

Publieke Verkoopning AAN DE PAARL.

In den Insolventen Boedel van JAN DANIEL WANNENBURG, Wagenmaker.

OP DONDERDAG, DEN 17den SEPTEMBER AANST.

ZULLEN worden verkocht al de LOSSE GOEDEREN, tot bovengemelde Boedel behoorende...

1 Nieuw Kapak Bak, Houtwerk van een dito, 1 Patente A. Schaven en Boeren, een lot Wagenmakers Gereedschap...

Publieke Verkoopning VAN KOORN, HAVERGROEN, NEGOTIE GOEDEREN, ENZ., TE BENNETTSVILLE.

Den 6den September, ZAL DE ONDERGETEKENDE PUBLIEK DOEN VERKOOPEN:

200 Mudden du Toit's Koorn 50 Do. Bengaalisch do. 30000 lbs. Haver...

200 Rollen Plakpapier, Glas- en Porcelainwerk, Thee, Koffy, Zouten, Ryst, Zeep, Huisklokken, Wol en Graan Zakken...

Publieke Verkoopning TE STINKPONTEN, PIQUETBERG.

In den Boedel van wylen DIRK JACOBUS DAMIEL LAMBRECHTS.

OP VRYDAG, DEN 16den SEPTEMBER, 1870.

DE Ondergetekende hiet toe uit ontzagen te beboeden, zal op bovengemelde dag publiek verkopen de volgende LOSSE GOEDEREN...

16 Trakken, 26 Aanteelboeren, met en zonder Kalveren, 6 Trak en Rysparten, 100 Aanteelchapsen, 1 Paardswagen compleet...

DE HEER P. C. F. GOUS, van Melkbosch, van voornemens zynde zich te onttrekken van zyne wijkplaatse afzaken...

DINGSDAG EN WOENSDAG, DEN 6den EN 7den OKTOBER AANST.

publiek doen verkopen zyne Plaatsen "MELKBOSCH", "KLEIN MELKBOSCH", "JANSENS GIFT", "COMPAGNIEN DAM", "SPRINGPONTEN" enz.

AFDEELING STELLENBOSCH.

P. H. HIDDINGH vs. CASPARUS BRESLER, Jr. Op Dingsdag, 30 Augustus, 1870, 's voormiddags 10 ure...

AFDEELING ALIWAAL NOORD.

J. P. G. PIETRESEN, N.O., versus HARDWICK JOHANNES LOUW. Op Dingsdag, 6 September, 1870, 's voormiddags 10 ure...

GESTOLEN OF VERDWAALD.

IN den Naam van VRYDAG, 17 dezer, zyn van de plaats Welvervoerd, aan de Koeberg, gestolen of verdwaald, TWEDE ASCHVALE MONTYEDO-MIJLEZELS...

AFDEELINGSRAAD VAN STELLENBOSCH.

Schikking van Ooreroende Goederen. HIERBY geoeschikt kennisgeving, dat den 14den September, 1870, des voormiddags 10 ure...

Welvervoerd, Koeberg, 22 Augustus, 1870. P. J. VINK.

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DEEL XL. MAANDAG, DEN 29 AUGUSTUS, 1870. No 3.609.

KENNISGEVING. STELLENBOSCH. TENDERS.

TENDERS zullen door den Ondergetekende worden ontzagen tot DINGSDAG, den 13 September, omzins van zoodanige personen als mogen wenschen de inkomsten van den Toit te pachten...

Stellenbosch Bank. Bericht aan Deelhebers.

IN Overeenkomstig met de 26ste en 48ste Secties van de Acte van Overeenkomst, zal de Zestiende Jaarlykse Algemeene Vergadering van Deelhebers plaats hebben.

OP DONDERDAG 16den SEPTEMBER, 1870.

Aan de Bank Gebouwen te 10 ure v.m., om van Directeuren een Algemeene Verslag van de begrepenheden der Bank te ontzagen, en twee Directeuren te kiezen...

MUTUAL HALL.

DE TWEEDE LETTERKUNDIGE EN MUSEALE SOIREE, door Leden en Vrienden der Vrye Protestantische Kerk, zal worden gegeven.

Op aanst. Woensdag, DEN 31sten DEZER.

Toegaankkaartjes zyn te bekomen by den Heer BELINFANTE, Boekhandelaar, No. 46, St. Georgestraat.

