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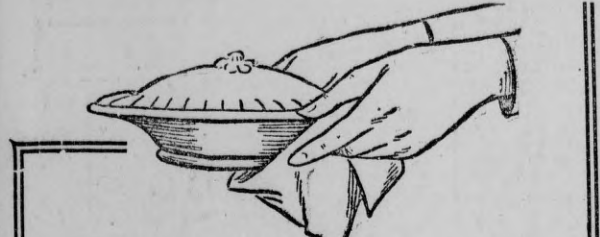
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Things in General.

(By "THE CRITIC.")

The Suicide Labor Government.

Whether it is the appearance of women in surf-bathing costumes; the excitement of the cowboy picture shows; or the nerve-racking influence of the sewing machine canvasser, it is hard to say, but certainly appear to be suffering from a pronounced suicide epidemic. The undue haste with which a lot of Australians appear to be making their way to the bourne from which no traveller returns is inexplicable, though none the less a solid fact. It's getting quite fashionable now-days to achieve honors by creating a sensation in this way and becoming responsible for a few large, black headlines in the papers. And we can't really wonder at it. Life, to 99 out of every 100 people, must be an awfully dreary affair. Take the father of a family of girls, for instance. If he's a "good" man, he plods along stolidly from Saturday morning to Friday night. Then he shells out the little bit of silver which the boss has doled out to him by way of compensation. On Saturday morning again he lumbly asks for his tram fare, and expects for a plug of tobacco—and another weary week has begun. What chance has that chap of getting his name in the papers, unless he creates a suicide sensation? Meanwhile the girls grow up and in between their clamoring for new dresses, shoes or hair ribbons, they learn to sing. "What's the matter with father? He's alright!" That's father's reward. If he doesn't happen to be a "good" man, and keeps a few boys, week for himself, he's in just as bad a fix. He's probably driven daft by the perpetual motion of a "fiddle vocal organ"—and in the end there's only suicide left to him.

The Hopeful punter.

The chap who first penned those beautiful words about hope springing eternal in the human breast, must have been longed to that section of the benighted, down-trodden proletariat which in these days of enlightenment we call the punters. The fellow who backs a horse is the only living example we know of who demonstrates invariably the perennial springfulness of that unsubstantial human faculty which we call hope. For want of a better word, there's no one can hold a candle to him. Year in, year out, he plods along, content in a life of ease and chronic hard-upness, but ever and anon there shines before him the halcyon vision of the day when he will "break the books," build that terrace of houses he's always talking about, and retire to a life of ease and comfort. He comes up smiling every penniless evening, Monday morning that it would really be too rude a shock for him to suddenly find himself in any other condition. But, worse than that, it would mean the destruction of that great and glowing hope which the poets sing so sweetly about. What does it matter if the bookmaker does reveal in wealth and affluence, while the punter goes about always hard-up? Is it not responsible for teaching the world what a grand thing hope is? Sure again, it's no laughing matter. Let the punter continue to be cheerful. Let his only asset, that's true, but it's worth a good deal in these days of suicides and other gruesome things.

Statesmanlike Mr. Carmichael.

It is really very amusing to watch the antics of the Sydney daily press whenever they are dealing with strike matters. Of course, it's a serious matter to reflect that our daily press is so absolutely partisan and biased, but what's the use of growling? If there's any humor in the situation, let's laugh—and grow fat. Two or three weeks ago the wharf laborers struck work in Sydney. Of course, there was an immediate howl from the employers, slingers about the cheek of the working classes, and the disastrous effects of the socialistic monster which is said to have Australia in its clutches. These hand-box, stiff-collared, penny-aliners are good at that kind of drivel. They seem to forget that one single hour of the "wharfies" work would kill them stone dead. Yet they talk about the "cheek" of the wharf-laborer demanding ten bob a day! But that's not the point. About midway in the strike, Mr. Carmichael (Minister for Labor) came along with a suggestion. He said to the ship-dealers: "The Government will do you a stevedoring for you, send the men back to work, and submit the whole case to arbitration. If the men win, the Government will charge you the increased rate; if they lose, you will only pay the present rate." This proposal was literally pock-pocked by the daily press. It amounted, in their view, to more "cheek." Carmichael was even called a bounder for daring to suggest such a thing. Then, at last, the same Mr. Carmichael got the wharfies together. He said to them: "Go back to work. The Government will submit your grievances to arbitration, and see that you get a fair deal." The men decided to go back to work, and immediately the whole of the press cry out: "Statesmanlike, Mr. Carmichael!" Isn't it funny? Isn't it a pity that such lob-sided, hair-brained journalism should be allowed to live.

A Virtue of Necessity.

A fellow must eat, that's certain; or he'll starve. One of the fundamental principles of British jurisprudence is said to be an old-time law to the effect that a man is fully entitled to steal bread if he happens to be starving for something to eat. But it's a very awkward procedure to go up to a baker's shop and steal a loaf of bread. It so happens, however, more ways of killing a cat than by hanging, and apropos of the hungry man's dodges to get a cheap feed, a good story is told, and vouches for as a fact. A man who had just finished a comfortable meal at a Sydney restaurant the other evening suddenly rose up from his chair, caught up his hat and an umbrella that stood against the wall and rushed out of the building. "Stop him!" exclaimed the proprietor. "That fellow went out without paying." "I'll stop him," said a determined-looking man, who rose up hastily from a table near where the proprietor had sat. "He took my golden-headed umbrella! I'll stop him, and I'll bring him back in charge of a police officer, the scoundrel!" Without a moment's pause he dashed out of the house in hot pursuit of the conscience-stricken villain. And the proprietor, a cold, hard, unsympathetic kind of man, has somehow begun to suspect that neither of them will ever come back.

