

SIR JOSEPH WARD.

If Sir Joseph Ward is going to serve the Empire Trade Commission as representative of New Zealand there is not much likelihood of his forsaking the Dominion and settling in the Commonwealth...

THE TERRITORY ADMINISTRATOR.

Dr. Gilruth, who was recently installed as Administrator of the Northern Territory, ought to be in the heavens of his dignity at Darwin.

THE MEMBER FOR WAKEFIELD.

The Hon. R. W. Foster, who has been speaking in the campaign on behalf of the Liberal candidate in Werriwa (N.S.W.), is a fine fighting speaker and deeply loved by the people.

THE NEW MODERATOR.

The Rev. A. J. Wade, who was this week elected Moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly, was ordained to the ministry 20 years ago.

HOLDS THE BALANCE.

Mr. Donald Norman Cameron, who holds the balance of power in the Tasmanian House of Assembly, and in this relation occupies much the same position which gave him extraordinary notoriety in the House of Representatives some years ago.

WELL-KNOWN MEDICO.

Dr. A. A. Lendon, who gave much useful evidence before the Education Commission on Wednesday, is one of our best known medical men.

THE PRINTED WORD. Books And Their Writers.

By "Spero."

BOOKS RECEIVED.

(From Ripley, Limited.) THE CHARM OF LIFE, by John Richards. THE KNIGHTLY YEARS, by W. M. Artaga.

BOOKS REVIEWED.

A FINE CHARACTER STUDY.

"Christopher," by Richard Pryce: Hutchinson's Colonial Library (through George Robertson Proprietary, Adelaide). As an analyst of character Mr. Pryce can claim a seat in the front rank of modern authors.

A PASSIONATE DANCER.

"Carnival," by Compton Mackenzie (G. Bell & Son, through Robertson & Co. Proprietary, Limited). This is a brilliant psychological study of a ballet dancer not the Prima Ballerina of the ordinary novel...

POETRY.

A SONG OF THE SCOTTISH BORDER.

This is the land of clean winds blown, from the white-capped fells of snow. Of wide hill-pastures fenced with stone. Of fields of fallow and lea...

THE WATTLE PATCH.

By "Geoff Swaine."

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ITEMS OF THE WEEK.

Two burglars met the other evening. "What are you doing on tonight, Bill?" asked the Angler. "I had a great bit of fishing at Largs on Friday night."

THE BUNGARRA CLUB.

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CASUAL REMARKS.

"The Mail" has been proved to possess not only excellent material food, but prime physical nutriment as well. The other Sunday morning a suburban lady went out to gather in this newspaper from her lawn.

RECEIVED.

"Australian Company Law, and Some Sidelights on Modern Commerce," by Joseph H. Y. Braddon, lecturer of business principles and practices, University of Sydney.

CHICKEN NOTES.

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POWER AND ITS SECRET.

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LIFE'S GREAT QUESTION.

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Emery is rubbing it into those Englishmen. Claude Jennings, who learnt his batting in the school days of his very well-to-do father, is suffering from influenza.

I call this correspondent writer to ask why I had this column the Wattle Patch. Well, firstly, I hope to make it a bright spot on this literary landscape.

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to be the model children which they were. (Voice—"They are the terror of the neighborhood.") A man with the worried look of the average schoolmaster observed that in eight cases of ten cases he had been disappointed with it.

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of colour to the length of note—semitone, quaver, or eighth. A writer in "P. P. O'Connor's Weekly" paper gives an excellent description of a simple piece of "colour music." First there appears on the screen in a darkened room a faint flash of rose colour, this gradually fades away, and all is dark again.

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MUSICAL TOPICS.

By "Cosmopolitan."

ADELAIDE AND GRAND OPERA.

According to the present arrangement in the Quinan Girls' Club, it will divide its nine weeks' tour between Melbourne and Sydney. It is to be hoped, both for the artistic and educational of the State, and the musical education of the State, that before this organisation leaves Australia it will play a short season in Adelaide.

CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT.

Before a large audience, mostly ladies and students, Messrs. William Silver and Eugene Pearce, with their quartet, gave the season on Thursday afternoon at the Banqueting Chamber of the Town Hall. The music was of the highest quality, and attracted the attention of the audience.

COLOUR MUSIC.

If the claims of Mr. A. Wallace Rimington, a London experimentalist, are in any way approximately correct, then the fact that he has discovered a new medium of appealing to the emotions, through colour music, is indeed a wonderful step into the hitherto unexplored realm of the human mind.

Advertisement for the Smith Premier Typewriter, Model 10. Features include: Visible Writing, Complete Control from Keyboard, A Key for Every Character, and various mechanical details like the Straight Line Keyboard and Interchangeable Plates.