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B.C. BAZAAR. — A successful bazaar was held in St. Mary's High School, Liverpool, on Friday and Saturday last in aid of a fund to provide monthly prizes for each class. There was a good attendance on each occasion, and a substantial amount was realised. EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION.— 'The polling on Saturday last to elect an alderman to represent West Ward in place of Alderman Brewer, resigned, resulted as follows: — Frederick Chapman, 74 ; Alfred Maswoll, 54. The election of Mr. Chapman must be regarded as another defeat for the notorious 'reform' party in Liverpool Council, though they still retain the majority. At the declaration of the poll on Monday, the successful candidate apologised for the absence of Mr. Maxwell, and, in the course of his address, directed to an audience consisting of the deputy Returning-officer (Ald. Marsden), Alderman Christiansen and ; The ANTI-JS reporter, said that he was not going into the Council to stir up strife, as, 'T some persons had stated, but, on the contrary, would uphold the decorum of debate, and support any movement for the good of the municipality. He thanked (through the press) the ratepayers for their confidence in returning him to the Council. Referring to the plenitude of unoccupied seating accommodation, he thought it was a farce to require the attendance of Returning-officer and candidates on occasions like this, when there were only empty chairs to speak to. A vote of thanks to the D.H.O. was carried by 'tumultuous applause.' The defeated candidate, Mr. Maxwell, in scoring 54 votes for a first appearance, did well. PERSONAL.— Memories of the ill-fated attempt by the Marquis de Ray to colonise Port Breton with Italian emigrants are revived in the death of Mr. Girolamo Giovanni Tome', which took place at his residence, 'Belvedere,' Holdsworth, on Thursday. Mr. Tome came of one of the oldest families in Venice, which city he left, when, as representative of the Marquis de Ray, he enrolled from among the agricultural classes of Northern Italy about 86 families for the pioneering expedition. Various reasons have been put forward in explanation of the colonising scheme, but the real facts are probably known to very few. The Italian Government, however, resolutely opposed the proposal, refusing passports to the voyagers, and prohibiting their departure from the Italian ports. The difficulty was overcome by the emigrants being embarked at Barcelona, in the south of Spain, on the S.S. India, which belonged to the Marquis. The boat was well provisioned and equipped for the expedition, but on arrival at Port Breton, the climate was found unhealthy, and the land unsuited to agriculture. In addition to the discouragement caused by the country not coming up to their expectations, the unsophisticated adventurers deeming it to be a modern Canaan overflowing with milk and honey, the natives proved far from friendly or reliable. Their six months stay was fruitful of disappointments and disasters, sickness and death. At length, Signor Tome' called his compatriots together, and planned to come on to Australia. Their vessel called in

at Noumea, where the French authorities made every effort to detain them, going to the length of condemning the vessel, after offering the emigrants great inducements to remain. With the assistance of the British Consul and Senor Remolini, Signor Tome' induced the Government of New South Wales to permit the immigration of the survivors, and the steamer John Paterson subsequently carried them all to Sydney, where they were most hospitably treated, and everything possible done to alleviate their distresses. They were accommodated with quarters in the old agricultural building in the Domain till situations were found for them in various parts of the country. Most of the families settled on the Richmond River, the locality now being known as New Italy. Signor Tome' became a close friend of the late Sir Henry Parkes. He left a widow, three sons and two daughters. OF HOPE. The members of St. Luke's Band of Unionists met their parents and friends in the schoolroom ; Liverpool, on Tuesday. The Meeting was first mooted by the president (Rev. J. Shearman), with the object of showing the parents how the children spent their evening out, and the result was very pleasing. N. S. S. say that the function was attended by a large gathering. The superintendent, Mr. John Welford, presided. The programme included some very nice individual solos (instrumental and vocal), recitations, dialogues, and duets, by Dolly Cray, Mildred Sonoma, Tommy Ashmore, Annie Marsden, Miss Tiely and Macario Paine, Roy Gray, Gertrude Deidman, Miss Lola Deadman, Blanche V., Brewster, Maud Brewster, Roneie Huek