The Policeman's Job.

We are accustomed to hear the members of the police force, in their own minds, pathos with because of the disagreeableness of the duties they have to perform. Of course the Bobby's life is a life of business, however, is that an ideal existence. But the uniformed preserver of the peace doesn't have too bad a time, all the same. There is one instance the chap who found a nice-looking young woman, roaming about Centennial Park the other night, clad only in a long, flowing night-gown, of course, and, and decorated with flowered embroidery. It should, perhaps, be said that the newspapers didn't give the particulars of the material and embroidery, but it's quite a natural thing to suppose that a young lady would don her very best nightgown when she decided to go to Centennial Park in that attire in the witching hours of the night. Now, will anybody say that chap's job was a disagreeable one? And little diversions like this are continually happening on the rounds of the John Duns. The most inexplicable part of this particular case, however, is that the policeman hauled the damsel away to the lock-up and put her under lock and key, away from any stray admirer's glance. Why did he do that? Surely he could have let her roam about, and give at least a few other people a chance of seeing her in the latest in evening dress styles. At the subsequent police court enquiry it came out that the young thing was a society dame who had developed the cigarette habit. It was alleged that she used to smoke three packets of cigarettes a day, and that she had been "under observation" for some time. Quite so; that was evidently her intention when she took that stroll in the park. But she is now safe in charge of a nurse and doctor. Another idea presents itself. If a young woman can be locked up for patrolling a public park in her nightgown, why can't people who give the police instructions to keep their eye open for similar demonstrations of indecency at our theatres and business city concert halls? It's quite certain that the ordinary nightgown is a far more effective covering than a whole heap of the saucy evening dress styles which smite the susceptible eye of the passer-by at our places of amusement.

Take Your Umbrella With You, John.

There are several serious things the matter with John Henry Stephenson, apparently, but his worst affliction seems to be absent-mindedness. Somebody ought to buy that famous old music-hall ballad and send it along to him: "Take your umbrella with you, John." Somehow or other he seems to be always in the same kind of a fix as the unfortunate chap who leaves his gingham hat at home on a wet day. He gets wet. It is really necessary for people who suffer from serious nervous attacks to provide against frequent drenchings, or any other old sort of shock. Mental perturbation is bad for a lot of people, and John Henry doesn't look to be the kind of man who can stand too much of that sort of thing. The atmosphere of a court is also prejudicial to the health and general well-being of a lot of folk, and we should imagine that a chap whose living depends upon the faithful and careful performance of a railway signalman's duties ought really to be careful, and avoid such rude shocks to the system. They're calculated to rob one of much necessary sleep, and it's only a champion pugilist, or a politician perhaps, who can stand that. But after all, it's no good thinking there are some funny people in the world. By that we don't mean the professional funny men, who laugh hilariously at their own jokes, and who are not funny at all. It's the people who are gifted with the capacity of always talking themselves as seriously as comers of the world, in the heart of a religious revival, who are the real funny men of this world. That's the chap who provides the real, healthy, giving diversion to his fellows, and who is, if we could only rightly appreciate the fact, the greatest public benefactor. David Harum used to say: "Fleas is good for a dog; they keeps him from forgettin' he is a dog." So with the chap who's, always, finding fault with the way other people do things. If the other people were all perfect; paragons of morality, intellect, and veracity, there'd be no room on this drought-stricken orb for the fault-finder, and then we'd have no one to chide at or crack jokes about. But now that he has perpetrated his last huge joke, we'd really advise John Henry to try a course of surf-bathing. The buxom forms of the sun-tanned sirens, or the little pink toes of the bashful paddlers, might have the desired exhilarating effect. It would be as well, however, for him to take his umbrella along. He might see something that would compel him to apply for the cancellation of all surf-bathing rights; or one of those trembling fish might come on, and he might get wet again.

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The Sydney punters did not think
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The Turf: Notes and Selections
(By "Muskett.")

Kiaki is one of the liveliest "hurdle"
horses we have seen for a long time.
He raced in front from start to finish
in each of the Jumpers' Flat events that
he recently appropriated, at
Moorefield and Warwick Farm.

The Kensington race meeting that is
to take place on Wednesday next
should attract a particularly large
crowd of racegoers.

By this time nearly all the Sydney
sports who attended the V.R.C. Car-
nival will be on hand, and judging by
the attractive programme that is to be
discussed, good sport should result.
There is every indication of the
Rosehill Racing Club meeting, which
is to be held on Saturday, being well
attended. The club has made arrange-
ments for the posting of the V.R.C.
results, but beyond starting price
business the books will not be kept
busy over the southern events.

The third day's meeting of the Victo-
ria Racing Club Carnival will take
place to-day. The Oaks should go to
Wilari. On Saturday the champion
on tap will be the Steeplechase and the
C.B. Fisher Plate.

D.S.O. was on top in the principal
handicap that was decided on Satur-
day the meeting at Newcastle Tatters-
sall's Club. The Flying Handicap
was won by Mr. James Brennan's
Sweet Adeline, a mare by Malster, who
can gallop well when in good condi-
tion.

