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THE AUSTRALIAN NEWSPAPERS **DIGITISATION PROGRAM (NDP)**

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

Reason can in general do more than blind force. Corn Gallus.

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AGRICULTURE

PROMOTION IN F.C.T.

State Co-operation

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haves and landholders to obtain the 1dsice and knowledge of the expects of the Department of Agriculture, N.S.W. Buring the past week Mr. J. Green, Agricultural Inspector Juna been active is the Torritory sowing experimentar sicts on several breal farmis. It is hop-

FINAL RALLY

THREE CANDIDATES AT KINGSTON

DEFINITE HOUSING POLICY

DR. NOTT MAKES PLEDGE

A final election rally was held at Kingston last night when Lieut.-Col. Goodwin, Dr. Alcorn and Dr. Nott addressed the

THE BLUEBIRD

Ready for Attempt

ON SPEED RECORD

After renghing the rail Blue Bird, the car in which Malcolm Campbell will attempt the world's reord, buckled the springs of the lorry on which it was being conveyed to the Sinc Bird pan. The mechanics reduced weight and the 30 veldt miles were negutiated successfully and it arrived at noon to-day. A broad white line marks the centre of the course as a guide. The police have been ordered to report at the pan on Saturday. The sky is cloudless and everything indicates that the attempt will be made on Sunday.

"CHILDISH NONSENSE"

DR. WATSON'S PROPAGANDA

"This is childish nonsense," said the Minister for Home Affairs (Mr. C. L. A. Abbott) yesterday commenting upon an advertisement of Dr. Watson's in "The Canberra Times, yesterday.

Destruction in Monaro

CONFERENCE IN

bovra next month at the instance of the Brinslabella Dingo Destruction Asand discussing ways and means for a continuous, united and vigorous campaign for the destruction of the diago pest on the Megaro.

'It is more than 130 years since the first settlement took place, on Monaro, While settlement has reduced the dingo post to a fraction of what it was formerly, there are disgoes still roaming through the ranges from Burren-

Rose Holley – Manager Newspaper Digitisation Program Presentation at the Association of Parliamentary Libraries of Australasia Conference 26th July 2007, Australian Parliament, Canberra



Current Status

- 29 November 2006 approval from Minister for Arts and Sports for National Newspaper Digitisation Program
- Budget approved -\$8 million for 3 million pages over 4 years
- 1st March 2007 contract signed with OCR supplier
- 2nd April 2007 Manager for NDP starts and program enters initial phase

Content and Coverage

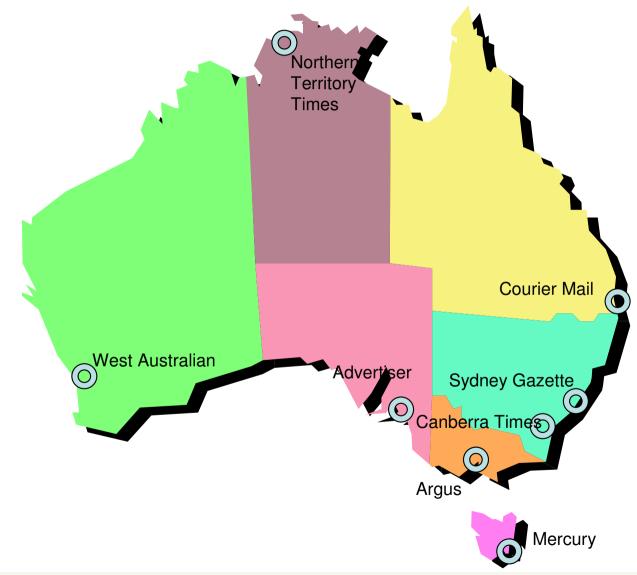
National Content

Initially a title from each state

Focus on major titles from each state first

Anticipated that 'regional' titles may be contributed later

Coverage: published between 1803 – 1954 (out of copyright)











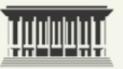












Process in brief

National sourcing of selected newspaper microfilm masters.



