NEW BODYLINE

Bowler Warned

HISTORY MADE

police teams at St. Kilds yesterday, cricket history was made. Senior

Constable Charlesworth bowled with

such pace and accuracy that he secured six wickets for 50, but on one

occasion a short ball hit a batsman

ALIEN TO SPIRIT

OF GAME

Mass Barracking

M.C.C. TOUR

Receipts £100,000

In a friendly cricket match be-

MELBOURNE, January 4.

STORMS SWEEP TWO **STATES**

Thousands of Pounds Damage

BUILDINGS SHATTERED; CROPS

Several persons had narrow escapes, and damage totalling many thousands of pounds was caused by the severe storms which swept

Cattle were killed, buildings unroofed, and trees and crops

afternoon.

The Bremer River rose sharply, and road traffic to Rosewood was held up when the Bremer River submerged the Seven Mile Bridge. At 6 p.m. yesterday the water was 11st, over the splitway at Mt. Crosby, and was still rising.

Trains could only crawl over the spots where the subsidences have occurred on the North Crossi line, and

cttlers had an all-night vigil in the

CHIMNEY FALLS ON BED

Toowoomba Couple's

Escape

Toowoomba, January 4.

During the height of the storm at Toowoomba early this morning a chimney on a house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis, in North Street, collapsed under the force of the wind, which cut it off level with the roof. The weight of bricks proved too much yor the fron roof and celling, and 120 bricks fell into the bedroom and orn to the bed occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis a sheet of iron which did upon to the bed occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis a sheet of iron which did upon to the bed occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis extricated himself with

Mr. E. Chadwick,

The show grounds were apparently in the carbon of the roos, for the most damage was done. The stands were wrenched from the build or the allown of the reaking up against the front of Mr. G. Muller's house, the roof of Mr. G. Muller's house, the roof of Mr. G. Muller's house, the roof of Which was pierced with parits of the flying timber and iron. The produce pavilion was unroofed, and the front overing the cattle stalls and other buildings on the show grounds.

damage.

An earlier storm swept the town about 10.30 last night, when the heavy rain was accompanied by vivid lighting and much thunder, but there was little wind. A blow of cyclonic force struck the town proper early this morning. The public hall on the main Toowoomba—Pittsworth road recived the full blast of the gale, and sheets of iron were torn away, hurting through the air to cut down the electric light and telephone wires in the vicinity.

The residence of Mr. S. Bowtell was almost stripped of its roof, only a few sheets being left over the kitchen portion, and Mrs. Skinner's residence also suffered extensive damage.

Bome massive trees were uprooted by the force of the wind. The Lockver Creek rose rapidly this morning to a height of 22ft.

the fron being carried a considerable distance

The aheds on Mr. W. Newman's property at St. Athens, close to the town, presented a very bare appearance at daylight, dozens of sheets of fron having disappeared, while Mr. F. A. Cushon (chalman of directors of the Downs Co-operative Dairy Association) had his milking shed uncoofed and the side wall of his dairy smashed completely. Mr. K. McMillan's shed also was badly dam-

aged

The force of the gale was such that
trees were levelled to the ground.

Slight flooding occurred in many source as a result of the heavy rain wednesday night, but no damage to been reported. It was expected

BABY BORN IN **AMBULANCE**

Engine Stalled in Creek

FLOOD EPISODE

SOUTHPORT, January 4. A baby was born in an ambulance car which had stalled in a flooded creek crossing at Upper Tallebudgera during a heavy storm shortly before midnight last night. The child and the mother, Mrs. Lillian Killalea, of Upper Tallebudgera, are both doing

Mrs. Killalea was attended by privately. Bearer Frank Mitchell, of the South-port ambulance, who with Bearer Vicport ambulance, who with Bearer Victor Dux, was transporting her to a hospital in Southport when the car struck a boulder in the flooded creek crossing and the engine stalled. The creek rose at an alarming rate, and before the woman could be moved there were nine inches of water in the car. The woman and her new-born babe were wrapped in warm blankets on the ambulance attecher, and the bearers, with the assistance of Mr Killalea and Mr. E. Waters, who lives nearby, carried her through water up to their waist to the creek bank and thence to the residence of Mr, and Mrs. Waters, where she was made as comfortable as possible for the night. Heavy rain was failing at the time, when the woman was carried from the car to the house, a distance of about 200 yards.