60 Vette Slagtossen en Koeijen.

OP MORGEN den 30sten dezer, na aankomst van den Eerste Train, zal opgemeld getal VEE, publiek worden verkocht, uit de Marktkraal, te Wellington.

800 Kaapsche en Merino Hamels, 50 Kapater Bokken.

ALLEN in eenen uitmuntende conditie, zullen aan de "Eerste Rivier Statie" op DONDERDAG den 14den September, publiek worden verkocht.

550 Vette Kaapsche Schapen en 350 Merino do.

OP MAANDAG, 5den September, zal opgemeld getal Schapen en Bokken publiek worden verkocht, aan Klappans Statie.

70 Extra Vette Slagt Osses en Koeijen.

BOVENGEMELD GETAL Osses en Jonge Koeijen, zal verkocht worden te D'Urban, op DINGSDAG, den 6den September aanst. Zy zyn in uitmuntende conditie, expresslyk opgebragt zynde voor deze markt.

AFDEELINGSRAAD VAN STELLENBOSCH.

Schikking van Ooreroende Goederen. HIERBY geoeschikt kennisgeving, dat den 14den September, 1870, des voormiddags 10 ure...

Kantoor van de Afdeelingraad, Stellenbosch, 10 Augustus, 1870.

VILLIERS & CO., HEBBEN TE KOOP Aan huone Pakhuizen, Langestraat, tusschen Strand & Kasteelstraten.

FRANSCH EBRANDEWYN, van de volgende Merken: Larroude Freres, Grange & Bonsal, Dandiole & Gandin, Bestienders van de groote Cognac Maatschappij...

Alsmede uitmuntende Buitenlandsche en Kaapsche Wynen, WELKE ZY TEGEN DE LAAGSTE MARKTPRYZEN TE KOOP AANBIEDEN.

ADVERTENTIE.

DE Ondergetekende de Plaatsen "WITTEDRIEF" "MATROOSFONTEIN" en "AFGUNST" vroeger het eigendom van den Heer JACOBUS REDELINGHUIS, gekocht hebbende, wenscht hierby kennis te geven aan de Iewoners in de nabylieid van "ELANDBAAI"...

DE Ondergetekende zal bereid zyn in te koopn GRANEN van alle soorten, tegen Kaapsche Pryzen en zal slechts de kosten van Transport afrekken; en voor zyne KOOPWAREN zal alles in ruil worden aangenomen...

Berigt aan Diamantvinders.

DE hoogste Pryz voor RUWE DIAMANTEN, alsook voor ROBYNEN en GRANATEN, wordt gegeven door S. LASKER, Horologemaker en Juwelier in de Adderleystraat, NO. 12, Tegenover de Koopmansbeurs te Kaapstad.

DE PAARLSCH E Executeurs Kamer.

Ten behoeve der Zendingszaak van de Nederduitsch Gereformeerde Kerk. WORDT by deze kennis gegeven, dat een Bazaar zal gehouden worden op 20 OKTOBER...

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Aan de Inteckenaars ZYN VERSENDEN Aflivering 2, 3 en 4, VAN DEN PRENT BYBEL VOOR KINDEREN, MET BYSCHRIFTEN DOOR P. HUET.

Het Werk zal in ongeveer 50 afliveringen compleet zyn. Er is thans een goede voorraad voorhanden van bovenstaande aflivering. Men kan dus oogenbliklyk geholpen worden, als men se ontbiedt by...

BOEKHANDELAAR, ST. GEORGESTRAAT, NO. 45, KAAPSTAD. N.B.—Mogt iemand de 2de, 3de en 4de aflivering van HUIET'S Prent bybel, overhoort, nog niet ontzagen hebben, dan gelieve by bovengenoemde te reclamation, met nauwkeurige opgave van zyn adres.

Onderlinge Maatschappij van Levensverzekering van de Kaap de Goede Hoop (Mutual).

VERMITS in den Raad van Directeuren een vakature is ontstaan, doordien de Heer GEHARD MYBURGH gedurende meer dan drie maanden uit de Kolonie afwezig is, zoo zullen, voor het aanvullen dier Vakature, by den Secretaris nominaties van Kandidaten worden ingewacht tot Woensdag, den 27sten November aanst., 's namiddags 3 ure.

Koloniale Weeskamer en Trust Maatschappij

OPGERICHT DEN 31 MAART 1856 Kapitaal £20,000. NOT het Administreren van Eigendommen en Boekhouding van de Maatschappij, Voogden Curatoren en Trustees en Agenten.