Masters scanned by W & F Pascoe, Sydney to tiff files.



NLA perform quality assurance, add metadata.



Apex Publishing, India process tiff files - OCR, zoning, xml markup.



NLA QA files, ingest to system, create derivatives for delivery.



Timeframe

April - September 2007

- Pilot data to Pascoe's and to APEX to design and test workflows, systems and software against agreed project spec.
- Developing software and infrastructure in-house to support workflows.



Timeframe

- October 2007 2008
- Development of search and delivery software
- □ Production phase 1 begins 500,000 pages in first year
- Public launch of service
- Progressive addition of content

Technology - internal

Old newspapers being processed and delivered using latest digital technology

- NLA developing in house:
 - Ingest and storage system
 - Workflow and content management system including quality assurance module
 - Search and delivery package
- NLA providing:
 - System Infrastructure
 (storage, backup, disaster recovery)



Technology - external

 Scanning microfilm using newest scanner (Flexscan) and software (nextstar) from NextScan www.nextscan.com



Technology - external

Apex 'Izaac' software:

- Zoning areas and articles on a page
- Flag continuing articles across multiple pages
- Categorise articles on a page
- OCR text on a page
- Re-key headings and first 4 lines of text.
- Deliver xml files (alto) and METS files.

Maitland Mercury,

HUNTER RIVER GENERAL ADVERTISER.

VOL. II.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1844.

No. 55.

JOB AND BOOK PRINTING.

N extensive addition having been just made A to the PLAIN and FANCY JOBBING TYPE at the

"MAITLAND MERCURY" GENERAL PRINTING OFFICE.

Parties requiring Posting or Hand Bills, Books, Pamphlets, Catalogues, Leases, Title Deeds, Circulars, Cards, Bill-heads, Cheques, plain or colored Labels, Baker's Bills, Impounding, Law and other Forms, &c. &c. can have them executed in a superior manner, with great despatch, and at reasonable prices.

For London direct, to follow the "Cuba,"



HE fine brig "GANNET," A 1, 322 Tons, under engagement with the Australian Agricultural Company, will be

J. B. METCALFE,

ready to receive Wool on or about the 21st January, 1844, and will meet with immediate despatch, as she will have all her dead weight on board on arrival. For freight or passage apply to

F. EBSWORTH, A. A. Company's Agent, Bligh-street, or to

Lower George-street, Sydney.

Notice.

GENERAL MEETING of the SHARE-HOLDERS in the HUNTER RIVER AUCTION COMPANY will be held at the Offices of Mr. John Turner, Solicitor, East Maitland, on Thursday, February 1st, 1844, at Noon, for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the said Company.

To Printers.

TUST RECEIVED, ex Hamlet, and on sale by the undersigned-

News Double Double Crown PRINTING PA-PER, 42 inches by 29, weight per ream 56 lb. News Double Crown ditto, 29 inches by 21, weight 28 lb.

Double Crown, 20 lb.

Double Crown, colored (yellow, lilac, and pale pink)

Demy, 17 lb.

Demy, 14 lb.

Demy, coloured (yellow, green, light blue, pink and lilac)

Folio Post, middle yellow wove, 16 lb. Folio Post, thin yellow wove, 13 lb. Small (or common size) Cards

Medium (or town size) Cards Third-large Cords

O LET, NAPOLEON COTTAGE, James's-street, West Maitland, late in he occupation of Mr. D. Patterson. The cotage contains dining room, parlour, large hall, and two large bed rooms, with detached kitchen, ervants' room, and laundry. A good yard, Rent moderate. Enquire of Mr. J. Connor, Painter, High-street.

January 12th, 1844.

Anlaby's Stores, Morpeth.

OHN ANLABY begs respectfully to inform parties requiring such accommodation, hat he is desirous of Letting his Two large STONE STORES and WHARF adjoining the Morpeth Hotel, for the pupose of a SLAUGH-TERING OF BOILING-DOWN ESTABLISH-MENT. The eligibility of the premises, to those acquainted with them, need not be dwelt upon. They will be found replete with every accommodation, and the terms will be moderate.