The Australian Trotting Club will
bring off a meeting next Monday week
and as this track is one of the finest
in the land, owners are sure to patron-
ize the fixture freely.

Of the unplaced division, Madam
Butterfly and M.J.A. each ran well in
the Farm Stakes on Saturday. M.J.A.
has run a few fair races in this class
of event, and may be seen out in front
in one of them soon.

Y.V. Admiral, in the New Zeland
Cup on Saturday at the Canter-
bury Jockey Club meeting, was anti-
cipated by a great army of race fol-
lowers. He had the light weight of
7.8, and cleverly accounted for Mis-
conduct, while Los Angeles carried 9.0
into third position. Vice Admiral was
a strong tip for the Metropolitan, but
he did not run into a place.

There was splendid attendance at
the Canterbury (N.Z.) Jockey Club's
meeting last Saturday. The young-
sters' race, the Welcome Stakes, was
won by Winning Way, who, however,
had great difficulty in defeating Bel-
lamore by a short head. At the same
fixture Peirene was out by Nyland,
who defeated her comfortably by a
length. Nyland, who is stated to be
a fine shaped unis by Bobrikoff's sire
Finland.

A Sydney punter put £50 on Elva-
nise in the Maiden Plate that was
decided at Kensington on Saturday.
The son of Sylvanus started at 100
to 1 he secured an acceptable "mon-
key" for his outlay.

Tratralgar gave spectators an eye-
opening on Saturday afternoon by
getting first past the post in the Mel-
bourne Stakes. It was thought that
the distance would prove too short for
him.

Several of the jockeys riding at the
registered meetings, who used to ride
at the pony fixtures in this State and
also in Victoria, have done well since
leaving up the registered meetings.
George Lambert, who won the V.R.C.
Derby last Saturday on the Wallace
rilly Wilari, rode at pony meetings
some time ago, and is regarded as
one of the best horsemen in Victoria.

Scotch Queen is fast; so is Haut
King, but the former outpaced the
Hautboy gelding all the way over the
three-quarters of a mile in the Welter
Handicap at the Farm on Saturday.

Visitors at the Flemington races on
Saturday state that they never wit-
nessed better starting.

Backers will not be in a hurry for
some time to accept even money about
Miss Luna in anything like a decent
field. She had every chance to win the
Farm Stakes on Saturday, but was
beaten into third place. The mare was
saddled up again in the Welter Hand-
icap, but could not even get a place.

There was a shout all round when
Malt Mary ran up to King Haut in the
Flying Handicap at Warwick Farm on
Saturday, halting her victory, but
King Haut stuck to her so well that he
managed to shake her off a win by a
head.

Maringue and Miss Luna opened up
equal favorites in the Farm Stakes,
but the latter soon hardened from 5 to
2 and 3 to 1 to even money. Each,
however, were defeated by the rank
outsider Valmia.

Marioria placed the Derby Stakes
to the credit of her owner on Saturday
at the Queensland Turf Club meet-
ing.

Brackley was unequal to win-
ning the Osborne Handicap on Satur-
day, though he finished second to For-
ward Lady.

McCrimmon, who generally rides
Bright Laddie, had the mount on Bar-
allan in the Spring Stakes at the
Queensland Turf Club meeting on
Saturday. Bright Laddie, however,
downed Barallan easily by a couple of
lengths, which must have been annoy-
ing to McCrimmon.

Mundoie has one great run, and
when it is timed properly it takes a
good 'un to shake him off. On Sat-
urday he won the Warwick Handicap
cleverly. Before reaching the two-fur-
long post he swept past his horse in
great style, and soon had all his mates
in difficulties.

A pretty smart mare is Lady Phyl-
lis, who may come on in a couple of
long to cog a race. She raced
along fast for the best part of the Liv-
erpool Mile, but grew tired during the
last furlong.

Specimen battled along hard to try
and beat Scheele in the Liverpool
Mile, but had to put up with second
place.

The news of Jaccar's downfall in
the Derby at Flemington on Saturday
was received at Warwick Farm in dead
silence. Had Jaccar won there would
have been an all-round cheer, as
there was certainly a backer on the
course who did not have a bit on him.
Wilari, the winner, was quoted at 20
to 1 at the Farm.

After the very small odds, the book-
makers offered against Malt Mary,
Miss Luna and Schneider at Warwick
Farm on Saturday, it is high time that
the totalisator was established in this
State. Of course, while the public ac-

cept whatever price the Tommies like
to put on her, she cannot be blamed
for taking them in. The tote appears
to be as far off as ever, which is owing
to members opposing its installation,
who know nothing about the game.

Waterwave, finishing a lot better
than Schneider in the Jumpers' Flat
Race, beat him over the last bit for
second prize. Kiaki, however, won
nicely, despite his having made the
pace a cracker from the first stride till
the winning post was reached.

The field that comprised the start-
ers in the Jumpers' Flat Race at War-
wick Farm last Saturday was not extra
good taking the lot of horses all
round. Kiaki is fast, but how he will
shape over open hurdles remains to be
seen. Schneider was made a specially
warm pot for the event, but he knocked
up over the last furlong.