KEATING'S HOESTKLONTJES.

Oordeelende volgens de ontzaggelyke aanvraag, staat dit ALGEMEEN GENEESMIDDEL nu boren aan in de publieke markt en verkoopt de Maatschappij te Rotterdam, in de plaats van vyftig jaren onderzanding. Deze Klontjes zyn verkrygbaar in iedere Britsche Kolonie, en door geheel Indie en China...

HOEST, ENGBORSTIGHEID, EN AANVANKELYKE TERING worden volkomen genezen door KEATING'S HOESTKLONTJES.

De volgende verdeling van Winsten, na plaats vinden in July 1871. Personen die assuren willeu moeten hunne doop acten of zoodanige andere bewyze van hunnen ouderdom leverende als Directie goeemgezacht oordeelen moet.

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Widwe E. C. HOLM, geb. COSTER.

MUTUEEL LEVEN'S ASSURANTIE GENOOTSCHAP VAN DE KAAP DE GOEDE HOOP.

Bedrag van opgelopen Fonds op 31 Mei 1871. £200,916 17 10

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THE SECT OF RELIGIOUS FANATICS AT WELLINGTON.

Public attention has for some time been drawn to the doings of a sect of religious fanatics styling themselves Anabaptists, who have taken up their quarters at Wellington to the annoyance of the colonial residents in that place, and to the no small disgrace of themselves. Their proceedings are of so reprehensible a character as to demand the serious attention of the authorities in order that the minds and morals of the people of the surrounding country may be in a measure guarded against contamination, and that the rising generation of the colony may be protected against dangerous examples and pernicious doctrines, although it must be confessed that, looking at the utter absurdity of such transactions, there need be little fear of the Anabaptist sect taking any root where anything approaching to good sense and decency prevail, for we believe that the people of Wellington have too great a regard for their religious duties and for their peace of mind to allow themselves to be misled by a sect of interlopers whose design is merely to enrich themselves at the expense of others. We are, however, sorry to hear that in some instances, a few of the inhabitants of Wellington have been lured who—for the sake of profit—have entered into transactions with some of the members of the sect, which must tend to their being permanently settled in that quarter. It will doubtless be fresh in the minds of our readers that some few years ago a man named Groenewoud arrived in this Colony as a pedlar, and having married the daughter of a Dutch Editor, became a missionary of the Dutch Reformed Church, but becoming dissatisfied with his lot, he, together with one Van der Ryst, seceded, and became apostle of the new creed which he has founded. After separating from Van der Ryst he had himself and wife re-baptized, and finally became the founder of the sect in question, and impiously styled himself a revealer and prophet "enjoying direct communion with God. Having subsequently revisited Europe he issued tracts of his new faith, and induced some wealthy persons in Switzerland, amongst others, to embrace the new faith, and returning to this Colony, he made Wellington his headquarters, under the title of "The City of God.—South Africa." Thence he promulgated all his blasphemous documents, and set to work to gain disciples, but with what effect will be perceived by the perusal of a pamphlet, exposing the whole affair written by one Mr A Schuncke, who left Switzerland to join Groenewoud, but found his principles and proceedings so bad and intolerable, that he was compelled, together with his wife and daughter to cut the acquaintance of the whole society of religious fanatics. Certainly the exposure of the lengths many people will go in the pursuit of a new and sensational folly, but it unfortunately happens that those who are blinded and misled discover their error too late. For example those who threaten to leave—who have already left—the den of misery and infamy are ruined for life, for while the Apostle and his minions on the one hand have succeeded in poisoning and destroying their minds and morals, they are shunned by society and are consequently left without the prospect of either notice or employment. They go forth in the world as though infected with plague spots, and are avoided as dangerous.

NATAL.

(Van den eigeen Correspondent van de Tyd.) DURBAN, 8 AUG.—Op 3 Aug. werden ty, die swakke eenen hebben, onaanneemlik aangegedien door een byzonder geveel, alhoewel inder tusschen was, waartoe verondersteld dat in haaien dreunde. Uw correspondent zat te schryven, hoorde liden aan de kermis, en riep: "kom in!" Enigzins verondersteld stond ik op en zag—by het oopoen der deur—niemand doch op straat was een groep, die, min of meer versierd, de sekerheid uitstraal, dat een aardigvinger plaats had. Ik wyl hierby opmerken, dat deze schoke veel heftiger was dan die, welke op 9 en 12 maanden hier hadden. De degenis op wy van het Zuiden naar het Noorden, met het geruis geluk op het veld van eenen swaam trein over een hollen bodem.