Wool, Grain, Tallow, and other produce, stored as usual.

Morpeth Hotel, January 10, 1844.

Scap and Candle Works, West Maitland.

TILLIAM SKINNER having succeeded to the business recently conducted by Mr. A. Dodds, as Soap and Candle Manufacturer, respectfully informs the inhabitants of Maitland and the Hunter district generally, that he is prepared to send out a superior article in either brauch of his business, either for cash or by barter for tallow.

Soap and Candle Works, West Maitland, ? opposite Reeves's, Albion Inn.

Muswellbrook Steam Mills.

EORGE CHIVERS begs to intimate that he has Reduced his charges for Grinding and Dressing Wheat to 1s. per bushel. No Credit whatever will be given, but Wheat, Wool, or Sheepskins will be taken in payment of mill charges.

6th December, 1844.

Reduction in the Price of Grinding Wheat and Maize.

OHN PORTUS begs most respectfully to acquaint the public that he has reduced his charge for grinding 25 per cent. for some months back, to those who have regularly paid their accounts.

is now 9d. per bushel, and for Separating and residence, Sportsman's Arms, West Maitland. Smutting 3d., in quantities not less than three bushels; for small lots a trifle more will be charged for extra trouble.

Maize Cracked, 6d. per bushel; Twice Ground

Classical and Mercantile Academy, Mayo's Buildings, East Maitland.

R. JAMES S. WHITE, late Teacher of the Philosophical, Classical, and Mercantile department in the Australian College, Sydney, begs to intimate to the inhabitants of Maitland and its vicinity that he Opened the above Academy on Monday, the 8th of January, 1844. Having had ample opportunities, during a course of several years experience as a public teacher and private tutor, of observing the excellent effect of the ticket system, in securing close and unremitting attention to study during the whole course of the year, Mr. White purposes introducing it. In conducting the above establishment Mr. White pledges himself that the utmost attention shall be paid to the improvement and correct moral discipline of the pupils who may be entrusted to his care.

Most satisfactory references can be procured from the Rev. Mr. M'Intyre, A.M., West Mnitland, from his brethren of the Synod of Australia, and from several of the leading men of

Sydney. The course of instruction will embrace English Reading, Grammar, Geography, with use of the Globes, History, English Composition, Writing, Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Latin, Greek, Mathematics, French, and Drawing.

Hours of teaching, from 9 a.m. to 12, and from 1 to 8 p.m.

TERMS PER QUARTER. £ s. d. Reading and Spelling alone 0 15 0 Writing, Arithmetic, Book-keeping,

Grammar, Geography, with the use of the globes, History, Composition 1 1 0 Above, including Latin and Greek .. 2 0 0 Above, including Mathematics 2 10 0 French 1 0 0 Drawing in Pencil, Chalk, Flower Painting, &c. 1 0 0

Mr. White will receive one or two Boarders, at the following charges per quarter:-For pupils under 12, £10; above, £12 10s.; including edu-

Fees payable in advance.

Barley! Barley!

/HE undersigned, taking into consideration the present scarcity of Cash, begs leave to intimate to those parties whose names have figured on the wrong side of his books for a length of time, that he will be willing to take good English or Cape Barley, Maize, Hay, or other Colonial Produce, in payment of his claims, His charge for Grinding and Dressing Wheat at the full Market Price, delivered at his R. P. CUMMINS.

> Maitland, November 14, 1843. Colonial Mused Weeshause

Affidavits for Proof of Debts in Insolvent Estates.

ORMS of AFFIDAVITS for PROOF of DEBTS in INSOLVENT BOTTOM DEBTS in INSOLVENT ESTATES may be had at the Mercury Office, West Mait-

MAITLAND PRICE CURRENT.

