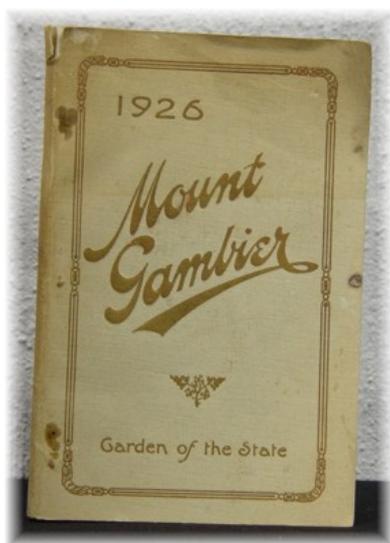






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Locke and the "Border Watch" and "South-Eastern Star."

Mount Gambier, March 1, 1926.

"I named the first of these mountains after Captain Schank and the other 'Gambier's Mountain.' The first cape I called 'Northumberland,' after his Grace the Duke of Northumberland, and another smaller, but very conspicuous jut of the land, which we plainly saw when abreast of Cape Northumberland, I named Cape Banks."

Lieutenant Grant did not land on the south-eastern coast, but proceeded to Sydney, following the coastline through Bass' Strait, and thus establishing, incidentally, the insularity of Van Dieman's Land. Lieutenant Grant was the first white man to set eyes on Mount Gambier, and, as a matter of fact, the South-East can lay claim to the distinction of being the first portion of South Australia discovered and named. It was not until two years later (in 1802) that Captain Matthew Flinders, R.N., in H.M.S. Investigator, discovered and charted the coast of South Australia from the head of the Great Bight to Encounter Bay.

The discovery of Mount Gambier by Captain Grant did not mark the foundation of town and district. Father Julian E. Tenison Woods, in his "History of the Discovery and Exploration of Australia," reports that Major Mitchell, while exploring the country between Sydney and Portland in 1835, came within sight of the Mount. From the top of a range named the Rifle Ranges he saw Mount Gambier in the dim distance to the south-west, and so knew that he could not be far from the coast. The explorer pushed on and struck the Glenelg River. The scenery near its precipitous sides he regarded as "romantic"—an opinion which hundreds who have viewed it since equally share. Touching on this, the Major, in his chronicle, writes: "The tops of the rocks were timbered with dense and tangled brushwood, and the river became narrow between them, dark and deep, throwing a mysterious air of gloom over the silent, lonely water." Major Mitchell was disappointed, however, with this discovery, for, on following the river down, he found, not the navigable bay he had anticipated, but that the river "opened at the mouth in shallow sandy flats," and that the mouth was further blocked by a sand bar. On the coast

Better sea transport and road facilities ultimately made farming more profitable, and the "sixties" and "seventies" were marked by a decided increase in the commercial activities of the district. Various trading concerns were established and the town became the rendezvous of farmers from the surrounding areas. Professional men also began to put in an appearance, and by 1860 Mount Gambier possessed all the characteristics of an Australian town.

### **The First Newspaper.**

Fresh inhabitants were attracted to such an extent that in 1861 two brothers, Messrs. A. F. and J. P. D. Laurie, came from Portland and established the first newspaper, "The Border Watch," in premises in Commercial Street, next door to the site on which the Commercial Bank now stands. In 1863 Mr. John Watson joined the partnership, and later the paper was transferred to its present home in Commercial Street east. About 1870 the burning question in Mount Gambier revolved around the action of the Government in granting greater security of tenure to the squatters. This was so strongly objected to by the townspeople that a second paper, "The Standard," was established by John Theophilus Fletcher, who set up as the special champion of the farming interests as opposed to those of the graziers. "The Standard" did not survive for many years, and was later purchased and incorporated with "The Border Watch."