GOOD IN MADAGASCAR.

En correspondent schryft uit Madagascar, dat aldaar tyding is gekomen, dat op Madagascar goed is ontdek. Heeds lang hield men zich oertruid, dat in sommige binnelanden van dit eiland gold voorhanden is, en thans heeft een Engelsche Zending, aan de Regering een klein hoeveelheid aangeboden, welke by veel op eenen goeden, was men verondersteld dat dit eiland metal overvloedig voorhanden zal zyn. De eerste minister sprak openlyk syn leedwezen uit, dat het metal was gevonden, en algemeen geloofde men, dat het Gouvernement voor alreerig is om verid tot graven te geven. De Regering van dit eiland, echter, schynt gezeen maerders onderneemingen te bevestigten, daar in de omstreken van Tamatava suiker- en katoenplantagen zyn, die gezeven worden voor rekening van het Gouvernement, en hoofdzakelyk bestemd zyn om de bestaande en te worden in de meest vordende streken aan te trekken.

OWANGWANGSE ONTMOETING.

Verleden week ging een tienjarig soontje van den heer E. Hietman in t Berendse, op naar voopele werpen met klippes. Hy ontwaarde echter een stude wild den hy versuchte, in den vorm van eenen groter tyger, die aan de verzameling van den heer Thompson was ontspan. Het gedrag van het jongke is vermeldingswaardig. Had hy zich door angst laten overweldigden, dan had hy syn leven verloren, doch, in stede van gelyk andere knapen we te loopen, bleef hy staan, en vestigde een onwrikbaar blik op den tyger, hoe hevige het hart hem ook klopte. Het dier hoorde zich na een paar minuten om, en toen volde de knap dit voorbeeld en stelde binnens, blyven zitten op verschillende plaatsen van 's alreer vloed der loeksteogen en brengen dan een lastigen prikkel aan. In steden, die met kalksteen bevoerd zyn, worden door t stof er van loerziekten veroorzaakt, omdat de kalk chemisch op de slymvliesne werkt. Men benigt het middel van besproeien der straten tegen de stof; de zon doet het sproeiwater weder spoedig verdampen en de brei weder in poeder veranderen. Het besproeien moet men dus dikwyl herhalen. Men heeft daarom het alreer colium aanbevolen. Jobard deed het voor dertig jaar te Brunen. Dit chloroalium kost vna niets, is althans zeer goedkoop; het trekt de vochtigheid der locht aan en houdt den grond dus vruchtig. Daar het gebruik van dit chloroalium veel arbeid zou kunnen besparen, en het stof voor de gezondheid nu alreeradelig is, zou het middel zeker te beproeven zyn. Te Lyon, waar de bodem voor eed goed deel uit kalk bestaat, heeft men met goeden uitslag voortzetter tegen het stof aangepoed.

Gemeende Berigten.

En Amerikaanse blad bevat de navolgende advertentie: "Er worden letterzetter gevraagd. Aan hen, die lezen kunnen, zal de voorkeur worden gegeven."

OVERLEDEN.

Aug. 26—Mejuf Catharina Jacomina Esterhuys, weduwe wylen den heer Richard Villet, oud 45 jaren. 25—De heer Jan Daniel de Villiers, oud 33 jaren. 25—Mejuf Catharina Sara Wrangmore, echtgenoot van den heer Roelf Jacobs. 26—De heer Pieter Johannes Barandus, oud 88 jaren.

In Friday's Gazette appeared a comparative statement of the revenue and receipts of the Colony in each quarter of the years ended 30th of June, 1869 and 1870, together with a comparative statement of expenditure for the quarters and years ended 30th of June, 1869 and 1870. They are both most cheering and satisfactory documents, and fully bear out the hopeful view of the material and social progress of the country. There is a net increase on the revenue for the quarter ending the 30th of June of £24,081, and on the year of £40,580!—while there is a decrease in the expenditure of £22,81 for the quarter, and £33,969 for the year.

A DETERMINED SUICIDE.—A suicide of a very determined nature occurred on Thursday morning between ten and eleven o'clock. It appears that a Mr J D de Villiers, who keeps a butcher's shop at the corner of Loop and West-street, first stabbed himself in the stomach and then cut his throat. No particular cause can be assigned for this rash act, as he was always a steady and industrious man, and of a very quiet and inoffensive character. The deceased has left a wife and four children. His funeral which took place on Friday afternoon was largely attended.

