

WEATHER FORECAST.

SHOWERS LIKELY.

Sydney, Thursday.

Isolated showers at first on the sea-board, otherwise fine. Later, unsettled weather advancing over the western and southern divisions, with some showers extending eastwards during the next two or three days. Cool night temperatures, heavy fogs and variable winds.

Right Type of Young Australian.—

When Clarence Hill, the well-known amateur cyclist, lost his life on December 5th in rescuing Harry Horam (19 years) from the boiling surf on Newcastle beach, and left his invalid parents to face the world, Horam decided it was up to him to see the old couple decently provided for. Horam had nothing himself, but a deep sense of honor and a determination to get busy at once. He went to Lidcombe, organised and collected, and in a few weeks raised over £200. Next he got the necessary labor for week ends and holidays, and ran up a neat cottage on a handy block of land, the building material and hardware being secured by him from merchant at cost price. Last week the cottage and land were handed over to Mr. and Mrs. Hill—and Horam had redeemed his obligation to his dead friend.

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100 1110, 100:—MR. H. Gregory, M.H.R., has a raking article on the abortive tariff in the Sydney "Standard," in which he emphasises the suicidal policy of giving high duties, bounties, and practical monopoly to city factory magnates at the expense of the real producers of the national wealth—the men on the land. He shows that although our exports (mostly wool and wheat) have increased in value they have shrunk in volume. Only high prices have saved the position and enabled the State to borrow approximately £400,000,000 in 15 years. If a slump in prices should come "Australia" will be faced with the greatest economic and financial catastrophe in her history, and those who to-day so proudly endorse the present suicidal policy will be denounced as blundering and incompetent political quacks by the suffering and stricken people." Mr. Gregory demonstrates that the extortionate tariff has increased the cost of production and of living, without benefiting the workers one cent, because increased prices for commodities have absorbed the increased wages received.

Digger's Luck.—For having failed to pay compensation to his second wife, Samuel Reginald Bortzell, 33, lift driver, who on March 3 pleaded guilty to a bigamy charge, appeared at Darlinghurst Sessions this week to show cause why he should not be sentenced. Bortzell is a one-legged Digger. When he pleaded guilty to the charge Bortzell was bound

a one-legged Digger. When he pleaded guilty to the charge, Bortzell was bound over, but one of the conditions of his release was that he pay £2 a week to the Clerk of Peace for the second wife, Rosaly Otiano, until £100 had been paid. It was stated that up to the present Bortzell had only paid £4. It was also stated that he received £2 a week from military pension, and in addition to this had been employed as a lift-driver until a short while back, for which he was paid £4 7s a week. It was also stated that he owned three blocks of land, and owned shares in companies. Bortzell said that he was now out of work, and he had been put to expense through the bigamy case. He had also to support the child of his first wife. He added that a doctor at Sydney Hospital had told him that his remaining leg needed medical attention. In allowing the matter to stand over Judge Curlewis said that he was not satisfied that Bortzell was trying to evade his responsibilities.

A great deal of motor trouble is caused by warped valves or hard carbon getting under the valve, wearing the seats and causing a leak of compression.
