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incated hads. Kitchener has to watch over an area of 438,000 square miles of territory of and area of 438,000 square miles of territory and a portion of Rhedesia in addition, which is equal in extent to the combined areas of France, Germany, and Austria. The extreme points to be guarded extend over 1,135 miles. The English are too many for the Boers, say the French; that tenth they should have impressed upon Kruper before he declared war. He relied on the sword, let him perish by the sweed. He leaves mearning and crimes as legacies.

Several French visitors who went ever to London for the Queen's funeral remained to twitness the opening of Farlisment by the King and Queen. They do not appear to regret having so decided, though the pleasure was snatched; many eminent persons could mat be secured "secured" recombined that half the perso of the realm were keptent. All agree that the royal pageant was a most wondorful sight; nothing at all theatried, but a luxuious display of united wealth and hereditary sumptuousness. The Londs were in their roles, and percesses made a magnificent display in their nourroing twicttes, him's feathers, and priceless diamonds and pearls. The congeously-dressed high functionaries, the officers of the household, and abodygnards in their quant medical costumes, formed a right that even Londoners were not prepared for. The cuite proceedings passed off without a little, and with two checkwork regularity and punctuality. "His Majesty did it right well," was the common renark heard. His Queen ably seconded him, full of simplicity and natural dignity.

The King did not send an advance copy of his speech to be read at the banquets by Ministers and the Opposition. He was right to give that premier himself. How was in splendid form, and looked grand and imposing; his reasing was both clear and distinct; every syllable could be heard in the House. He let no important subject untouched, and the King is liked at the batter for that role. The civil list is likely to be fixed to the process of the pr

wheeled about in all weathers; hence why such children are strong, and prepared to fight broadehits.

King Mihan, the rained and worthless, once excreting of Errie, passed most of his exiled days in Paris, where he was not even an eurosity. He was as hard up and played out as the late Prince of Orange, His domestic quarte's with his Russian Queen, and their revenitions, at late cased to be even amusing, and futigued Parisians. He was a pompose smility, and proved an arrant-coward when lighting the Indigations. Dethere the prince of the Paris, and when his remittance-230,000 frances a year—ran short he had to live by his suctor of the parish of the prince of the marrow, but he stem thanks a gambler to the marrow, but he soften forgot his purse on sections days, and had been eccasionally "weighed." His creditors kept him in evidence, by furnishing his flat, when ejected from his house, and arranging for his board. Then be induced pigeons to his rooms, where the pinaking provises was a surried on extensively. He was fowed occasionally to meddle with the politics of Servia, in order to raise the wind he would organize a revolution. When arrows are found occasionally to meddle with the politics of Servia, in order to raise the wind he would organize a revolution. When arrows are forced occasionally to meddle with the politics of Servia, in order to raise the wind he would organize a revolution. When arrows are forced occasionally to meddle with the politics of Servia, in order to raise the wind he would organize a revolution. When arrows are forced occasionally to meddle with the politics of Servia, in order to raise the wind he would organize a revolution. When arrows are forced occasionally to meddle with the politic of the contemptible Fernianal of Balgaria. What king:

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The woman's rights have again scored another victory; they were eligible for a few years to vote for the Councils of Frudhenmes—men chosen to decide dispurs between employers and employed. The Deputies have just voted the measure declaring them eligible to act as judges in these courts, and authorising also in these courts, the settlement of disputes between the employed at Government works and the State, there to be heard. New Zealand could not desire more for her fair sex. To get into Parliament must be the next move of the ladies. It was time that an authoristive decision was taken to put an end to a very gross abuse which exists on French railways, that of picking a seat in a compartment of a rull-way carriage, and placing a stick, hatease, or handbag to mark possession. Too many people thus occupied unlayfully three instead of one seat. Porters or inspectors did not like to interfece in the matter. In future, the law insists that passengers shall sit down and compy their places, and no other way.

The snow disappeared from Nice as rapidly as it came. This allowed King Carriwal to appear in all his glory. As soon as the opening of the featival was amonumed, the future of the content of the content of the country and the country and the country and the country as well as very artistic; that of Little Red Riding Hood was the best of all.

President Loubet postponed holding his first hall of the season till after Queen Victoria's instrument; it doot place this week, and resulted any of its predocessors. It,

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A glove contest (says the London Daily Telegraph, January 22), which created more than the average amount of interest, was decided at the National Sporting Club, Covent Garden, leat evening. The sum at issue amounted to £525, made up of £290 a side, stake money, and a pure of £125, given by the club, the competitors being W. Curley, of Newcrate, and J. Roperts, of London. In addition to the financial part of the business, the issue was supposed to carry with it the title of 9-stone champion, the weight at which the two men did battle. Two more opposite methods than illustrated by Curley and Roberts could not very well be imagined. The borthcountryman, a clever, finalled boxer, smart on his foct, and possessing a very fair shure of science, was opposed to a natural fighter of the most pronounced order. Roberts is nothing if not plucky. Full of determination he "fights" from the first call of time until he is returned the winner or benten. Careless of punishment than they have received. The Newcastle representative boxes on distinctly opposite lines, and, like the American Corbett, he never gets hit if he can possessly help it.