An entertainment for a charitable object will be given in the Roman Catholic Hall, St. John's-street, on the evening of the 5th of September, and that, through the kindness of Major Jerome, the string band of the 80th Regt, will attend and play several concerted pieces.

RAILWAY.—On and after the 1st proximo, till further notice, the railway train leaving Cape Town at 4.5 p.m. will stop at Salt River.

MR. NAUDE, residing near Pearson, has lately lost three children out of four by white sore throat.

THE ST. "BISMARCK."—The St. Bismarck will leave for Mossel Bay and intermediate ports this afternoon. She will take the bi-monthly mail for Natal, and also several passengers. It is expected that she will be back in time to take a number of intending diggers who are to leave for East London about the 25th of next month.

THE EXODUS FROM CAPE TOWN.—The great number of tradesmen and mechanics that have left, or are about leaving Cape Town for the Diamond Fields, is causing a serious drain upon the labor market. If the same rate is continued, there has been going on for the past month, it is feared that many works of importance will be stopped.

THE DIGGER'S GUIDE.—A pamphlet has just been published by Mr J C Martin, entitled "The Digger's practical guide to the discovery, identification and value of Diamonds and other precious stones."

A number of soldiers of the 32nd Regiment stationed in Graham's Town have deserted, and is supposed to have gone to the Diamond Fields.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE DIAMOND FIELDS.

A DIGGER FROM CAPE TOWN.

The letter given below from Mr Jessup, who left Cape Town some time back, to his father, will give intending diggers from Cape Town some idea of the sort of life they will have to undergo at the Diamond Fields.

Pniel, Diamond Fields, Vaal River, August 13, 1870.

We arrived here all safe last Tuesday evening after a frightful deal of struggling, hard work in crossing rivers, and pulling through sand, but all that is compared with nothing I am doing now. I must tell you that no butted-fingered chap should ever think of coming up here, because it is nothing but sheer hard work, but work will make a man. We turn out of a morning at sunrise, drink a cup of coffee, then shoulder our picks and sieves, and are off to work. We have to work in the quarry picking ground amongst huge boulders, of stone and clay. When we have sufficient loose material we have to sieve it, and when the sand is separated from the stones, we sieve the stones in another sieve. When that is done the stones are thrown open on a table, and then sorted. So you see we have no time to play. The scene can be better imagined than described. The tents, wagons, and carts, crowd upon one another, there are hundreds of people constantly moving about, there is the crossing of the wagons at work the shouts of the diggers, and the hum-drum noise of hundreds of cradles all serving to create a second Babel. In fact, the scene once seen, can never be forgotten. Let no man come here with the thought that he will have nothing to do, for the very women and children even are all busy with working, &c. I have seen uncle R., and the diamond he has found, instead of being worth £1800, is £2,700. He has sent it to England. I saw a few others that he has got. Now for this rate bit of news. The second day that I was at work, I found a diamond; the day following Mr McDonald—one of the party, there are only two together—found another, and on an average about 5 rubies per diem. And by the time this reaches you, I hope to have another couple of diamonds.

Extract from a letter of another digger from Cape Town:

Klipdrift, August 17, 1870.

MY DEAR — According to promise I will give you a full, true, and I hope an interesting account of the Diamond fields and my doings there. I arrived here July 20, and having turned out we set to work immediately, by picking cradles long-toms and other apparatus necessary for the finding of the articles so much coveted by "lustful men." Having each picked our pick and shovel (excuse the pun), and chosen our claim, we began in real earnest. I used to say in Cape Town, if you recollect, that I had never in my life done a hard day's work. The like I can never say again, for I can assure you, my dear, — and you may believe me, that no navy ever worked harder. Up every morning at day break, and on to my claim; work there with pick and shovel and crowbar till about half-past ten; then have breakfast; after which go down to the river and wash, as we call it. Now I will try to explain the modus operandi.

In the first place the ground is got out, and in getting out of that, stones have to be removed sometimes 2 cwt. No one to help you; you must do it or leave it. When you have a heap out of say ten Scotch cart loads, it is sieved. At first, it was done in common round corn sieves, but — the Yankee, who you know in Cape Town, has invented a machine by which we can concentrate ten loads into four in about two hours.

