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To the Electors of the County of Durham.

GENTLEMEN—I beg to return you my sincere and hearty thanks for the support you afforded me in the past election for the county. The very short period in which I engaged in the contest afforded incalculable advantages to the other candidates, of which the most industrious use was made. Why I was too late I have already explained to you. I have, however, every reason to believe that I should have been returned nevertheless, had no foul play been resorted to; but the most unscrupulous means were resorted to, both to obtain and suppress votes.

So many of the supporters of the other candidates have assured me that had I declared myself earlier they would have given their support to me, that there can be no doubt a large majority of the electors are desirous that I should represent the county. I therefore pledge myself to come forward whenever a vacancy occurs, either by an extension of the council, or by any other means.

Again thanking you for your support, I remain, Gentlemen, Your faithful servant, **WILLIAM OGILVIE.** Merton, 8th July, 1843. 538

Ten Pounds Reward.

STOLEN, from the undersigned, on Saturday night, the 15th instant, an Iron Grey MARE, branded JS on the near shoulder, rising four years old, white saddle marks, long square tail, a splint on each fore leg, about 14 hands high. The above reward will be paid on conviction of the thief, if stolen; or, if strayed, five pounds will be paid to any person delivering her to me. **J. SOLOMON.** Maitland, April 17, 1843. 500

SERVANTS WANTED, to engage about the middle of September next, for a Farm near Dungog, containing about sixty acres brush in cultivation, viz.:

An active **OVERSEER**, who has had some experience in the colony; one who will work himself, and make those under him do their part.

A careful, steady **BULLOCK DRIVER**, who can make himself otherwise useful on the farm.

A staid **MARRIED COUPLE**, unincumbered; the man to take charge of a few horses and milch cows, and both willing and able to make himself generally useful; the woman to act as a servant of all work.

The terms will be as liberal as the times can permit. Immigrants from Scotland or England will be preferred. None need apply but such as can produce satisfactory testimonials as to character and fitness. Letters (post paid) addressed to M.P., Dungog, shall have due attention. 548

Ex "Troubadour."

T and M. **WOOLLEY** have just received an excellent assortment of **HARDWARE**, consisting of—

- Rim Locks, all sizes
 - Lath Nails
 - Coopers Rivets, small sizes
 - Saucepans, of every size
 - Ditto enamelled
 - Oval Pots
 - Kitchen Bellows
 - Spades, extra strong
 - Carpenters' Tools, an excellent assortment
 - Carpenters' Baskets
 - Brass Foundry, an entire new stock
 - Scales and Counter Weighing Machines
 - Rope Door Mats
 - Shoemakers' Bristles.
- 76, George-street. 537

To be Let or Sold.

A N excellent **PUBLIC HOUSE**, on a good line of road. The house is brick built, and contains eight rooms, with cellars, and every other convenience for carrying on the business; stable for six horses, coach house, men's rooms, stores, kitchen, and other buildings; two stockyards, three enclosed paddocks, about twenty acres in cultivation; a garden, two acres, well stocked with fruit trees, and fenced in with six feet paling.

The house is licensed for the ensuing year. Further particulars may be obtained by letters addressed to A. B., Maitland Mercury Office. 495

Brood Mares, Fillies, Colts, Hacks, &c.

TO BE DISPOSED OF, by private contract, several excellent **BROOD MARES, COLTS, FILLIES, and HACK HORSES** of every description. Gentlemen in want of the above have now an excellent opportunity of supplying themselves. Apply to the undersigned.

R. P. CUMMINS, Sportsman's Arms. West Maitland, July 14, 1843. 540

Two Boats for Sale.

TO BE SOLD, Two **BOATS**: one is a 7 ton boat, remarkably strong, and copied nearly to deep water line, with sails and sweeps, &c.; the other is about 13 tons, and was built by Mr. Marshall, of William River. These boats will be sold cheap, and payment taken either in grain or sawn stuff.

Any party desirous of hiring the boats for any considerable time can be accommodated. **J. PORTUS.** Morpeth Mills, June 5, 1843. 512

Notice.

MR. **JEREMIAH LEDSAM** begs to inform the inhabitants of Maitland and the circumjacent districts that, at the suggestion of many of his friends, he has commenced business as

AUCTIONEER, VALUATOR, & GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

From the extensive and respectable circle of his acquaintance—his long and well-tried experience in general **MERCANTILE AND MONEY AFFAIRS** during his residence on the **HUNTER**—he trusts he may be honored with a share of that patronage which, by strict attention and prompt returns, it will ever be his study to merit.