Ale and Porter, per hhd .. £4 10s to 5 0 0

Taylor's, ditto 5 0 0

Dunbar's, per dozen	0	9	6
Ale, Hunter Brewery, per hogshead	4	0	0
Annatto, per lb	0	6	0
Arrowroot, per lb	0	1	0
Beer, Hunter Brewery, per hogshead	2	0	0
Bottled Fruits, per bottle	0	2	0.
Per dozen	1	1	0
Bread, per loaf of 4 lbs6d to	0	0	7
Bricks, per 1000 15s to	0	18	0
Butcher's Meat: Beef, per lb	0	0	1
Mutton, ditto	0	0	1
Pork, ditto	0	0	3
Veal, ditto	.0	0	3
Butter, fresh, per lb9d to	0	1	3
Calf Skins, each2s to	0	2	6
Candles, mould, per lb4d to	0	0	41
Dip, per lb3d to	0	0	4
Cheese, per lb5d to	0	0	6
Coal, per ton	0	13	0
Coffee, per lb9d to	0	1	0
Currants, Zante, per lb6d to	0	0	8
Currie Powder, per bottle 286d &	0	3	6
Eggs, per dozen 6d to	0	0	9
Firewood, per load	0	3	0
Flour: (Portus's Mills, for cash on delivery)			
First quality, per 100 lbs	0	12	0
Second, ditto	0	10	0
Ration, ditto	0	9	0
Bran, ditto	0	5	0
(Nicholson's Mills, cash on delivery)	忿		333
First quality, per 100 lbs	0	11	0
Second, ditto	0	9	0
Ration, ditto	0	7	6
Bran, ditto	0	4	6
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Apples, per dozen6d to	0	. 1	0
Pears, per dozen6d to	0	1	0
Figs, per dozen2d to	0	0	G
Melons, each2d to	0	0	6
Grain: Wheat, per bushel 3s to	0	3	G
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Oats, Derwent, ditto	0	0	0
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HUNTER RIVER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A meeting of the committee of the Hunter River Agricultural Society was held at the Northumberland Hotel on Thursday last. About twelve members were present. Mr. Pilcher was called to the chair.

The Chairman opened the proceedings by reading the portion of the minutes of the general meeting on Thursday week which had reference to the duties of the committee.

The Rev. Mr. Stack stated that Mr. Wilson was unavoidably absent from the meeting to-day, but he had accepted the office of Secretary, and would enter upon its duties immediately.

The secretary was instructed to write to George Wyndham, Esq., to inform him that he had been appointed president of the society for the current year, and to request that he would hold the office. The Secretary was also desired to address letters to those-members of the committee who were not present at the last general meeting, informing them of their appointment; and to the members of the society generally, stating that the society had commenced operations, and requesting them to pay their subscriptions as early as convenient.

A conversation ensued upon the necessity and importance of collecting the subscriptions as early as possible, in order that the committee might be enabled to carry out the instructions of the general meeting; and with a view to facilitate the collection of subscriptions the following resolution was adopted:-"That the following gentlemen be appointed to receive subscriptions -Mr. R. Green (treasurer), Mr. Coates Wilson (secretary), Mr. G. Yeomans, Mr. P. J. Cohen, Mr. Lipscomb, and Mr. Reynolds; and also the Bank of Australasia,"

Several new members were then proposed and

The Rev. Mr. Stack said that since the general meeting he had been endeavouring to devise some plan by which the suggestion of Dr. Scott, relative to the verbal communications of practical agriculturists, might be carried into effect. He thought the suggestion a very important one, and if judiciously acted on might be the means of obtaining a large body of useful information. Some plan might be arranged, by which persons could attend the committee meetings, and after the formal business was disposed of they might enter upon the discussion of points of interest connected with agriculture, of which previous notics had been given. The Secretary could preserve loose notes of the more important portions of the conversations; and these notes might be revised and collated by a sub-committee appointed for that duty, with a view to their being recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose. He had no resolution to propose,

Pilot categories (8)

News

News and current affairs including law courts and crime, official appointments and notices (e.g., Gazettes), commerce and business news, sporting news, social news

