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FROM GRAHAMSTOWN. Tuesday, at 1 o'clock afternoon Thursday, at 1 o'clock afternoon Saturday, at 12 o'clock midnight

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RETURN TICKETS (SALOON) ... 7s. 6d (STEERAGE) ... 5s. 0d SINGLE FARE (SALOON) ... 5s. 0d. (STEERAGE) ... 3s. 6d. JOHN BUTT, Agent.

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Weather and other circumstances permitting FARES: -- Saloon, 7s 6d; Steerage, 5s. Not responsible for Accidents in Shipping, Carrying, or Discharging Live Stock, or for any Goods, Parcels, &c., put on board unless signed for, and all Goods stored are at the risk of Consignee. W. SOUTER, Agent.

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THE fast and commodious

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Commercial.

KVENING STAR OFFICE, Monday, September 36, 1878.

Amount of Revenue collected at the Port of Thames this day :-... 21 16 0 Customs Duties

MONTHLY RETURN The following is a return of Customs Revenue collected at the Port of Thames for the month ending September 30th 1878, fractional parts omitted :-HEADS OF LECEIPTS. Spirits, at 12: per gal Tob.cco, at 2: 6d per lb

Wine, at 4s per gal
Ale and Ecer (in botte), at Is 3d per gal ... Sugar, at 1d per lb .. £712 12 4 BEER DUTY STAMPS SOLD.

QUARTERLY RETURNS.

16,458 gallons, at 1½d per gal. .. £102 17

Comparative return showing the net amount of Customs Duties (after deducting refunds) collected at the Port of Thames in the Colony of New Zealand (according to the several heads of revenue undermentioned) for the quarters ending respectively 30th Sept., 1878, and 30th

Sept., 1877. Quarter ending Heads of Revenue.15€2 0 Wine, 4s gal. 138 19 2...... 66 Ale and Boer (in bottle) Ale and Beer (in bottle)

18 3d gal. 23 0 0 40 11

Tea, 6d lb 74 18 9 89 18

Sugar, 1d lb 63 9 8 57 8

Grods by weight 44 0 7 32 19

Ad valorem, 19 p. cent. 99 8 0 171 6

Other Duties 11 0 29 16 United Kingdom N. S. Wales ... U. S. America ... 798 0 0 26 0 0 £3143 0 0

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS CLOSE-

For Auckland, per s.s. Rotomshans to-morrow, at 8.30 a.m.; and per p.s. Enterprise

For Kaipara (via Auckland), to-morrow, For Coromandel (via Auckland), to morrow,

at 12 noon. For Taranaki, Southern Ports and Austr Colonies (for transmission per e.s. Taiaros), to-morrow, at 12 noon.

For Tauranga, Gisborne, Napier and Southern Ports (for transmission per s.s. Wanaka), to-morrow, at 12 poon. For Waiwers, Mahirangi, Matakuna, &c.

(via Auckland) on Friday next. For Russell and Northern Ports (via Auck land), on Saturday next. J. E. CONEY,

Chief Postmaster. Chief Post Office, Thomes,

September 30, 1878.

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SEPTOCT.		note	Morn.	Kve R.M
30-Monday 1-Tuesday 2-Wednesday 3-Thorsday	5.30		9.32 10.16	9.0
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SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

TOW that the THAMES VALLEY N RAILWAY is an acknowledged fact the Public may congratulate themselves on the future prosperity of the Thames District. The Undersigned wishes to bring before their notice the UNDERMENTIONED GOODS IN

STOCK AND TO ARRIVE-Morton's Capers, Assorted Pickles Vinegar (bottled) Castor and Salid Oils (half-pints) Colman's Mustard and Scarch Lea and Perrin's Sauce Olson's Tomato Sauce Neil's Sauce and Ketschup Washing Sods, Soap Powders Neave's Food Nixey's Black Lead Bath Brick, Knife Polish Brown and Polson's Cornflour Price's and Brandon's Candles Eleme Raisins, splendid sample of Our

rants—casks Crushed Loaf, Yarraville, and No. Company's Sugars Rice, Whybrow's Pickles Morton's Red and Fresh Herrings Bryant and May's Vestas, 250's Bell and Black's. do. Bell and Black's-plaids Paper Bags; Tea Paper-May's Royal