AMBULANCE CAR SUBMERGED. Realising that the car was in grave danger of being washed away by the flood waters, which were continuing to rise rapidly, the ambulance bearers secured some wire rope, and lashed the car to fending posts on the creek bank. During the night thy car was completely submerged, but the ropes prevented it from being washed away.

HELPLESS IN RAIN.

Houses were unroofed, walls blown in trees hurtled to the ground, and the brick chimney of the Queensland National Bank was struck by lightning when a terrific gale struck Gatton experienced the full force of the worst wind storm in its histor.

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The water was about four feet deep, and although it was a chain and a half wide and running strongly, 20 settlers volunteered to carry the woman across on the ambulance stretcher This hazardous undertakmen, who, in relays of eight, carried the stretcher above their heads. Rain fell continuously. The baby was safely carried across by one of the men, who held it in his arms above his head.

After being attended by the nurse, the woman and child were brought to a private hospital at Southport,

ANDORRA'S "ARMY"

Eleven Permanent Troops! (Published in "The Times.")

LONDON, January 3. LONDON, January 3.

The tiny republic of Andorra, in the Pyrences, has created an army consisting of a major, elected by popular vote, four staff officers, and six corporals, one from each valley. The other ranks will be provided by giving every voter a gun, the efficiency of which will be demonstrated by loading and firing it once a year in the space of 30 seconds. Bavonets, machine guns, and artillery are non-existent.

existent.

The buttons on the "army's" uniforms bear the motto: 'Touch me if you dare."



journal for al-leged libel (aris-ing out of an article in the

WILL DIRECT N.S.W. CONSERVATORIUM

MR. BAINTON ACCEPTS OFFER

(Courier-Mail Special Cable) LONDON, January 3.

Mr. Edgar Bainton, principal of the
Conservatoire of Music at Newcastleupon-Type, informed a representative
of The Courier-Mail that at a conference of the Musicians' Society he had
announced his acceptance of the
directorship of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, and would leave for
Sydney in the apring.

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WOOL UP **AGAIN**

5 P.C. Rise

SYDNEY, January 4.

PRICES WILL GO

The general feeling among the buyers in Sydney is that notwith-standing the relatively high prices ruling at present a higher level will be reached before the close of the season. This optimism is largely due to the contidence displayed by manufacturers. During the past three years they were only buying sufficient to meet immediate requirements, while now they are eager and anxious to secure adequate stocks of raw wool. A leading French buyer, who recently returned to Sydney from overseas, said that trade in textiles was boomling in all countries except France. The position in France was that although wool was cheap in terms of gold France was unable to compete in the export trade with those countries which had abandoned the gold standard. buyers in Sydney is that notwithstanding the relatively high prices ruling at present a higher level will be reached before the close of the season. This optimism is largely due to the confidence displayed by manufacturers. During the past three years they were only buying sufficient to meet immediate requirements, while now they are eager and anxious to secure adequate stocks of raw wool. A leading French buyer, who recently returned to Sydney from overseas, said that trade in textiles was booming in all countries except France. The position in France was that although wool was cheap in terms of gold France was unable to compete in the export trade with those countries which had abandoned the gold standard.

DEARER CLOTHING

Effect On Textiles

Prices

Mass Barracking

LONDON, January 4.

The "Daily Telegraph," in a leading article, says it is disappointing to find M. A. Noble defending betracking. If barracking were kept within decent limits no complaint would be made, but there was barracking and barracking. The species against which the M.C.C. team protested last June took the shape of concerted and offensive demonstrations against individual players, and there was, in fact, an ugly touch of venom in it which was altogether allen to the spirit of the game. A few unfriendly and unmannerity cries do not matter; it is the one excuse.