Advertising

Classified advertisements and notices, display advertising

Birth Death Marriage notices

Births, deaths, marriages, anniversaries, etc. notices

Obituaries

Obituaries



Pilot categories

Editorial commentary and letters

Editorials, leaders, letters and correspondence (usually to the editor - unpaid), editorial or political cartoons

Shipping News

Shipping news or intelligence

Arts and leisure

Art, literature, music, theatre, comics, shows, gardening, travel

Detailed lists, results, guides

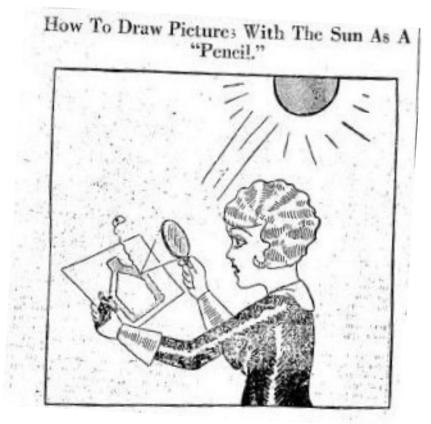
Detailed sporting results, guides, radio and television guides, weather forecasts and results, election results, education results and courses, stock market lists, crossword puzzles.



Illustrations

Categorised and have a metadata flag to mark the illustrations

- Photo
- Cartoon
- Map
- Graph
- Illustration



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Work in Progress this week...

- Derivative size and zoom technology testing
- Wireframes for search and delivery design
- In-house Quality assurance on images

Screenshots follow.....