Hand Grey Paper. T.D. and Cutty Pipes Venus' Tobacco, 2 boxes Jams Angle Swiss Milk

Taylor's and Van Houten's Cocoa Tartario Acid, Cream Tartar Split Peas, Pepper, Coffee Arrowroot, Painkiller, Shop Twine Salmon, Lobsters Honey, Marmalade Teas, balf-chests and boxes Clothes Pegs, Clothes Lines &c.,

McCONNELL'S BACON AND HAMS POTATOES, FLOUR, OATS

MAIZE, CHAFF, BRAN

POLLARD, CHEESE (Canterburg) CLOVER SEEDS, BONE DUST AND SEED POTATOL

Thomas Veale's Store, POLLEN STREET.

MEETING of Volunteer Officers and favorite.

Company Committees appointed to the first of two grand concerts by as his answer? "He said he had consider the Establishment of a National Mdlle. Alice Charbonnet will be given in been keeping it for me, and that he —" Rifle Association will take place at the the Academy of Music to-morrow even- "No, no; he could not have said that; Governor Bowen Hotel TO - MORROW (TUESDAY), at 7.30 p.m. Civilians desirous of cooperating are invited to be present. T. L. MURBAY.

NOTICE.

BIRTH.

MOORE-On September 30th, 1878, at her residence, Baillie street, Shortland, the wife of Mr B. J. Moore, M.C.P., Head Master of Thames School, of twins (son and daughter.)

MARRIAGE.

MACKAY — WHELCH — On September 24, at St. George's Church, by the Rev. V. Lusb. Charles Mackay, stationer, Auckland, to Martha Jane Whelch, Mackay street, Thames.-Akaroa Mail please copy.

THE

PUBLISHED DAILY AT FOUR O'CLOCK P.M.

Resurrezi. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1878.

A MEETING will be held at the Bowen Hotel to morrow night to consider the proposal, emanating from Wellington, for the establishment of a National Rifle Association in New Zealand. The officers of the various volunteer companies and committees of non-commissioned officers and men from each company will be present, and civilians taking an interest and wishing to co-operate are invited to attend. The idea to form a National Rifle Association is a very good one. Since the Government resolved upon doing away with the annual colonial competition of the crack shots of the colony, there has been recognised a want of a stimulus to rifle shooting-to that spirit of emulation which should exist between companies in a district, and between one district and another. The annual prize firing was no doubt a good institution, but making it an itinerant or peripatetic gathering was perhaps its most objectionable feature, in that the change every year involved the expenditure of a large sum of money that would have been advantageously disposed of in additional prizes, or making the prizes given more valuable. The allocation of a few money prizes to each volunteer district was no equivalent for the Tir national that had been abolished. These prizes were of little more value than the ordinary district prizes given in previous years in addition to the Colonial programme, and excited very little interest. The proposal, therefore, to form a National Association is one that should commend itself to all volunteers, and to citizens who The matter has been very warmly taken up in Southern cities, and a promise has been obtained from the Government of a grant of £2000 a year. This, with the subscriptions from members, donations and trophies which may reasonably be expected to flow in

THE Times, in a leading article on Education, says the majority of Englishmen have never readily accepted the idea that education can be entirely dissociated from some form, however simple, of common | from their point of view. They professed religious training.

on the establishment of the Association,

will enable the Committee to offer prizes

of a substantial character. The annual

meetings of the Association will become

more interesting year by year, and at no very distant date they will no doubt be

as attractive to colonists as is the Wim-

bledon meeting to volunteers of Great Britain. The formation of branch socie-

ties and many other details we leave to

be discussed by the promoters.

the Borough Foreman of Works, ten of Harbor Board. It having been decided from the silling works inwards, this is the work that has been first started, and the men who commenced this morning are engaged laying a tram line from the street to the United Pumping Association mullock tip. When this is finished trucks will be put on the line, trap holes cut on | teeth. the deck of the wharf, and the work of filling up will proceed rapidly. Mr Rawdon expects to be able to put on some more men on Thursday, but these harbor works will not, by any means, absorb all the unemployed element, as the expenditure is limited to £80 per week, out of which has to come horse hire and other incidental expenses.

