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the Independent Electors of the Northumberland Boroughs.

ENTLEMEN—It having been intimated to me that my former address contains no exposition of my views on the leading questions at present agitating the public mind, and that such an exposition is looked for by the electors of the Northumberland boroughs, I have to state that a flow what fell from weat the beg to state that after what fell from me at the public meeting of my friends and supporters at Maitland, I considered it scarcely necessary to allude to them in a printed address; at the call, however, of my friends, and the more fully to satisfy the electors, I now come forward.

In a colony like this, where no state religior exists, it shall always be my study to promote religion to the fullest extent; and, in apportioning funds for its support, I shall use my tumost exertions, if support, I shall use my in the Legislative Council, to grant every seet a proportionate amount, without regard to the religious onlyings they profess so long as they religious opinions they profess, so long as they are consistent with the welfare of the state, and

conducive to morality.

I am for the most extensive diffusion of education among all seets of her Majesty's subjects; and for a proportionate distribution among all those sects of the public money which may be voted for religious purposes and scholastic

I am for the most rigid economy in the expenditure of the public funds, and pledge myself, to the utmost of my power, to reduce the amount of public outlay, as far as is prac-ticable with the efficient carrying into effect a

wholesome state of government.

Looking to the impetus given to the towns and cities of the parent country and America by trade and manufactures, I pledge myself to use my most strenuous exertions to make your boroughs manufacturing districts; being well convinced that without trade no town can ever rise into importance. And I hope I may stand excused in alluding to what I have already done, as the best guarantee for the due performance of

Insinuations having been made that, in the event of my being returned to represent your boroughs, I shall make use of my office to advance Newcastle, to the neglect and detriment of both the Maitlands—I deny it; as, in the first instance the former being the outlet of the district cannot be benefitted without the latter participating in its advantages; and, in the second place, it must be evident to every thinking person that particular manufactories thrive best in the neighbourhood of an abundant supply of running water and fertility of soil, such as Maitland possesses; and if my estab-lishments at Newcastle succeed there can be no doubt that enterprising persons will soon be found to take advantage of the natural facilities which Maitland presents to trade and manu-

A manufacturer, a land and stockholder, and an agriculturist, residing in one of your own boroughs, with all my property in your own district, it must be evident to you that your interests and mine are inseparable; but to satisfy any electors who may have a doubt, I pledge myself to support the interests of your boroughs and district, as far as my voice and abilities will allow, whenever an opportunity offers, or can with propriety be made.

In order the better to attend to the important

duties consequent on the high office to which I duties consequent on the high office to which I spire, I have made arrangements with competent persons to conduct the business of my manufactories, so that I may give my presence in the Council during its sittings, and that my attention may not be distracted from the important interests of my constituents. In the event of any charging measure heire proposed. portant interests of my constituents. In the event of any obnoxious measure being proposed, or any arbitrary interference of the Home Government manifesting itself, I will firmly and strenuously oppose it, and never relinquish the struggle until I succeed in my object, or am fairly outvoted by a majority.

Should you, gentlemen, so far honor me as to return me as your representative, I will unflinchingly, and to the utmost of my power, perform the duties which may appertain to the office of a legislator.

office of a legislator.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
A. W. SCOTT.
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Newcastle, 4th February.

Durham Election.

T a Meeting of the Friends of Mr. Richard Windeyer, held by authority of the Provisional Committee, at the Victoria Hotel, Hinton, the following Gentlemen were nominated a Standing Committee, with power to add to their numbers, and were instructed to communicate with the Electors of the County, and to form District Committees for the purpose of promoting the Election of Richard Windeyer, Esq., as Representative of the County of Dur-ham in the forthcoming Legislative Assembly.

Messrs. Walter Scott J. Fred. Castle John S. Parker Daniel Capol Henry Carmichael Alex. Livingstone J. B. R. Robertson George Hill P. M. Rapsey P. J. Cohen James Cox Richard Lane F. G. S. Street James Phillips

> W. Hindson 291

Durham Election.

Francis Phillips

HE following Gentlemen have consented to act as a Committee for the purpose of promoting the interests of Richard Windeyer, Esq., as Candidate for the representation of the County of Durham, in the coming Election:— Messrs. Gilbert Cory

W. Ross James Phillins To the Independent Electors of the Boroughs of East and West Maitland and Newcastle.

TENTLEMEN—In presenting myself as a Candidate for the honour of your sup-port at the approaching Election, I consider it proper to give you an outline of my principles. I am a friend to civil and religious liberty, and

I am a friend to civil and religious liberty, and an enemy to all intolerance.

I am for diffusing the blessings of education as widely as possible amongst the people.

I am for the most rigid economy in every department of the green week.

department of the government.

I shull co-operate with the friends of the country in endeavouring to get rid of the civil list, and to establish the right of appropriating

as well as of raising the public revenue.

This endeavour failing, I shall contend that the territorial revenue be conceded to us as an equivalent, on the same principle as it has been conceded in Canada. Seeing that the district nuncils created by the new Act of Parliament will entail a heavy local expenditure on the country districts, for improvements of all kinds, I shall feel it my duty to enforce, as far as practicable, a corresponding reduction in the country areas of the country of the country

general expenditure.
In fine, I shall vote for every measure that has a tendency to improve the moral and physical condition of the people, and oppose every measure of a contrary, or even doubtful tendency.

I have only to add, that I am bound to the

country as strongly by the ties of self-interest as by those of nativity; all I possess is embarked in the colony.

in the colony.

My own success or failure being thus completely identified with yours, affords, I trust, an indisputable guarantee of the course I shall necessarily follow, if, by your suffrage, it be my good fortune to be placed in the honourable position to which I now aspire.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen. Your most obedient servant, 270 D. WENTWORTH.

To the Independent Electors of Brisbane Bligh, and Hunter.