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brought to a close by the singing of tho Doxology. A REFUTATION.— Mr. James B. Shaw writes us that he is still a trustee of the Presbyterian Church, Liverpool, the resignation read by the Rev. J. Perkins at the recent meeting of tho congregation being, he explains, for tho submission of his seat on the committee of management, and which submission he had sent in in 1899. ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.— Rov. H. M. Trickett, General Secretary Church Mis sionary Association, visited Liverpool on Sunday. He addressed the children at tending St. Luke's Sunday School, in the afternoon, and, after examining them in their knowledge of the Scriptures, ox pressed himself as being very pleased with the correctness and readiness of the answers given. The children were well taught, he said, and tho answers reflect ed great credit on tho superintendent and teachers. He preached in the oven ing to a crowded congregation, taking for his text, Hebrews xiii, 8: 'Jesus Christ the same yesterday, to-day and for ever.' He touched on tJie Messiah's deity, His manhood and His priesthood. In the course of the sermon, the preacher pro nounced it the duty of all Christians to spread abroad the tidings of salvation. Half the world, he said, had never heard of the Lord Jesus Christ. — Miss Alico Phillips, a missionary from Bagdad, in Persia, is to address the Sowers' Band at St. Luke's to-day (Saturday). OBITUARY.— It is our sad duty this week to report a long death roll in Liv erpool district. An old age ponsionor named William Black died at tho Sydney Hospital on Thursday from Bright's dis ease, after several weeks in that institu tion. Mr. Girolamo Tomo, of Holds worthy, died on Friday at the ago of 73. Mr. James Kirkpatrick, one of the best known residents of Hoxton Park, breath ed his last on Saturday, at the age of 53. Deceased had suffered for many years from diabetes. In spite of his infirmities, he was an active and zealous worker in connection with the Presbyterian Church, Liverpool, and the Union Church, Hoxton Park. Of the first-named church, he was a trustee and elder, and of the S.S., in connection with the latter, he was super intendent. Mr. Kirkpatrick was highly esteemed in the district for his Christian life, and for his over-readiness to assist his neighbours. Deceased leaves a wid ow and grown-up family. The funeral, which was the largest that has ever come from Hoxton Park, took place on Mon day : the remains being interred in the Presbyterian Cemetery, Liverpool. The coffin was carried -from the hearse to the graveside bv the elders of the church, and Rev. J. Perkins, B.A., performed the last rites of the Church. During the service at the church on Sunday, sympa thetic reference was made to deceased, and his valuable services to the church were gratefully acknowledged. — An old resident of Holdsworth, in the person of Mr. Charles Hockoll, aged 72, died on Monday, and Mas interred in the C. of K. Cemetery, Liverpool, on Tuesday, tho ceremony being performed by Rev. J. Shearman. BURGLARY. — On SRti)td»y night whilst Mr. and Mrs. I^ Murray, o( Spoart-atrnet, Liverpool, wero away i\it In\* CnnvAnl School buzaivr, thoir dwelling wnp broken into, nnd n quantity o( olothinn ami bl.nkets etolcn. Tha ohildron'9 monpybox with the Bnvinjta of »ev ernl jpiub was taken also. It vas f.^und (tnpty next mornina: at the lower end of tbn yard,' hnvlni; been opmied with n brendknile, whfob wbb found clone boaldn it. The thief olimhrd over :hn dividing f»noe between Mr. Murray's and Mr. CliuheV, but fai.'ort to iSfot an entmnoa them, no, however, tool: n piroe of oilolotb, and npparonlly mado tho clothlnK nna blankets into a swag, the Btrnps belonging to Mr. Murray'.! travelling bag being »lbo mia-inf. Tho polioo have the matter In hind.