We are going to leave this week, about Wednesday, not because the life is not good—I never was jollier in my life; but because we are not paying our expenses. A stunning place, old fellow,—nearly all Englishmen and about 1000. A billiard table making about £100 a day, and everything equal to Cape Town.

The following telegram from Graham's Town was received in town on Friday evening:

Mr Natzboom arrived at Graham's Town last evening. He has three diamonds—the largest of 2 carats. He left the camp on the 16th. He confirms the statement about the large diamond of 62 carats. It was found on the 15th by Mr de Villiers. Several other stones—one of 12 carats, one of 6, one of 5, and downwards found on the same day. He met sixty-nine wagons on the road. The finding of the 48 carat stone near Fauresmith confirmed.

Waterboer and other chiefs have made over their rights to the diggers for fifteen years.

The following important news is from the correspondent to the Friend of the Free State, who is at the Fields:

DIAMOND FIELDS, PNIEL SIDE, 10TH AUG. 1870.

Since my last I have endeavoured to ascertain as near as possible the average number of diamonds found daily, but the diggers are now so numerous, they are so widely dispersed, and they are becoming so reticent, that it is almost impossible to approximate to any result. In so far as the registered returns are concerned, very few will be found on that list; but from safe and certain information I know that not one fourth of those discovered are registered. The nearest estimate that I can form is an average of from 40 to 45 per day, including both sides of the river, and confining the area to the regular diggings over the Vaal and the Pniel grounds, and excluding all other workings, such as Helton, &c. That diggers are generally more or less successful may be presumed, when hardly any, excepting a few impatient Boers, leave the fields without arranging for a return to them. Last week a diamond of the size of 4 1/2 carats was dug out on the Pniel side, but it is a bad stone; while during this week I have seen eight, ranging from 5 to 7 carats, which have been found during that period on the two sides. Mr Ungar's opinion is, that the size of the stones and the extent of the diamond-fields here is a matter of the greatest wonder—surprising, in these respects, all hitherto discovered regions. He does not refer, of course, to individual finds of large diamonds, but to the vast proportion of diamonds of from 5 to 15 or 18 carats each.

Just as I write a gem of 8 1/2 carats has been exhumed by one Erasmus colony (on the Pniel grounds). It is not a well-shaped stone, but is of good water, and is probably worth about £200.

The Rev DG Croghan held three services here on Sunday last; two on the other side and one on this. They were well attended, seeing that few knew of the intended visit of the rev. gentleman until his arrival. The morning service was attended by about 150; the afternoon and evening ditto, by from 250 to 300.

Last evening a meeting was held to take measures for arranging monthly services of the Church of England and to meet the expenses attending the same. A committee was elected consisting of Mr. Parker, Drs. Eagle and Robertson, Mr. Donovan, and Mr. Alexander. A guarantee list was signed, securing the expenses, and a subscription list opened and liberally filled in; the monthly collection from these present amounting to nearly £20. But I should not be doing justice were I to omit to mention the liberality of one gentleman, not a member of the Church of England, who gave the sum of £5. I allude to Mr. Ungar, the diamond merchant. I need hardly add that such liberality displays his interest in the welfare of the diggers and the success of their operations. Mr. Hond is not at present at the diggings, or I should probably have to record a similar instance of generosity on his part. Subscription lists have been opened to increase these funds, with the desire to erect a large tent for divine service, as well as a residence for the clergy while staying amongst us. The Rev. Mr. Davat, of Philippolis, is expected to be here on Sunday next, and it is likewise announced that Mr. Thorne, Wesleyan minister, Bloemfontein, is to be here on Sunday last. The Rev. Mr. Luikhoff was here on Sunday last.

Thefts and robbery are beginning. Clothing, shoes, &c., are now and then stolen from the tents—by black boys, it is believed, and the other day Mr Van Dyk had a purse with £40 abstracted from his box. As I made his boy cognizant of the place where it was put, and that boy is known to be of dishonest character, it is not to be wondered at that the money disappeared.

To indoor searchers for diamond fields within the Free State, allow me to mention that from different quarters, and from good authority, I hear that hills of precisely similar formation, and with pebbles of a like character, are to be found in the neighbourhood of Modder-river, and especially near the Riet-river; while the fact of the discoveries at Jagersfontein ought to induce thorough searches all over the Free State.