ENTLEMEN-I beg to announce to you my intention of offering myself as a Candidate to represent the Counties of Brisbane, Bligh, and Hunter, at the approaching election of Members for the new Legislative Assembly.

If I am fortunate enough to be elected, I pledge myself to use every exertion to promote the welfare of your districts to the utmost of my power and ability.

I have the honor to remain, Your obedient servant,

D. C. F. SCOTT. Bengalla, 7th March, 1843.

T a MEETING of the Friends of Mr. Foster, held at the Rose Inn, Muitland (James Reid, Esq., in the chair), on the 24th instant, after the nomination of that gentleman at a public meeting, for the purpose of forming a General Committee of the Hunter Districts:

It was resolved, that the gentlemen under-mentioned be the committee, with power to add to their number; that the central committee sit at Maitland; and that branch committees be formed, at such places as may be judged prudent by the freeholders who support him.

Mesers, John Eales

Edward Turner James Reid James Parnell John Parnell John Larnach G. B. White George Hobler C. M. Doyle P. J. Cohen Samuel Clift E. B. Boughton William Nicholson John Kingsmill J. Kesterton William Bowen Morris Townsend Francis Mitchell Quintin Swift ames Smith Robert Pringle Alexander M'Dougall A. Vallack George Turner Andrew M'Dougall imes T. M'Doug James Young Alexander Dodds Robert Keddie

James Wolfe. Resolved, that letters be written to all parties likely to promote the return of Mr. Foster.

J. J. Coar

(Signed) Chairman.

24th January, 1843.

Mr. Foster's Committee will meet every Wednesday at the different committee rooms. All communications to be addressed to Mr. H. I. Pilcher, at the Central Committee Ro Rose Inn, Maitland.

Hats and Caps.

HE undersigned have received, ex Vic-toria, Five cases of Silk and Beaver HATS, and One case of Naval and Military Cloth CAPS, manufactured expressly for them-selves, and now on sale at their Stores at Maitland and Morpeth, for cash only.

D. & J. DICKSON.

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Independent Electors of the County of Durham.

ENTLEMEN—As it appears from the heads of the hill about to be introduced into the Legislative Council that the County of Durham is to be constituted one of the Electoral Districts of the Colony, to return a member to the Colonial Legislature, I beg most respectfully to offer myself as a Candidate tor your suffrages for the representation of that county.

Having resided for nineteen years in this colony, seventeen of which I have spent as a settler on the Lower Hunter, it will scarcely be necessary for me to say anything of myself personally, either as to my character and standing in society, or as to my stake in the colony. And as I conceive I have already, and in various ways, given sufficient evidence of my anxious desire to promote the general welfare and advancement of this district in time past, I trust you will not require any additional pledges of my readliness to support every measure that may have a similar seventeen of which I have spent as a settler on support every measure that may have a similar object in future, in the event of my being hon-oured to represent your interests in the Colonial Legislature

In regard to my political principles, they are simply the greatest happiness of the great-EST NUMBER. I do not think, with certain parties in the colony, that the franchise is at all too low. On the contrary, I consider it one of the best means of clevating the great mass of society in education, in morals, and in religion, to give the humbler classes a direct interest in the government, by giving them a direct control over the appointment of their Legislators.

I have long considered the public expenditure

I have long considered the phone experiments of this Colony disproportioned to the amount and wants of its population. I consider it susceptible of important reductions, and I conceive that the public service generally might be even better conducted than it is with fewer hands and at considerably less expense. It would be my object to recommend and support such reductions, whenever they could be effected without compromising the public interest.

I am for entire religious liberty and no political distinctions on account of religion; considering the interests of morality and good government as likely to be best promoted by affording all religious denominations a fair field without

In regard to the emigration of virtuous and In regard to the emigration of virtuous and industrious persons into this territory from the mother country, I am decidedly of opinion that it ought to be promoted by every possible means; and at a time when so many of our fellow-countrymen, who are willing to emigrate to this econy from the United Kingdom aresuffering unexampled distress at home, I hold it to be incumbent upon the colony to make every exertion, as well from motives of self-interest as of humanity, to afford them the remissite means. And ity, to afford them the requisite means. And believing that it is still practicable—greatly deminished as the resources of the colony now are—to secure a large supply of valuable labour from the mother country, in this way, I conceive that till such exertions shall have been made and found ineffectual, it would neither be politic no patriotic to encourage the extensive importation of an inferior race, from India or elsewhere.

Such, gentleman, are my principles. If you are satisfied with them, and with me, I shall be happy to represent your interests in the new council and to do my best to promote them. At the same time, I should neither be sorry not disappointed if you should find some other person who possesses your confidence more fully than I do, and who would more zealously promote the welfive and advancement of our common company. welfare and advancement of our common coun-

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient humble servant,

ANDREW LANG Dunmore, Hunter River, 3 9th January, 1842.

Ten Pounds Reward.

TOLEN, from the undersigned, on Saturday night, the 15th instant, an Iron Grey MARE, branded JS on the near shoulder, rising

four years old, white saddle marks, long square tail, a splint on each force leg, about 14½ hands high. The above reward will be paid on conhiction of the thief, if stolen; or, if strayed, five pounds will be paid to any person delivering her to me.

J. SOLOMON. Maitland, April 17, 1843.

TRAYED, from Cassilis, one light Bay MARE, branded IN on off shoulder, fourteen hands three inches high, aged, has a few white hairs on forchead, much saddle marked back and withers.

One bay yearling FILLY, out of the above

one light bay two-year-old COLT, branded 4 on near shoulder, and HBy (the two first con-joined) under the mane, off side; has a star on

Joined under the mane, on side; has a star on forehead, and points inclining to black.

One light bay two-year-old FILLY, branded 1 on near shoulder, and A By (the two first conjoined) under mane, off side; has a small star on forehead, near hind foot white, otherwise points black

One light brown two-year-old FILLY, branded GB under mane off side; has a star on forehead.
One dark brown MARE, branded IF under mane off side, and without white.

