





TO ARRIVE PER 'KRONENWITZ,' 1,000 CASES OF GIN. BOLL & DUNLOP'S Celebrated Mark: AND 50,000 SUPERIOR CIGARS. For Sale by DUNLOP, MEES & CO., Smith Street, Durban.

Agent in Pietermaritzburg: MATTERSON BROS. BISHOP'S COLLEGE, MARITZBURG.

THE ANNUAL SPEECH-DAY AND PRIZE-GIVING IS fixed for FRIDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 19th, at Three o'clock, in the New Buildings. Parents and Friends of the Pupils are invited to attend. CHARLES C. PRICHARD, M.A., Warden.

PIANO! At the residence of the late Mr. PATRICK, will be sold on WEDNESDAY, 24th Instant, a Cabinet Rosewood PIANO, by Owen, Stoker & Co.

TREK OXEN. THE Undersigned gives notice that his Oxen marked with any of the following brands: L S S I 2 2 Y S no single Ox has been sold, so any person bearing any Ox so marked will do so at their peril. Reward of 10s. per Ox will be given for information leading to recovery of any stray Oxen branded as above. H. SCHENK, Carrier and Forwarding Agent, Durban and Maritzburg.

FOR SALE, IN the Village of Weston, Mooi River, situated close to the main road, a substantially built, brick, tiled-roof house, containing Eight Rooms, well finished. Also two very large stone Kraals, Stable, Kafir House, Cow Shed, Warehouse, Garden, and Two Erven, enclosed with Stone Wall. The House commands a good view of the Mooi River, and is one of the healthiest situations in the Colony. Terms easy.

TO LET, One of the Best Summer Grazing Farms in the Colony, adjoining the Town Lands of Weston, on which is House and Stable, plenty of Arable Land, and Enclosure or Paddock containing about 100 Acres.

FOR SALE, A few Spans of Trek Oxen and Slaughter Oxen. Apply to W.M. HODGSON, at Mooi River Bridge.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned have received information that certain parties are making use of the empty bottles bearing the Ticket of BOLL and DUNLOP'S Gin, and re-filling them with a different kind of Gin. Notice is hereby given that on a repetition of this offence, Legal Proceedings will be commenced against the offending parties. Messrs. BOLL and DUNLOP'S Ticket and Trade Mark having been registered in London for Great Britain and her Colonies.

DUNLOP, MEES & CO., Sole Agents for BOLL & DUNLOP.

WANTED, COMFORTABLE LODGINGS IN THE COUNTRY for an Invalid Gentleman. Apply (by letter) to 'J. K.' Witness Office.

PRINCE OF WALES' HOTEL, SMITH STREET, DURBAN. Private Apartments for the Family. Wines and Spirits of the best quality. GOOD STABLEING. W. LUMSDEN, Proprietor.

Davidson's Vapour Baths, Pietermaritzburg Street, Maritzburg.

UNDER the PATRONAGE of HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR. OPEN DAILY FROM 3 p.m. TILL 7 p.m. TERMS: 3s. 6d. per Bath.

TESTIMONIALS. This is to certify, that I was some time ago very ill with Fever and Rheumatism. I tried Mr. Davidson's Vapour Baths, which did me a great deal of good. I would advise anyone similarly afflicted to apply the same remedy. B. B. Government House, Oct. 30th, 1873.

PIETERMARITZBURG BOTANIC SOCIETY. THE ANNUAL MEETING of this Society will be held in the Town Office on SATURDAY, the 3rd JANUARY, 1874, at Three o'clock p.m., for the election of Officers, and other business.

NOTICE. PARTIES desirous of disposing of their Estates or Lands in the English Markets, or negotiating Loans on secure, are requested to furnish fully detailed and authentic information and plans to facilitate negotiations. Particular attention is devoted to Partnership matters, in either Agricultural or Commercial pursuits. Powers of Attorney, and all communications (which are strictly confidential) to be addressed, J. S. COLBORNE, 40, Lombard Street, London.

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE! SUITABLE for a Wool-Pressing Establishment, within One Minute's walk of the Market House, with 600, 10m. frontage to Church Street, and 200m. depth towards Pietermaritzburg, being a corner block, with a cross-street adjacent. PRICE: £70 CASH. Apply to J. N. WHEELER, December 8th, 1873.

A Furnished House to be Let, IN DURBAN. FOR A MONTH from DECEMBER 24. Apply to Messrs. P. Davis & Sons, Durban or Pietermaritzburg.

NOTICE. HIS EXCELLENCY the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR will have much pleasure in receiving Visitors on TUESDAY AFTERNOON, between the hours of Three and Five p.m. W. H. BEADMONT, Private Secretary.

