





TO DEBTORS TO THIS OFFICE.

THOSE indebted to this Office, are hereby kindly but urgently requested to settle their Debts without delay.

THE ZUID-AFRIKAN.

Cape Town, November 6, 1854.

The dreary prospect of a Caffre war, if not on our immediate frontier, at least in a neighbouring christian state, is again beginning to darken the horizon.

As for the Caffre chiefs, their Government is of a very primitive character, and by their own confessions they have not much control over their vagabond subjects.

LATEST EUROPEAN NEWS.—By the Hamburg ship Maria a couple of English papers have been received, from which we have been enabled to make the subjoined hurried extracts:—

Bomarsund had been bombarded on the 15th and 16th August, when it fell into the hands of the English and French; 1900 prisoners were taken.

The following is an extract from the review of the Times of 23d of August:—

The debarkation took place on the morning of the 8th, 11,000 men were landed in the boats of the fleet in the space of 3 hours.

According to a correspondence published in the "Monitor," Russia appears to have assumed the submissive attitude of suing for peace, offering to withdraw from the Danubian provinces if Austria will use its influence with the Russian Powers to prevent them from attacking the Russian dominions.

The wool sales had closed on the 12th August. Capewool generally was of a better kind, and more evenly packed.

(Communicated.) Tariff of the import duties to be paid according to the decree of the French Government, dated 10th May 1854.

SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS, NOVEMBER 1, 1854.

The quarterly Criminal Sessions commenced at 10 a.m. on the above day, before His Honor the Chief Justice.

There were eleven cases on the calendar, in all of which the prisoners pleaded or were found guilty; and the following sentences were pronounced:—

- Mafjawa, a servant, for rape, in assaulting upon the 24th September 1854, at Paarl, Jans, a servant, &c., sentence 25 lashes and 4 years' imprisonment, with hard labour.

DARLING DORP, MALMESBURY DISTRICT, OCTOBER 9, 1854.—Nekelard's wonder, over the laying of the foundation stone of the new Dutch Reformed Church.

On the following day (Monday) at about 11 a.m. the "foundation stone" of the new Dutch Reformed Church was laid by J. van Renssen, Sen. Esq., of Ginkelkraal.

The following is from a letter addressed to a house of business in Graham's Town:—

The Rev. Preacher explained the same, he wound up his address, by advising his hearers to live together in love, "unity, peace, and concord."

And thus ended a ceremony, Mr. Editor, holding forth a cheering prospect for one and all of us, and with the aid of our representatives in our new "Cape Parliament" next year.

Original Correspondence. Sir,—In the "Lisure Hour" for May under the head "hints to our contributors," I observed a very useful treatise.

"A few hints to rising authors, hints of which, judging from editorial experience, many of them stand very much in need, will not be here out of place.

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SEIZURES.—By a letter received this week information has reached us of the reported seizure of 1000 lbs. of gunpowder, from a trader en route to Kafirland.

CROPS.—The country every where is looking beautifully green, and the crops are looking well.

PROVISIONS FOR TROOPS.—The Commissariat here, it is said, have received orders to prepare rooms for the reception of a large quantity of salted beef for the use of the forces on the Frontier.

STATE OF THE FRONTIER.—LATEST.—It is not easy to know what to say to the best purpose on this subject.

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went-broke of the Kaffra. Several faithful servants have owned their masters of approaching danger in a manner not to be disregarded.

We may remark on the above, that we have seen a gentleman this morning who has just come down from the Fingoe location of Healdon, near Fort Beaufort, and who assures us that the people there are cultivating their lands extensively.

LAND IN BRITISH KAFFRERIA.—During the last week several extensive buildings and cottages have been sold in King William's Town to British Kaffraria.

PORT ELIZABETH.—The alarm excited by reports of the intention of the Kaffirs to go to war is rather increased than lessened.

Such reports are not confined to Graham's Town and the Frontier. It has also been reported that about 40 Fingoes were seen leaving Port Elizabeth on Tuesday for the Frontier.

This may be taken as a sample of the reports at present arising respecting this people.

There is nothing in the reports of the Colony lies in a more generous policy towards the Natives.

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ceeding from the Colony into Kafirland laden with Kaffir corn, meal, &c., and on the same being searched by the said Sergeant, there were found two large ox-horns full of gunpowder, as also a tin case, containing in all about eight pounds, and also two hundred and forty-two musket bullets.

Another hand writes.—ALICE, October 26.—As various reports are abroad respecting natives, and which are likely to cause alarm, I thought it would be as well to inform you that it is generally thought here that there is no occasion for alarm.

THREATENINGS.—Rumour has it still that there is a tempest brewing to disturb the peace of the colony.

Very likely, if the shadow of his character be correct which the prestige of his name sheds before him, bloodshed may be for a short time averted.

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