Any person bringing the above animals to Cassilis, or giving such information, by letter, to Messrs. Busby, as will lead to their being found, shall be rewarded.

MEM.—It is supposed that the first described mare will now have a foal at her side. Cassilis, April 20.

Fruit Trees.

A PPLES, Pears, Almonds, Peaches, Nectarines, Apricots, Oranges, Citrons, Lemons, Quinces, Loquats, and English Oaks, in varieties, with a great number of other Trees, for

Apply to William Mackin, at Mr. Pilcher's Maitla

The best months for transplanting deciduous trees are June and July.

To the Independent Electors of the Counties of Brisbane, Bligh, and Hunter.

ENTLEMEN—Estimating the very important epoch in the colonial history portant epoch in the colonial history now at hand, in your being called upon to return a Representative to the new Legislature, I, although late in the field, beg to present myself to your notice as a candidate for the honor of

representing your interest in Council.

I have had the honor of receiving a respectably signed requisition from one part of your electorato; but, instead of following the steps of many gentlemen now offering themselves, in publishing the invitation, with a list of names appended. I shall content myself with the appended, I shall content myself with the opposite course, and with what appears to me more substantial information, viz. the giving

you some idea of my political sentiments.

My pretensions for soliciting your support are founded upon a residence here as a colonist for upwards of twenty-two years (being one of the first to plant the standard of colonization in that important locality, "the Hunter"). During the whole of this long period I have given the ngricultural and grazing interest of the colony my best study, while I have perseveringly pursued its practice. I am a fixed denizen amongst you; the colony has been the birth-place of my numerous family; and my and their interest are identical with your own.

Wedded to these pursuits, I address myself to you as a fellow labourer in this field of rural industry, touching which subjects in legislation must arise affecting your interest—these, in the event of my election, shall at all times receive my paramount attention. I shall be always open to your advice, and conditionally the same shall receive my best advocacy and support. Should I, however, unfortunately differ with the majority of my constituents in opinions upon leading subjects, then, gentlemen, my post will be resigned into your hands, and be open to one whose opinions are more in accordance with

The colonial interest commonly called the squatting one, although not directly represented in the Council, is not the least important; I declare my firm adherence to, and will support at the proper time, a necessary modification of the existing law.

These important parts in the colonial body

have long suffered an improper competition with foreigners. Our towns have been inundated with foreign provisions, which, under the climate Providence has bestowed upon us, and the want of more economical labour, we are not in a condition to contend with: the colony is not

able to compete with the whole world.

Looking on the success of the agricultural and grazing proprietaries as co-existing with the present standing of the colony; for if these retrograde, languish, and die, we become a blank; its inhabitants may seek another hemisakers.

sphere The supply of labour must therefore equal the demand; and, to realise this, extensive immigration must be carried out. If the land fund is not capable of doing so from Great Britain to the required extent, my doctrine is, have it— and not let the colour of men be the steppingstone to our downfall.

stone to our downfall.

I shall be brief, gentlemen, in the exposition of my political opinions; they are decidedly liberal. In religion a member of the Church of England, but tolerant to all sects; an enemy to placemen and pluralists; my vote shall ever be on the side of economy and efficiency, without respect to persons. In fine, should you, by the guarded and unbiassed use of your suffrages, confer the honor upon me to which I aspire, my best energies will be directed to the protection and advancement of your general interestreligious, moral, political, and educational. In the former case, against any trespass on your the former case, against any trespass on your rights as freemen; and in the latter, supporting all measures that may be calculated to organize and give stability to our common weal.

From the extensive surface of your counties

it will be impossible for me to canvass you all in person, but such electors as reside in and about person, but such electors as reside in and about the towns of Scone, Murrurundi, Jerry's Plains, and district of Cassilis, I intend on an early day to pay my respects to. Those gentlemen whom I shall not be able to see, but who may favor me with their votes, I shall have other opportunities of testifying my feelings for their good opinion.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen.

Gentlemer Your obedient and faithful servant, HENRY DANGAR. Neotsfield, 29th March, 1843.

Important Arrivals, ex 'Statesman,' Victoria,' 'Templar,' and 'Clarendon.' & J. DICKSON beg to inform their numerous friends and the public that by the above late arrivals they have received upwards of One Hundred cases and bales of DRAPERY GOODS, comprising every article suitable for the colony and season.

Having been all selected by competent judges and purchased for eash, during the late unpa-ralleled depression in the manufacturing dis-tricts of England and Scotland, they are enabled to offer them at prices much under the regular

As the whole must be sold off within a limited time, in consequence of their being about to remove to their new stores, as well as to make room for other importations daily expected, the public will find it much to their advantage, previous to making their winter purchases, to previous to making inspect the stock.

Terms, cash only.

OR SALE, by the undersigned, from One hundred and fifty to Two hundred head of CATPLE, running thirty miles from Maitland. Any person purchasing these cattle will receive a liberal credit. For further particulars apply to J. F. CARRUTHERS. Auction Mart, West Maitland.

HE undersigned are buyers of all kinds of COLONIAL GRAIN, or other Pro-LAW. POTTS & CO.

Just received, a fresh supply of Blue Stone.

Patrick's Plains Races.

HIESE RACES will come off the 17th, 18th, and 19th of May next, when the following Prizes will be run for.

FIRST DAY.

Patrick's Plains Purse of Fifty Sovereigns, for horses of all ages, carrying weight for age; heats two miles. Entrance five pounds; three

entrances or no race.
The Ladies' Purse of Thirty Sovereigns, for two-years-old horses; heats one mile. Entrance three pounds; three entrances or no race.

Trial Stakes of Fifteen Pounds, with entrance money added, for horses that have never started for any public stake, plate, purse, or sweepstakes; heats two miles. Entrance two pounds; Three entrances or no race. The winner to be sold for Forty Pounds, if demanded.