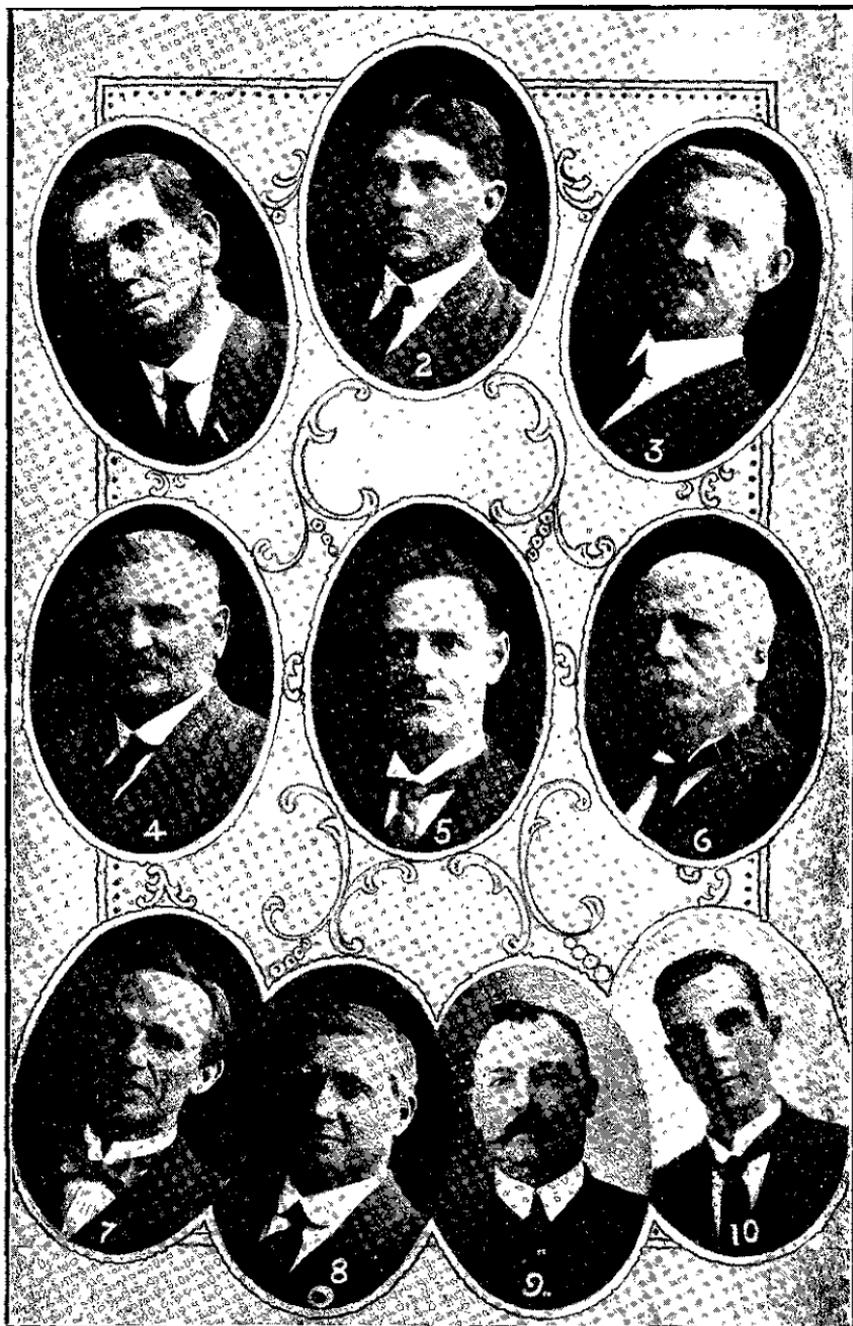
In 1877 a third paper, "The South-Eastern Star," was established. The promoters were a small local company, included in the first directorate being Messrs. C. Clark, John Goss, George Shelton, and W. H. Renfrey. Mr. John Nicholas, jun., was the first secretary, and Mr. James Fletcher Jones the first printer and publisher. The paper, which was established to champion the Liberal interest, was successfully conducted by the company (known as the Southern Printing and Publishing Company) for a number of years, but ultimately passed into the hands of Mr. J. T. Morris, the then editor, who subsequently represented this district in the State House of Assembly. About 14 years ago Mr. Morris re-

### Bushranging Days.

Travelling in the early days was not without its thrills, as bushrangers were often active over the Victorian border, and at times ventured into South Australia. On one such occasion "Bobby" Arthur, a veteran mailman, was stuck up at Stewart's Range, between Naracoorte and Kingston, on March 27, 1863. "The Border Watch" of 1863 published the following report of the occurrence, written by their Mosquito Plains (Naracoorte) correspondent:—"I regret to report the stoppage and robbery of the mails from Adelaide to Mount Gambier this evening (March 27) at 5 o'clock, midway between Mr. John Stewart's and Naracoorte. The following particulars I have just received from Robert Arthur, the mailman:—"I was stopped to-night by two men near Stewart's fence. They jumped up, one on each side of the road, one presenting at me a short-barrelled gun and the other a pistol. The first caught hold of my horse and tired his piece off into the air close to my horse's neck, the same time telling me to get off, which I did. They marched me in front of them a distance of about 80 yards into the bush. They then tied my hands behind my back and told me to lie down with my face to the ground. They took the mails from the horse, cut the bags open, and were about half an hour rifling their contents, which I did not see them do from the position I was in. One of the men was short and the other about 5 ft. 10 in. Both wore moleskin trousers; one had a blue shirt and the other a regatta. Their faces I never saw, being covered all the time with brown handkerchiefs, with holes cut for them to see through. They took the horse I was riding and rode him away, leaving the other. As soon as it got dark I got up and walked to the township, with my hands still tied behind me, and reported the matter to Mr. Carter, who unloosed me and gave information to the police.'"

In the same issue the Chief Secretary offered a reward of £200 for information which would lead to the conviction of the robbers. It was suggested that the notorious Gardiner was responsible for the affair. Gardiner was born at Tarpeena, and committed numerous highway robberies. He

LEGISLATORS OF TO-DAY.



(1) Ald. C. L. Spehr, (2) Ald. J. D. F. Harbison, (3) Ald. J. Keegan,  
(4) Cr. H. C Le Lievre, (5) the Mayor (Mr. R. M. Haig), (6) Cr. E.  
F. Harbison, (7) Cr. A. R. Hill, (8) Cr. S. C. Davis, (9) Cr. W. Hay,  
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  - › look for others who lived in the same place or street
  - › who was the postmaster or police officer in the town?
  - › how often and at what time did the coach arrive in town?
  - › what churches were there and what time were services held?
  - › what other activities were there in the community?
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