Messrs. Sanger & Co's billiard room is completed, and the table nearly ready for action. This building is at present the best on the field, but it is to be surpassed by a brick building in course of erection by Mr. Parker, contracted for by Captain Goodman, and to be completed in six weeks. The building is to be 75 feet long by 18 wide. It is to be devoted to concerts and other entertainments, as well as public meetings.

Shops and canteens abound over the river, and every description of goods is to be obtained here at about 20 per cent. above Colesberg prices, or say at Free State prices, substituting hard cash for bluebacks.

A Mr Hoyle, who arrived here with President Pretorius, died on Sunday morning, and was buried on Monday.

By the bye, your information about Pretorius is preposterously incorrect. He is here with a party, awaiting a meeting with Mr Brand; but in the meantime has signed the Diggers' rules, and is working away like any other digger.

THE PRODUCTION OF DIAMONDS.—The Eastern Province Herald says:—"Some of our contemporaries have brought their antipathies,

and have endeavoured to show that, in regard to the total value of diamonds found, either at the "Campbell Grounds" or in other diamondiferous countries, the average result per man is very low indeed—in short, not equal to ordinary wages in several trades. This may probably be true, taken as a whole, over a number of years; but we are inclined to think that the data upon which their arguments have been founded are not quite correctly given. Thus it has been stated that the value of diamonds exported annually from Brazil does not amount to more than £30,000, and that more coffee is exported from that country in one year than the value of diamonds in thirty years. This is quite a mistake. McCulloch states that at the present time the exportation of diamonds from the Brazil annually amounts to about one million sterling. Mr. Emanuel, in his book on diamonds, says that the present exportation of diamonds from Brazil is about 240,000 carats, in value about a million sterling, and that the mines have been decreasing in production, which has consequently caused a considerable rise in price—diamonds, like other commercial commodities, being subject to the fluctuations of the market. In 1845 a new mine was discovered about 180 miles west of Bahia, and from that locality alone diamonds to the value of £900,000 were exported in one year and the place which formerly was a perfect desert, soon became a flourishing district, containing upwards of 120,000 inhabitants. It is also remarkable that the diamonds found in Brazil are nearly all small. Mr Emanuel says that, on the average, only one out of ten thousand diamonds found there is above eighteen carats. The proportion of large diamonds is very much greater here. At the "Campbell Grounds," perhaps not more than one thousand diamonds have as yet been discovered; but we know that there have been several sent home much above eighteen carats weight. It is difficult to obtain reliable information as to the number, weight and value of diamonds already discovered at the Vaal diamond fields; but we think the number and value of diamonds exported from other countries and especially from Brazil, have been understated. As diamond-seeking loses some of the excitement and fascination which now give it such a zest, and settles down into a branch of industry requiring steady, plodding labour for its development; we may probably ascertain more precisely the annual yield and the average result to the seekers. But the search for diamonds will never resolve itself into a mere trade, the profits of which can be calculated to a nicety; for although this may be done as an average, the fact will ever remain, that each seeker hopes to be "luckier" than his neighbour, and the element of chance will always co-operate to a powerful extent. "Hops springs eternal in the human breast," and in nothing more so than in the search for precious gems or hidden treasure."

Two men and a woman passed on the 4th through Philippolis on their way to the Diamond Fields. They had come all the way from Graham's Town on foot.—F. B. Advocate.

GREAT DIFFICULTY is experienced upon the road to the diamond fields, owing to the desertion of native servants, and we have heard many stories of the sad mishaps resulting. In one instance we are informed that a well-known gentleman of Grahamstown, who has certainly had no experience in this line, had to turn coo-lop-er, and performed the duties effectively! In another case, a gentleman who would have despised anything but Jovian's kids, had to drive a team of oxen attached to a Scotch cart, and came to grief most ignominiously on the road. These are some of the amenities of diamond digging.—G. R. Advertiser.

DIAMONDS.—Mr P Pienaar, a farmer residing in this district, has just returned from a trip to the diamond fields, where he had been trading. He states that he is so far convinced of the success of the diamond fields, that he intends returning shortly with a party to dig. He is sure that more diamonds are found than are made public, because he knows that the Dutchmen on the fields quietly put their finds into their pockets; while the Europeans must needs fire a shot on their discoveries, and in the evening "liquor up." He confirms the statement that there is a considerable amount of gambling going on, and says he once saw £650 on the table as the stake. Provisions are reasonable; but Mr Pienaar justly thinks that they will soon be much dearer, owing to the supplies from the Transvaal being exhausted. He mentions that a butcher opened a shop there, and retailed meat at 4d. and 6d. per lb.; a few morning afterwards another man started in opposition, at the reduced rate of 4d. and 4 1/2d. per lb. He would not advise any one to go up trading, as you can purchase all kinds of articles there at reasonable prices. Mr Pienaar has not made up his mind yet as to the length of his stay, but will go prepared to remain for twelve months. He saw a number of Graaff-Reineters digging away, all of whom were in good health and spirits.—Graaff-Reineter.