The "Daily Mirror" says: "Noble's defence of barracking will not persuade us that it is desirable. We neither expect nor wish cricket to be played in solemn silence. That would be worse than barracking. But we do expect our players to be protected from the event of the played in solemn silence. That would be worse than barracking solve the provide the played in solemn silence. The troublesome element amongst Australie's cricket public."

Prices

inevitably means a rise in the a more intimate appreciation, an increased cost of clothing. Since July last wool has risen in price by at least 80 per cent. The sales this week at Sydney are said to represent an increase in values by 90 per cent. That is bound to be reflected in the quotations of woollen textile manufacturers and the trade senerally.

Aurrey Plans Memoria.

Gates

LONDON, January 3.

Monuments rarely are erected to sportsmen during their life time, but the Surrey County Cricket Club, which is making structural alterations to the oval, propose to perpetuate the memory of J. B. Hobbs's services to the county with new entrance gates, which recall the entrance gates to Lord's, dedicated to the late Dr. W. G. Grace.

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BRADMAN AS LOCH NESS MONSTER

Cumberworth, the "News-Chron-tcle" cartoonist, cartoons Bradmar as the Loch Ness monster swallow-ing a bowler.

COUNCIL COMEDY AT MACKAY

Aldermen Fail to Attend MACKAY, January 4.

The cleavage between the City Council factions reached a crisis tonight, with a comical turn. The four Labour aldermen absented themselves from a special meeting, and the council was unable to proceed with the election of an alderman in place of Alderman M'Donald, who has resigned.

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Less than 12 months ago Labour swept the municipal polls, winning six out of the eight aldermanic seats, in addition to the mayoralty. A few months after the election a split developed in the Labour ranks, the Mayor (Alderman Mulherin) and two Labour aldermen, thus giving them a majority over the four remaining Labour aldermen. At the last meeting the Mayor had one of the Labour alderman (Alderman Jeffcoat) excorted from the meeting by the police, owing te Alderman Jeffcoat refusing to moderate his voice and derlying the Chair. The remaining three Labour aldermen them walked out of the chamber.

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Labour aldermen then walked out of the chamber.

The remaining members continued the meeting and one of the resolutions carried was to increase the Mayor's allowance from £175 a year to £300.

One of the Reform aldermen then resigned, and this left the council evenly divided, with the Mayor having a majority by virtue of his castling vote.

ing a majority by virtue of his casting vote.

The business of the meeting tonight was to elect an alderman in
place of Alderman M'Donald, and the
Mayoral party had its candidate
ready, but the Labour quarier failed
to attend, and the meeting lapsed for
want of a quorum.

Another special meeting has been
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CUT TO PIECES BY TRAIN

RAILWAY PORTER

At Mayne Junction

James Philben (53), a railway porter, was killed instantly when he was run down by a locomotive in the railway yards at Mayne

Junction last night.

His mutilated body was found on the permanent way by a fellow employee, whom Philben had passed a few minutes previously. Both legs had been severed and the arms practically torn from the body, while he had also sustained extensive head injuries.

The fatality occurred at 9.50 p.m., 10 minutes before Philben was due to take up his duties at Mayne Junction. Ho was walking along the track through the yards on the way to his place of employment, when apparently he was run down by a locomotive and tender traveiling in the opposite direction.

ALL WHEELS PASSED OVER.

British designers." Mr. Doig told the "Sketch." He will be accompanied by "Mr. Helge Blakmar (26), a Dane, as

navigator.

Mr. Dolg in 1931 created a motor cycling record by riding from Montreal to Vancouver in 76 hours.

GOODS SEIZED ON SCHOONER

Owner's Explanation

LONDON. January 3.

The "Daily Mail" discloses that the Marylebone Cricket Club's balance-sheet which will be published in April, shows that the receipts from the Australian tour reached the astonishing gross total of \$100.882, representing a total attendance of 1.300.000. The M.C.C. received £36.737, from which large expenses must be deducted leaving the total receipts £7000, which is below the return from the 1928-9 tour. The English counties will receive about \$300 apiece.

