

ORIGINAL.

SWEET THOUGHTS.

'Tis sweet to gaze upon the tranquil bay, When on its surface sportive moonbeams play...

approved patterns of civic eloquence. The man whose limited distrust of his own powers led him to doubt whether he could play the fiddle, as he had never tried, was a joke to those who are suddenly fired with a zeal for public speaking...

being. To renounce those rights and privileges—that station, political and social, on which we have been accustomed to look with pride—surely this is not the policy of a wise government...

It seems to us a matter of some surprise, that the article coal has been lost sight of, as calculated to form an item in our export list. We now beg to call the attention of the Australian public to the important fact, that Point de Galle, in the island of Ceylon, presents a steady and remunerating market for the sale of coal.

The natural capabilities of the colony, for the production of this article of commerce, must for centuries command a large application of the capital and enterprise of the colony, in the growth of it.

In the year 1834, the quantity of wool exported from the colony was £246,933 lbs., and the value of the same was estimated at £213,628.

In 1840, the quantity of wool shipped was 12,704,899 lbs., or nearly six times as much as we exported in 1834; but its estimated value was only three times the amount of the export of the latter year, being £685,647; showing that the price of the article in the English market must have depreciated nearly in the ratio of one half.

Now we are well aware here, that this depreciation of price has not arisen from any cessation of the demand for wool. Great Britain is still ready to take all the wool we can grow, and most anxious to see it arise out of any temporary declension of prices generally, owing to the existence of commercial panic or monetary confusion.

By the arrival of the packet ship Dublin, we have full files of English papers to the 2nd of July.

As however we have dates as late via Hobart Town, we have but little intelligence of interest to add to our last week's summary.

The repeal agitation was sustained with even increased zeal, since the imprisonment of O'Connell. The rent amounted in one week to considerably over £3000, the largest weekly amount, we believe, yet collected.

Lord Heytesburg had accepted the office of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and was to assume the reins of his government on the 20th of July. All was apparently tranquil in that part of the empire, although an intense but suppressed feeling of indignation at the imprisonment of Mr. O'Connell, seemed to pervade the minds of the majority of all classes.

In parliament, the most prominent subject of remark, was a discussion in both houses, which had been called forth by the tampering at the post office with certain sealed correspondence, under the authority of the Secretary of State. Great indignation was expressed on the subject, and censures of a severe character were indulged in on the occasion.

Mr. Villier's yearly motion for a repeal of the corn laws, was defeated by a large majority.

With respect to the New South Wales Bill, which it was announced by the Premier would be proceeded with, we have not yet any definite information—but imagine it to be an act to explain certain clauses, and supply certain omissions in the act of our constitution.

over, the session is now fast approaching to a close, an active series of exertions during the vacation, may restore the ground, and perpetuate the Tory ascendancy for a year or two longer.

The state of trade was brisk and healthy.

CITY ELECTIONS.

YESTERDAY being the first of November, the elections of Candidates for office, in the different Wards of the City, took place.

The day was a most unpleasant one, a thick drizzling rain falling throughout, but it did not seem in any way to damp the ardour of the aspirants after civic honors.

The crowds round the different polling booths began to thicken, and as the confidence of parties increased, the "chaff" was not less forcible, witty and elegant, than is usual on such occasions.

With regard to the elections themselves, we do not wish to be invidious enough to criticise too severely at the present.

Some men there are who have been returned whom we could certainly have sooner seen engrossed in the management of their own private affairs, than undertaking to look after ours—nor should we have been sorry to have seen a larger proportion of the respectability of education, thrown in, to modify the old leaven of dulness and ignorance which prevailed in the City Council.

In Macquarie Ward, the opposing candidate to the one elected did not enter the field until the morning of the election. Mr. Henderson had therefore the advantage of a long previous canvass, and consequently, the election was won by the great body of the electors, he had received pledges sufficient to place him at the head of the poll.

We believe, however, that for the most part conscientious men have been returned. Men who think they can do the state some service, and if they do but their best, we suppose we must take the will for the deed.

On one spirit at least we can congratulate the citizens, and that is in their having woken up from the apathy respecting municipal rights and duties, in which they have so long slumbered.

We give below, a return of the various polling lists, at four o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Table with 2 columns: Ward Name and Candidate Name. Includes entries for Gipps Ward, Bourke Ward, Brisbane Ward, Macquarie Ward, Cook Ward, Phillip Ward.

PARAMATTA.

HAD not subject matter for talk been still afforded by the seizure of the rum brewery establishment at Broken back Bridge, the town during the past week would have terminated its existence through pure ennui.

in the vain but fallacious hope of there yet remaining some solitary votary to the Jolly God, or an unfortunate quadruped in the shape of a horse, cow, or goat, who, grown skittish, has leaped its owner's fence (thereby committing an offence) in order that it, like its biped brother, may be impounded for the sake of a six shilling fine and costs.

The Police Office, however, has distinguished itself in the last five days by three committals, but here a manifest want of spirit and energy is apparent. They have been only petty larceny cases, no good daring highway robberies—no rapes—no savage attempts at barbarous murder—nor even a decent instance of a horrid assault.

Case No. 3, was a base and ungrateful robbery. It appeared that a person called Patrick McCarthy, an individual not unknown to fame in the town and district, inasmuch as he officiates as a deputy bailiff to the member for Camden Court, to say nothing of his employing the few hours snatched from his levelling duties by acting as sexton at the Catholic burying-ground, and deputy sub-secretary to the Paramatta Royal Keel Association, fostered doubtless from congeniality of sentiment—a "wiper" in human shape, designated Owen Moriarty, and even in the height of his beneficence, consented to make him a deputy!

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We understand that Mr. Charles Abrahams has just completed a bust, the size of life of C. Windyere, Esq., the highly respected Police Magistrate of Sydney.

THE FLYING PIEMAN.—This ubiquitous phenomenon has been astonishing the natives of Paramatta-street in the earlier part of the week, with a feat of pedestrianism, which if it had been fully accomplished, would we believe, have been unequalled in the history of "walking gentlemen."

The first twenty miles he accomplished in something over three hours, making thirty minutes when he imposed upon himself, was to walk 60 miles in 12 successive hours, for 6 consecutive days. This tremendous march against time was commenced on Monday morning last, the starting point being Beaton's Public-house, Paramatta-road, from which he proceeded as far as Mrs. Thompson's house and then returned to his starting point.

INQUEST.—On Wednesday afternoon a coroner's enquiry took place in Mr. James Gannon's public house, the "Old Sportman," corner of Phillip and Hunter streets, on the body of Bhutum, aged 21 years, a native of Upper India, who died yesterday morning on board the Minerva, Captain Gatenby, lying off Gampah's Wharf.

"A mountain in labor was delivered of a monster," said one of our sapient City Council, after listening to a speech of more than an hour's duration from one of its members, who according to his usual custom, had taken his seat amongst them, when under the influence of something stronger than tea, and as is often the case with men of such circumstances, narrative and persons of pigmy stature, to think themselves giants.

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