Including a 10lb. penalty, Amberina
will carry 7.3 in the Flying Handicap
that is to be run at Rosehill on Sat-
urday. The penalty was incurred con-
sequently on her success at Wollongong.
Fielder has been very unlucky with
the Positano horse, Posane. On
Tuesday the animal ran a couple of
seconds, but had not been a little
bit unfortunate in the first race he
would have won.

The Parisian did the trick in the
Melbourne Cup, though most racegoers
would have been surprised if he had
not put up a fine struggle to the end
of the race. He was regarded as hav-
ing a fine show in the race before the
opening day of the V.R.C. Cup, when
visitors saw his form in the Melbourne
Stakes, that convinced them that he
would be an extremely dangerous can-
didate in the Cup.

Chaste and Corallina were struck
out of the Warwick Handicap last Sat-
urday, but as they are engaged in the
big race at Rosehill on Saturday one
will stay over Monday next in order
to witness the Williamstown Cup run.
Mundoie has been given a
weight of 11lb. in the same race, and
though he is almost sure to put up a
big run, fancy Chaste will beat him.

Kiaki has gone up 11lb. in the
weights in the Jumpers' Flat Race at
Rosehill on his last victory, but as the
distance is a furlong shorter on Sat-
urday he must be hard to dispose of.
This horse after striking the front
takes a lot of running down.

Probably a good number of Sydney
sportsmen who are at present in Victo-
ria will stay over Monday next in order
to witness the Williamstown Cup run.
Duke Foote promises to be well back-
ed in this race, and he appears to pos-
sess a second to none chance of secur-
ing the big end of the purse.

Crown Derby has an even 8.0 in the
Rosehill Flying Handicap, a weight
which should prevent her from occu-
pying a forward position at the finish
of the race. However, after her not
showing up at the Farm in the Liv-
erpool Mile, she can hardly be ready to
back; still, to the eye she appears to
be fast getting into racing condition.

Some months back Electric Wire
was being considered to be
pretty well in a flying line at 9.0,
the weight he has been apportioned in
Saturday's sprinting event at Rosehill.
The fact that he is not doing badly
at all in his gallops on the training
tracks, and which his owner elect to
start him may give a good account of
him in over Christmas.

The owner of The Parisian, it is
stated, won just on £20,000 over the
horse's victory in the Melbourne Cup,
exclusive of the prize. This should
stimulate him over Christmas.

The Ascot Thousand, which was
decided at Victoria yesterday, result-
ed in a win for Doughboy, who started
at 1. The speedy New Zealander,
Flying Spark, filled third place.

WARWICK FARM.

The November meeting of the above
club was held last Saturday, in fine
weather. There was a splendid atten-
dance, and those who wished to bet over
the V.R.C. events were afforded any
amount of opportunity of doing so, as
nearly every bookmaker on the ground
did business on them.

They (the books) had a good day,
too, especially over the races at Flem-
ington.

The local sport commenced with the
Flying Handicap, and particular atten-
tion was paid to Malt Mary, who was
brought down from Newcastle specially
to cop this race.

At least, that was the intention of
her owner, but he, as well as backers
of favorites, wished she had missed
the boat.

King Haut came to the rescue of the
bookies by defeating the favorite by a
head. The former singled out by his
mates early in the race, but Malt
Mary always held a handy position.

The mare got alongside King Haut
half a furlong from home, but failed
to hold him.

Scheele followed up his Moorefield
success by appropriating the Liverpool
Mile, for which Lady Phyllis started
favorite.

The pace was pretty solid all the
way, but as the race was being respon-
sible for it. She led into the straight,
but Scheele slipped past her comfortably
after the leger reserve was reached,
and eventually won handsily by a length
and a half from Specimen, who beat
Lady Phyllis by a length for second
prize.

A big rush was made to get on to
Schneider as soon as the bookies com-
menced business, but the fielders were
not bent on giving their money away.
They opened him up at 6 to 4, and he
went out at about even money, with
Kiaki backed at 5 to 2.

Kiaki forced the pace the whole
journey, and, despite a bold challenge
by Waterwave, won by a length and a
half, with the favorite a length further
behind.

Schneider lost his wind near home,
and he cannot be up to much.
But very few horses started in the
Warwick Handicap, and when the list
was run over it appeared to be a fair
thing for either Mundoie or Majuba.

Mundoie won easily by two lengths
from Majuba, who started second
favorite, while Mundoie stood at even
money.

The Farm Stake, which was the sec-
ond event on the programme, found
Miss Luna a screaming hot favorite at
even money. Some backers obtained 3
to 1 about her, but not for much.
There were several others backed.

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Boxing.

STADIUM FIXTURES.

Saturday, Nov. 11.—"Bandsman"
Rice v. Dave Smith.
Saturday, Nov. 18.—Clabby v.
Cripps.
Wednesday, Nov. 22.—Sullivan v.
Read.

**MCCOY V. READ AT THE
STADIUM.**
Read Wins 15 out of 20 Rounds, and
Cops Loser's End.

Before a fairly large "house" on
Saturday night, Kid McCoy, of Mel-
bourne, and ex-amateur Jack Read,
fought an exciting 20 rounds, the lat-
ter, although having the best of the
deal at the terminus, getting the loser's
end of the purse.

At the word "go" McCoy rushed his
man like a wild cat would go at a
chicken, but he met trouble from cool-
headed Read, who belted him on the
tender spot, almost whenever he
pleased. McCoy played well on his
opponent's body, but at the end of the
round Read was on top.