SEEDS! SEEDS! SEEDS! ARRIVED PER MAIL STEAMER, THE CHOICEST PARCEL OF Vegetable and Flower Seeds. Ever imported into Natal, personally selected from one of the First Wholesale Seedsmen in England. Now on Sale by WILLIAM RISLEY, NURSERYMAN AND SEEDSMAN, PIETERMARITZBURG STREET. Can also be had of MESSRS. HARWIN & RISLEY, CHURCH STREET.

PIANOFORTES BOUGHT, SOLD, OR EXCHANGED; TUNED AND REPAIRED; By R. B. MORBY, Pietermaritzburg.

CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!!! ARE you going to Durban? If so, come and see the NEW CITY AND PORT EXPRESS, AT THE CROWN HOTEL, Built expressly for the comfort and convenience of passengers. Quick passages guaranteed.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY, AN Engineer for Kimberley, to work AN ICE MACHINE, Attached to an Engine Two and-a-half Horse power, made by SICK & WEST, London, of the Ether principle. A steady man, who thoroughly understands the ice-making, will be very liberally treated with Address 'T. A.' care of Messrs. Gollon, Richards & Co., Kimberley.

TO GROCERS. WANTED for a Store in the City, a good Grocer, land Application, by letter, stating salary. Address 'Z.' Post Office, Pietermaritzburg.

WANTED, TWO WAGON MAKERS, Constant Work and Liberal Wages. Apply to JOHN LEMLEY, Thorvalle.

To Composers. STEADY FIRST-CLASS MEN WANTED. Good Wages and Permanent Employment. P. DAVIS & SONS, November 24th, 1873.

Lost, Stolen, or Strayed, A BAY or MOUSE-COLOURED HORSE, about 14 hands high, stiff build, with mane cut, branded L D on near fore-shoulder, aged six or seven years. Also a well-known BLACK POXY, formerly belonging to Mr. GUNSTER, 183 hands high, hind-feet white, rather round in the back, about four years old. Both horses were missed on November 24th. A Reward will be paid for information, or for the recovery of horses.

G. WHITELAW, Blacksmith, Maritzburg. PIETERMARITZBURG BOTANIC SOCIETY.

ALFRED DAVIS, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, December 8th, 1873.

LOST, PROM Colenso, on the 27th of October, SEVEN OXEN, branded horse shoe, supposed to have been stolen by Longbeak's people. Any information respecting the above will be thankfully received, and all reasonable expenses paid. THOS. W. WOODHOUSE, Transport Rider, Pietermaritzburg.

FIREWORKS. The Largest Stock in Natal is at M. FRANKLIN'S, CHAPEL STREET. Sky Rockets from 2d. to 8d. Wreaths from 1d. to 20s. A liberal allowance to schools & large buyers.

C. C. GRIFFIN'S NEW STORE, COMMERCIAL ROAD. WILL BE OPEN On Saturday, 27th inst., and also on Saturday, 3rd Jan., 1874.

FOR SALE, SIXTY TREK OXEN. Apply to G. FORKON, Burger Street.

TURF CLUB. A GENERAL MEETING of the Turf Club will be held at the Crown Hotel on SATURDAY, the 3rd JANUARY, 1874, at 2.30 p.m. F. S. McCARTHY, Hon. Sec.

Lost, Stolen, or Strayed. ON Monday, the 15th instant, TWO OXEN, one red, marked with Mr. McKenzie's well-known brand (the horse-shoe, with cross through same) on left hip, the other black-and-white, with short horns inclining upwards, and part of brush of tail gone. Whoever will give information leading to their recovery, will be rewarded by T. HAYNE, Berg Street, Maritzburg.

TO LET, THE excellent and well-finished STORE, situated on portion of ERB NO. 13, Longmarket Street, facing Church Street, now in the occupation of the Undersigned. For further particulars apply to Mr. W. E. BALD, House and Land Agent, No. 13, Church Street. G. HUFFELD.

TO BE LET, WITH early possession, the Farm 'Moor Rule,' situated at or near Fox Hill, in the County of Pietermaritzburg, consisting of a substantially built House and Outbuildings, and 874 acres, more or less, of Arable and Pasture Lands, and also the right of grazing on 1,000 acres, being the ruin of the Farm 'Lamont's Vale.'

NATAL BREEDERS' PLATE, 1874. THE ENTRIES for the above Race will close to the Hon. Secretary on THURSDAY, the 1st JANUARY NEXT, at his Office at Pietermaritzburg. THOS. F. FISHER, Hon. Sec., Natal Breeders' Plate, Pietermaritzburg, December 16, 1873.