SECOND DAY.

Second DAY.

Sweepstakes of Three Guineas, with Ten Pounds added from the funds, for horses of all ages, carrying the following weights: two years old, 8 stone; three years, 10 stone; four years, 11 stone; five years, 11 stone 7 lbs.; six and aged, 12 stone. One heat of three miles. No jockoy riders, but the riders to be approved by the stewards. Entrance one pound: three enthe stewards. Entrance one pound; three en-

Private matches after.

THIRD DAY.

Hunter's River Stakes of Fifty Sovereigns. Same conditions as Patrick's Plains Purse; the

winner of that prize to carry 7 lbs. extra.

Beaten Purse of Twenty Pounds, for all horses beaten at the meeting, not having been distanced the first heat, or won any prize at this meeting; heats one mile. Entrance two pounds; three entrances or no race. The weights to be handicapped by the stewards, or any person appointed

y them.

Hack Stakes of Ten Pounds, for hona fide hacks that have never won any race; heats one mile. Entrance one pound; four entrances or

Weights same as last year

Entrance at the Gate, for Saddle Horses, 1s.; Higs or Carls, 2s.: Four-wheeled Carriages, 3s. No horses to run except their owners are abscribers of Two Guineas, or for the hack race

Keepers of stalls to subscribe One Guinea.

All horses to be entered the night before running, between Seven and Nine precisely; and a fee of Five Shillings each to be paid to the

of the course. W. ROTTON. 338

Notice.

JAMES WELSH, of Singleton, Shoe-JAMES WELSH, of Singleton, Shoc-jerry's Plains, made gross assertions tending to the injury of the character of Mrs. Green, of the Cross Keys Inn, do hereby declare what I said before her husband and the public to he false and untrue, and I am sorry and hereby publicly apologise for having offered the insult I have been guilty of.

JAMES WELSH.
Singleton, 4th May, 1845.
Witness

Notice.

R. CHARLES GREW, being no longer in the employ of the undersigned, is not authorised to receive any accounts or collect any debts for him, and no receipt of his will be accounted by the second of the contraction of the second of the second

any debts for man, acceptance and spirit Merchant.

BOWARD SALAMON,
Wine and Spirit Merchant.

Maitland, 21st April, 1843. ANTED TO RENT, in the neighbourhood of Maitland, a GRAZING FARM, from 800 to 1200 acres.

Application to be made at the office of this

ANTED TO PURCHASE, Thirty young MARES in foal, or with Foals by their sides. The purchaser would prefer mares that have been in the habit of running together. For particulars apply to
J. F. CARRUTHERS.

Auction Mart, West Maitland.

Maitland.

O BE LET, the "WOOLPACK INN" and Premises, late in the occupation of Mr. . Hughes. This house has long obtained a very large business. The Furniture and Fix-tures on the premises may be taken at a valua-

For terms apply to Edye Manning, Esq., Sydney, or to Mr. Pilcher, Maitland. 285

Newcastle.

O BE SOLD OR LET, a HOUSE, containing 4 rooms and a read taining 4 rooms and a good cellar, also a large verandah. There are attached a kitchen, laundry, and stable. This house commands a splendid view.

For terms apply to Mr. Pilcher, Maitland, or Mr. Kemp, Newcastle.

To be Sold or Let.

FARM, consisting of about 471 Acres, immediately in the rear of the "Rose Inn,"
West Maitland, across the water, the property of
Captain Clarke, 30 acres of which are cleared

For particulars apply to E. D. Day, Esq., Maitland; or to Captain Clarke, Club House, Sydney.

Bonnets, in Dunstable, Tuscan, Rutland, and Venetian.

THE undersigned have received, ex Clarendon, Five Cases of the above, com-osed of everything modern in material and hape, and now on sale at their Stores at

Maitland and Morpeth, for cash only. D. & J. DICKSON MURRURUNDI.

Our subscribers in the above town and neigh-bourhood are informed that Mr. Alexander Wightman, of the White Hart Inn, Hay-donton, has been appointed agent for the Mercury in that district, in the place of Mr. W. Shields, deceased.

#### TO CORRESPONDENTS

We think our Newcastle correspondent, T. S., goes too far in designating the evidence alluded to "gross perjury." It is rather a rich "bull."

## THE MAITLAND MERCURY.

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1843.

## REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

magistrates have been engaged during the whole of the past week in re-vising the electoral list for the boroughs of East and West Maitland; and every objection or claim which has been brought under their notice has been investigated with the greatest patience. Both parties have carried on the contest in the registration court with great perseverance and warmth, but, with the exception of one or two trivial instances, harmony and good feeling have been maintained throughout the whole proceedings; and though party spirit appears to have run very high nothing like acrimony or personal ani-mosity has been displayed. There have certainly been some very contradictory opinions sworn to regarding the value of property on both sides, which on the whole would seem to prove that the value of real property in Maitland is somewhat less than we had supposed. Indeed, from the value which landlords themselves have put upon houses in very many cases, they appear to consider that the rents obtained

Upon the original list there were 228 names, and of this number 125 were objected to: the hearing of these objections occupied the court nearly three days, and of the whole number 44 objections were sustained, leaving the number on the original list 184.

The list of claimants numbered 88, and occupied the court during Thursday and Friday. Out of this number, however, there were 20 whose names stood in the original list, and whose qualification had not been objected to, so that the number to be decided was reduced to 68, of which 26 were made good, and 42 disallowed. Of the 48 new claims included in the list 14 were allowed.