To Settlers and Up-country Gentlemen he wishes to intimate that their **CATTLE** may be forwarded to his **STOCK YARDS**, West Maitland, at any time, and that they may rely upon his unremitting exertions to realise the best returns, which will be disposed of in strict conformity with their instructions.

To his numerous Sydney friends, he announces that Goods consigned for disposal, and Accounts forwarded for collection, will meet with such attention and promptitude as, he hopes, will secure a continuance of their favors.

Convinced of the importance and advantages of quick returns in all matters, J. L. has resolved on making it a uniform rule to settle with his employers on the day after the sale.

West Maitland, July 20, 1843. 549

Notice.

THE undersigned have received, ex *Emma and Troubadour*—

The following **GOODS**, well worth the notice of Storekeepers and the public:—

- Two cases Broadcloths, Buckskins, Tweeds, and Cassimeres
 - Two bales Scotch Twilled and Witney Blankets
 - Five cases superior Molekins
 - Ten trusses Harris's 25 Patent Thread, well assorted for the trade
 - Three cases Hosiery, in white and dark cotton, lambswool, and merino
 - One case Gent's Lambswool and Merino Shirts and Drawers
 - Five cases Print, in small and dress patterns
 - Two cases Regatta Shirtings
 - One case Furniture Prints, newest styles
 - One case black twilled Calicos, Silesias, colored Cambrics, Lining Muslins, &c.
 - One case brown Holland and Irish Linens
 - Five cases Muslins, in mull, nainsook, book, jacconett, checked, muslinets, and hair cords
 - Two cases black and coloured Merinos, Orleanas, &c.
 - Five cases Haberdashery, containing pins, cotton cord, hooks and eyes, French willows, tapes, &c.
 - Fifteen bales Calicos
 - One case containing French Flowers, Kid, plain and embroidered, Silk, and Lace Gloves
 - Thirty-three bales and cases Stationery, containing every description of wrapping, foolscap, and post paper; memorandum and day books, journals, ledgers; Illustrated Family Bibles; slates, pencils, ink, quills, sealing wax, wafers, &c. &c.
 - Four bales 3-bushel bags
 - One bale Turpaulings and Dray Covers
 - One bale Canvas, from No. 1 to 6
 - Thirty boxes Crown Window Glass, all sizes
 - Six casks containing all sorts of Carpenter's Tools, Locks, Hinges, Files, &c.
 - One case Cast Steel, Pit, and Cross-cut Saws
 - One hundred bags Liverpool Salt
 - Ten crates assorted Earthenware
 - Fifty dozen Dunbar's Ale and Porter
- D. & J. DICKSON. Maitland, 6th July, 1843. 526

Notice.

JOHAN **KERRIGAN**, of Singleton, begs to acquaint his friends and the public in general that he has opened his New Inn at Drayton, known by the name of the "**CROWN AND ANCHOR**," half way between Black Creek and Patriot's Plains, and on the junction of the great Western Road to Jerry's Plains; where he hopes, by strict attention to his business, to merit a good share of public patronage. A choice collection of Wines, Spirits, Ale, &c., and good Stabling.

July 11, 1843. 532

Notice.

HARRY **LORREQUER** WILL STAND during the Season at Mr. William Nicholson's, Maitland Inn, West Maitland. Early application must be made, as the number of mares will be limited.

Full particulars of this celebrated Stallion's performances will appear in future advertisements.

WILLIAM NICHOLSON. West Maitland, June 25, 1843. 500

The Entire Horse "Froblem."

EDMUND **WRIGHT** begs to inform his friends and the public that he has purchased the above splendid Horse, who will stand this Season, at his Residence; and all Mares brought to him can run in his Paddock (in which there is plenty of good grass and water) until the 1st January next.

Should the owners of mares wish them to remain after that period, they will have to pay 1s. per week for each mare; or if they remain for the term of a year, at the rate of 30s., and for foals after 6 months 15s. per year each.

PEDIGREE.—Problem, by Theorem, out of Sultan, both imported. He stands 18½ hands high, is of a beautiful bright chestnut colour, and a sure foal getter; he is well adapted for breeding strong, active Carriage Horses, Roadsters, and Draught Horses, and is perfectly free from vice.

TERMS.—A Single Mare, £2 15s.; Two ditto, £2 5s. each. An allowance will be made for a greater number. Groomage is included in the above prices, which must be paid on or before the 1st January, 1844.

N. B.—Not accountable for loss or accident. Rutherford Accommodation Paddock, near Maitland, 12th July, 1843. 534

Notice.