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Most natural—Challenge Bright Aromatic. The following is an example of the ever-resourceful costers retort:—The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals impector insisted that the horse was unfit for work in consequence of lack of food. "Well, that's a good un," replied Coster. "He's got a bushel and a-half of outs at home now, only he ain't got no time to eat 'en:"



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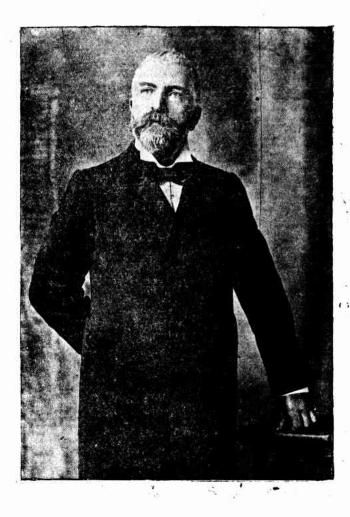
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## Mr. RICHARD EDWARDS, of Brisbane,

Candidate for Oxley Federal Electoral Division



MR. RICHARD EDWARDS, candidate for the representation of the Oxley division in the Federal House of Representatives, is a Quoeusland citizen of long standing. Hearrived in Vietoria in 1882, and like many young men of the early days, he must needs try the goldfields. In 1853 he went to New Zealand, and remained there for six months. He then returned to McDourne, and after holding business appointments there he came to Queensland, where he has resided for the past 32 years. During that period he has occupied a prominent position in mercantile circles. He was for several years senior partner in the firm of Edwards and Chapman, from which he returned a few years ago. Mr. Edwards is owner of considerable landed property in the city, and in other parts of Queensland; and he is also a director of some substantial companies. Mr. Edwards has always taken an active interest in public, social, and phillanthropic matters; and he has for some years occupied a seat on the Brigbane General Hospital Committee. MR. RICHARD EDWARDS, candidate for

Having been a resident of Queensiand for 32 years, he therefore should know its requirements. He is known for his probity and bonour amongst his follow men. Through his own efforts he has accumulated an independence and retired from active hustness. He is, therefore, in a position to give the time required to attend to parliaments to the great Common went to of Australia. Wr. Elwards advocates a uniform railway futies. He should, in the essential fitness of things, have been nominated for the Brisband division.

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Mr. R. Edwards was selected as a candidate for the House of Representatives by the Oxley branch of the Commonwealth League, and his selection has been endorsed at headquarters. The voting will take place next Saturday, March 30, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The electors will do well to record their votes in his favour, as he is a man who can be trusted to look after their interests. His views on all leading political questions are fully known to the electors, and they are in a position to judge for themselves. They may be summed up briefly as follows: He is in favour of a white Australia, at the same time he will protect the interest when the leading political will be a second to the section of volunteer system, permitted and arbitration in industrial disputos. He discuss the same time to give a support should be accorded to Mr. Barton and his Ministers in the stupendout the saw the same time to the same time will protect the interest to give the time required to at the same time be will protect the interest and marine dependence, canchilated and arbitration in industrial disputos. He will support adult sufferace, odl age pension at blead party and a proper should be accorded to Mr. Barton and his Ministers in the stupendout the theory of the protect the interest of the same time will support adult sufferace, odl age pension at the proper should be accorded to Mr. Barton and his Ministers in the stupendout the thread the proper should be accorded to Mr. Barton and his Ministers in the stupendout the thread the same time and arbitration in industrial disputos. He discuss the transfer of the proper should be accorded to Mr. Barton and his Ministers in the stupendout the thread the proper should be

## Electors of Oxley, be sure and Vote for Mr. R. EDWARDS To-morrow.

to 1899, when he stopped. He said he stopped because he had never found arsenio in the acid, and he never found it because it was brimstone acid, in which arsenie was never found. He knew as a chemist that he should take nothing for granted, but he said, in explanation, that he trusted Messrs. Nicholson as gentlemen. He knew Additional takes a sting factory reason? One of the questions the jury would have to consider was whether Mr. Cook and Dr. Morris had done their duty. In conclusion, the coroner told the jury not to send anybody for trial merely because they had a strong opinion that a wrong had been done. They must be satisfied that a legal wrong had been done, and that there had been gross and criminal negligence. They must not let the fact that some thousands of people had been poisoad weigh with them, but consider the case on its merits, and ask thenselves whether sufficient evidence had been griven to justify them sending anybody

for trial.

The jury retired at half-past 2, and returned at half-past 6 at the request of the

The Forenan: But we are against an open verhier. We disagree upon an open verdict. A Juryman: We have not come to any verdict; we have not agreed. The Coronor: You say you cannot agree on a definite verdict. I am not going to

Poison in Beer.

Manchester Jury's Verdict.

Votes of Censure.

The exhaustic impury by Mr. Smell.

