored; an illustrated article on "The Guildhall Art Gallery;" stories by such distinguished novelist as Sir Rider Haggard, Anthony Hope, Barry Pain, Beatrice Harriden and others; articles on "Famous Brothers," "The Renaissance of British Music, etc., and the humorous "Editor's Scrap-Book." [Download this sample 1895 magazine here.](#)

**DOWNEY'S  
UNION HOTEL,**  
FRYERS STREET, SHEPPARTON

J P DOWNEY wishes it known to residents of Shepparton and surrounding district that he has taken over the above well-known hostelry, where he hopes by strict attention to merit the patronage of old friends and attract new ones.

The Dining-room is a large one, and a first-class Table always assured

Excellent Stabling Accommodation for Farmers

All Wines, Spirits and Ales of the Best  
Tariff Reasonable

J P DOWNEY, Proprietor



## **IS CHRISTIANITY A FAILURE?**

Messrs Stanley Paul and Co. publishers, of the Strand, London, forward us a copy of their latest publication entitled "Is Christianity a Colossal Failure?" The work is copiously illustrated, and deals with how England treats her women; the lack of Christian spirit in commercial and business life, and in the political world; the lack of equity and justice in the world of law and legal administration; the drink traffic and the children of the poor; and a final protest and a straight talk to ministers of religion. It is a pathetic narrative all through, forcibly written, one that makes the individual's blood boil to know that such terrible conditions of existence should continue in the very heart of the Empire, where starvation wages are paid for good but life-destroying work through long hours of day and night ; and where many thousands of families struggle through from year to year, just able to keep body and soul together. But why Christianity should be blamed or condemned for this state of things is not quite apparent. It opens the way for a long argument, in which the considerations of a not too extensive country with a numerous population, and a free trade policy that opens the door widely to the foreigner greatly detrimental to local competition, must loom largely. The matter lies in the hands of the people themselves who send their representations to Parliament. We, in Australia, are successfully solving our industrial problems by the establishment of wages boards and kindred tribunals; and if the British Parliamentary and other representatives who have been visiting the Commonwealth on recent occasions, with the object of inquiring into our industrial and social systems will only impress upon the people in the home land the necessity of adopting some of our methods and our so-called "experimental legislation," the dawn of a better and brighter era there, gradually but surely displacing the helldom of sweating and starvation, cannot be much longer delayed.

## **MECHANICS**

The usual monthly meeting of the Mechanics Institute was held on Tuesday, the vice-president in the chair (owing to Mr McNaughton having been called away on other business). The secretary reported that 32 new books had arrived, and the committee inspected and passed them for issue. The treasurer's report showed: by balance last report, £34 17s 5d; receipts, £15 12s. It was decided to have the annual meeting on January 27th 1914, one week's notice to be given in local newspapers - this on the motion of Mr J A McGillivray and Mr Furphy. Mr Short was appointed auditor.



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## **BAND CONTEST**

The entries for the band contest at next month's Shepparton Carnival closed to-day. The entries are : Shepparton Town Band, Shepparton Model Band, Benalla Band and Rochester Band.

## **TALYGAROOPNA TRAGEDY**

Orville Gordon Randall was brought before Mr F W Fair, J.P., at the Police Court this morning, when Senior-Constable Kennedy applied for his discharge on the charge of murder, in connection with the death of William Henry Anstis, farmer, he having been committed for trial by Mr A Whitehead, J.P., Deputy Coroner, on the charge of manslaughter. The application was granted.

Attention is drawn in our advertising column to sale of coaches, horses, and livery stables of Cobb & Co, Geelong district, Tenders close Jan 24th at Melbourne and Geelong,