IF the Superintendent of Captain Neal, late of Limestone, Moreton Bay, or the said Captain Neal, or some one on his behalf, does not pay my demand of £9 3s. 6d., and release a Dray, &c., left in my possession in December last, in satisfaction thereof, the said Dray, &c. will, at the expiration of one month from this date, be sold by auction, to pay the said sum and expenses.

ANN MURPHY. Maitland, 22nd July, 1843. 556

To Mrs. Percy Simpson.

TAKE **NOTICE**, that unless you pay the expense of repairing the Cart and Plough left at our Shop by your servant, and remove the same within ten days from this date, they will be sold by public auction, at Mr. Cullen's, Singleton, to defray the same, and all other expenses of this notice.

JOSS & CLERRIHEW, Wheelwrights and Blacksmiths. Singleton, 20th July, 1843. 550

MAITLAND PRICE CURRENT.

	£	s.	d.
Ale and Porter, per hogshead	6	10	0
Dunbar's, per dozen	0	15	0
Annatto, per lb	0	8	0
Arrowroot, per lb	0	1	0
Beer, Hunter brewery, per hogshead	2	5	0
Bottled Fruits, per bottle	0	2	0
Per dozen	1	1	0
Bread, per loaf of 4 lbs	0	7	0
Bricks, per 1000	1	7	0
Butcher's Meat: Beef, per lb 1½d	0	2	0
Mutton, ditto	0	2	0
Pork, ditto	0	5	0
Veal, ditto	0	5	0
Butter, fresh, per lb	0	1	0
Calf Shins, each	0	2	6
Candles, mould, per lb	0	7	0
Dip, per lb	0	6	0
Cheese, per lb	0	8	0
Coal, per ton	0	13	0
Coffee, per lb	0	1	0
Curry, Zante, per lb	0	1	6
Curry Powder, per bottle	2	6	0
Eggs, per dozen	0	1	0
Firewood, per load	0	3	0
Flour: (Nicholson's Mills, for cash)			
First quality, per 100 lbs	0	15	0
Second, ditto	0	13	0
Ration, ditto	0	11	0
Bran, ditto	0	5	0
(At Portus's Mills, for cash)			
First quality, per 100 lbs	0	15	0
Second, ditto	0	13	0
Ration, ditto	0	12	0
Bran, ditto	0	5	6
Fruit: Oranges, per dozen	1	2	0
Lemons, per dozen	0	2	0
Grain: Wheat, per bushel	3	3	0
Maize, ditto	1	9	0
Oats, Drayton, ditto	0	0	0
Barley, ditto	0	3	6
Hay, per ton	7	0	0
Hides, green, each	0	7	0
Dried, per lb	0	1	0
Hops, per lb	0	2	6
Lemon Syrup, per dozen	1	4	0
Lime, per bushel	0	2	0
Liquorice, per lb	0	2	0
Milk, per quart	0	3	0
Mustard, per 1 lb bottle	0	2	6
Per ½ lb ditto	0	1	6
Nails, three-inch, per 1000	0	12	0
Batten, ditto	0	6	0
Shingle, ditto	0	4	0
Flooring brads, ditto	0	6	6
Spike, per lb	0	6	0
Oatmeal, per lb	0	6	0
Oil, bottled and raw, per gallon	0	10	6
Paints, per cwt	2	2	0
Pearl Barley, per lb	0	6	0
Pepper, per lb	0	1	0
Pickles, per quart bottle	0	2	6
Per pint bottle	0	1	6
Poultry: Ducks, per couple 2s 6d	0	3	0
Fowls, ditto	0	2	0
Turkeys, each	0	3	0
Raisins, Cape, per lb	0	8	0
Sago, per lb	0	2	0
Salad Oil, per bottle	0	1	0
Salt, Liverpool, per cwt	0	8	0
Per basket	0	1	0
Saltpetre, per lb	0	1	0
Sheep Skins, clipped, each	0	3	0
With wool, each	1	4	0
Soap, Colonial, per lb	0	6	0
English, ditto	0	6	0
Spirits: Brandy, per gallon	1	2	0
Gin, per case	4	6	0
Rum, per gallon	0	16	0
Split Peas, per quart	0	8	0
Starch, English, per lb	0	1	0
Stock: Bullocks, fat, per cwt	0	7	0
Ditto, working, each	2	4	0
Cows, good milch	1	10	0
Sheep, ewes, each	3	6	0
Ditto, wethers, ditto	4	5	0
Horses, each	2	18	0
Sugar, per ton	2	18	0
Mauritius, per lb	0	2	0
Fine, ditto	0	4	0
Loaf, English, ditto	0	8	0
Colonial, ditto	0	6	0
Tea, per lb	0	2	0
Timber: Cedar, cut, per foot, retail	0	3	0
Hard wood, per 100 feet	0	10	0
Shingles, per 1000	0	10	0
Tobacco: Negrohead, per lb	0	4	0
Colonial, 1s 2d to 1s 6d	0	1	0
Cigars, best, per 1000	3	10	0
Treacle: Canterbury, per lb	0	4	0
Turpenitine, per gallon	0	10	0
Vegetables: Potatoes, cwt	2	6	0
Cabbages, each	0	1	0
Onions, per lb	0	3	0
Pumpkins, each	0	6	0
Wines: Port, Wardell's, per dozen	2	2	0
Other brands	2	4	0
Sherry, ditto	2	4	0
Champagne, ditto	3	10	0