Sydney, January 4.

Folice and Customs officials to-day searched the Randwick home of Mrs. W. H. Weeks, wife of the owner-master of the schooner Isabel, on board of which 30 cases of goods were seized on Wednesday night. They did not complete their investigations, and it is not yet known what action will be taken.

Mr. Weeks explained to the Customs Department that the goods setzed had been the stock of a chemist's shop which he had owned in Norwich, and that they had been placed on board for the personal use of Mrs. Weeks. The department was assured that there had been no intention to deceive.

Members of the crew stated that such portions of the stock which were of use, such as soap and tooth pastehad been used throughout the voyage. Considerable quantities of such goods had been presented to the natives on Adams Island, in the Marquesas.

DISSENSION IN BELGIUM

versus Walloons, and the Cabinet ap-parently lacks unanimity.

(Belgium was part of the Nether-lands from 1815 until 1830, when it declared its independence. It can-braces portions of the old separate peoples of the Flemings and the Wal-loons. The Walloons number about 2500,000 out of the total population of over 8,000,000.]

PRICE OF PETROL

No Increase For a Week

MELBOURNE. January 4.
So far the major oil companies have
not reached an agreement regarding
the threatened increase in prices in

NAME EXPLOITED

Lenglen Annoyed

The "Daily Mail" says that Mdile. Susanne Lengien, the famous French tennis player, is annoyed at the exploitation of her name by manufacturers, and has registered it as a trade mark to prevent misrepresentation.

INQUIRY INTO TEA PRICE

Federal Threat To Reimpose **Duties**

IS PUBLIC BEING EXPLOITED?

CANBERRA, January 4. The Federal Government is continuing its inquiry into the price of tea. If the investigation produces evidence of exploitation of the public immediate action will be taken to reimpose the 10 per cent primage duty on tea, and the 4d a pound duty, which was reduced to 3d in the Budget.

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In making this announcement to day the Controller-General of Customostive and tender travelling in the opposite direction.

ALL WHEELS PASSED OVER.

The engine, which was travelling tender first, was being run to the points near the level crossing at Campbell Street, prior to being placed in the sheds for the night. Neither the driver nor the fireman heard any sound, or felt any bump, and, from the sposition of Philben's body, all 14 wheels of the Comotive and tender thave passed over him.

Philben, who was a married man, resided at Lorimer Terrace, Kelvin Grove, and had been in the employ of the Railway Department for a number of passed.

NEW BRITISH

AEROPLANE

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In making this announcement to day the Controller-General of Customs (Mr. Abbott) stated that the budget to the hoped to present a report to the hoped to present a report to the divisions in primage and duty, amounting to a loss of revenue of \$220,000, have not cheapened the points near the level crossing at Campbell Street, prior to being placed in the sheds for the night. Neither that is remissions in primage and duty, amounting to a loss of revenue of \$220,000, have not cheapened the retail price of tea. It is determined to accretain why no reduction has been made and why, in some cases, an actual increase has taken place in the last few weeks.

As a result of preliminary investigations it has been decided to widen the scope of the inquiry to include an examination of the quantities and prices of the various grades of tea imported by each large merchant during the past three years. It is hoped thereby to ascertain to what extent the recent limitation of expose the prior of bulk, or loose.

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LONDON, January 4.
The "Sketch" announces that Mr.
Robert Galloway Doig (28), a well-known motor cyclist, is entering for the centenary air race in a machine of his own design, an all-metal low-wing monoplane with British engines and a cruising speed of 210 to 230 miles an hour and a range of 3000 miles.

"The machine is the outcome of several years' flying experience in Canada and the United States, and I believe it will prove an eye-opener to British designers." Mr. Doig told the "Sketch" He will be accompanied by Mr. Helge Blakmar (26), a Dane, as

MISSION BOAT WRECKED

Black Crew Swim Mile To Shore

When the Yarrabah mission launch, Elam, sprang a leak and sank in a storm off Cape Grafton, out from Calms, the aboriginal crew swam more than a mile through a wild and shark infested sea to reach the shore. All attempts to salve the launch, which is worth more than £1000, have been abandoned.