Ar the R.M. Court this morning the only business was the transfer of the Nil Desperandum Hotel from E. J. Angove to James George. Captain Fraser, R.M., occupied the Bench. THERE was but a moderate attendance

at the Academy of Music on Saturday evening, when the entertainment of the Royal Combination Troupe was repeated. The programme was the same as at the last performance, and it appeared to give great satisfaction to the audience.

THE volvet smoking cap given as prize for all-comers at the rifle gallery in Brown street was won late on Saturday night by Sapper Cartwright of the Hauraki Engineers with a score of 25 points. The proprietor advertises a prize for the current week in another column.

THE presentation to Mr James Mackay of a souvenir subscribed for by Thames pioneers for Mrs Mackay will take place at Shortland this evening at 8 o'clock. YESTERDAY was Michaelmas Day, an

mportant occasion to landlords and tenants at home, as being one of the quarter days for payment of rent by fenants, but which has no peculiar significance in the colonies, and is not unfrequently passed over without remem-

WE hear that Mr A. D. Bennett, for several years clerk in the office of Messrs Macdonald and Miller, is about to leave the district. Mr Bennett is best known from his connection with the Naval Brigade, of which popular company he has been a deservedly popular officer for some six years. He also organised the Naval Cadets, which is now a favorite company amongst the cadets; and when Mr Bennett leaves he will be greatly missed in both companies, no less than in certain other circles where his urbane and courteous demeanour has rendered him a

The talected young lady will be assisted by Miss Florence Neville, the accomplished cocalist from Melbourne, Mr C. Harding (baritone) of Auckland, and Mr H. N. Montagu, elocutionist, who will recite Tennyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade." We have the programme of to-morrow's concert before us, and we notice that Mdlle. Charbonnet is down for no less than six pieces of instrumentation on the plan forte, including 'Grand caprice de concert' in the Grand Duchess, variations on the popular air "Bas, Bas, Black Sheep," and "The Last Rose of Summer," for the left hand only, which is pronounced by those who heard it in Auckland to be a marvellous piece of fingering. Mr Harding and Miss Neville will be heard in choice songs, and Mr Montagu's elecutionary effort will form no insignificant item of the performance. We may mention that reserved numbered seats and programmes may be secured at Mr Burra's stationery depôt. Mr Owen will act as accompanist

for the singing. MR ROBERT KELLY, proprietor of the Puriri Soda Water Springs, is going to give this mineral water a fair test. The analyses made of the water assign to it many c' the most valuable properties of other famous springs, and are therefore sufficiently encouraging to warrant the proprietor in going to some expense to utilise the water and send it to market. A building (the timber for which is on the ground) is to be built over the springs and ærating machinery erected, and as soon as possible the water will be placed in the local market and also prepared for shipment. When charged with gas the soda water is not only valuable as a curative, but is acceptable as a pleasant, in-

vigorating drınk. ME E. T. WILDMAN, who last year offered a valuable prize for competition in S. George's Sunday School, has this year repeated his gift in the shape of "The Prince of Wales' Tour in India," a very handsome and costly book. The subject of the examination, for which sixteen sat, was "The Miracles of Our Lo d." The papers were separately examined by the Rev. V. Lush, Miss Haselden, Mr Puckey and Mr Phillips, and the result of their award was that Henry W. Guthrie's paper entitled him to the prize. A second prize given by the Rev. V. Lush fell to T. Johnston, the winner of Mr Wildman's last year's prize, and a third, given by Mrs J. E. Macdonald for the girls of her late class, to Annie Joll. On a final review of the papers, two more of nearly equal merit were thought worthy of recognition, and for these Mr G. N. Phillips, Superintendent, gave prize books, Mr Lush kindly adding two additional for held. those next in order: these four additional rewards were taken by J. D. Gibbons, Kate Fletcher, H. Keary, and T. P. Whitaker. The seven prizes were presented by Mr Phillips yesterday afternoon, who express I his sa sfaction at he general excellence of the papers, and the are desirous of arriving at, or wish to hope that the unsuccessful competitors would be stimulated to greater efforts instead of feeling discouraged by heir non-