ENGLISH NEWS.

By the arrival, on Monday last, of the *Standard*, from London, which port she left on the 3rd of March, we have received our file of English papers complete up to the 27th of February. We perceive, however, by the *Australian* of Tuesday, that intelligence to the 14th of March has been received via Hobart Town. We give below a summary of the most important news:—

Wool.—The London wool sales commenced on Thursday, February 10th. The sales were going off at lower rates, by from 1d to 1½d per lb., the dealers not having come forward as freely as was anticipated. Messrs. Lord and Hall commenced with 610 bales, 130 of which were Australian; Messrs. Southey and Son followed with 647 bales Australian, 604 Van Diemen's Land, and a number of Foreign bales. The Australian sheep's brought 9½d to 1s 6d for sound, lamb's 1s to 1s 2½d; Van Diemen's Land sheep's 8½d to 1s 5d, lamb's 1s 0½d to 1s 6d. On Friday Messrs. Slimes and Co. put up 1173 bales of Australian, Van Diemen's Land, and Cape. Part of the Australian sheep's for the Agricultural Company realised 1s 4½d to 1s 8½d, and that for the importers 10½d to 1s 9d, lamb's 1s 4d, and samples in grease 6½d to 1s 2d; Van Diemen's Land sheep's realised 10½d to 1s 3½d, and lamb's 1s 2d to 1s 4d. On Saturday Messrs. Southey and Son sold 1008 bales of Australian, at 1s 2d to 1s 7½d for sheep's, 8d to 10d for samples in grease, and 1s 0½d for lamb's. On Monday Messrs. Marsh and Edenborough put up 222 bales Australian, which sold partly at 8d to 1s 6d for washed sheep's, and 7d to 9½d for greasy parcels. On Tuesday Messrs. Loughnan and Hughes put up 733 bales Australian, 31 Van Diemen's Land, 138 Port Phillip, and 13 South Australian. The Port Phillip sheep's brought 11d to 1s 3½d, lamb's 1½d to 1s 3d, skin wool 6d to 1s, and the greasy parcels 5d to 8d. Some of the Australian sheep's was of the superior mark of H. Macarthur, and sold at 1s to 1s 10d; other marks brought 1s 0½d to 1s 6½d, lamb's 1s 4d to 1s 7½d.

The markets generally, both in the woolen and cotton trades, were extremely dull, and the dealers were eager to sell at reduced rates. A highly respectable meeting of manufacturers, merchants, and woolstaplers was held on the subject of the wool duty, on Saturday, February 11th, at the counting house of Messrs. J. Brooks, Sons, and Golden, Huddersfield, at which it was agreed that a memorial to government should be drawn up, and a deputation appointed to present it, after the signatures had been obtained.

From the *London Journal of Commerce* of February 25, we find that fallow had rather declined in value, sales having been made at 43s. 6d. on the spot, and at 42s. 6d for arrival in the autumn; and at this reduction the trade was not taking more than enough to meet its wants. St. Petersburg Y. C. was quoted at 43s., Siberia Y. C. at 42s. 6d., and Odessa Y. C. at 42s. 6d.

Prime mess pork was quoted at from 49s. 6d. to 50s. 6d. Prime mess beef is quoted at from 40s. 6d. to 40s., free on board. Bones were held on the spot at 81s. to 84s. 6d., and to arrive at 80s. to 80s. per ton, free on board.

The announcement of her Majesty was expected to take place early in April. In the house of commons, on Monday, the 13th February, Lord Howick brought forward a motion for a committee of the whole house, to take into consideration the passage of the Queen's speech which referred to the depression of the manufacturing interest. The debate continued for five nights, and his lordship's motion was negatived by 201 to 191.