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The superintendent (Mr. W. W. McCullough) has reported the loss to the mission committee in Brisbane.

The 40-ton launch, Elam, which was owned by the Church of England Yar-



THE ELAM.

Works Minister (M. Sap), who is a fleming, declares that street demonstrations by forrier soldiers will not influence the Government. An unamed member of his party threatens to mobilise the Flemings in Brussels if the Cabinet refuses the reinstatement.

Feeling is running high in the Government departments. The problem is complicated by the issue of Flemings versus Walloons, and the Cabinet apparently lacks unanimity.

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LEFT HOME

Three Brothers Missing

Half an hour after they retired to bed last night, three boys, George Edmund Davies (13), Ladon Davies (11), and Monte John Davies (6), left their parents' home in Hayward Street. Paddington, and have not since been

FOR £2,500,000

LOANED FOR BRITISH EXHIBITION

LONDON, January 3.

The British art exhibition of pictures, tapestries, and jewellery, at which his Majesty the King is the biggest exhibitor, will open at the Royal Academy on January 5. The exhibits are insured for £2,500,000.

Motor lorries are bringing treasures from all over British. They are saraered at night at fire stations.

STATES ON THE DOLE

ADELAIDE, January 4.
With the object of securing unity among the smaller States for a determined stand at the conference of Premiers in Melbourne next month, the Chief Secretary of Tasmania (Mr. C. James) is in Adelaide conferring with South Australian Ministers.

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Mr. James said to-day that the time had come for a complete review of the financial relations between the Commonwealth and the States. They must hammer away for a return to nothing less than the original conditions of Federation, and the withdrawal of the Commonwealth from direct taxation, and the other ficids which it had invaded in contravention of the intentions of the framers of the Constitution. The baid fact of the matter was that South Australia, Western Australia, and Taxmania were on the dole.

"I am neither a unificationist nor a secessionist, but one cannot ignore the fact that we are steadily proceeding towards unification, and that, unless we can get some recognition by the Federal Government of the position which its policy and administration are creating in the smaller States, the future of Federation will be imperilled."

LOAN CONVERSIONS

It is the intention of the Victorian representatives to the Premiers' Conference next month to protest vigorously against the preference shown to other states in the conversion of overseas loans. Their case will indicate that Victoria has reaped an annual benefit of only £100,000 in interest reduction against £23,000 that was first.

duction, against £230,000 that was first promised. All that remains for conversion in London now is £18,000,000, of which £15,000,000 is Victorian.

The Premier (Sir Stanley Argyle) said he intended to protest strongly against the action of the Commonwealth in allowing preference being given to another State at the last conversion. Victoria was suffering from great injustice through the action of the Loan Council. The Commonwealth now had control of the finances of the States, which was never contemplated at Federation, and was dictating to the States on financial matters.

LIFE ONLY ON EARTH

Scientist's Opinion LONDON, January 1.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Times.")

The Berlin correspondent of the Times" says that a new form of blood test, invested by Professor Wedmark, was used to prove that a student drank him beers and nine brandles, resulting in his conviction on a charge of furiously driving a motor cir and injuring two poleoriant.

The accumed male had described the states.

RUINED

A chimney collapsed on a man and his wife as they lay in bed at Toowoomba. Near Gatton the roof was torn from the home of an invalid woman, leaving her helpless in the torrential downpour

flattened on both sides of the border. A chimney collapsed through the roof on Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis as they lay in bed in their home at Too-woomba, and a sheet of iron marrowly missed them. They escaped with bruises and scratches.

Trees were torn up, the electric current was cut off, outbuildings were unroofed, and roadways damaged by storm waters at Toowoomba, where five inches of rain was registered.

