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CHEESE AND PRODUCE, &c., &c., &c. FUNERALS. FUNERAL NOTICE. THE Funeral of BRIEN O'LOUGHLIN will leave his late residence, Moanatairi Creek, to-morrow (Friday), 23rd instant, at 2.30 p.m.

DEATH. O'LOUGHLIN.—On March 22nd, at his residence, Moanatairi Creek, BRIEN O'LOUGHLIN, aged 55 years.

The Evening Star. THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1888. A CAMELEON from Adelaide, which we published last evening, stated that millions of money had been, and were being, invested in bogus mining companies.

persons that a Government Mining Board should be appointed, with experts of the highest repute, to examine into the statements made in each prospectus, have samples taken from the mine and tested by their own officers, and in this way give a kind of guarantee as to the bona fides of the enterprise before it is placed on the market.

No shareholder was issued to day. We understand that there is every likelihood of the Waikato Rifles visiting the Thames at Easter, for the purpose of firing their return match with the Rifle Rangers.

THE Secretary of the Thames Hospital desires us to thank Mr. R. McGregor for a present of one dozen Japanese fans for the use of the patients.

WE would again remind those interested that the sale of the Tararua Gardens will take place to-morrow (Friday) at 11 o'clock.

WE would draw special attention to the dramatic performance to be given this evening in the Academy of Music, under the patronage of His Worship the Mayor and Borough Councillors, the Ohinemuri County Chairman, and the Thames Fire Brigade.

MR THOMAS KEVEN, who we mentioned a few days ago had decided to open a skating rink at the Thames, has now completed arrangements for St. George's Hall, which it is intended to hold the skating four evenings a week.

THE annual meeting of the Thames Football Club was held at Mr. Keven's rooms last evening, there being a good attendance of members.

A PUBLIC meeting is to be held this evening in the Congregational Church, Mary street, under the auspices of the N.Z. Zealand Alliance, for the suppression of the liquor traffic.

WE have received a copy of the eleventh Annual Report of the Auckland Scripture Gift Association, ending February 27th, 1888, which shows that during the past year the work done by the Association has been on the whole very satisfactory.

WE understand that operations in the New Westmeath G.M.C.'s mine, situated in the Waikaiti, will be resumed at an early date.

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THE editor of a contemporary has evidently been having a somewhat queer theory with some irate contributor whose letter he had declined to publish, or peradventure some unfortunate musician whom he had been criticizing rather unfavorably.

YESTERDAY'S Te Aroha News says:—"The report that has got into circulation that the Christchurch syndicate, who purchased Mr. J. B. Smith's Waikato property, had suspended operations, and given the place 'best,' is at variance with the real facts.

AN application was made in the Warden's Court this afternoon by Mr. Wm. Murdoch for a special claim for the area known as Block 27. In the course of his evidence in support of his application, he stated that negotiations had been entered into with some of the leading gentlemen in Auckland with a view to introducing English capital to develop the property, and it was intended to make every endeavor to float the ground on the London market.

MR G. FRASER, who has just returned to Auckland from a trip to Australia, states that he saw in Sydney Mr. W. A. Hunt, of the famous Shotover claim, Thames. He was having trials made there of some of the considerable quantity of quartz has been broken up by a party of tributers in the New South Wales, and has a fair show of doing well, although it is scarcely to be expected that the same man will have a chance of a Shotover mine twice.

A SITTING of the Warden's Court was held at 2 o'clock this afternoon before Mr. H. W. Northcroft, Warden, when the following applications were granted:—T. A. Dunlop, Queen of Beauty special claim; S. Turle, Brogan licensed holding, in two licenses at Whangamata; H. W. Moore, Observer, do.; A. S. Wilson, Jun-i-Tina, do.; G. Fraser, Speculation, do.; J. E. Banks, do., Waikato; C. Alexander, Goldwater do., Whangamata; W. P. Deery, residence site, Tararua; E. Whitley, protection for two months; W. Green, do.; R. Clements, do. for Imperial licensed holding, Karangahake; J. Bice, do., for claim in Upper Tararua. The following applications were adjourned:—L. Melrose, J. E. Banks, C. McWilliams, H. M. Smith, E. R. Edwards (Queen of the May), F. O'Leigh (Sylvia special claim), D. Henderson, J. McCombie, and J. Fitzgibbon.

Accidentally Shot Himself. George Haines, a storekeeper at Pahi, accidentally shot himself dead while out pig hunting in company with a man named Swallow. The latter had no gun, while Haines carried a double-barrelled breech-loader. It is supposed that in using it to club a wounded pig it went off, killing him instantly.