A vote of thanks was passed by both houses of parliament, on the 13th February, for the success of the *Albatross*, in the proceedings in parliament on the 10th, to possess any very great interest.

The Duke of Wellington and Lord Peel have both stated in their places in the house of parliament that there is no intention on the part of the government to introduce any measure for the alteration of the charter of the Bank of England, or on the subject of banking, during the present session.

The Liverpool *Albion* of February 27th notices the appointment of Sir Eardley Wilmot to be Governor of Van Diemen's Land, by which a vacancy will occur in the representation of North Warwickshire.

On the 28th February the "Transported Convicts Amelioration Bill" passed the House of Lords. It was expected that it would come out with Sir Eardley Wilmot.

In the House of Commons, Mr. C. Buller had given notice of his intention to move a series of resolutions "on the necessity of extensive and systematic colonization, with the view of bettering the condition of the people."

Sir Charles Bagot, the late Governor General of Canada, had quite recovered from his indisposition.

It was currently reported in the leading political clubs that Sir James Graham was likely to be selected to succeed Lord Ellenborough as Governor General of India.

It was reported that Sir Frederick Head was to be appointed Governor of the Cape of Good Hope.

Lieutenant M'Murdo, who had arrived in London on the 20th, had been to the South Pole. He was accompanied by Falkland Islands, all of which he had visited. From the excellent description he gave of the Terror had not lost a single man, and she left England, and the Erebus, with her men, of whom one was blown overboard by a gale off the Cape, another died from a constitutional disease, and the other two from natural causes.

£200,000 of this amount should be made good by the public. Of this sum Courts and Co. held bills to the extent of £30,000; Messrs. Hoare and Co., £24,000; Price and Co., £28,000; Ransom and Co., £21,000; and Sir James Shaw, the Chamberlain of London, £40,000. The bills over the £200,000 were held by parties under suspicious circumstances, and government had declined becoming responsible for them.

Lady Peel had been suffering from a severe nervous affection ever since it had been ascertained, by the admission of the murderer M'Naughten, that it was his intention to assassinate Sir Robert Peel, instead of Mr. Drummond.

The *Atlas* says that Mary Russell Mitford, the talented authoress of "Our Village," is in a position to require pecuniary assistance.

The amount of silver coin and bullion shipped at Dover for Calais in January, 1843, was 307,705 oz., and of gold 3,870 oz.

The trial of Feargus O'Connor and the other Chartist leaders was to take place at Lancaster, on the 25th February, before special juries.

It has been calculated that during the late gales no less than 180 vessels and 424 lives have been lost on the coasts of England and Wales, Ireland, Scotland, and France.

The gales during the month of January in the Mediterranean were more severe than any known in the course of the last twenty years. In one of these gales the sea made a breach through the mole at Genoa, a wall forty feet thick.

The system of transportation, from the time of its commencement, up to 1841, cost England eight millions. In 1838 the cost of transporting 46,000 convicts amounted to an expense of £81 a head, while in 1842 the police in the penal colonies cost £92,000, and other judicial establishments £400,000 more.

A scheme of emigration from Ireland to the agricultural free states in the north-western valley of America, on a most extensive plan, had been matured in London, in concert with the Roman Catholic clergy. The states fixed upon comprised Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Missouri. The *London Journal of Commerce* states that the scheme appears to have been well considered. Father Mathew was to be one of the trustees. The prospectus had not been published, but it was stated that there was to be nothing of a sectarian nature about it. It was proposed to raise a money capital of £200,000 for the purpose of carrying the scheme into effect. The northern parts of Illinois and the high grounds of Wisconsin, bordering on Lake Michigan, were to be selected for the first settlement of the emigrants.

The nuptials of the Crown Prince of Hanover were celebrated at Hanover on the 18th February with great éclat.

The dispute between the French and Spanish governments on the subject of the charges brought by M. Gutierrez, the ex-political chief of Barcelona, against M. Lesseps, the French consul at that town, had been settled. The Spanish government had made the *amende honorable*, and completely disavowed the insinuations against M. Lesseps.

No less than 22,500 labourers were employed on the fortifications at Paris.

A letter from Brest states that the five steam frigates which are intended for the Transatlantic navigation between France and the United States, were ready for sea, and would commence service in the spring.

It is stated in a Berlin letter that the Prussian government is making arrangements for establishing commercial relations with China.

Early in the month of February the Tiber overflowed its banks, and a third of the city of Rome was laid under water.

A disturbance had occurred at Oporto, on account of the publication of the lists of the