Hat Bostock would use it in the manufacture of food. The only evidence they had been constructed in the death of Mary Jan Dver, who was supposed to have been a victim of security of the local security of the death of the deceased was due to arsenical poisoning, and he saw no reason to quarrel with that conclusion. They could not hide from themselves the fact that they at first suspected that the brewers were very much to blame, and he did not think he should be exceeding his daily when he said that be thought they were now catirely exonested. On the point whether the deceased was poisoned by arsenic contained in bear the jury were also unanimous, though the evidence was not so strong. They came to the question as to whether the parties who supplied the brewers with the materials were to blame, and on this point he would direct them as to the law of manisaughter. Where any man by a culpable neglect of a duty imposed upon him caused the death of another person, that was manisaughter. It must be shown that that meglect was culpable and criminal. It was not sufficient to show it was more culpable neglect of a duty imposed upon him caused the death of another person, that was manisaughter. It must be shown that that neglect was culpable and criminal. It was not sufficient to show it was more culpable neglected to a duty imposed upon him caused the death of another person, that was manisaughter. But must be shown that that negligence was culpable and criminal. It was not sufficient to show it was more culpable negligence that the self-death of the control of

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The Foreman: We cannot.

The Coroner: Then I am prepared to take your vertice that death was due to arsenical poisoning, and if you have a doubt the matter can be left in the hands of the police, and if they think it advisable to take any further steps they can do so, as they will have all the facts before them.

to a verdict in that form. Some of us have a strong opinion.

The Coroner: Can you get twelve to return an open verdict?

The Foreman: We have already tried to do that, but we could not.

A Jurer: Might I point out that previously we had all agreed to it?

The Coroner: I do not want any individual opinions. You say you cannot get a unanimous twelve. I sen prepared to take your verdict that death was due to arsenical poisoning. That is an open verdict, and it does not bind you to anything—it does not prevent the police taking the matter up.

The Foreman: We cannot agree to an open verdict. We think certain parties are liable.

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The jury then again retired, and returned ten minutes later.

The Coroner: Now, Mr. Foreman, have you agreed upon your verdict?

The Foreman: We have. We return an open verdict, and think a vote of censure should be passed on Messrs. Groves and Whitnell, the browers, Messrs. J. Nicholson and Sons, Limited, the sulphuric seld manufacturers, and Dr. Morris, the equalities chemist, and Mr. Cook, works chemist, to Messrs. Bostock, for carciessness.

Mr. Tindal Atkinson frepresenting Messrs. Nicholson and Sons, said he had one word to say with reference to one of the coroner's observations in connection with his clients and Mr. Cook, the works chemist at Bostock's. His clients had never seen Mr. Cook, nor had the slightest communication of any kind or description with his.

The Coroner: I am glad to hear you make that observation. I only mentioned it to the jury as a continguisty, and I did not suggest that it was so.

Mr. Piotcher Moulton (representing the Manchester Browers' A septiation): With repart to the browers, is we because there was

no cridence of carelessness that I put in no more witnesses. The witnesses on all sides suggested the same thing.

The Coroner: I think so myself. Mr. Moulton and I understand that the jury were quite satisfied, and I did not comment on that results of the evidence for that reason.

Mr. Fletcher Moulton: Xou will remember what Dr. Morris and Dr. Tattersall said?

The Coroner: I am atraid I did not do my daty in dealing with that more carefully.

An open verdict was registered.

## Provincial Pickings. FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

FROM OUR EXCELNESS.

The magnificent steady rains which have recently fallen have made excellent grass and water (says the Giassford correspondent of the Giadstone Observer). With another fall our winter feed supply is assured. The country from here to the coast is like a barley bed.

The work of relaying the section of the Northern Railway from Townsville to Brookhill is making suitatactory progress, says the Townsville Daily Bulletin. The line has been finished from Cluden to the first crossing out of Townsville at the termination of the fork line. It is proposed to erect a new railway station at Stewart's Creek, and the staffs working under the department will attend to this makter while proceeding with the general work.

cattle station in the Burke district. The original proprietors spent something like 122,000 on it, storing water, fencing, &c.: but droughts, low prices, and other troubles caused it to be a continual drain, and two or three years ago it was sold for f17,000. Since then the now proprietors have been favoured by fortune, and last season was the best the station has known for 14 years, Rocklands being an oasis in the drought-created desert. It is eaid there are now 7,000 fat bullocks on the station, and sufficient ratin has fallen to open the road to Burketown. The great market for the far west stock, however, is Adelaide, and the Rocklands bullocks will travel to that anothern eapstal if rain opens the way. Fancy 7,000 bullocks at £S a head! The average cattleman will turn giddy at the

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Is a Man of That Character.

VOTE FOR HIM TO-MORROW

thought. But, after all, it is the contempla-tion of such a hit as this which induces men to fight fever and drought and ticks, rough food, and deadly monolony in our far west plains. The pity is that the failures are sc many and the fortunes so few.

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side in the case is adjourned.

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Upon inquiry at the hospital yesterdey aftermoon (says the Townsville Dauly Bulletin of March 2.1) it was found that Hamilton, who was record years and the control of the form of the form town, and the control of the form town, and the form town, and the form town and the for

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