At the conclusion of the business of the revising court Mr. Day stated that there were 54 electors for East Maitland, and 150 for West Maitland, making a total of 204; but according to our own calculation the numbers are, for-

East Maitland ...... 55 

Total in the Northumberland Boroughs 273

When the revised list is published it will be seen that the proportion of free-holders in East and West Maitland is less than in the original list; which may be accounted for from the fact that many persons who were entered on that list as freeholders, and who were objected to, claimed as householders, to dispense with the trouble of proving their freehold claim

# SAVINGS BANK.

His Excellency the Governor having appointed W. Miller, Esq., deputy commissary general, Mr. Hastings Elwin, the chairman of the Trust Company, and Mr. Thomas Icely a committee to investigate the affairs of the Savings Bank, those gentlemen presented their report on Mon-day last, and his Excellency directed it to be published for general information. This document is extremely valuable from its scarching and impartial character, and will go a great way to counteract the efforts of those malignant individuals who are still endeavouring to promote the run upon the Savings Bank. We subjoin the most essential part of the report. We are glad to perceive from the Herald of Wednesday that public confidence was so far restored in the bank that on Saturday last upwards of £1100 was deposited in it.

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best of our judgment, fully equivalent to the sums severally advanced upon them: nearly the whole of them are productive, and in very few instances has there been any failure in the regular payment of the interest due. In the character of these securities, we see just cause to conclude that due care and discretion must have

conclude that due care and discretion must have been used in making the advances, and we can perceive no grounds whatever to apprehend the loss of any part of the money so advanced, unless by the neglect of all precautions under which the value of any description of property can be reasonably expected to be realised.

"From this description, however, we must except four of the mortgages, on which the aggregate sum of £3,600 has been advanced. They are, according to the best of our judgment and information, insufficient securities for more than half the amount, although there being also personal security for the money, there may ultipersonal security for the money, there may ulti-

personal security for the money, there may ultimately be no loss.

"We examined every bill to the number of 178 at different dates, but falling due in nearly equal proportions, in the months of May, June, July, and August, to the amount of £50,354 8s., and we believe a very large proportion of them to be perfectly good, while there are others which we scarcely know how to estimate, depending as they do altogether on the future pecuniary position of the parties, and on events, the effects of which we cannot venture to predict. We believe we shall best convey our real opinion to your Excellency by declaring, that although it uppears to us they may not be discharged with mercantile punctuality, still there will not be any ultimate loss; but from this character we must except seven bills amounting to £1,750, which we considered decidedly bad, and could not admit into any estimate of the assets of the bank. It should be observed that this objectionable paper is the accumulated refuse of of the bank. It should be observed that this objectionable paper is the accumulated refuse of 11 years, and also, that the bills submitted to our inspection were the remainder of the whole parcel sent to the banks on the emergency of the 1st and 2nd instant, for the purpose of selecting such as they were disposed to discount, to the extent of £20,000, and of course the preferable bills were taken out for that object.

"After a very careful examination of these securities, we feel ourselves warranted in coming to the conclusion that the Savings Bank is perfectly solvent.

to the conclusion that the Savings Bank is perfectly solvent.

"But we think it necessary to add, that if the recent causeless panic should again produce a run upon the bank, its immediate resources might be exhausted before the sums due to depositors were repaid within the short period of the notice required, for the depositors should be aware that their money, having been deposited not merely for safe custody, but to produce an interest for their advantage, it is impossible that any such interest can be produced without the temporary lending out of the money; and therefore, it is in the highest degree unreasonable to expect an immediate return of deposits, to expect an immediate return of deposits, while they are profitably employed for their

wine they owners.

"It is only by the gradual return of the deposits that the bank can be enabled to return them to the depositors.—We have the honer to be, sir, your Excellency's very faithful and obedient servants,

"W. MILLER, Dep. Com. Gen.

HASTINGS ELWIN THOMAS ICELY."

# REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

BOROUGIIS OF EAST AND WEST MAITLAND.

LIST OF CLAIMANTS.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10.

(Continued from page 2.)
On the re-opening of the court the list of claimants was proceeded with.
Robert Bussell claimed for a dwelling-house, West Mailland; objected to by Captain Russell. The rent of the house was proved to be only 7s. a week, and the claim was disallowed.

a week, and the claim was disallowed. Charles Buckland, dwelling-house, East Mailland; objected to by Mr. Chambers. The claimant stated that he paid £25 a year rent, but several witnesses were called, some of whom stated it to be worth not more than 5s. or 6s., and others 8s., a week, and the claim was disallowed.

distantived:
William Brett, claiming for a dwelling-house,
West Maitland, was opposed by Mr. Turner. A
great deal of contradictory evidence was given
in this case, but the court decided that the claim

was good.

The following cases were postponed:—John Boggs, dwelling-house, West Maitland; Alexander Berric, dwelling-house, West Maitland; John Blackwell, freehold, West Maitland.

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The court intimated that where an objection was made to a claim, and the attendance of the party was rendered necessary, if the claimant made good his claim the court would award his expenses, if they were demanded.
The court then adjourned.

# THURSDAY, MAY 11.

(Before E. D. Day, Esq., chairman, with Capt. Day and G. Wundham, Esg., assessors.)

The following claims were admitted:—Thomas Browne, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; Edward Charles Close, freeby Mr. Chambers; Edward Charles Close, free-holder, East Maitland, no opposition; David Cameron, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; Patrick Comerford, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Turner; John Duncan, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; John Fredrick Doyle, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; Alfred Oke Edye, householder, East Maitland, no opposition; William Grace, householder, West Maitland, no opposition; William IIall, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; James King, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; Vest Maitland, no opposition; Mr. Chambers; James King, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; Mr. Chambers; James King, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; Mr. Chambers; James King, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; Andrew Lang, freeholder, land, no opposition; Andrew Lang, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition. The following, who had been struck off the list as freeholders,

were admitted as householders:—Ross Coulter, East Maitland, and John Connor, West Maitland, The following claims were disallowed:— William Collins, householder, East Maitland, 

Foreman, householder, objected to by Mr. Chumbers, claim withdrawn; Rev. John Thomas Lynch, opposed by Mr. Chambers; David Logan, householder, West Mnitland, objected to by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn.