> WE are pleased to notice that in spite of the proverbial bad times numbers of our local tradesmen are determined not to be behind hand in anything pertaining to their several businesses. The latest enterprising spirit that has come to our notice is that of Mr W. Jacobs, bootmaker, who has just imported a large quantity of new machinery for the better and cheaper production of boots and shoes; and judging by his price list, published in another column the public will certainly reap the lion's share of the results of his exterprise.

> REGARDING the probable duration of the Session, the Herald's special at Wellington says :- I am of opinion that the work of the sestion is rapidly progressing, and I have long since stated that the Opposition will not attempt any obstructive movement. Their early tactics were wise

This morning, under the supervision of | terial supporters to suppose that there | up to the saddle flaps. The river is still was nothing for the Ministerial party to rising. The weather is warm. All the the unemployed started work for the fight. The result was that raw and 'odd" members gave their crude notions to fill up under the Burke street wharf, tongue, and for want of other foes attacked the Government measures. The first little battle, however, has drawn the Government supporters more closely together, and now they are more consolidated, and more cordial working together will follow the Opposition shewing its In the Legislative Council Colone

Brett has given notice that he will move to-morrow :-- "That there be laid upon the table a return of the latest practicable date giving the following information: —The names and stations and strength of each Volunteer and Cadet company, troop, battery, or brigade; the number of efficients in each on the date of the return; the number and description of the ordnance and arms with each; the quantity of rifle ammunition (blank and ball) each; the quantity and description of orduance and ammunition in the reserve depots, and also the number and description of ordnance and arms to make up any deficiencies existing now en route (or ordered) from England. THE Auckland correspondent of the

Otago Daily Times says that at Mass on a recent Sunday morning at St. Paul's Cathedral, the Rev. Father O'Dwyer took occasion to review .Mr Sheehan's speech on education. That politician, he said, was neither a credit nor an ornament to the parish to which he belonged. No true son of the Church could hold such views. It was left for a Cabinet Minister, with his superior knowledge, to denounce the conclusion arrived at by the collective wisdom of the Cathelic world that religion and education must go together. The prayers of the faithful were invoked at the conclusion that Mr Sheehan's darkness might be removed. Some of Mr Sheehan's relations were in Church. In the year 1877 the Sydney Mint

coined 1,590,000 sovereigns, and the Melbourne Mint 1,487,000 sovereigns and 80,000 half-sovereigns. Since the opening of these two branches of the Royal Mint, 1 1855 and 1872 respectively, there have een coined in them 47,620,500 sovereigns nd 4,172,000 half - sovereigns. The eputy Master of the Mint states in his sport this year that the uniform accuracy f these coms, both as to weight and neness, continues to be well maintained. In a trial at Winchester, a witness,

tiling to make his version of a conversaon intelligible by reason of his fondness or "says I" and "says he," was taken in and by Baron Martin, with the following sult :—" My man, tell us now exactly hat passed." "Yes, my Lord, I said I ould not have the pig." "And what as his answer?" "He said he had he spoke in the first person." "No, my

Lord, I was the first person that spoke. "I mean, don't bring in the third person repeat his exact words." "There was no third person, my Lord, only him and me." "My good fellow, he did not say he had been keeping the pig; he said 'I have been keeping it." "I assure you, my Lord, there was no mention of your Lordship at all. We are on different stories. There was no third person there, and if anything had been said about your Loidship I must have heard it.". The Baron

${f TELEGRAMS}.$

PER PRESS AGENCY.

NAPIER.

