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BOURKE.

I have only this hour arrived from the north-east, and have but little news that I can send you readable, this mail, as it leaves in a few hours. One thing, however, I cannot let pass without mention—that is the tea meeting originated by Mrs. G. Harris and Mrs. J. Reed. At first the idea was laughed at as utopian by those for whose benefit it was mooted. However, in spite of ridicule, these two earnest ladies went about the work, and succeeded admirably. Not only were their own friends appealed to to take tickets, but the rough bushman handed out his money, until a sum of £25 9s. 6d. was actually raised. This done, the court-house was obtained from Mr. Garrett, and the manual part of the affair was commenced; huge tables were taken from the Royal, the residence of Mrs. Harris, with the other necessary appliances, and on Monday, the 11th instant, a superb repast was ready for the subscribers. All passed off with wondrous glee and satisfaction, and at its conclusion Mr. Garrett, in behalf of the ladies, thanked the company for their attendance, and the movers of the affair for the energy and charity displayed by the two above-mentioned ladies, and I think they richly deserved the tribute.

The Goolwa is at Beemery, taking in wool. She will likewise take Mr. Booron's from Bunawana.

The river is slowly subsiding.

Weather fearfully hot—109° in the shade.

November 15.