





THE ZUID-AFRIKAAN.

CAPE TOWN, APRIL 15, 1847.

It is a generally admitted fact, that from the evil of this world good often arises. Much evil has lately befallen this colony, and though the good derived therefrom already in the outset, does not in any wise counterbalance the evil, there are nevertheless most evident symptoms that that desirable end will eventually be attained.

The millions of money required for the prosecution of the present war, appear to have had a magical effect upon the sensitiveness of John Bull, and what petition and remonstrance, however forcibly worded, fruitlessly urged, is now freely and spontaneously granted.

The Colonial Press, both here and elsewhere, has been invariably engaged in obtaining an admission of this just principle by the most forcible arguments, but it seldom succeeded in gaining any material advantage in this noble struggle, and this Colony, more than any other, has been most sadly disappointed on this particular point.

It is impossible to exaggerate the importance of our colonial dependencies, or the responsibilities of an English Secretary for the Colonies. The immensity of the former, scattered as they are, over every quarter of the globe, in almost every latitude, and comprehending amongst their inhabitants all the freest and most civilized nations, and faith proves the magnitude of the duties which devolve upon their official administrator.

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To them, as to us, an ignoble and inactive dependence is intolerable. They do not reject the sovereignty of the British Crown. They glory in the name of British subjects. But they are averse to a connection which involves the symbols of dependence without advantages, and which, while it accords them the appellation of Englishmen, denies them the same field and the same rewards of exertion which Englishmen enjoy.

Those who know our American colonies know that in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward's Island, the spirit of loyalty to the English throne and people burns with undiminished brightness. Those who know New Zealand claim the same advantages for its inhabitants.

But there are other considerations, which we think more valid than those of external influence and material power. We look upon this country as the trustee of the happiness and prosperity of these enormous provinces, of which many are, singly, greater than herself.

We have the pleasure to refer our readers to the important Report of the Swellendam Agricultural Society. Its efforts to improve and extend that ever flowing fountain of prosperity, agriculture—entitles it to the warmest support.

We cannot sufficiently stimulate the breeders of the division to which the labors of the above Society are confined, to comply with the object of its advertisement, inserted elsewhere. A fair of the nature and on the principle therein set forth, must secure the best results.

The labors of the Committee, to which we referred in our paper of Monday last, commenced on that day, as will appear from the subjoined outline of their proceedings. The Resolutions adopted, carry with them our entire concurrence, and we are convinced that they will not apply in vain.

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Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes John Ross, H. A. Zeeberg, Edward Eagar, A. Military Friend, J. P. Ingram, D. Mills, H. A. Montgomery, P. Collier, D. Begley, Joseph Bentley.

PRIVATION AND POVERTY. The following extract from a private letter dated Dannenberg, in Hanover, 29th January, 1847, has been sent to us for publication.

Fortunately the present winter, though cold throughout, has not been very severe, and this is a great blessing, as we apprehend an almost entire famine. By the very dry summer which we had both wheat and potato crops have turned out very badly, and as potatoes constitute the main food of the lower orders, there is now great distress and poverty, and during the whole day you are obliged to give beggars something at the door.

THE SWELLENDEAM AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Shortly after the publication of our last report, the Kaifir broke out, and his followers, the Governor, considering it necessary to call out as many men from every district of the Colony, as could be possibly spared, the authorities of this division ordered out nearly 3000 men capable of bearing arms, with the necessary wagons, oxen, &c.

The operations of this Society have been restricted principally to the awarding of prizes for the best specimens of wool, and for the best specimens of the produce of the Colony, a ploughing match was held at Swellendam under the auspices of this Society, the liberal contribution of one of our members enabling us to make this commencement in a most important branch of our rural economy.

The horse sale or fair held in September last, did not come up to the expectation of the public; but it will be seen from our advertisement that several spirited breeders of this division are determined to support the efforts of the society, and we have no fear with regard to ultimate success.

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PUBLIC SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY SITUATE AT PIETERMARITZBURG NATAL. In the Insolvent Estate of SYBERT FREDRIK DOMMEL.

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1500 FAT SHEEP. ON FRIDAY the 16th April, will be sold at the Place of Mr. TUNN, "Fox and Ground," Erste River, the above number of Sheep, which are secured to be very fat, and have been brought up by Mr. J. H. VAN DER BEEK, of Stellenbosch.

150 Fat Slaughter & Draught Oxen. THE above number of fat slaughter and draught Oxen, purchased for Cash, will be publicly sold on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1847, at the Place of Mr. JACS. HUGO, Langeberg, for account of J. J. DE VILLIERS, Esq.

1000 Fat Sheep and Goats. ON MONDAY, the 19th April, next, will be publicly sold at the Place of Mr. J. VAN DER BEEK, Klipmats, the above number of fat Sheep and Goats.

2100 FAT WETHERS. ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, the Undersigned will cause to be publicly sold at the Place of Mr. JACOBUS MURBORN, Benzamie, the above number of fat Wethers, in a far better condition than any brought up this year. They will be positively pressed and not privately disposed of.

180 Fat Slaughter, Draught and Young Oxen and Cows. THE Undersigned will cause to be sold on MONDAY, the 26th instant, at the Place of Mr. JACS. MURBORN, Benzamie, the above number of fat cattle, brought up by Mr. A. J. DE VILLIERS.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE Trust and Assurance Company. No. 29, HEEBENGRACHT, CAPE TOWN. Established 1840, AND SUBSEQUENTLY FANCTIONED BY ORDINANCE NO. 111 OF THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN 1844.

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