The reading room at the Athenaum was opened yesterday afternoon from two to five, and was well attended.

CHRISTCHURCH.

This day.

At the stud horse parade on Saturday the finest let of animals ever exhibited at one time in New Zealand were shown. There were 84 exhibits at the sale subsequently; the highest prices realised were: - Time-o'-Day, draught stallion, 250 guiness; Young Melbourne, 250 guineas; Glengarry, 30.) guineas; Dainty Davy, 150 guineas; Old Times, 450 guineas.

Telegraphic communication with the South is restored after for days inter-

ruption. Mails from the South were on Saturday conveyed across the damaged portion the Rangitata bridge in a trolly, but the railway authorities estimates that until repairs are comple.ed the risk is so great that they will not undertake the conveyance of mails. It will probably to be a three million loan, construction of be Thursday before the repairs are completed, meanwhile great damage is being done north of Christchurch, and many parts of Kaiapoi are completely under

OAMARU..

This day.

Through eating brawn purchased at butcher's shop in town seventeen persons were yesterday taken ill. Although several of the sufferers were very bad, all are now recovering. An inquiry will be

> BALCLUTHA. Thursday.

The river is overflowing, and gangs of men are working to prevent the water is getting the mastery by flowing upon | decline to give that interest for. the street.

Mrs Kane's house was burned down. It caught fire when the girl was lighting 11.35 a.m.-Water is rushing into the

township. The Post-office is surrounded. A strong current is flowing past. Gardens are flooded, and the inhabitants are moving their property to places of safety.

2.15 o'clock.—A great portion of the township is under water. The main street is like a river. The Post-office has been inaccessible since 11 o'clock. The inhabitants are still moving their goods-furniture, &c., to places of safety. The river is still rising, and Clutha is nearly submerged, and also much of the surrounding is obliterated.

lutter disorganisation, and led the Minis- | a river, the water in some places being | factor; made adicles.

inhabitants are cheerfully assisting each | damaged by wet weather.

DUNEDIN.

Sunday.

A proposition has been made by the Mayor of Dunedin to suburban municipalities, which will probably settle the water supply dispute in a day or two.

Enquiry is to be made by the Commissioner of Railways re the collision which took place at Palmerston.

The following telegrams have been received from the country districts re the recent floods:---CLYDE, September 27th.

The Clyde bridge is not carried away. but has its banks unbroken. The river is now (4.27 p.m.) going down. The river is threatening.

September 28th.

The river is rapidly falling. The Clyde bridge is not so much damaged as was feared. A few hundred pounds will suffice for its repair. On account of the Alexandra punt wires being broken and damage done to the bridge, there is no communication between the Clyde, Alexandra or Teviot.

Queenstown, Sept. 27, 4 p.m. It is raining again.

Saturday.

The floods in the streams are subsiding, but the Lake is very high, and rising slightly. The weather is still unsettled, with occasional showers. Immense land slips have occurred, and damage to the roads throughout the whole district, as many culverts have been carried away. The lower Shotover bridge is comparatively uninjured, and is again passable. No down country mails have arrived since Tuesday, via Dunedin or Kingston.

LAWRENCE.

The Molyneaux is falling gradually. No further damage has been done to the

Beaumont bridge, and it is safe for

Saturday. It is still raining heavily up country, and all round, and the rivers are again rising. Great fears are entertained for the safety of the new bridge over the

Clutha, at Rocky Point. The wires of the punt at Alexandra are carried away and traffic is conducted by boats. Gangs of men are engaged between here and the Arrow, repairing the roads, which will occupy some days. The Clyde bridge is said to be safe, although it will cost a good deal to put it right again. The weather

is miserable and threatening.

REEFTON. Sunday, The rivers are still flooded here, and

rain continues with no immediate prospect of dessation. A large number of Supreme Court suitors and witnesses are awaiting an opportunity to proceed down country, but little chance of travelling is possible before Monday or Tuesday at the earliest.

Australian Telegrams.

(PER S.S. EASBY AT WELLINGTON.)

(PER PRESS AGENCY.)

