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## Picture Transmission

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Australasia

cast concert is of some interest because of its continuity. A picture can be examined, and after a few minutes is finished with. In most cases, the reproduction in the daily papers will be sufficient. It then should be strictly a commercial service, and this of greatest value. Already on the Continent and in America valuable work has been done in the rapid tracking of criminals. Finger prints can be accurately sent, and accurately received, so that rapid steps may be taken to bring to justice any malefactor.

Thus the system now operating in Australia, and promised for New Zealand, will be one of great commercial value, but must not be regarded as a new asset to the home.

## Songs of Malvern

Feature from 2YA

MALVERN is a picturesque district in Worcestershire, England, famed in the Midlands as a health and pleasure resort, which in summer-time is visited by thousands of excursionists weekly for the pleasures of climbing the famous hills.

From the summit of Bredon exceptionally fine and entrancing views are obtainable, and it is contended that landmarks in seven different counties of England and Wales may be seen, at his house a gentleman who had The rivers Severn, Wye and Avon present a fine view winding among the valleys.

"Songs of the Malvern Hills" is an Album of Seven Songs by Robert Coningsby Clarke, two of which, "Malvern Hills in Spring" and "My Girl and I," will be presented at 2YA on Monday, September 23.

#### A Revelation in Production

NOTHING could be more indicative of the tremendous popularity of radio receiving sets nowadays than the following figures supplied by a wellknown Australian and New Zealand firm concerning their manufacture.

In the production of their last season's receivers no fewer than 4,156,000 parts were used, involving 10,000,000 operations in their manufacture. Their variable condensers completed during the same period involved 1,860,000 parts and 5,630,000 operations, while eight tons of brass and two tons of aluminium were necessary for their construc-In the making of their transtion. formers the parts numbered 4,069,000 Three and the operations 5,686,000. tons of copper wire, measuring 41,450 miles in length, and 32 tons of iron and transformer sheets were used.

The above figures give some idea of the universal appeal that radio makes to the public, and certainly shows that in a few years' time the household without a radio set will indeed be a rarity.

# $oldsymbol{Divorce}$ $oldsymbol{U} oldsymbol{p}$ -to- $oldsymbol{D}$ ate $oldsymbol{\cdot}$

MANY original grounds have been discovered for divorce, but one given by a very pretty young lady in a recent New York case is certainly up-to-date. "I can't live with him any longer," she wept. "He stays up all night with his wireless set and I have to stay up all night with baby. He expects his meals at all hours and growls at me if baby cries when he is listening in. He never goes out with me and sometimes he never even answers me when I talk to him. He spends all his money on new radio material and I can't buy the clothes I want to. I'm sick of radio concerts and he expects me to enjoy them and he even expects me to help him construct his sets.

"He's been interested in wireless" two years and before that time he held down his job, but since then he has had no less than 10 positions. poyers say that his mind does not seem to be on his work."

The fact that the action was not defended seems to be evidence that the erring husband preferred his hobby to his wife. Another radio-widow.

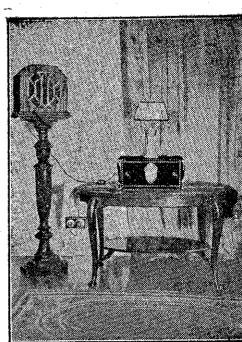
#### Broadcast Matchmaking

A REPORT came to hand recently of a very novel piece of broadcasting, and the author of its sources vouches for its truth. With a very, powerful set he got into touch with a Japanese station, and he had present spent many years at missionary work in Japan. The voice, which was very sweet, came through with perfect clarity and the report as translated by the ex-missionary was: "I am a very pretty young girl. My hair is as wavy as the clouds. My complexion as soft as velvet, has the magnificence of a flower. My brown eyes resemble two increasing moons. I have enough wealth to go through life happy with my husband and hand-in-hand. this appeal is heard by an intelligent and pleasant young man and one with a good figure, I am prepared to give him my hand for life and in years to come to rest with him in a tomb of red marble. 'Blue Iris.'" One might be led to think that New Zealand is far behind the times in radio adver-

# The First Broadcast

THE claim of being the first individual to initiate a public broadcasting service is being advanced by Mynheer H. S. Steringa Idzerda, of The Hague, who states that broadcasting history was begun when he conducted public demonstrations in Utrecht in 1919 at the Third Dutch Trade Fair.

From a room at one end of the town he transmitted a flute solo with an aerial power of 5 watts, being heard not only at the fair, but over 100 miles away. Early in 1920 the concerts became a weekly feature. KDKA, Pittsburgh, which has often claimed pion-eer honours, did not begin regular programmes until the autumn of that



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