OSTRICH FARMING.—The pluckings of twelve domesticated ostriches—eleven males and one female—running on Mr J H Booysen's farm in the Graaff-Reineter division, have recently realized on the Port Elizabeth market a total amount of £99 18 7d. Mr Booysen is going on now rather extensively for ostrich farming, as he finds it to be most profitable.—G. R. Herald.

CRADOCK.—Mr. Lucas, who has just arrived by p.c.-cart from the fields, gives a very flattering account of recent successes. He was on his way to hasten on the organization of a party, by his brothers, three of whom he met here on their way to the Fields. He advises all who can manage, to proceed at once, as the number of diggers, and the number of diamonds, daily found, are decidedly on the increase.—Register.

IS IT A HOAX?—A correspondent writes: "Ten thousand pounds sterling have been offered for the farm Du-Toull's-pan, Jacobsdal district, O F State. The would-be purchaser has evidently heard that the homestead and kraals on this farm were 'plastered' with diamonds, and therefore, naturally enough, has great faith in the fecundity of its soil. He affects to want it, however, for the purpose of growing potatoes and other vegetables for the diggers, who, he fears, will fall victims to the 'scurvy,' if some 'good Samaritan' does not supply them with a preventive against that loathsome disease. If this is not 'philanthropy'—what is?"—Friend.

A HINT TO THE NEWLY-ELECTED TOWN COUNCILLORS.—THE DOGS OF NEW YORK.—A few days ago all dogdom was startled by the appearance of a mayoralty proclamation, headed "Notice to dogs." The dog days have begun. At the foot of East Twenty-fifth-street, as you

pass down from Avenue A, towards the river, you may perceive a small wooden building jutting out upon the water—a very insignificant place to look at, but a formidable institution in the eyes of owners of dogs. It is the dog-pound. Inside a curious sight presents itself. Two large vats or boxes stand under the shed, and in the yard, tied up to hooks driven in the fences, are ranged the most motly collection of dogs imaginable. Dogs with fine long silken ears, and dogs with ears at all dogs, with short tails, and scarcely any tails to speak of. Good dogs, who watch their owners' property, and behave themselves in general; and very bad dogs, who roam about and are idle, and who fight, and are very wicked dogs indeed. The spaniel and the hound, the cur and the poodle, the vagrant and the respectable member of dog society. All classes and all sizes. The ratcatcher and his daughter are here, and poor old Tray is as faithful as ever. All day the dogs come in. Big men bring them, and they are escorted to the gate by a lot of little boys, who immediately take to the cracks between the boards composing the fence. Little dogs are carried in, and are generally very quiet until tied up, when they bark and howl, and the melancholy concert is taken up by all the other little dogs, occasionally toned down by the deep bass of some great mastiff or hound. Big dogs are dragged into the pound, and generally a struggle is had before the captured animal is got in; sometimes they try to bite, and frequently they succeed, as you readily learn by the new note in the concert, uttered by the unfortunate owner of the leg that is bitten. A lady enters and gasses anxiously about her, when suddenly spying her favourite, she springs for the dear little treasure, who responds in joyful barks as he is loosened and restored to his fair owner. During the day good many dogs are thus reclaimed and carried off, both owner and dog wiser for the experience gained by the visit. At four o'clock p.m., the dark and dreadful hour arrives for most of the dogs who remain unclaimed. Into the vats are hurriedly thrown the common species of dogs, until the boxes are filled, when the grating is closed down and fastened. The fatal hose is then turned on, and death soon ensues. Death is the lot of all dogs not deemed of sufficient value for exemption. Those dogs who belong to the upper circles of dogdom are retained in the pound for three days to await recognition, when such as cannot be disposed of advantageously are doomed to a watery grave. Something like 300 dogs were received by the pound keepers yesterday, and nearly all of them were drowned; the drowning commenced at 4 p.m. precisely; so owners will take notice.—New York Times.

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