PUBLISHERS' NOTICE. THE 'NATAL WITNESS' will be issued as early as possible on Friday forenoon next. The previous day, being Christmas Day, advertisements may be sent in on Friday morning—but not later than Eight o'clock. P. DAVIS & SONS, Printers and Publishers.

Prospect House Academy, MOOI RIVER PLAINS, Four Miles above Mooi River Bridge. C. HARDING, Principal.

THE above School closes for the Christmas Vacation on the 18th instant, and re-opens on the 18th January, 1874. Application for the admission of Pupils to be made to Mr. T. E. HARDING, Builder, Longmarket Street, Pietermaritzburg, or to the Principal, at the School House. TERMS: £6 5s. per quarter, in advance.

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MISS LOWE. Is desirous of instructing a limited number of Young ladies, under Twelve, in Music. For Terms, apply to 'The Cottage,' next Officers' Mess, Commercial Road. Alfred James.

A PLEASANT CHRISTMAS, AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR, OUTFITTING 1873-74. ESTABLISHMENT, CHURCH STREET, PIETERMARITZBURG.

IRELAND & CO. HAVE A FIRST-RATE SUPPLY OF BEAUTIFULLY ILLUSTRATED AND OTHER BOOKS, SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS AND CHRISTMAS READING.

Anxious that every home shall be as brimful of happiness as recent events will allow. HERE IS AN OFFER!!! Every retail cash purchaser at our Establishment of Twenty Shillings and upwards—now until 31st January, 1874—may receive in above Books an extra Shilling in the £. Each transaction must be settled at the time. ALL MAY SHARE—NO BLANKS!

Some American and other Books upon Farming, &c., will be included. All Goods marked in Plain Figures. Prompt Cash Five per Cent. Discount.

IRELAND & CO., INDICES OF EVERY DESIRABLE DESCRIPTION OF GENTLEMEN'S CLOTHING, HATS, BOOTS, Ladies' and Girls' Boots, for Town and Country Wear. CHURCH STREET, PIETERMARITZBURG.

ALMANAC AND DIARY FOR 1874 NOW READY. H. T. N. O. T. G. A. O. T. U. Maritzburg Market Prices.

PRINCE ALFRED LODGE, NO. 956. ST. JOHN'S FESTIVAL, DECEMBER 27th. THE Installation of Worshipful Master will take place at Three p.m. B.B. and Visiting Brethren are earnestly requested to attend.

THE BANQUET at Seven p.m. Admission by Ticket only. Brethren of the Lodge may obtain Tickets at Messrs. P. Davis & Sons. Visiting Brethren are invited, and can obtain Tickets from Brother BRUNSON, at Odd Fellows' Hall.

By order of the W. M., (Signed) J. H. SPRINCKE, Sec. Pietermaritzburg Botanic Society. TENDERS will be received by the undersigned, up to Friday, the 19th instant, for the ploughing of Twelve Acres, more or less, of the land situated for the Society's Gardens. Particulars on application.

By order of the Committee, ALFRED DAVIS, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer. Dec. 10, 1873.

Shipping Intelligence. ARRIVED. R. M. S. Aurora, 612 tons, Bellini, from Capetown, 2nd December. R. M. S. Dorothea, 612 tons, Bellini, from Capetown, 2nd December. R. M. S. Dorothea, 612 tons, Bellini, from Capetown, 2nd December.

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which Mr. Wellbore was not to have, they would have been the property of the Government Lands to have the pleasure of paying rent, instead of being to Mr. Wellbore.

Mr. King not long ago complained bitterly that Mr. Wellbore was depriving the colony of Kaffir rents to the tune of £10,000 a year, and what he is now doing is to purchase a portion of the Kaffirs occupying the other Crown Lands, he sits as a mouse in a cheese.

The people may be glad Mr. Wellbore is to have a lease of the larger portion of the Crown Lands, for it is evident the representatives have no present intention of asking for rent from the Kaffirs occupying them. What Mr. Wellbore may gain by the lease, it is evident the colony will lose by not having it.

We would submit that the Governor should call the Chiefs together, and should inform them that if they found it uncomfortable to live in Natal, they should be allowed to leave the Colony, but that the conditions imposed upon them by the Government, they are at liberty to leave the colony at any time, with all that belongs to them. It may be that not a single tribe would move; that they would prefer security, with what inconveniences it may bring, to the danger of tribal tyranny under any other conditions.

It is not possible to say that the British supremacy to which the superabundant black population could be a hindrance. We have already in England, he will make it one of the chief points to be arranged with the Secretary of State, to have the power conferred on the colony to take as many of the natives as they may like to it by native chiefs to the north for the purpose of establishing a black colony, to which the surplus population of Natal may be transferred.

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