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TELEPHONE EXPERIMENTS.

Yesterday morning the Postmaster-General (the Hon. J. Thomas) experimented with telephony between Sydney and Adelaide. He was switch-

ing the wrong poison, and would have made up something stronger, and then gave him some epsom salts. Shortly afterwards deceased bought about 20 grains of strychnine at another chemist's shop, and on going to bed on Friday night, the deceased said to his wife, "Good-bye, I have taken poison." This referred to the packet he had first received. On Saturday morning he took a dose of strychnine, which proved fatal.

POISONOUS MANURES.

A proclamation has been issued, prohibiting the importation of manure containing calcium cyanide or any similar poisonous substance, or arsenic, or any other irritant poison, in proportion sufficient to render manure poisonous if inhaled, or if deposited on the mucous membrane of the skin of a man, unless it is appropriately packed and labelled.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

The agreement, taking over the Federal Capital Territory, was signed to-day by the Federal Executive, and the bill will operate from the 1st January next.

South Australia.

Adelaide, December 5.

TROUBLE WITH LUMPERS.

The steamer Grachus arrived from Java on Saturday, with a cargo of sugar. The lumpers worked on her for about an hour, and then refused to handle further sugar, alleging that the bags exceeded the standard size. The vessel promptly proceeded to Sydney, where an effort will be made to discharge the sugar, which it is alleged cost 10 hours to the

with showers of rice and congratulations. They then sat down to a sumptuous breakfast, Mr. J. Gill, of Brassall, presiding, with Mr. Boughen, of Walloon, in the vice-chair. The usual toasts were duly honoured, and responded to. Afterwards dancing was indulged in. Mr. and Mrs. Howes left for Brisbane by the mail train. In the course of the evening several songs were sung. Messrs. McLeary, Power, and Hartwig supplied the music; and Mr. G. Knight contributed splendid records on his phonograph. At 12 o'clock all present joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne," after which the party dispersed.

Our Rosewood Letter.

POLICE COURT.

At the Rosewood Police Court, this morning, before Messrs. G. H. Dutney and J. P. Walsh, Sarah Matteri, alias Sarah Matteri, appeared on a charge of drunkenness. There have been 25 previous convictions against defendant—six during the present year. She was fined £2, or three months' imprisonment.—John Birtles and Patrick Byrnes also appeared on a charge of drunkenness. The former was fined 10s, or seven days, and the latter 5s, or 48 hours.

CRICKET MATCH.

The match Rosewood v. Walloon was played on the Walloon wicket, Rosewood batted first, and made 67 (J. Watkins 11, T. Akes 17, P. Adams 18). The Walloonites made a very good stand against the bowlers, and J. Watkins

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and parsonage. The humanity of the was a very large quite a number of congregation and tered the grounds, and welcomed by (the Rev. B. Bottom Tomley (president There was plenty modulation provided the shape of forms, and, altogether time was spent energy of the variety of which I secretary), and to preciated musical was submitted, the parsonage having the grounds. Miss several solos on the orchestra, under the Mr. Fred. Dabelst of Miss Broadhe Messrs. G. Head violins, played so Solos were sung by and Miss May Burments being played Wyman and Bro The sum of £3 was the afternoon, while and donations in ed. Choice altern by the members of opportune time, as relished. A number of friends remained to