The court then adjourned.

## FRIDAY, MAY 12.

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(Before E. D. Day, Esq., with Captain Day and Captain Hungerford, assessors.)

The following claims were admitted:—Sias Noyes, sen., householder, East Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; William Payn, householder, West Maitland, no opposition; Laurence Potts, jun., freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; Henry Pouter, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; Henry Reeves, householder, West Maitland, no opposition; William Simpson, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Turner; Richard Stark, freeholder, West Maitland, no opposition; James Smith, householder, East Maitland, no opposition; John Hawkes Valentine Turner, householder, East Maitland, no opposition; George Turner, householder, West Maitland, no opposition; George Turner, householder, West Maitland, no opposition; George Turner, householder, West Maitland, poposed by Mr. Chambers; James Taylor M'Dougall, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; James Taylor M'Dougall, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Plaistowe; Wickes Norton, freeholder, West Maitland, claim withdrawn; John Pender, householder, West Maitland, plain Pelling, freeholder, West Maitland, Plainer, Freeholder, West Maitland, Pl

West Maitland, claim withdrawn; John Pender, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Turner; William Pelling, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Turner; James Perry, householder, West Maitland, objected to by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn; Robert Reily, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn; William Quinn, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn; William Sloan, frecholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; James Stilsby, householder, West Maitland, claim withdrawn; Mark Turner, householder, West Maitland, claim withdrawn; Mark Turner, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers; William Price Wall, householder, West Maitland, claim withdrawn.

withdrawn.
William Winter, householder, West Maitland was opposed by Mr. Chambers, who argued that there had been a cessation of the occupation, which would deprive the claimant of a right to the franchise. There had been an action Weller v. Sparkes, in which a judgment had been given for Weller, and an ejectment had issued; Winter was in occupation as the tenant of Sparke, and he was ejected. In a case like this there could be no such thing as what was called in law anternment of the tenant, when the ejectment was against the landlord and not against the tenant himself. The sheriff's officer had taken Winter and his wife outside the house; there was a legal ejectment, and of this the sheriff was a legal ejectment, and of this the sheriff was satisfied, and he then gave possession to Weller; and shortly afterwards Winter took re-possession of the house, as tenant under Weller. As this occurred on the 26th November last, and there had been no attornment which could estick the law the occurrence of

which could satisfy the law, the occupancy of the premises had actually and legally ceased. Mr. Turner contended that there was no Mr. Turner contended that there was no actual discontinuance of the occupation, inasmuch as the claimant never was off the premises at all, but merely walked out of the house and in again; his goods and part of his family always continued in the house, and the key had never been out of his possession. He much doubted whether there had been any legal dispossession, and certainly there had been no actual cessation of the occupancy.

The court was of opinion that the possession had been interrupted sufficiently to disqualify the claimant, and the claim was therefore disallowed.

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The following cases, which had been postponed, were then called:—John Boggs, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn; Alexander Berrie, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr.
Chambers, claim withdrawn; John Blackwell,
frecholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr.
Chambers, claim withdrawn; William Cowell,
householder, East Maitland, opposed by Mr.
Turner, claim withdrawn; John Hood, householder, West Maitland, struck out, non est;
William Holcomb, householder, West Maitland,
opposed by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn;
Henry James, freeholder and householder,
West Maitland, struck out, non est; John James
M'Neale, householder, opposed by Mr. Chambers, claim withdrawn; James Lawless, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Turner, bers, claim withdrawn; James Lawless, house-holder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Turner, claim withdrawn; Joseph Swales, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers, disallowed; Thomas Cooper, householder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers, disallowed; Joseph Winchester, freeholder, West Maitland, opposed by Mr. Chambers, disallowed. This was the last case on the list.

The following persons, who appeared on the original list as freeholders, and who were in the list of claimants as householders. were not

original list as freeholders, and who were in the list of claimants as householders, were not objected to, and still remain as freeholders:— Henry Adams, East Maitland; Thomas Ashlon, West Maitland; William Critchley, West Mait-land; Benjamin Cutler, East Maitland; James Cox, East Maitland; William Galway, West Maitland; Samuel Grayes, Irwin, West Mait-Maitland; Samuel Graves Irwin, West Maitland; William Nicholson, West Maitland; Rev. George Keylock Rusden, East Maitland; James Smithers, West Maitland; John Warn Tuck, West Maitland; Alexander Welch, West Mait-land, James Wolfe, West Maitland; James Williams, West Maitland.

The following persons who appeared on the original list as householders, and claimed again as such, were not objected to:—Philip Joseph Cohen, West Maitland; George Poulton, West Maitland; Matthew Shaw, West Maitland.

William Heugh, who appeared on the original list as a householder, and claimed as a free-holder, was retained on the list as a house-

At the conclusion of the business, Mr. P. J. Cohen on the part of Mr. Scott's committee and Mr. Turner on the part of Major Wentworth's committee, thanked the court for the great attention which they liad given to every case which had been brought under their notice,

Robert Galloger, Houscholder, Dunindre James Stace, Induscholder, Polyaria; John Wenham, houscholder, Bolwaria; George Stratton, House-holder, objection withdrawn.

## INSOLVENCY PROCEEDINGS.

(Before the Chief Commissioner, Sydney.) PROOF OF CLAIMS. . Saturday, May 6.

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In the estate of William Dun, Paterson, settler, a second meeting: Charles Whitfield (wages), £0 10s; Kenny Morgan (wages), £8 9s; M. Keegan (wages), £5 9s 3d; the estate of 8. Peek and Co., £132 0s 10d; the estate of Thomas Gore and Co., £1010 0s 5d; F. Wilson, £918; G. Rattray, £127 11s 2d; R. Bourne and Co., £110 2s 8d; H. Gordon, £20 11s 1d. The meeting allowed this insolvent to retain his furniture and wearing apparel.