The s.s. Waiwai has arrived from Fiji, with the passengers is Hedley, who mysteriously disappeared from Auckland two months ago.

A Temperance Victory. The Mt. Albert licensing election yesterday resulted in the return of the temperance candidates by a large majority. There is no public house in the district.

WELLINGTON.—Last night. Auckland Police Changes. Inspector Shearman, of Auckland, will retire from the police service, and his position in Auckland will be filled by Inspector Broham, of Timaru.

Mysterious Ministerial Movements. The Minister of Lands leaves on a visit to Invercargill shortly. All the Ministers at present in Wellington paid a visit to Mount Cook Central Prison yesterday, and made a minute inspection.

New Zealand Rabbit Commissioner. The Government has requested a well-known scientific gentleman in the colony to represent New Zealand on the Rabbit Commission to be held in Sydney shortly. The name will not be made known until it is definitely known whether he will accept the position.

The Redcliffe Asylum. REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSIONERS. The report of the Royal Commissioners on the Redcliffe Asylum has been presented to the Governor.

REFORM in the House of Lords. In the House of Lords Lord Rosebery, in speaking to his motion for the appointment of a committee to report on the reform of the House of Lords, advocated that only Royal peers be entitled to a hereditary seat in that Chamber.

Local Government Bill. Mr Gladstone in referring to the Local Government Bill admitted that it was a large and bold measure. The motion for the first reading was carried amid hearty cheers from both sides of the House.

Another Loyal Maharajah. Holkar, Maharajah of Indora, has offered the resources of that State to the Indian Government for the defence of the Empire.

Emigration of Pensioners. In the House of Lords, Lord Harris suggested that a committee consisting of representatives of the Treasury, Colonial, and War Offices should be appointed to consider the question of emigration of pensioners to New Zealand.

A Sensational Despatch. A despatch has been received here from Berlin of a sensational nature. It states that Dr Sir Morell McKenzie frustrated a plot to prevent the Emperor Frederick III. from succession to the throne.

The Panama Canal. Intelligence received from Panama states that fifteen miles of the canal is navigable.

Fearful Snow Storm. Thousands of navvies are employed removing the snow from the streets in different towns visited by the recent storm.

PERSONS FROZEN TO DEATH IN STREETS. In many of the streets bodies have been found in a standing posture frozen to death.

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PARIS, March 20. War Office Scandal. Madame Limousin has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment in connection with the traffic in decorations.

The Varsity Boat Race. The latest betting on the University boat race is two to one on Cambridge, wanted.

General Boulanger. The Chamber of Deputies is showing a very hostile feeling towards Boulanger. A military Court is now enquiring into the alleged breaches of discipline in the General's case.

AUSTRALIAN. Received 21st, 1.50 p.m. SYDNEY, Yesterday. Divorce Extension Bill. In the House of Assembly last night reference was made in strong terms to the action of the Imperial Government regarding the Divorce Extension Bill.

AN APPEAL. Norsewood Fire Sufferers. (PER PRESS ASSOCIATION.) WELLINGTON, This day. At Waipawa a meeting was held last night at which it was decided to form a Central Committee comprising the Chairmen and Mayors of the various County Councils and Boroughs in Hawke's Bay, to relieve the sufferers by the Norsewood fire.

ANOTHER DISGRACEFUL ROW. (PRESS ASSOCIATION.) Received 21st, 1.15 p.m. SYDNEY, This day. Mr Haynes, member for Hume, in the course of a speech last night in the House, denounced Protectionists and Catholics.

SPORTING. Taranaki J.C. Autumn Meeting. (PER PRESS ASSOCIATION.) NEW PLYMOUTH, Last night. The following weights were declared this afternoon for the Taranaki Jockey Club's races:—

FLYING HANDICAP.—Cladwell, 9st 9lbs; Tongariro, 8st 10lbs; Antelope, 8st 5lbs; Formo, 7st 10lbs; Golden Era, 7st 8lbs; Tamora, 7st 5lbs; Green Mount, 7st 4lbs; Cateley, 7st 3lbs; Green Mount, 7st 2lbs; Okato, Lioness, Resolute, &c. &c. &c.; Partner, Hiko, and Arji, 6st 9lbs; Lifebuoy, Landseer, Hagar, and Katipo, 6st 7lbs; Maribyrnong, Winda, Rufus, and Peter, 6st.

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