Even fighting was witnessed in the
next two rounds, but in the fourth the
"Kid" scored with a good right to the
jaw. Read also put in some good
work, but the round ended in favor of
McCoy.

Excepting the 4th, 11th, 12th, and
18th, every round belonged to Read.
The 10th was a good one, but at the
terminus honors were easy.

During the 12th McCoy bore in on
Read, and the latter losing his balance
went to the ground, where he lay for
a moment. Read also put in some good
work, but the round ended in favor of
McCoy.

Of course, Read appealed, but
"Snowy" evidently was of the opinion
that the blow missed, and he let the
fight go on up to a clinch.

The crowd loosed McCoy, but to
many it was doubtful whether he hit
landed. As I was only a few feet
away from Read at the time of the oc-
currence, and closer to him than any
man in the audience, I can positively
say that the punch just got home, and
in my opinion McCoy should have been
disqualified.

McCoy repeatedly held Read's arms
in clinches, and during the 8th, the
referee stopped the fight and warned
the boys, that if they did not obey him,
and break when ordered, he would stop
the fight.

The warning had effect to a certain
extent, but later on "Snowy" had to
pull McCoy out of a clinch.

A "nob" in the reserved seats, evi-
dently not agreeing with Baker, asked
the latter "what price heart-break in
the McCoy stakes." Baker may have
been "tough" by the remark, any-
how he was lenient with McCoy after-
wards, and as previously stated,
awarded the fight to the Melbourne boy
at the end of the battle.

McCoy is a bull-dog fighter, and he
carried remarkable condition on Sat-
urday night, otherwise he would have
tired to nothing after fighting half the
distance. Read, too, was in splen-
dific, but his boxing was much better
than his opponent's.

At the clang of the bell for the final
round, McCoy rushed his man again
him. However, towards the end of the
round Read fought carefully, probably
on account of him having the idea that
he was "tough" on points. How-
ever "Snowy" did not think so, and
the unlucky ex-amateur once again left
wildly, he apparently thinking that a

knock-out was his only hope. Read
avoided his rush and clearly out-boxed
the ring, master of his opponent, yet
still the man who had only been award-
ed loser's end.

Green is supposed to be an unlucky
color, and in Read's case it must be
those green pants of his that "mocker"
him.

MEECHAN V. PICATO.

On Thursday evening last (2nd in-
stant) the above pair met at the Sta-
dium, and treated onlookers to a clever
exhibition of boxing. As usual, Mee-
chan's smoother, combined with a
mighty left, did the trick, and in the
18th round Picato was sent to sleep.

Picato boxed well, but only on rare
occasions did he find Haggie's face,
most of his blows landing on the fore-
head, chest or arms of the champion.

Meechan, probably is a little stale.
He has had a good many blows, and
late, and a spell would no doubt do him
no end of good.

GENERAL ITEMS.

At the Caity on Saturday night,
Holden defeated Viggin. The go-
ldest only eight rounds, when the lat-
ter's seconds threw in the wipe.

The mighty Coons, Langford and
McVee, will probably meet at the Sta-
dium on Boxing Day. It is hard to
say how the battle will pan out.

"Bandsman" Rice and Dave Smith
will oppose each other on Saturday
night at the Stadium. The former will
have to show up much better on this
occasion than he did against Howard,
otherwise Smith will have an easy win-
ning.

Jack Read has a bad habit of look-
ing at the audience when in clinches,
and on Saturday night, McCoy repeatedly
scored, when he would not have had
his back to the crowd, instead of
gaping round the enclosure.

Roy Kenny, who went under to Ted
Whiting some time ago, has left the
hospital, but is in a very weak condi-
tion. It will be some time before he
fights again.

Rumored that Bill Squires and Les-
ter will meet in Queensland. Will
Lester could do with a few nice right
shots. It will do him good, while
the few quidlets will not be too dusty.

Swimming.

Hardwick Home.

The Sydney Swimming Club tendered
a "welcome home" to Harold Hard-
wick, at Baumann's Cafe, on Sat-
urday night. Hardwick, who is captain
of the team, was accorded a great re-
ception.

Hardwick has a great opinion of a
young English swimmer by the name of
Hatfield. The latter swam second to
the Sydney crack in the 220 yards
Championship of England.

Rose Bay Club.

The above club brought off a 100
yards event at their baths on Saturday.
Result: W. Moxon, 25sec.; I. K. Mul-
ligan, 27sec.; 2. A. McFarlane, 11sec.;
3. Time 1min. 16 1/2 sec. Sherwood
finished first, but was disqualified for
starting before his time.

Bondi Club.

Result of 50 yards Handicap, decid-
ed at Bondi Baths on Saturday:—W.
Burke, 25sec.; 1. A. H. Conlon, 26sec.;
2. S. Byrne, 11sec.; 3. Time, 33 1/2
sec.

Athletics.

Taylor Defeats Holway.

At the Newcastle Show Ground on
Saturday, A. A. Taylor, of Sydney, de-
feated Holway (U.S.A.) in a 75 yards

sprint, and a 100 yards event.

In the 75 yards race Taylor led all
the way, and won by half a yard. The
time was 7 1/2 sec., which, if correct,
equals Postle's world's record, put up
at Northam, W.A., on March 1906.

The 100 yards event was won by Tay-
lor by nearly 2 feet, the time record-
ed being 9 2/5 sec.