As most of the wheat had been harstated, the losses will not be severe in the wheat areas, but maize crops were flattened on the Downs.

The public hall, two houses, and various outbuildings were unroofed when the gale struck Wyretma on the Downs. Houses rocked, electric light and telephone wires were broken, and treets and crops levelled to the ground.

Storm waters rose over the Haden

ground.

Storm waters rose over the Haden line, and in various localities the road traffic will be disorganised for days.

Bridges were submerged, and roads scoured out by flood waters in the Warwick district.

completely Iau nurvey among couple.

Mr. Lewis extricated himself with difficulty, being almost blinded and smothered by the mortar from the bricks. He then turned his attention to his wife, who was pinned to the bed by the weight of the bricks It took some time to free her.

Both received bruises and abrasions from falling bricks, but were fortunate to escape without more serious injury.

TOOWOOMBA, January 4.

A violent storm struck Wyreema and the adjoining district between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning, and during the 15 minutes it lasted houses rocked and residents were in constant fear. Houses were unrooted, electric light, and telephone wires broken, trees levelled to the ground, and crops flattened. Heavy hall did further damage.

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BRISBANE SUBURBS

the Darling Downs, the coastal areas, and Northern New South Wales on Wednesday night.

UNROOFED

Lightning struck a brick chimney at the Queensland National Bank, but the chimney fortunately fell away from the house. The outbuildings of the bank were twisted by the wind, as were the stables and outbuildings at the Royal Hotel. SHOW BUILDINGS SMASHED. Vivid flashes of lightning and loud peals of thunder roused most house-holders before the commencement of a torrential downpour—the total registration was 4.84in, With the driving wind the rain entered many houses.

The gale scems to have centred on the town, as outside a radius of about three or four miles very little damage appears to have been done. The track of the blcw was about half a mile wide, from the eastern side of the main street to the property of Mr. E. Chadwick.

FALLING TREE KILLS CALVES. The veranda of Mr. C. Leece's residence was completely wrecked, while the roofs of the houses owned and occupied by Messrs. R. F. A. Sachse. W. Hood, and P. C. Hickey were lifted, and Mr. Hickey's veranda was blown down. At Mr. E. Chadwick's farming property, practically adjoining the show ground a huge tree was blown down, demolishing the dairy and killing two calves.

The gale continued its southerly

Roofs Torn Off At

Wyreema

The gale continued its southerly course, and about a mile out from Gatton shifted Mr. Stan Jordan's house off its blocks. When the building had settled down after the

The main street of Gatton was this morning strewn with limbs and branches off the trees which line the street, and the stocks in several of the business premises suffered dam-

TIME FOR STORMS

Flooding Not Likely

Cushon (chairman of directors to Downs Co-operative Dairy Astion) had his milking shed und and the side wall of his
a mashed completely. Mr. K.
The conditions were levelled to the ground, by the wind and thrown against
to be scape from paddocks on to
tallway line.

"Early January is the time for sudden violent thunderstorms, and they
deen violent thunderstorms, and Brisbane.

The registration at the Weather Bureau was 169 points up to 9 am., but after that time a further 36 points fell. The rain was heavier in the Sunnybank and Oxiey districts, the respective registrations to 9 am. being 280 and 225 points. In the city itself the heaviest rain was experienced about 4.30 am., when, for five minutes the fall was at the rate of more than 3in. an hour. The first four days of the month have yielded 225 points, and the average is 649 for January—Brisbane's wettest month.

SYDNEY SALE

The wool market continued to show improved prices to-day. advance of 5 per cent.

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The selection was good, comprising and the umpire (Mr. J. Spellman) 10,048 bales, and 9879 bales were sold at auction, in addition to 1263 privately.

The demand was strong from all sections, with Yorkshire predominating Greasy merino sold to 33id, for five bales D/Murrumville/Yass,

The average price of wool in Sydney during the first two days this sydney during the first two days this week was £23/11/4 per bale, or 19d. The sections was separated to wool in the sections was separated to allow him to bowl.