Testing derivative sizes and zooming

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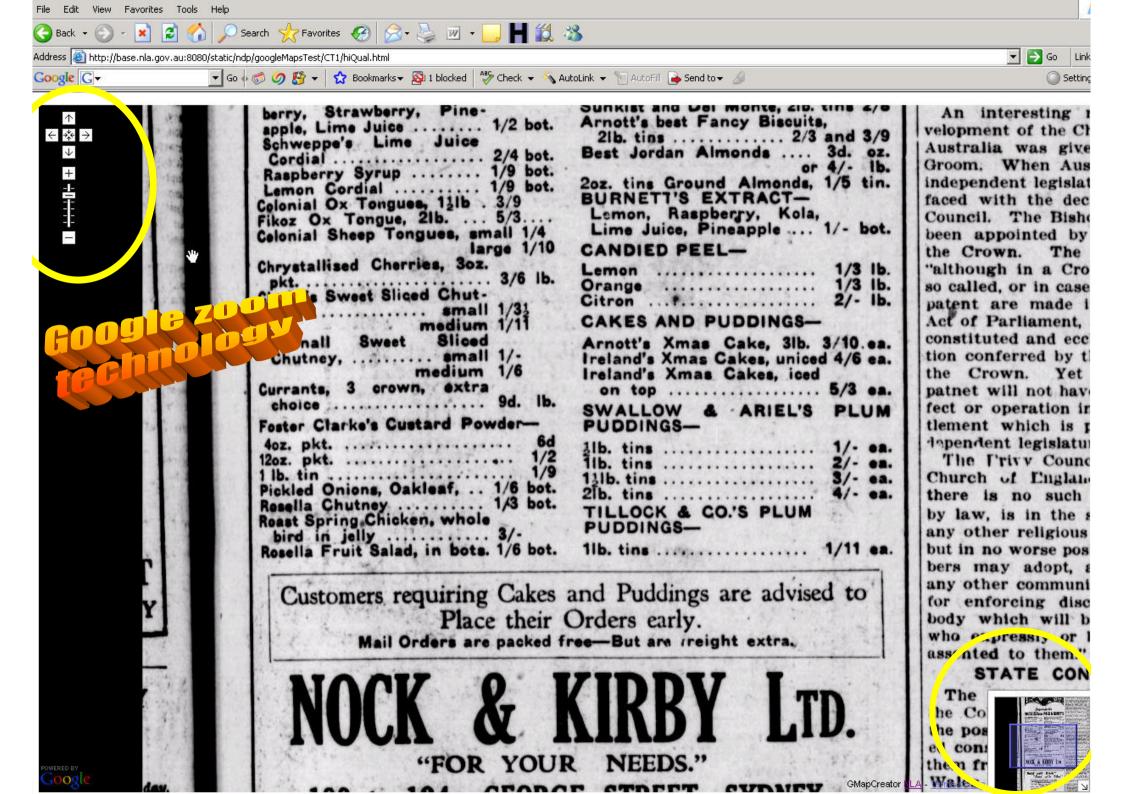
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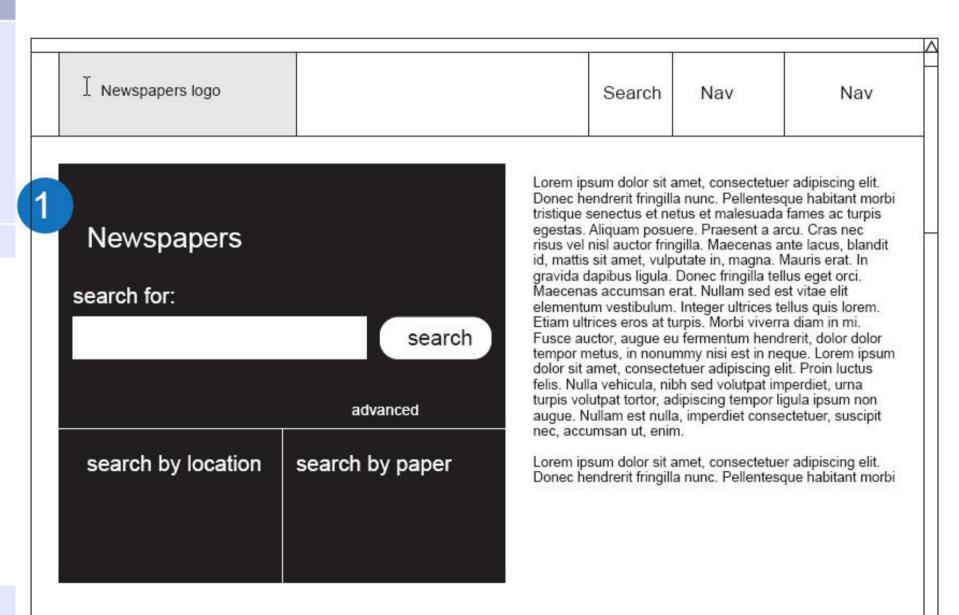
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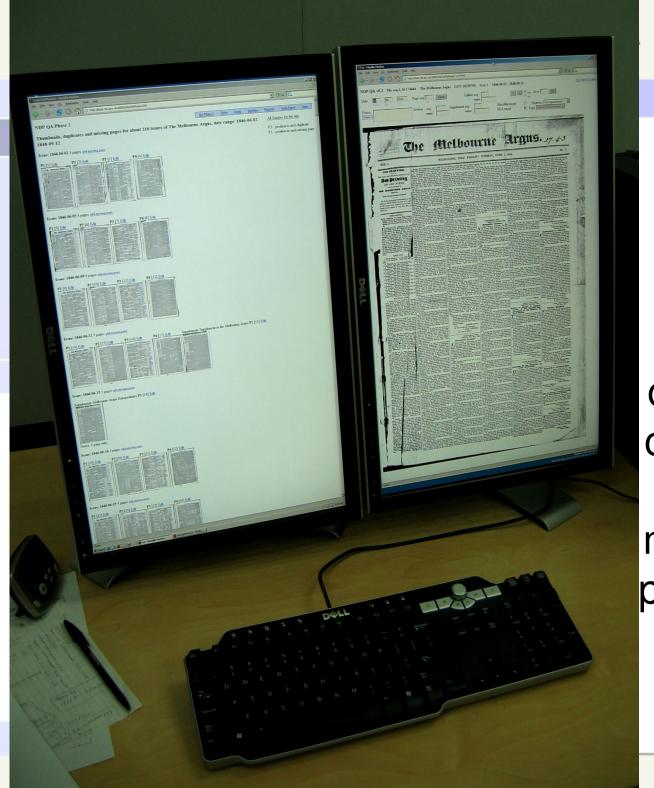
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Search and delivery wireframe





QA system In-house

Use 2 widescreen monitors placed vertically. Can view complete page within context of issue. Add metadata, sort out missing and duplicate pages within an issue. Prepare batches to send for OCR.



