News and Notes.

One of the last of a line of kings who used to be monarche of all they surveyed between Geelong and Colac, King Billy, arrived from Geelong on Wednesday last, so as to grace the Queenscliff racecourse with his presence. His royal highness travelled in cog and barefoot.

We are requested to call the attentin of members of the Queenscliffe Cricket Club to the fact that the names chosen to play in any of the forthcoming matches will be posted in the window of Mr J. Williams, Hesse street, and that those members will be expected on the ground at the appointed time, thus saving the trouble and inconvenience such as was caused last Saturday through men not turning up. Any persons willing to join the club and wishing to play in any matches will oblige by giving their names to Mr D. Williams, captain Q.C.C.

Br Ward, W.M., Cosmopolitan Lodge made the presentation of a beautiful P.M. jewel and an address to Br T. Dickinson, J.P., Past Master and treasurer of the Schastopol Lodge, No.

Wednesday night. Forty-seven of the craft were present from the various lodges in the district.

Cr Simpson has been unwell during the past few days, but is now on a fair way to recovery.

Lieutenant Colonel Rashleigh will visit Queenscliff to-day officially for the purpose of administering the cath of allegiance to those persons to have

room, for that purpose 4 o'clock th afternoda The annual picuic of the Wesleyan Sabbath school of this town was he'd on Wednesday last. About 70 of the teachers, scholars, and friends were conveyed to Portses in the steamer Spray, where a very pleasant day was spent. All seemed to thoroughly enjoy the outing, and returned in the evening quite satisfied with the provision which had been made for their enjoyment. The steamer was placed at the disposal of the Committee through the kinduess of Mr Greaves, the captain, to whom the thanks of all concerned were tendered.