Charlesworth, who is a keen cricketer, said to-day that he was not intimidating the batsman, as he did not have a leg field at the time.

HIGHER

An advance in the price of the raw material almost cost of textiles, and, to get to

generally.

In many cases the wool rise caught Australian manufacturers "short" as it did in Britain, Continental countries, the United States, and Japan, and the first advance was stimulated by the run on the market and them well stabilised because of the statistical position and the improvement in business.

UPWARD MOVEMENT. Before the close of 1932 the mills had notified Australian buyers of textiles of a rise equivalent to 1/ to 2/ per yard; and at the same time what are known as hosiery lines were advanced on the same basis. That was not a hurried movement. In the United Kingdom manufacturers had by the middle of November increased their quotations of woollen under garments by 6/ to 9/ a dozen, and all through the trade there a similar movement occurred. The necessity for the upward action has been very clearly lifustrated in the case of wool tops at Bradford as the following comparisons show:—

PEER SUES NIECE

In Australia the movement was quite in accordance with that made by the English top makers, and since December 28, at the Sydney sales, which opened this week, there was another advance by 7% to 10 per cent. for the finer qualities.

In the face of the general market ituation distributors and the retail traders have found it necessary to reduce the conversion of the greatest value for several years. The "Daily Mail" says that the Duke of Westminster is suing his niece, Lady Sibell woollens did not come until they were were suited to the strain of the greatest value for several years of the greatest value for several years in Australia the marked rise in woollens did not come until they were

RETAIL LISTS REVISED.

nicce. Lady Sibell that in Australia the marked rise in description of the Earl of Beauchamp), also he proprietor and editor of the journal for al-

CHARGED

SEQUEL TO FRENCH DISASTER

PARIS. January 4.

As a sequel to the Lagny railway disaster, on Christmas Eve, charges of imprudence, inefficiency, negligence, and non-observance of the regulations, involving loss of life, have been preferred against M. Merlin (chief engineer), Mortelot (assistant engineer), Montignault (workshop foreman), Mougeot (technical inspector), Pietremont (assistant foreman), and Caroni (inspecting mechanic), and Caroni (inspecting mechanic). or). Pietremont (assistant foreman), and Caroni (inspecting mechanic), rhile the driver and fireman of the Krasbourg express, which crashed into he stationary Nancy express, have been charged with culpable negligence.

Treason Issue Causes
Racial Clash
London, January 3.

The Brussels correspondent of the Policy Mail "says that in order to be present when the Cabinet decides tomorrow whether Government servants who were convicted of treason during the war shall be reinstated, King Albert deferred a holiday in Switzerland.

The Defence Minister (M. De Veze) supports the Belgian soldiers' opposition to the reinstatement. The Public Works Minister (M. Sap), who is a Feming, declares that street demonstrations, by force soldiers will not be present and the properties of the course of the course. The launch street demonstrations by force soldiers will not be present when the course of the course of

the threatened increase in prices in the new year.

In reply to questions to-day, an an-nouncement was made on behalf of the companies that, although prices were to be increased, no date for the increase had been fixed, and prices would remain at the present levels for a week at least.

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Financial Relations Must Be Reviewed

VICTORIAN PREMIER'S CRITICISM MELBOURNE, January 4.

bed last night, three boys. George Edmund Davies (13). Ladon Davies (11), and Monte John Davies (6). left their parents' home in Hayward Street. Paddington, and have not since been located.

The boys were sent to bed at 7 p.m., and at 7.30 their father found that they were missing. Their pyjamas were in the bedroom, together with a quantity of clothing packed in a sugar bag.

The eldest boy is of dark complexion. When the sertain the only planet on which life abounds, as Mercury had a temperabulant of clothing packed in a sugar bag.

The eldest boy is of dark complexion, was wearing a striped cloth coat and dark trousers, and cap. Ladon, who is 4ft. in height and has a fair commlexion, wore a blue blouse coat and dark trousers, while the youngest brother, who is also of fair complexion, was similarly dressed. None of the boys were boots or stockings.

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