

suspect that the nearer they are to sheep the more they like grass. But I don't know. I've not thought about that. The goats we have bring us nothing and cost us nothing. It would be a big job to replace them by another breed and keep the breed pure."

Two hours later I was looking down at Gisborne from the top of Whararata Hill, and the goats had disappeared. I saw no more all the way to East Cape, and no blackberry.

WHEN I arrived at Tolaga Bay I was told that the best place to camp was at the wharf. I had never heard of the wharf, could not see it, and had no idea where to look for it, and horrified an old resident by saying so.

"Where do you come from?" he asked uneasily.

"Wellington."

LOCAL PRIDE

"But you must have heard of our wharf in Wellington. It's the best coastal wharf in New Zealand. No matter how high the waves are they pass underneath. Everybody knows about it."

I should have said, "Of course. Now I remember. The wharf that everybody was talking about after the gale that wrecked Gisborne." But I said like a fool that Tolaga Bay when I left Wellington was not much more than a name to me.

However there is a Providence that looks after fools. When I reached the wharf I saw another man, nearly but not quite as old, putting down a basket for crayfish. Knowing all about the wharf

by this time, and determined not to blunder again, I got in first.

"This is a wonderful wharf you have here."

"Yes it is. It cost a hundred thousand pounds and is completely useless."

"What do you mean?"

"Just what I say. It cost all that money and nobody uses it."

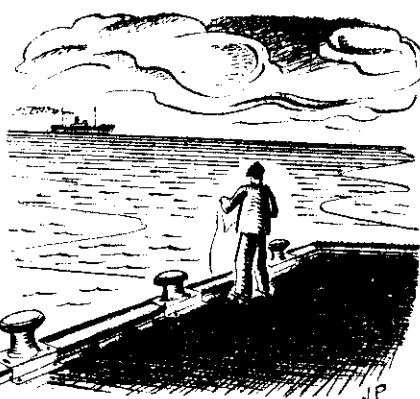
"I thought all your wool went out this way and all your stores came in."

"Well you thought wrong. We get a little boat now and again from Gisborne and nothing else at all."

"But you could send your wool this way. Your wharf is good enough for anything."

"It is good for nothing, I told you. No one uses it. The men who wanted it are all dead and their descendants use the road."

(to be continued)



"The men who wanted it are all dead"

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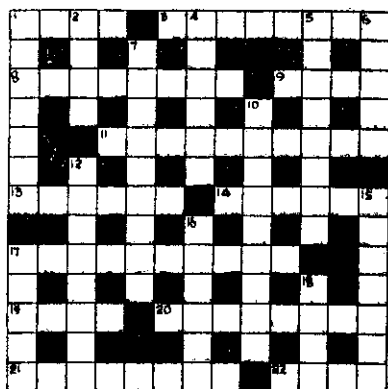
Clues Down

1. He precedes the baker and the candlestick-maker in the old rhyme.
2. Remove the rice from 3 across, and these are left.
4. Captain Kidd?
5. Ireland, for instance,
6. A cube has twelve.
7. Partner who begins by being a bit of a fool.
10. As the Mock Turtle said to Alice, "you can have no idea what a delightful thing a Lobster — is."
12. It is said to lend enchantment to the 18 down.
15. Comply with.
16. Rather careless about the young lady, it appears.
17. Forever banned?
18. See 12 down.

Clues Across

1. Part of the bird on the Bench?
3. Slip with care into a blow hole.
8. Attempt behind the finishing lines; the result may be seen at Bayeux.
9. You would hardly feel this with your gums the wrong way round.
11. No playwright could witness the performance of any play of his which was this.
13. Is rain a product of the vine?
14. Long-tots should present no difficulties to these snakes.
17. This is neat (anag.). What a contrast!
19. Mother Hubbard's poor dog didn't get one.
20. "When rich — have need of poor ones, Poor ones may make what price they will." ("Measure for Measure," Act 3, Sc. 3).
21. Kind of fodder.
22. Wary, in a way.

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