These times, which are remarkably
fast, may not be acknowledged, on ac-
count of there being a strong wind in
favor of the runners.

Result of the 440 yards:—L. Squires,
35 yds.; 1. W. Trembath, scr.; 2. T.
Creamer, 35yds.; 3. Won by 6yds.

A Tom Boy event was also decided.
Result: Miss Meredith, 1; Miss Moore,
2. Won by a yard.

Cricket.

H. Carter and C. A. Thomas scored
123 in 50 minutes for Waverley on Sat-
urday. The former hit 10 fours.

For Redfern G. Maidment hit up 40,
and was undefeated at the end of the
day's play. Mailev bowled best
against Waverley, his total being 4
wickets for 101 runs.

For Barwood, A. Diamond scored
100.

M. A. Noble was in good form last
Saturday. He hit up 120 before he
was run out.

Playing for N.S. Wales against
Queensland, C. G. Macartney made
122. Others to bat well were Trumper
59, W. Bardsley 59, Barbour 57, Fol-
lard 57, McElone 39, and McElone 38.

Queensland batted badly in their
first innings, their score being only
102. Fennelly, 71, being the best bat-
man of the day.

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Estate, several good lots, from 14/ 6 ft.
BELMORE.—Quarter-acre Home Sites, good
soil, 30 min. train, 25, bargains.
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Staff Changes and Promotions.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Railways.

(Week Ending October 28, 1911.)

APPOINTMENTS.

Traffic Audit Branch—Junior Clerk: Oscar Wall, Sydney.

Locomotive Branch—Draftsman: George Baghurst, Eveleigh. Cleaners: Michael McNamee, Percy Warman, George Schneider, Gordon Wilkie, Robert Volkmer, Francis Joseph Winsor, Allen C. Richardson, Narrabri; William Reynolds, Murrumbidgee; Fitter: Reggie Fox, Murrumbidgee. Shop Boy: Clarence Rice, Armidale. Call Boy: William Temple, Hamilton.

Permanent Way Branch—Cadet Draftsman: Dudley B. Carver, Head Office, Newcastle. Hydraulic Riveter: Henry P. McLarty, Dubbo-Nyngan. Laborer to Machinist: Walter Hamer, Bathurst.

Traffic Branch—Porters to Shunters: John P. Piper, Hornsby; John Milson's Point; Charles Elwood, Yass Junction to Pictou. Junior Porter to Porter: William Field, Yass Junction.

Stores Branch—Laborer to Storeman: Andrew Donald, Eveleigh.

Electrical Branch—Railway Electrician to Electrical Assistant: Herbert A. Cotterill, Sydney. Probationer to Junior Operator: Charles F. Dixon, Cullacrain.

Locomotive Branch—Firemen to Drivers: David Wainwright, James Smedley, Eveleigh; John Matthews, Pictou; Hugh McDonald, Harden. Cleaners to Firemen: Leslie Wood, Leslie Snow, Owen Martin, Goulburn; Cecil James, Francis Leacock, Murrumbidgee; George Simey, Curby; Eveleigh; George Simey, Goulburn; Leslie Crossley, Bathurst. Gasman to Gas Changaner: Arthur Hammond, Bathurst. Boy Laborer to Machinist: Alexander Methven, Eveleigh. Shop Boy to Striker: Charles Marshall, Eveleigh. Shop Boy to Boiler-maker: Helmer, Phillip, Herby, Eveleigh. Shop Boys to Cleaners: Harold Duffy, Charles Fahey, Ernest Morgan, William Veebroek, Gordon Lane, Guy Bernhardt, Eveleigh.

Traffic Branch—Junior Clerks: Philip Kurts, Darling Harbor; Albert C. Nichols, Albany. Porters: Clarke McPhie, Reducing Time Staff, Newcastle; Herbert Alcock, William B. Tucker, Bullock Island; Edward Harris, Narrabri. Junior Porters: William Brown, Deepwater; Jeremiah O'Sullivan, Burien Junction. Gatekeepers: Sarah Ward, Paterson; George McLean, Newcastle; Kaituma; McQuilly, Byron Bay. Night Gatekeepers: Arthur Mahoney, William C. Wilson, Singleton; Francis Mackison, Murrumbidgee.

Signalling Branch—Junior Clerk: Albert Lee, Sydney.

PROMOTIONS.

Chief Accountant's Branch—Assistant to the Chief Accountant to Chief Accountant: George Macdon, Sydney. Permanent Way Accountant to Assistant to the Chief Accountant: Richard Bourke, Sydney.

Traffic Audit Branch—Office Boy to Junior Clerk: Everard M. Hill, Sydney.

Locomotive Branch—Firemen to Drivers: Herbert Porter, Hamilton; George Sommers, Murrumbidgee. Call Boy to Cleaner: William O'Connor, Narrabri. Cleaner to Fireman: Raymond Weatne, Narrabri.

Permanent Way Branch—Bookkeeper to Permanent Way Accountant: James A. Cameron, Head Office. Clerk to Bookkeeper: Edmund O. Flood, Head Office. Resident Engineer to Divisional Engineer: Frederick Moore, Bathurst. Ganger to Sub-Inspector of Permanent Way: George Saunders, Moree. Fitter to Sub-Inspector of Permanent Way: Henry Ward, Pictou. Laborer to Assistant-Inspector of Permanent Way: George Higginson, Newcastle.