In the estate of William Court, High-street, Mattland, publican, a second meeting; the Bank of Australia, £480.

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MAY 4.—Arthur, Rotton, Singleton, farmer: debts, £222 9s 0 dd; personal property, £139; outstanding debts, £52 17s 2d; balance deficiency, £30 11s 10 dd.

MAY 8.—John Richards, West Maitland: debts, £182 5s 10d; assets, personal property £12 10s, outstanding debts £132 5s 9d; balance deficiency, £37 10s 1d.

MEETINGS OF CREDITORS.

In the estate of Arthur Rotton, Singleton, before the Commissioner at Maitland, on Monday, the 22nd May, at 10 a. m., and at the same place on Saturday, the 27th of May, at 10 a. m. In the estate of George Hobler, Maitland, at the supreme court house, Sydney, on Thursday, the 8th of June next, at 10 a. m.

Polling Places.—His Excellency the Governor, in a proclamation dated the 4th May, declares that the following places shall be polling places for the several and respective electoral districts specified in connexion therewith. County of Northumberland: Gosford, Newcastle, East Matitand, Wollombi, Singleton, and Watson's on the Macdonald River.—County of Durham: Paterson, Dungog, Merton, Muswellbrook, East Matitand, and Jerry's Plains.—United Northern Counties of Gloucester, Macquarie, and Stabley: Raymond Terrace, Dungog, Strond, at the residence of Mr. Rowley, on the Manning River, Port Macquarie, and Brisbane.—United North-western Counties of Hunter, Brisbane, and Bligh: Scone, Murrurundi, Cassills, Morton, Jerry's Plains, Muswellbrook, Monteflores, and at Watson's, on the Macdonald River.—Northumberland Boroughs: East Maitland, West Matitand, and Newcastle.

PATERSON REVISION OF ELECTORAL LIST.—Tuesday last was the day appointed for the revision of the electoral list for the police district of Paterson, but as the only magistrates in attendance were Major Johnstone and Mr. Brown, the court was of course adjourned without any business being transacted.

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ELECTION DINNER.—On Tucsday evening last a dinner was given to Mr. M'Greavy and several of Major Wentworth's friends from Newcastle, at Mr. James Smith's, Golden Piecce, East Maitland. The chair was occupied by Mr. Turner, solicitor, and Mr. W. Lipscomb was vice president. After the cloth was removed a number of toasts were drank, and several excelnumber of tonsts were drank, and several excel-lent speeches were delivered by some of the gentlemen present. The evening was spent in great conviviality, and the utmost good humour and hilarity prevailed until a late hour, when the guests separated well pleased with their evening's entertainment.

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PATRICK'S PLAINS RACES.—We understand several horses have already gone up from Maitland for these races. It is said Harry Lorrequer is about to be sent up, and we have been informed by a gentleman who came down from the Plains yesterday, that he seems to be the favorite with our Singleton friends. It is expected there will be eight or ten horses from this quarter at these races, and that the racing will be narticularly good.

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STEALING A SADDLE.—On Saturday last, Mr.
Pearce, of the Junction Farm, Raymond Terrace,
alighted from his horse at Mr. Cox's hotel, East alighted from his horse at Mr. Cox's hotel, East Maitland, and tied it to the fastening in the wall whilst he went into the verandah for a few minutes. Previous to his going into the verandah, he observed a man ride up on a chestnut horse, and on coming out from the verandah he found this man had gone, and the saddle from his own horse had also disappeared. Notice was given to the police, and a man is in custody on the charge. He was examined at custody on the charge. He was examined at the police office on Thursday morning, but was remanded for further examination.

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ACCIDENTAL DEATH.—On Wetnessay last an inquest was held at the house of Mr. James Young, the Queen's Arms, High-street, before J. S. Parker, Esq., coroner, on the body of a man named West Evans, a carpenter, and ticket of leave holder. "It appeared from the evidence which was adduced that on Monday last the deceased and two of the men colled in at deceased and two other men called in at Mr. Young's, and had a glass of rum each; from thence they went to Mr. Brackenreg's, and had a glass each there; they then went on to Mr. Court's public house, where they fell in with Mr. Court's public house, where they fell in with a few friends, and continued drinking for some time; after which they returned to Mr. Young's, and each had another glass. They then wanted some more on trust, which was refused; the man who fetched and paid for the liquor was sober. The companions of the deceased went away, leaving him in the taproom unknown to Mr. Young, but on the latter; going to shut up his house at nine o'clock at night he found the deceased there quite drunk; and knowing him to be a harmless sort of man, he thought it would be better to allow him to remain in the taproom all night than to turn him, into the street in so helpless a condition. The fire was street in so helpless a condition. The fire was accordingly put out, and everything done to prevent any danger arising. At a late hour in the night Mrs. Young, who was in the next room, heard the deceased groaning, and perceived a very disagreeable smell, upon which she called Mr. Young, who opened the taproom door, and the body of the man immediately rose up in a flame. Mr. Young procured a blanket, and flame. Mr. Young procured a blanket, and threw it over the man to extinguish the fire. Dr. Harrington was immediately sent for, and notwithstanding his attention, the man died about mid-day on Tuesday. No evidence appeared as to how the deceased had taken fire, and the only probable supposition is that it was occasioned from a hot coke in his pipe, which he had in his pocket. Under these circumstances the jury returned a verdict of accidently burnt to death while in a state of intoxication. The to death while in a state of intoxication. The coronor stated that the conduct of Mr. Young throughout the melancholy occurrence was highly praiseworthy and humane.