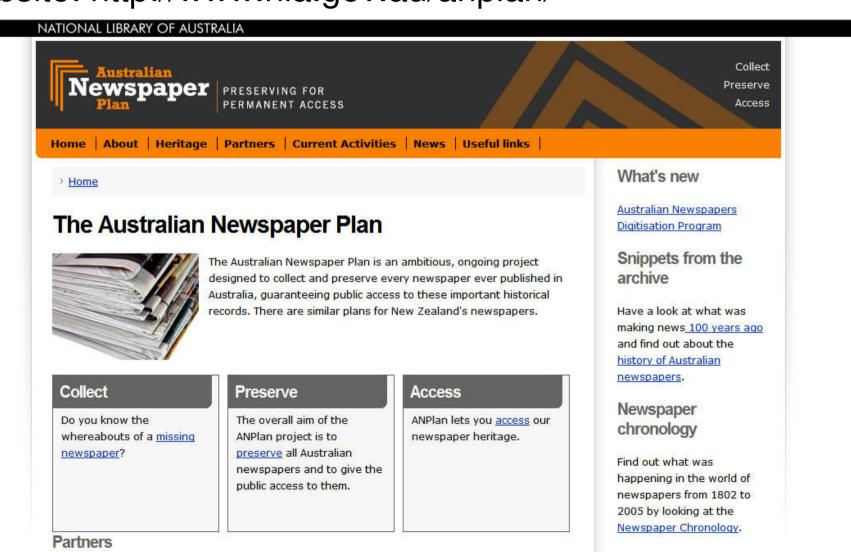
Contributions

- NLA working with State Libraries as part of ANPLAN.
- Feedback from State Libraries and stakeholders on prototype search and delivery interface.
- Tell your users about the program and which titles from your state have been selected for initial phase.
- Contribution of local newspapers at later stage.

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Relationship - ANPLAN

Website: http://www.nla.gov.au/anplan/



Keeping Up to Date

- E-mail contact NDP@nla.gov.au
- Website: http://www.nla.gov.au/ndp/

integrate the newspapers service with its other search and delivery services.





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SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1877.

TEBMA :- Cush in Advance, 8s. | Credit, 19s. per Quarte Town and Country alike.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION.

A. B. M. COMPANY.

BAM FROM MORPETH TO STONEY

CITY OF BRISHANE - WEIGHBOAT and SATUR-

COLLAROY-TURBDAY, at Big a.m. ; PRIDAY, a

TO PATERSON, TORONAY, Six a.m.



1877. Spring Season

John Lee and Co. GREAT ANNUAL WINTER

DRAPERY

FOR ONE MONTH.

HAVING AN IMMENSE STOCK TO DISPOSE OF, the greater portion being our own importations, and the balance auction purchases, suitab for the Winter Season, the Public may expect

GREAT BARGAINS.

We Guarantee to give Twenty-Five Shillings' Worth for

And, for Cash Purchases of £5 and upwards, will further allow 5 per cent or One Shilling in the Pound, Discount.

1000 Yards RICH FANGT DRESS SILKE, choice patterns and colors, 35s. the full dress 1000 Yards Extra Rich Plain Dress Silks, in all the Javovite tints, for Promenade, Evening, Wedding Dresses, at 45s. the full dress 1000 Yards Black Gro Grain Silk, 40s. the full dress

2000 Tands New Dress Serges, in Brune, Blus, Navy, and other Calors, 15s the full dress, worth 21s 2000 Tands New Satin Cholta and Solk Warps, 13s, 6d, the full dress, worth 12s, 4d.