Traffic Branch—Night Stationmaster to Traffic Inspector: William Tweed, Verris. Clerk to Traffic Inspector: Edmund O. Mihal, Secretary's Office to Goulburn. Porters to Night Officers: Richard J. Francis, Sydney. Relief Staff to Bundingore: Edward Smith, Greenhorne to Yarra; John O'Neill, Narrandera to Bonen. Porters to Clerks: Lewis J. Ford, Sydney to Summer Hill; William J. Leigh, Sydney Relief Staff. Porters to Shunters: Francis C. Ellis, Narrabri to Werris Creek; Thomas W. Brown, Narrabri West to West Maitland. Gatekeeper to Junior Porter, Edward W. Branch, Reducing Time Staff, Newcastle, to West Maitland.

Signalling Branch—Inspector to Assistant for Electrical Signalling: Walter F. Barton, Sydney. Junior Clerk to Tracer: Patrick J. Meaney, Sydney.

Electrical Branch—Probationer to Junior Operator: Charles Kidman, West Maitland.

REMOVALS.

Chief Accountant's Branch—Chief Accountant: Thomas Hall, Sydney. Head of Bookkeeping Office: James Glen, Sydney.

Traffic Audit Branch—Junior Clerk: Rupert De V. Kidson, Sydney.

RESIGNED OR LEFT THE SERVICE.

Locomotive Branch—Fuelman: Jubilee Barnham, Murrumbidgee.

Permanent Way Branch—Fitters: Frederick Penrice, Fitter; John S. Dwyer, Curraabuludien Innes.

Traffic Branch—Stationmasters: George W. Davis, Strathfield; John W. McConville, Campsie. Night Officer: Harold Leming, Hawkesbury. Junior Clerk: Leonard Vines, Penrith. Junior Porters: Ernest Carr, Tamworth; William D. Parker, Lismore. Gatekeepers: John McKerrill, Newcastle; Alice Butts, Emerald Hill. Night Gatekeeper: James B. Smith, Quirindi.

(Week Ending November 4, 1911.)

APPOINTMENTS.

Solicitor's Branch—Messenger: Walter L. Carter, Sydney.

Locomotive Branch—Firelighter: Albert Chapman, Eveleigh. Storeman: Jack Vines, June. Fuelman: James Seymour, Kelly. David Griffiths, Leslie. Vasey, Sydney. Cleaners: Reginald Bouden, William Hayes, Bertie Gray, Roy Humphries, Frederick Hay, John Lewis, Bathurst. Office Cleaners: Mrs. Verick, Eveleigh. Apprentice Carriage Builders: Harry Joyce, Eveleigh. Shopboys: Frederick Dwyer, Kaituma; Stanley Hudson, Alfred Gallagher, Armidale; Percy Cooper, Alfred Muir, George Green, Andrew Lang, Roy Rundle, Eveleigh. Callboy: Alfred Markham, June.

Permanent Way Branch—Carpenter: Richard J. Harold, Bathurst. Dubbo. Fitters: Walter Hunt, June-Hay; Thomas Carr, Nyngan. Bourke; Patrick Flanagan, Bogan Gate, Tullamore.

Traffic Branch—Porters: Reginald J. Wright, George Channing, John Swann, John J. Schreder, John McMahon, Roy Wilkinson, William McGowan, Darling Harbour. Joseph Curry, Sydney Relief Staff. William Ritchie, Sydney Carriage Washing Sheds; George Highfield, Eskbank; William Fitzgerald, Bourke; Charles Johnston, Waddington. Junior Porters: Frederick Kirton, Darling Harbour; George F. Walsh, Stanwell Park; John Hines, Sydney Relief Staff; William Rie, Reginald C. Hopkin, Sydney B. Rea, William White, Frederick Dransfield, Sydney Carriage Washing Sheds; James G. Oliver, Hurstville Carriage Washing Sheds; Herbert Dunn, Wagga; David Armour, Blagney; William Simons, Eskbank Relief Staff; Francis Goodman, Parkes. Gatekeepers: Sarah Price, Noonbinnia; Norah Lockrey, Mo-long.

Signalling Branch—Interlocking Fitter: Alfred Dick, Redfern. Fitters: Edward Harris, Alfred Bradfield, Sydney. Painter: William Eacott, Sydney. Spike Boy: Alfred Harper, Sydney.

Electrical Branch—Probationers: Bert H. Burgess, Eskbank; Herbert H. Argall, Orange; Edgar E. Reid, Harden.

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£230 per annum, notwithstanding the fact no day foreman is receiving less than £240. T. T. Department point out that no appointments have been made recently no one is at present in receipt of the minimum wage, but that the fact does not in itself affect the minimum rate. It was resolved that this view of the matter be explained to Mr. Blumer, and that he be advised that the Executive cannot see that they can deal with it in any way. When the Tramways Wages Board comes on every effort will be made on his behalf. After response from inquiry from Mr. Joseph Collier, stationmaster, Thornton, as to whether he was entitled to six months' leave of absence on retirement, the Department allowed him only two months, it was resolved that he be informed that it is purely an act of grace on the part of the Department and that the employees of the service are not entitled to six months special leave after 30 years of service as a matter of course.

Mr. J. Kelsey asked if it was a fact that superannuation refunds are not paid until after 15 years of service, and it was resolved to inform him that if an employee retires voluntarily before completing 15 years' service, he cannot get any refund of superannuation money.