Sydney, September 23rd. It is reported that in future the Government will secure the services of leading barristers to prosecute for the Crown, instead of, as heretofore, offering

these positions to junior counsel. It is intended to form a joint Australian and Sydney team to meet and play against the Australian eleven on their return from Europe and America.

Senior Sergeant Mallines of the Dubbo police was shot dead while in the execution of his duty. The Newcastle export of coal for the

past week was 27,966 tons. Mr Miles, who resigned the office of Minister of Works, contends that he was

The Opposition announce their policy railways and a property tax.

Further reports from the Rev. George Brown state that after the massacre of native missionaries, he felt bound to punish the murderers to provent further atrocities; also, to organise the attacking force and accempany it, because his Samoan and Fiji teachers had determined. themselves to avenge the murder of their fellow-teachers. The expedition killed twenty of the murderers, and destroyed

host le tribes. MELBOURNE. The new associated banks are pressing on the Government their willingness to

consideration.

The unemployed still continue organise. To a deputation to the Go-

service, resolved that it should be 36 days service via Brindisi, and 42 days via Southampton. Melbourneis to be the terminus, and vessels are to call at Adelaide, but South Australia is not to be a party to the contract.

It is understood that the Governor has communicated to Ministers that his departure from the colony will not take place till January. One of the speakers at a meeting said

a large number were having their household goods sold off through want of emland. The ordinary channel of the river ployment. Carpenters and joiners complain of the Government contractors using 3 p.m.-All the principal street is like American sashes and doors instead of

A telegram from Loudon states that about half the barley crop has been

Advices have been received that Cook and Stanley, billiard players, will leave London for the colonies by the September

A deputation from Albury waited on Mr Berry re duties. Mr Berry said his Government would not object to an arrangement to abolish not only the horder duty on produce, but all horder duties, provided the Sydney Government would meet them in a reasonable spirit.

Betting on the Derby and Cup is very slack. There is some disposition shown to back Lockleys.

The weather is very warm.

The appeal in the equity case, Wolfe v. Hart, was dismissed with costs, Judge Molesworth's decision, granting an injunction against Hart using Wolfe's labels for schnapps, being confirmed.

A successful trial has been made of Osborne's self-binding harvester.

Governor Bowen has given £100 to the general Church Fund. Dissolution of marriage has been

granted in the case Newal (wife) v Newal, and White (wife) v. White.

The Rev. Charles Clarke preached to crowded audience in aid of the Children's Hospital.

Judge Stowe's funeral was largely ttended. There are various rumors as to Judge

Stowe's successor. Mr Boucaut is named, but probably the vacancy will not be filled up till the Parliamentary recess. A man named Roberts attempted to

blow himself up with dynamite at Port The Rev. Samuel Knight, on leaving

for England, was presented by the Wesevans with 300 sovs. Michael Burke, charged with the brutal murder of Mr Maunsell in the far north,

was acquitted, on the ground of insanity. PERTH (Western Australia). No more bodies found from the wreck of the James Service, but 100 tons of

castor oil salyaged. Chief Justice Burt and Mrs Sandon are very ill.

Licensing Court.

The adjourned meeting of the Licensing Court was held at the Court House at oon to-day. Present-Captain Fraser R.M. (Chairman), Messrs Souter, Workman, and Brown, Licensing Commis-

DISTRICT OF HAUBAKI.

NEW LICENSE FOR NEW HOUSE. Charles Hill applied for a license for

the Bridge Hotel, Parawai. The application had been adjourned from the Quarterly Licensing meeting in consequence of the building being in an unfinished Mr Brassey appeared for applicant. Mr Bullen stated that the workmen

were still employed at the house, but he

believed the hotel would be a good one,

and would not object to the granting of

the license if the Bench saw fit to grant The Chairman said the Bench could not grant a license for an unfinished house. and after some discussion Mr Brassey

Yesterday's Church Parade.

withdrew his application.

This was all the business.

