

We have received a telegram from Messrs. Heskell and Richmond, requesting us to state that they were not retained to appear in the City of London drainage case...

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(Per Anglo-Australian Telegraph Press Agency.)

AN ACCIDENT happened on the Moanatairi tramway yesterday, at the No. 7 section. A truck loaded with Old Whau quartz was coming down when the chain attached to the traction wire broke...

Bachelor's Pantoscope of a tour through America will open for exhibition at the Thames at the Academy of Music this evening. The panorama has been specially painted to the order of those enterprising gentlemen Messrs. Bachelor and Logan...

It will be seen by our advertising columns that a sermon on the sad death of John Parrish in the Pumping Association shaft, will be preached by the Rev. James Hill to-morrow evening in the Presbyterian Church.

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THE FOLLOWING is a classification of trades of the immigrants per ship 'Queen of Nations,' daily expected in Auckland from Belfast...

Our Auckland correspondent refers to land purchased from the natives, as carried on in that province. We are told by a gentleman recently from that province that one of the most active land speculators and agents, Mr. Briscoe...

MINING MATTERS.

(Per Anglo-Australian Telegraph Press Agency.)

TOOKEY-LOWE'S TRIBUTE.—The crushing for Lowe and party, which was completed yesterday at the Manukau battery, did not yield quite so well as was expected...

ALBERTA.—A retorting took place at the company's battery yesterday, in order to free silver to be used again, and the result of the retorting was 150ozs gold. The final retorting for the company will take place at the end of the month...

ALL NATIONS.—Retorting for the All Nations Company took place yesterday at the old battery of the Kurauai after about a fortnight's run with six head of stamps...

LONG DRIVE TRIBUTE.—Retorting for the Long Drive tribute also took place at the Kurauai battery yesterday, after about a fortnight's run with the same force...

WATCHMAN TRIBUTE.—A crushing for Long and party, tributaries of the Watchman, who are working the old Virginia City ground, is now going on at the Prince Alfred battery...

ALBION (POVERTY TRIBUTE).—The crushing for North and party, tributaries of the Poverty and Charleston mine, at the Prince Alfred battery was completed yesterday...

OLD WHAU.—The manager reports that there is no change in the mine since the previous day. The show of gold is quite as good as it was then, and a parcel of specimens come to hand, small in quantity...

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CHESHAMBOURG, Friday. In the Provincial Council yesterday Mr Andrews moved, "That the time has arrived when cremation, or burning of human bodies, in order to prevent pollution of the ground and streams which results from burying such bodies, and that a sum be placed on the estimates for the purpose of establishing the most approved system of cremation..."

QUEEN OF BEAUTY.—The contractors are now driving on the course of the No. 1 reef, which shows splendid gold. Yesterday an excellent sample of specimens came to hand from this lode.

The Mining Department of Victoria's safe and efficient means of signalling between the top of a shaft and the several entrances, and between each entrance (separately) and the surface. The examination of the invention will be conducted by a board to be appointed, and the reward will not be payable until the invention approved by the board shall have been tried for six months.

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Among other things he says Rochford fell overboard. The first account of this occurrence given by him was that when two or three days out the captain and he were struggling on deck, both intoxicated, and they tumbled over. The boat, he said, was being towed astern, and so they were saved.

REWARDS FOR THE 'P.C.E.' SERVICES. Pollett says the captain and owners of the 'P.C.E.' received £1,000 for their part in the matter. He further says that the crew were promised £10 a-piece by Rochford. About this he also tells two stories.

CAPTAIN LAW'S STATEMENT. The Captain of the 'P.C.E.' states with regard to Pollett's account of the affair that Pollett was shipped at Noumea as assistant to the steward. That he had previously been looked up in gaol at Noumea for vagrancy.

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