Mr. G. F. Pike, Loco. department, Bourke, submitted a description of his work and the class of work he has to perform, in support of his claim for a higher rate of pay. It was resolved that his claim be filed with those that are to be presented to the Examiners' Board, so that it may be dealt with there.

Mr. J. H. Oldfield, junior porter at Alexandria station, wrote again with respect to the rate of pay he is entitled to for the class of work he has to perform. It was resolved to advise that it is impossible to give him any further information, as the classification of junior porters' work. Junior porters are paid according to age. He is entitled to be paid overtime rates for all hours worked beyond 108 hours in a period, and that Sunday time is paid the same rate as ordinary time. A classification of junior porters' work will be submitted to the forthcoming Traffic Wages Board.

Pictou branch wrote that one of their collectors could probably do good work as a collector, as he was amongst members working at Minto, but was afraid of trespassing on the province of another collector. The latter had already been written to by the Executive, but had not replied so far, and it was resolved that he be again written to and that in view of the fact that the members referred to are being neglected, if no reply is received within seven days, the Pictou branch collector be appointed to look after the interests of the members at Minto.

Mr. L. Thomas, late secretary Dubbo branch, having failed to remit the instalments agreed upon on account of the members' refusal to pay, was still unpaid to the Association, and correspondence having been ignored by him, Head Office wrote him on the 2nd of October informing him that if he did not pay within seven days, further action would be taken. It was resolved that if no reply was received within the seven days, the matter be sent on to the Chief Commissioner.

A reply from the Government was received regarding the adoption of a general strike. It was resolved to report the matter to the Association throughout the railway and tramway service. (This is referred to elsewhere in this issue.)

In reply to an enquiry from Mr. C. Hughes, with respect to the Railway Per. Way Board, it was resolved to inform him that the Association intends to apply for a variation of the Award.

A long letter from Mr. Brackenbury, repaying his expenses when attending Council meetings and suggesting that the Executive officers and councilors, namely:—

Executive.—President, Vice-presidents, Executive Officers (2), General Secretary, and General Secretary. (See rule 19.)

Council.—Railway Loco. Running (5), Railway Mechanical (5), Railway Traffic (5), Railway Per. Way (5), Railway Station (5), Railway Tramway (5), Railway Traffic (5), Railway Per. Way (5), Railway Station (5), Railway Tramway (5).

The nominations must be sent in to Head Office before Saturday, January 20th, 1912, and will be referred back to branches for consideration, so that delegates may be instructed as to the manner in which they take place at the conference.

J. H. CATTS, President Pro Tem.

In regard to the variation of awards, it was resolved on the suggestion of the President, that steps be taken to apply for a variation of all existing awards by the Amalgamated Association, in accordance with the 8/- a day minimum, and that the Tramway Locking and Tram Per. Way Awards, excepting only those awards which are payable to the end of 1911.

Concerning the appointment of a representative on the Traffic Board, the President stated that at a mass meeting, held at Darling Harbour branch this morning, it was decided to leave the appointment in the hands of the Executive. After dealing with the matter at length further consideration was held over till next Executive meeting.

Several resolutions of the Sydney branch, passed at the meeting held on the 2nd of November, were submitted. It was resolved that the question in question be declared illegal owing to the failure to carry out the arrangements made by the Executive.

It was further resolved that in view of this fact another meeting be called for Monday next (13th November, 1911) by distribution of notices, when all the Executive officers will be present and nominations for branch officers will be taken again.

The next meeting of the Executive will be held on Saturday night, 11th October, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting then closed.

BRANCH REPORTS.

Tram Signalmen.

The monthly meeting of the above branch was held at the Trades Hall on Wednesday, November 1st, at 7.30 p.m. The meeting was presided over by the previous meeting's secretary, and commenced with the reading of the minutes. Correspondence was dealt with as follows:—

Letter from Head Office, re a signalman being taken off the "Co-Operator" list. After investigation by the branch secretary, and the business manager, it was found that the fault in this case was due to the Postal Department. Address restored to the list, and the matter only goes to show that the fault of missing "Co-Operators" does not always lie at the door of Head Office, as some of our Councilors would think. This member reported to me he had not received his "Co-Operator" for two or three weeks. I reported the matter to Head Office, with the result that they found his papers down at the Mail Letter Office, with the same address as that I handed in to Head Office.

Subscription list from Head Office, authorising a collection to be taken up on behalf of the wives and families of

the men at Lithgow. This matter has the branch's approval, and any member wishing to subscribe to this fund can do so by forwarding their subscriptions to the collector or secretary, when same will be duly acknowledged.

A reply to the letter of condolence sent by branch secretary to Mr. Edwards in his late sad bereavement, was read to the meeting, in which he thanks all members for their expressions of sympathy.

Letter from H. O. acknowledging receipt of letter re further claims.

Letter from H. O. in reference to further claims being included in addition to those already drafted, stating that the matter has been attended to.

any other member of the Association desiring to pay his contributions, the percentage on same goes to his own collector and vice-versa.

Letter from H. O. re seeking a variation of the various awards so as to be in accordance with the arrears of members, asking for secretaries' and collectors' heavy support in this matter. Resolved that all members in arrears are kindly requested to pay up this quarter, so that we can collect from H. O. re collectors' heavy support in this matter.

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