The members of the Naval Brigade Engineers, Rangers, and Naval Cadet Companies mustered at their respective drill sheds yesterday morning for the purpose of attending church parade. The Navals turned out 145 strong, and really looked splendid. The Engineers, Rangers and Cadets also had good musters. The Navals and Cadets attended Divine Service at St. George's Church, and the other two companies marched to the Congregational Church, where the hon, chaplain to the Engineers preached an impressive sermon. This is one of the best attended church parades we have seen for some time, and, so far as the Navals are concerned, we understand that their muster has never been equalled here.

OUR MINES.

MOANATAIRI.

The No. 1 reef in the tunnel is now five

feet thick, but as it is poor the manager hopes, however, that its displacement by a slide now coming will improve its quality. To-day the Point Russell rise was resumed, it having been suspended last week to enable the rise and level to be timbered up. Sub-joined is the mine manager's usual weekly report :- "The rise against Point Russell winze, and also the level, are being timbered up to secure the ground, and rising will be several of their villages. Subsequently, resumed on Monday. Tunnel Level .- In Mr Brown made peace with the leading driving west No. 1 reef is five feet thick. There is now the appearance of a small slide crossing the lode, which will, I hope, change it for the better. The sinking of the engine shaft has been let by contract at £3 10s per foot, including the fixing of take on call at four per cent. as much of timber, guides, &c., and fair progress is getting into the township, but the river the proposed loan as the senior banks being made. During the past fortnight 290 tons of quartz have been crushed, yielding 208ozs retorted gold. The drive on No. 2 recf at 80 feet level west has been suspended for a short time in order vernment, Mr Berry promised the matter to put up a rise over main slide to pick up the point of the reef. In the six new The Cabinet, on the question of mail tributes recently let 24 men have set to work with vigor.-I remain, yours &c., ROBT. COMER."

> OLD GOLDEN CALF. The No. 1 lode continues to look first

rate. It is about three feet in thickness, and shows good colors of gold. When the lode is will opened the manager will be able to crush from it on a large ser le. WATCHMAN.

The tributers, George and party, have

being put up to connect the two levels, balance, £8833 13s 9d : total, £11,422 3s and good prospects are met with. A 2d.—Herald. upper level where it has to be stacked, as | (For remainder of Nows see 1st & 4th Pages.)

there is no means of getting it away cheaply until the rise has holed through. Once this work is completed the tributers will be in a position to break out quartz

on a large scale. ALBURNIA. The picked stuff in hand having been put through the single stamper battery,

the final retorting for the month took place to day for the yield of 285ozs gold. The interim retorting which took place about a fortnight ago produced 333oze, so that the total monthly yield is 618ozs retorted gold.

INVERNESS. Bunney and party banked 70zs 8dwts gold to day. ONLY CHANCE.

McClatchey and party have finished crushing for the yield of 5ozs 2dwts

Retorting for the mine was in progress at the Prince Alfred mill this afternoon.

KURANUI HILL. Patterson and party have finished taeir. rushing for the yield of 60ze 18dwts gold.

(From 1st to 20th September inclusive.) Alburnia 618 0 0 Do. (McLean's tr.) ... 2 0 Do. (Goard's tr.) Do. (Mears' tr.) 8 10 0 Do. (Gollop's tr.) Crown Princess (Clarken's tr.) Do. (Wayte's tr.) 10 15

(Morton's tr.) Caledonian Do. (Paltridge's tr.) City of Manchester ... Dauntless (McGarvey's tr.) Don Pedro (Robert's tr.) ...

81 12 13 5 115 7 Do. (Wood's tr.) 2 10 0 Golden Crown (Lamb's tr.) 13 2 0 Hopeful Hape Creek (Tetley's tr.) ... 12 8 0

Do. (Owen's tr.) Do. (Hearn's tr.) Inverness (Bunny's tr.) Juno ... Do. (Smith's tr.) ... Kuranui Hill Do. (Ash's tr.) ... (Rowe's tr.) (Gordon's tr.) *** (Littlejohn's tr.) ... Do. (Vercoe's tr.) (James' tr.)