Maitland Court of Revision.—Previous to the adjournment of the court for revising the electoral list, at moon vesterday, Mr. Day, the chairman, said he wished to offer a few remarks upon a paragraph which appeared in the Sydney Morning Herald of Thursday, under the head of Newcastle, and which was as follows:—"It was thought that party spirit ran high in Newcastle, but in Maitland matters are carried on in a manner worthy of the Emerald Isle itself. Mr. Turner, an attorney-at-law, was employed as agent for Mr. Wentworth, but having failed to please Mr. Wentworth's friends, they passed a unanimous vote of censure on the learned gentleman, and removed him from his agency, and have appointed in his stead Mr. they passed a unanimous vote of censure on the learned gentleman, and removed him from his agency, and have appointed in his stead Mr. Bourn Russell. To attempt a description of the scenes enacted in the Maitland court house would be next to impossible; the result of such intemperate conduct, however, is to give Mr. A. W. Scott a much greater preponderance than was anticipated."—After reading the paragraph, Mr. Day said he was not in the habit of noticing such things as this; when they affected only himself his invariable practice was to treat them with contempt; but the above paragraph affected two parties, it affected not only the magistrates who permitted these "Emerald Isle" scenes to take place, but also the character of the inhabitants of the town, and it was for this last reason that he folt it to be his duty publicly to contradict the statement. So far from anything of the kind having taken place, from the very commencement of the canvass to the present time he had not heard of a single instance of any two of the townspeople having fallen out, and he heard that the center would be cenof any two of the townspeople having fallen out, and he hoped that the contest would be continued to its termination in the same amicable spirit in which it had been commenced and hitherto conducted. These remarks were received by the persons in the court house with marks of

COURT OF REQUESTS.—The cases adjourned at the court of requests on Friday, the 5th inst., and which were to have been heard yesterday,

at the court of requests on Friday, the 5th inst., and which were to have been heard yesterday, were again postponed, in consequence of the revision of the electoral list not being finished; and they were ordered to be heard this morning. Siroleton Court of Requests.—The court of requests for the district of Patrick's Plains will commence its sittings on Monday next, before the commissioner, E. D. Day, Esq.

Mattland Rages.—We would call the attention of our sporting friends to the list of prizes to be run for at the ensuing races, which will be found in another column of to-day's publication. The races are to take place on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of June. We have not heard that any betting has yet commenced; in fact the excitement caused by the revision of the electoral list during the last few days has driven almost everything else out of the heads of our good townsfolk. Some good racing is however anticipated. Several horses have been put in training in this neighbourhood, and several other tits are expected up from Sydney. Among the list of prizes we perceive the first for the second day's races is a new one; this is the "Candidates' Purse" of £50 for horses of all ages, heats three times round the course. If the possession of this prize is as warmly contested as the race between the qandidates is likely to be, there can be no doubt whatever but tested as the race between the candidates is likely to be, there can be no doubt whatever but that the lowers of this old English sport will be

likely to be, there can be no doubt whatever, but that the lovers of this old English sport will be amply gratified.

Major Wertworth.—We have seen a private letter received from Sydney yesterday, dated May 11th, in which the writer says that he had received a letter from Major Wentworth, which stated that he (the Major) had taken his passage in the Brankenmoor, and that he expected to be in Sydney in ten days at the latest.

Education.—On Thursday last a public examination of the children attending the Catholic school, West Maittand, was held in the school-room, Shamrock-street; and the general improvement which the children displayed in the various branches of education, and particularly in writing, was highly satisfactory to the parents, and reflects great credit upon Mr. Mahony, the master of the school. At the close of the examination the Rev. Mr. Lynch distributed prizes to the following children, to whom they had been awarded: 1st class, James Comerford, John Joseph Healy, Mary Ann Callaghan, and Charles Callaghan; 2nd class, James Maher and Mary Ann Barlow; 3rd class, James Maher and Mary Ann Barlow; 3rd class, Eliza Hawksley and James Quinn; 4th class, William Dee and John Tyter. The children afterwards partook of tea in the school-room.

Soap Manuactorax.—We are glad to perceive that Mr. Hyland has commenced the manufacture of soap in Maitland, We understand that in the course of a few days he will be able to supply storekeepers with a good article of this kind. He has also been effecting some improvements in the manufacture of candles. We trust that endeavours such as these will meet with due encouragement from the people of Maitland and the district generally, as they will

with due encouragement from the people of Maitland and the district generally, as they will be the menus of creating a remunerative market for a considerable portion of our produce which is at present unavailable, and thereby tend not only to put money in circulation, but also to heap it among curvalues. Of the condes many keep it among ourselves. Of the candles manufactured in Maitland generally, we can affirm rom experience that they are much superior to most of the candles manufactured in Sydney.

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CATTLE STEALING.—On Saturday last John
Brown, free by servitude, and Patrick Fox, a
prisoner of the crown assigned to Mr. Crofton,
sawyers, were committed to take their trial for
slaughtering a cow, and stealing the carease,
the property of Mrs. Elizabeth Muir, of East
Maitland, on a run near a place called the
"Dog Hole," about twelve miles from Maitland,
at which place the riseners were at ware any at which place the prisoners were at work saw-ing. The head and hide of the cow, were found secreted in a creek about half a mile from the prisoners' hut, and a cask containing a quantity of beef lately killed was found covered over with a bag in a fowl liouse attached to the hut.

MR. WINDEYER'S COMMITTEE.—The name of Mr. Solomon Levien, Hinton, has been accidentally ommitted in the list of Mr. R. Windeyer's committee, and we were not informed of the omission until too late to correct it this week: it shall however be rectified in our subsequent publications.

## HUNTER RIVER DISTRICT NEWS. [FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

# CASSILIS.

Upon the revisal of the electoral lists for this district, comprising part of the county of Bligh and part of the county of Bristonie, on Wednesday last, the 3rd instant, there were only 24 registered voters, namely, 13 residing in the district, and 11 non-residents. There were neither claims or objections upon the revisal of the lists.

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Constable shot by a Bushranger.—On Saturday morning, May 6th, constable Rut-