

POST OFFICE NOTICE.—The Royal Mail steamship Ceylon will be despatched with mails for Great Britain, Europe, and the East, on Thursday, December 31. The time appointed for closing are—Registered letters, 9 a.m., Wednesday, December 30; ordinary letters and newspapers, 4 p.m., Wednesday, December 30.

BENALLA POLICE COURT.—The business at this court yesterday was of a very uninteresting character. Mr. J. Holmes, P.M., and Mr. M'Bean, J.P., were on the bench. The names of about 25 parishioners, who had been summoned for non-payment of rates, were called over, but all except two had since paid their amounts. A small case—*Magniss v. Underwood*—was struck out for non appearance. In the assault case of *Patterson v. White*, the return of the summons was extended to the 25th January. A hawker's license was granted to P. J. Feare, and permission given to Richard Hoskin to shoot goats, pigs, &c., straying on his allotments in the township. On Saturday, the man Johnstone, alias Smith, was committed for trial at Beechworth by Mr. Sharpe, J.P., on a remanded charge of stealing a watch and other property belonging to one Strickly, at Dobson's hotel.

IMPORTANT SALES OF TOWN PROPERTY.—We again call the attention of capitalists and others to the very important sales of township allotments with substantial building thereon. The sales will take place at the Royal Hotel, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and be conducted by Messrs. Boger and Watts, auctioneers.

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS.—The accounts of the undermentioned persons are lying at the Receipt and Pay Office, Benalla, for payment : —John Dandon, N. R. Gordon, W. H. Hoskin, J. J. Irving, jun., Robt. Maxwell, and J. Nicholson.

LIFE INSURANCE.—We notice that the agent for the Mutual Assurance Society has been very active during his visit in Benalla, and from the amount of business he has done we should imagine the popular society Mr. Nixon represents will have no cause to regret his visit to Benalla. To all those who have not