(Northey's tr.) (Jenkins' tr.) 10 5 0 (Jenkins' tr.) (Le Manquais' tr.) 93 6 0 (McLeod's tr.) 17 5 0 Do. *** Do. 5 18 0 (Cotty's tr.) (Christie's tr.) Do. 3 6 0 (Challis' tr.) (Petersen's tr.) (Catran's tr.) (Patterson's tr.) ... Little Maggie

Do. (Thomas' tr.) (Hayes' tr.) (Kneebone's tr.) ... Do. (Charnock's tr.) ... 15 16 0 Green's tr.) 13 8 0 Whisker's tr.) (Christie's tr.) (Robertson's tr.) ... 5 .9 0 (Moore's tr.) Do. 11 0 0

Macdonald's tr.)... Do. Do. (Sawyer's tr.) (Read's tr.) 31 14 0 (Rea's tr.) ... Do. (Boyle's) ... Do. Morning Light New North Devon ... Old Golden Calf Do. (Wilcox's tr)

(Fletcher's tr.) (Dunstan's tr.) 6 14 0

(Kneebone's tr.) ... 31 14 0 11 17 0 (Carnie's tr.) 4. 19.5 10 14 0 (Bice's tr.) 5 11 0 (Wilion's tr.) (O'Sullivan's tr.) 9 .. 6 .. 0 (Williams' tr.) ***

(O'Buglien's tr.) ... (Kelvie's tr.) 16.12 0 Radical (Owharoa) ... 5 12 0 ron's sub-tr.)...

(Shine's tr.) Una Hill Waiotahi Waitekauri (Moore's tr.) 237 10 0 West Coast (Weatherall's tr.) 33 .0 0

... 4086 1 12 Total Prince Imperial G.M. Co. The annual meeting of the Prince

Imperial Goldmining Company, which

was to have been held on Friday at Mr

Garland's office, lapsed for want of attendance. The directors report, which was prepared for precentation to the meeting, stated that the operations in the mine had not been successful during the year. 511 loads, or 756 tons, had been crushed, for a yield of 881ozs of gold. but this return had not equalled the cost of procuring the quartz. Early in the year the directors purchased the Ural icense for £150 and 170 shares, but this ground had not proved so productive as the directors expected. The directors now considered it more prudent to test the ground by tribute system, instead or continuing to work wholly by wages men, and they had directed the mine manager to mark off soveral blocks for tribute. and retain a few men only on wages to prospect the lowest levels. A lenethy and exhaustive report from the mine manager, Mr A. Rowe, on the works carried out during the year, the prospects of the various lodes, and recommendations regarding future operations, was also received. The profit and loss account was as follows: -To balance, £7488 4s 11d. Mine expenditure: Wages. at the Prince Alfred mill, which they expect will average 1 lozs per ton. This parcel is chiefly obtained from a rise \$\mathcal{L}2553 \ 15s 6d; other items, \$\mathcal{L}3933 \ 18s 3d; total, \$\mathcal{L}11,422 \ 3s \ 2d. Receipts: Gold, \$\mathcal{L}2553 \ 15s 6d; other items, \$\mathcal{L}34 \ 13s \ 11d;

at the Prince Alfred mill, which they ex-

NEW NORTH CLUNES. About 20ozs of gold was expected from 38 loads crushed. Catran had a final cleaning up for Sozs

9d#ts gold.

MONTHLY GOLD RETURNS.

41 10 0 63 18 12 10 2 0 14 10 0 15 0 0 20 6 0 3 5 0 26 0 0 4 0 0

Luck's All Last Chance (Rabe's tr.) Last Hope Moanatairi

Only Chance... Prince Imperial Pretty Jane ... Prospecting (Muir) ... Piako ...

Queen of Beauty (Wilson's tr.)

Ravensworth (Owharoa) ... 12 9 0 2 13 0 Second Try ... Smile of Fortune (Came-Do. (Hutchinson's tr.) 69 12 0

(Smith's tr.) Welcome (Thorburn's tr.) ... Young New Zealand (Hollis) 52 10 0